

Bethany Christian Church (DOC)
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www.bethanychristianevansville.com



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learn the **word**
live the **grace**
share the **love**

Bethany Newscast—September 2025

Bethany Christian Church is an Open & Affirming Congregation of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

We at Bethany Christian Church are Disciples of Christ, a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world. As part of the one body of Christ seeking to learn the word, live the grace, and share the love, we welcome ALL to the Lord's Table as God has welcomed us with grace and unconditional love and acceptance. So, with open hearts, open minds, and open doors Bethany Christian Church acknowledges, accepts, and affirms ALL people as equal children of God and affirms OUR commitment to welcome and accept ALL people. Therefore, **regardless of race, nationality, culture, ethnic origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic status, physical and mental ability, marital standing, or any other designation of individuals who have known the pain of exclusion and discrimination by the church and society, ALL are welcome to participate fully in the life, leadership, ministry, and mission of our church.**

Check out Disciples LGBTQ+ Alliance (www.disciplesallianceq.org) to learn more!

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Disciples LGBTQ+ Alliance



**Sundays
@ 10:30am**

September 7

Liturgist: John Sterne
Elder: Chris Gibson

September 14

Liturgist: Tandy Jones
Elder: Vanessa Wagler

September 21

Liturgist: Shawn Sterne
Elder: Tandy Jones

September 28

Liturgist: Jim Jones
Elder: John Rich

September Deacons

Primary: John Sterne
Secondary: Greg Buckert
Supporting: Meichelle Paulson and
Ryan Wagler



September

Birthdays

1st	Michael Bryce Bunner
1st	Kathy Pulley
2nd	Ryan Wagler
2nd	Anderson Russell
4th	Chris Gibson
9th	Terry Kay Roberts
9th	Taylor & Tyler Austin
11th	Greg Small
15th	Julie Jines
18th	Steve Cox
21st	Connie Helm
23rd	Rev. Bonnie Goodwin
25th	Rev. Kyle Hunter
27th	Melanie Rundle
28th	Olivia Gilham
29th	John Bunner
29th	Levi Gilham

Anniversaries

5th Steve & Sheri Cox

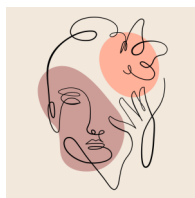


If you have additions to the prayer list, please call the church office Mon-Fri from 8:30a to 12:30p (812-422-5439).

Linda Appel, Steve Appel, Caroline Ashby, Stacy Baier, Steve Buckert, John Bunner, Stevie Chivlare, Dave Cox, Nita Cox, Steve Cox, Ron Dennis, Cale Harper, Mary Jane Hunt, Katie Kelly, Lisa King, Debby Miller, JoAnn Mitchell, Family & Friends of Wes Mitchell, Mary & Mike Pruiett, Shelia Smith, Myra Woolsey



Sundays 9a.....	Sunday Social
Sundays 9a.....	Youth Group
Tuesdays, 4p.....	Tai Chi
Wednesdays, 6:30p.....	Choir Practice
Thursdays, 12p.....	Guided Meditation
Thursdays, 6p.....	Art Journeys
September 6, 9a-3p.....	Fall Fest Prep Day
September 12, 6-10p.....	Board Game Night
September 14, after worship.....	Church Picnic
September 26-27, 7p-8a.....	(Adult) Ladies Lock-in
September 27, 10a-1p.....	Labyrinth Outing
September 28, after worship.....	Commitment Sunday Meal
September 29, 4-7p.....	COVID & Flu Drive-thru Vaccine Clinic
September 29, 7p.....	Board Meeting
September 30, 6p.....	Book Study



Midday Mindfulness

30-minute Meditation,
12pm Thursdays
In Person ♦ On Zoom
*Mats, cushions, comfy couches,
and lift chair available*



Art



Journeys

Thursdays, 6pm

*Bethany Basement
Wellness Space*

Join us as we continue to explore how acts of creation can calm the body and mind and fill the spirit. All ages and abilities are welcome.

Bethany Mental Wellness Update

The Art Journeys ministry continues to expand in scope and in number. In August, Greg Buckert donated his time and skill to convert the former daycare potty-training bathroom into a heat-resistant room with wiring needed for the ceramics kiln Bethany received as a donation. This adds an entirely new dimension to the art we are able to explore. This ministry involves 10 active participants, including two children and two people who are new to Bethany.



Bethany reached beyond its walls to invite many people and organizations to attend and participate in the Mental Health and the Church Event. By August 29, registrations included 42 people, 31 of whom will be coming from outside the Bethany community. Five experts will serve on the discussion panel, and six organizations will participate in the resource fair. See the October newscast to read about how it went!



The Mental Health Initiative grant Bethany received includes a therapy fund to assist people needing mental health care who would not otherwise be able to afford it. If this describes of you or someone you know, please scan the QR or visit Bethany's website, bethanychristianeansville.com, to apply. So far no one has taken advantage of this resource, and the grant expires at the end of October. You do not need to be a member or attendee of Bethany to receive this assistance.



Sept. 8, 5-8p—RPG Club
Sept. 8, 6p—Dinner Service
Sept. 15, 6:30p—Crochet Club

The IYG and the Greater Evansville Youth provide a safe space to educate; empower; and support the lives of LGBTQIA+ youth, young adults, and their allies in the Evansville area.

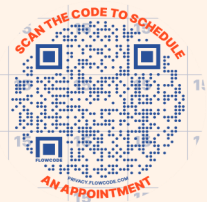
ITYG is located at 501 John St
Suite 12, in Evansville.

