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*Our Mission:
To equip people
to be fully
devoted to Jesus
Christ through
relevant and
practical
ministries.*

St. Bridget Pantry
donations
1st Sunday of
every month

Mission of the
Month for June



See Kathy
Metcalf to
Volunteer

As Summer begins at Bethany, we wanted to remind each of you of the importance of your continued support and assistance as the PNC continues its search for our next pastor. If you can help in any of the areas below, please call and offer. Don't wait to be asked. Your help is always appreciated.

- Sunday Greeters – A Sign-Up Sheet is available on the Information Desk and dates will be assigned by the Deacons (We need you, please sign up!)
- Seasonal Flowers – Deacon Responsibility – If you have a special occasion floral display to donate please call Cheryl Eickman (815-540-7076).
- Weekly Worship Bulletins: Coordinated by Marlys Marsh and Tim Krug (If you have something for the Sunday Bulletin, please email Marlys at mar4806@comcast.net).
- Monthly Beacon Newsletter – Coordinated by Lori Mitchell (Please email articles to Lori at momm316@yahoo.com) by the last week of each month.
- Incoming mail is collected and distributed by Tom Smith and Marlys Marsh
- Answering Machine is utilized for incoming phone calls. Lori Mitchell checks the answering machine both morning and evening and forwards any requests. However, if you have an emergency, please call Lori Mitchell at 815-494-2753 or Tom Smith at 815-988-9056.
- Visitors: Currently there are few visitors per week. There are signs posted on the door to call the office (815-877-8001) for an appointment should it be necessary. There are Session Members available to respond to these requests.
- Website: Is maintained by Tami Munger. -- Facebook: Is maintained by Lori Mitchell with assistance from Chris Franklin.
- Calendar: Is maintained by Tami and Marlys
- Personnel: Tom Smith and Dan Bock are Chairmen of Personnel.
- Grounds: Donovan Wood and Jay DuFoe coordinate any needs.
- Financials: Debbie DuFoe is the Church Treasurer and Deb Smith is the Recorder.
- VBS: Chris Franklin is coordinating. Call her at 815-742-4842 to volunteer or to donate items.

Bethany is so blessed by all the volunteers who continue to represent God through their love and commitment. We especially want to thank Tim Krug and Pastor Joe for their dedication and the awesomeness with which they bring Bethany's ministry to our Bethany family as well as the entire community.

Because of our love for the Lord we serve! Lori, Tom, Dan, Tami, Jay, Gayle, Marlys, Jerry and LaVerne.



MISSION OF THE MONTH

St. Bridget serves Loves Park and Machesney Park for those who are in need of help to feed their families. With summer almost here, children will not have school lunches to sustain them during the day and families will depend even more heavily on their help. The Missions and Outreach Committee asks each of us to contribute monetarily with our Mission giving and also to donate non-perishable foods during the first two Sundays in June to benefit the St. Bridget Pantry. Containers are available in the Narthex and the Education Wing Entry for your donations. Let's share with glad and generous hearts, knowing that we are doing just as the Lord would have us do for the needy.

A "contemporary thing"

"A contemporary thing" is pleased to announce that "Fire @ 4th and State" will be providing a return engagement on June 14th at 5pm here at Bethany.

If you will recall, "Fire" is a praise and worship band from Pekin, IL. These friends of the Bethany Youth Group met during a previous Mission Trip. When they heard that Bethany was having a contemporary service, they volunteered to host the event in August, 2014.

Bethany is very excited to share our love for the Lord with them during this return performance!



Ginny Falnes would like to express her thankfulness to her Bethany Family for your concern, your cards and prayers for her complete recovery. She is home now, but not accepting visitors at this time. Cards are greatly appreciated. Thank you from Ginny!

We continue to pray for Bruce Wyatt as he receives treatment for cancer. He appreciates your prayers for strength and recovery!

We would like to give our deepest thanks and gratitude for the many prayers, cards, and words of encouragement our family received during our Uncle Brian Krug's illness and passing. Thank you - it means and helps so very much." -- The Krugs

PAPER ANGEL CLOSET

Paper Angel Closet served four families in April with necessity items and prayer. Items most needed are bleach, household cleaning items, dish soap, dryer sheets, shampoo, band aids, paper towels, maxi-pads, tampons and your prayers for those less fortunate. God bless your continued support and donations.

Thank you Deacons for performing this necessary reach-out ministry at Bethany Church.