Want to learn more?
Contact Pastor Michelle, Jean Page, or
Shawn Sterne for information
on how you can support this group.

Spend Time With Your Pastor!



Arrange a visit with Pastor Michelle by phone, email, or scanning this QR code.



Note: Michelle will be on vacation 9/18—9/26. Please reach out to an elder for assistance during this time.

calling all YOUTH!

EXCITING ANNOUNCEMENT

We're thrilled to share that we will be offering a **Youth Group** on Sundays at 9am starting September 7. We can't wait to welcome you. Invite your friends!!

Talk to Garrett Brown for info or email him at gabpats76@yahoo.com



2025

Fall Festival

Bethany will once again be participating in the Fall Festival on Franklin Street taking place October 6-11th, and WE NEED YOUR HELP!! Donation days have already started, and in addition to bringing the items listed, we are also happy to accept any monetary donations. Prep Days will be September 6th for Zippy and Chili, and October 4th for everything else. Sign up to work those days or any shifts in the booth or the kitchen during festival week using the QR code to the right, or on the clipboards in the Narthex at the church. We need all the help we can get to make this a success, and even though it is a lot of work, we always have a great time of laughing and fellowship as well. Non-members or former members are welcome to join the fun as well. We'll see you on Franklin Street!



CHURCH PICNIC

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING WORSHIP



**BRING A SIDE OR
DESSERT TO SHARE**

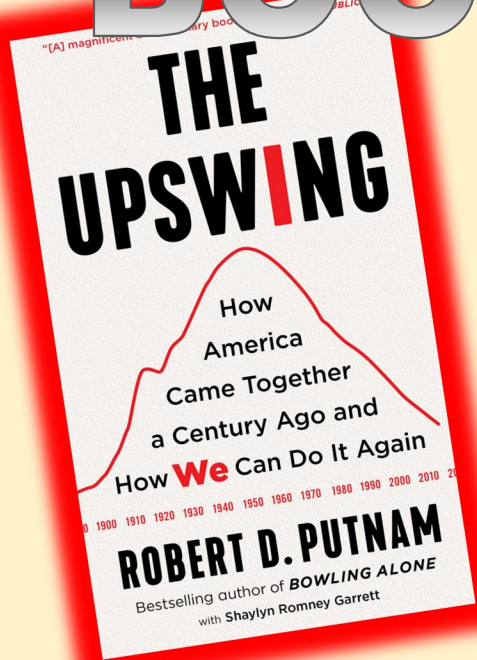


**IN FELLOWSHIP
HALL**



**GAMES SET UP
OUTSIDE**

BOOK STUDY



Begins September 30, 6:00pm

Do you find yourself asking, “How did we get here?”

In his book *The Upswing: How America Came Together a Century Ago and How We Can Do It Again*, Robert Putnam looks at the forces that have shaped America for over a century.

Without sentimentalizing the progressive reforms of mid-twentieth century America, Putnam's long perspective provides a hope for our future and a roadmap we can follow to get there.

We invite you to join our friendly discussion.

Journey to the Labyrinth

**Sep. 27, 10a - 1p, Harmonist Labyrinth
1239 Main St, New Harmony, IN 47631**

Discover the history, symbolism, and spiritual purpose of labyrinths in the peaceful setting of New Harmony. Our time together will begin with a short lesson led by Meichelle Paulson, offering insight into the meaning behind this ancient practice. Afterwards, you'll have the chance to walk the labyrinth yourself—a reflective and calming experience. We'll conclude with a shared lunch, giving space for conversation and connection. Join us for this unique, educational, and uplifting experience—a day of learning, reflection, and community. space for conversation and connection.



SLEEP OVER PARTY

September 26 @7pm

****ADULT LADIES****

Join us for an night of fellowship and fun. Watch a movie, do a puzzle or just chat and laugh with us. Bring your jammies and a sleeping bag (and maybe an air mattress) to see what we get into. We will plan on ordering pizza and sharing a light breakfast. Contact Shawn Sterne or Adrienne Jones for more information.

September 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 LABOR DAY Church Office Closed	2 4p - Tai Chi 6:30p - Pastoral Relations Comm.	3 11a-2p Pastor Office Hrs 6:30p - Choir 7:30p - Strat Plan Mtng	4 12p - Meditation 6p - Art Journeys	5 11a-2p Pastor Office Hrs	6 9a-3p Fall Fest Prep Day
7 FOOD PANTRY OFFERING 9a - Sunday Social 9a - Youth Group 10:30a - Worship 12p - Elder's Meeting	8 5-8p - GEY RPG Club 6p - GEY Dinner	9 4p - Tai Chi	10 11a-2p Pastor Office Hrs 6:30p - Choir	11 12p - Meditation 6p - Art Journeys	12 11a-2p Pastor Office Hrs 6-10p Board Game Night	13
14 BDAY & ANNIV. OFFERING 9a - Sunday Social 9a - Youth Group 10:30a - Worship 12p - Church Picnic	15 6:30p GEY Crochet Club	16 4p - Tai Chi	17 6:30p - Choir	18	19	20
				Pastor Michelle on Vacation Sept. 18-26		
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28 COMMITMENT SUNDAY 9a - Sunday Social 9a - Youth Group 10:30a - Worship 12p - Church Dinner	29 4-7p - Flu/COVID Vaccine Clinic @ Bethany 7p - Board Meeting	30 6p - Book Study	Notes:			

Season of Stewardship

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