June

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
 HAPPY FATHER'S DAY	1	2 Session Reports Due 7pm: PNC 7pm: AA 7pm: Al-Anon 7pm: Al-Ateen	3 Weekly Bulletin Deadline 3:30pm: Julie Badowski 6pm: Praise Team 7pm: Chancel Choir	4 Session Reports Due 7pm: Al-Anon	5 4:30pm: Julie Badowski	6
7 10:15am: Worship Celebration and Communion Service 11:30am: Fellowship	8 7pm: Session	9 6pm Uriel Circle Cookout at Sherry Zahorick's 7pm: PNC 7pm: AA 7pm: Al-Anon 7pm: Al-Ateen	10 Weekly Bulletin Deadline 3:30pm: Julie Badowski 6pm: Praise Team 7pm: Chancel Choir	11 Senior Follies @ RU 2/6:30pm 6pm: Parents Prayer Group 7pm: Al-Anon	12 4:30pm: Julie Badowski	13
14 10:15am: Worship Celebration 11:30am: Fellowship 5:00pm – Fire @ 4 th and State Concert and Service	15	16 7pm: PNC 7pm: AA 7pm: Al-Anon 7pm: Al-Ateen	17 Weekly Bulletin Deadline 12:30pm: Hannah Circle 3:30pm: Julie Badowski 6pm: Praise Team 7pm: Chancel Choir	18 9am: BYKOTA Circle 7pm: Al-Anon	19 4:30pm: Julie Badowski Bethany Women Lunch @ Stockholm Inn @ 11am	20 11am Evonne Cullen's Memorial @ Sunset/Lunch at Bethany 1-4pm Celebrate Paul and Ava Brown @ University Club
21 Happy Father's Day 10:15am: Worship Celebration 11:30am: Fellowship	22 Vacation Bible School (VBS) 5:45pm: Paper Angel Closet	23 VBS Beacon Articles Due 7pm: PNC 7pm: AA 7pm: Al-Anon 7pm: Al-Ateen	24 VBS Weekly Bulletin Deadline 3:30pm: Julie Badowski 6pm: Praise Team 7pm: Chancel Choir	25 VBS 7pm: Al-Anon	26 VBS 4:30pm: Julie Badowski	27 BYG Fundraiser @ Park Lanes 6pm
28 10:15am: Worship Celebration 11:30am: Fellowship	29 7pm: Christian Education	30 7pm: PNC 7pm: AA 7pm: Al-Anon 7pm: Al-Ateen				 HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

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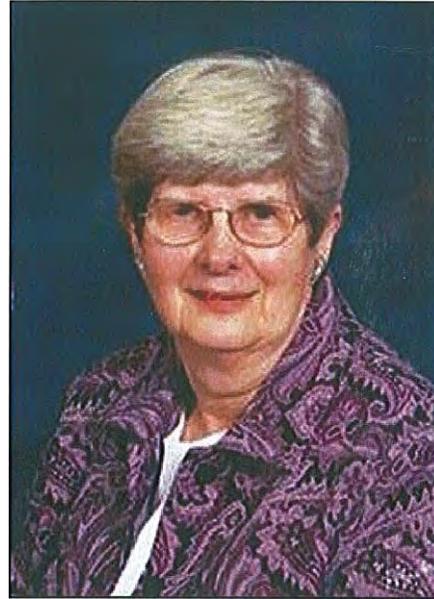
EVONNE E. CULLEN

November 1, 1920 – December 25, 2014

Evonne E. Cullen, 85, Superior resident, died Thursday, December 25, 2014 at St. Luke's Hospital on the Hospice Unit in Duluth, MN. She was born in Albany, WI on November 1, 1929 to William V. and Jessie (Cole) Whipple.

Evonne was a cook for Parkside Daycare Center for twenty years.

She was a long-time member of Bethany Presbyterian Church in Loves Park, IL where her active years were spent serving as a Deacon, and circle member. In her younger years she was very active with the Girl Scouts and Job's Daughters. She enjoyed spending time with her children, cooking, sewing and crocheting.



Evonne is survived by four daughters, Pamella (Raul Romo) Converse, Tucson, AZ, Vicki (William) Mullens, Superior, WI, Judith (James) Rousonelos, DeKalb, IL and Sharon (Daniel Garza) Bucholtz, Lindenhurst, IL, and; seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; one sister, Nancy Friedrichs and one brother, Arthur (Letha) Whipple, both of Monroe, WI and multiple nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Harold Cullen and her parents.

BETHANY BEACON NEWS:

Evonne was a former Deacon and a member of Uriel Circle. She was loved by all her friends and Bethany family and her presence is missed at Bethany. Evonne's memorial service will be held at Sunset with Pastor Joe officiating on Saturday, June 20, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. with graveside services to follow. Bethany's Deacons are pleased to host a luncheon in Fellowship Hall following the internment. The congregation is invited to attend.

Lori Mitchell remembers lots of exciting times when their children were growing up and attending Bethany's Youth Activities. One particular time that stands out was a retreat to Green Lake with lots of praise and worship and crazy fun. In her most recent years in Loves Park, Evonne was very active with the Uriel Circle and enjoyed spending time with her friends in Bible Study. Her friendship with Ollie Bressler was a cherished time in her later years and Lori Mitchell remembers many lunch hours spent with Evonne in conversation. We are so pleased that she is now with our Lord and her loved ones enjoying Heavenly bliss.

TIME TO CELEBRATE!

ANNIVERSARY AND RETIREMENT!

50th

Please Join Us!
June 20, 2015
1-4 PM

The University Club of Rockford
945 N. Main Street

No Gifts Please; Your Presence is Gift Enough!

RSVP to Jodi by June 15 - (815) 742-2962 or readmohr@yahoo.com