

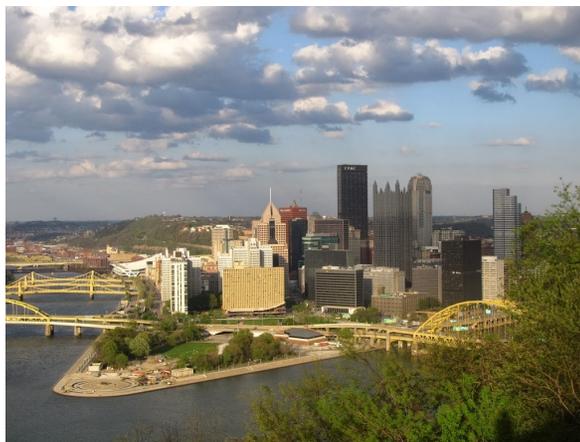


NOVEMBER 2019

# Beulah

# LIFE

Beulah Church – reaching out ... to welcome and serve others in the name of Jesus Christ!



## “Greater Things Are Still to Be Done in this City”

Rev. Dr. Cynthia Reyes Fillmore

But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare. Jeremiah 29:7

There is a song that Chris Tomlin does called “God of This City.” The song was written and recorded by a group from Belfast called Bluetree. Some of the lyrics are:

*You're the God of this city  
You're the King of these people  
You're the Lord of this nation*

*You're the light in this darkness  
You're the hope to the hopeless  
You're the peace to the restless*

*There is no one like our God*

*For greater things have yet to come  
And greater things are still to be done in this city*

As we continue to move out into ministry in our community, do we believe that God is doing and wants to do great things in the city of Pittsburgh? God cares about cities: scripture shows us that the history of humanity begins in a garden and ends in a city. In Jeremiah 29:7, even in the hated city of Babylon, God's people were to seek its welfare and to pray for it.

Recently I was at a pastor's lunch at Christ Church in Sewickley. The organizers want to renew a vision for Pittsburgh that started 60 some years ago. It is a vision that Pittsburgh would become as known for its heart for God as it is for steel. A large part of how this vision can become reality is for Christians in the city to come together in prayer and ministry efforts in the city.

They talked about the need for us to pray together for our city. They talked about the need to intentionally cross over denominational and racial barriers so that as Christians we model unity and loving one another as Jesus commanded. There have been efforts over the years to bring this vision alive but these kinds of barriers are not easily overcome. We have a lot to learn about what it means to love one another.

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## CONTEMPORARY SERVICE - 8:30 AM • TRADITIONAL SERVICE - 11:00 AM

A member of the prayer team is available for personal prayer immediately following both worship services.



### MINISTRY OF THE WORD & SACRAMENT

*The preacher and sermons are the same for each service.*

#### Stewardship Sermon Series

##### "What if...?"

We all have "what if" questions. Usually they are imaginings that make us anxious and fearful. "What if my children or spouse get sick?" "What if my retirement savings isn't enough?" "What if what if..." These kinds of "what if" questions can keep us awake for many nights because security is one of our basic needs.

But what if the "what if" questions were not so much about fearful things as about possibilities? What if we trust God to do far more with what we give than we could possibly imagine or do on our own? Join us for this series "What if..." where we will be imagining what God can do through us if we really trust God with the gifts that God has given to us.

#### November 3 - Communion

**Carolyn Leah, preaching**

"What If... It's a Matter of Perspective?"

II Chronicles 6:14-21, 7:12-16

*(Daylight Savings Time Ends! - Fall Back!)*

#### November 10

**Alexander Ruzanic, preaching**

"What If We Seek God First?"

Matthew 6:19-34

#### November 17

**Rev. Dr. Cynthia Reyes Fillmore**

"What If God Does Big Things through Us?"

Isaiah 54:1-4a

#### November 24 - Christ the King Sunday

**Dr. David Esterline**

"Acceptance"

Luke 7:36-50; Isaiah 55:1-11



On November 24th we will be hearing from the current President of Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, Dr. David Esterline. This will be Dr. Esterline's second visit with us since becoming the President of PTS.

### MINISTRY OF MUSIC

**Bill Larson**  
Choir Director/Organist

*Bill*



The Christmas season is almost upon us, and that means lots of wonderful music at Beulah. "The Story of Christmas" will take place during the 11:00 Reach Out service on December 8th, a week later than usual. This combined service, marking the second Sunday of Advent, is our version of the traditional lessons and carols service. In addition to the Sanctuary Choir and McCrady Road, there will be music from the Exceptional Friends bell choir and from congregational instrumentalists. Come to sing familiar carols and to hear readings of the Christmas story, and plan to stay for the formal luncheon following the service!

Of course, there will be lots of music on Christmas Eve. And just a reminder: if you would like to be part of the Sanctuary Choir for just a month or so, or perhaps just for the Story of Christmas service on December 8, or for the Christmas Eve musical presentation on December 24 at the 7:30 service, that would be wonderful. I do require that singers be present for the weekly rehearsals in which we all learn the pieces together. We will begin rehearsing music for the Christmas season on November 7.

**Our Community Choir will sing at the 11:00 service on Sunday, December 1.** You may simply show up at 10:00 a.m. to rehearse, to serve the church, and to offer your gifts through song. This is a great way to experience singing in our fine choir without the commitment of a rehearsal on a separate day.

**The Sanctuary Choir** rehearses on Thursday evenings from 7:00 until 8:30, and the **Chancel Bells and Embellishments** rehearse on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 until 8:30. Our groups are always happy to welcome new and returning friends.

As always, we would be very glad to welcome you—please join us in song!



## REVOLUTION WORSHIP

**Kelly Miskis,  
Worship Leader**




Often in corporate worship we are speaking to God about God's goodness and singing praises to God. This is true; we absolutely are. But many times, I think we forget that God is also speaking to us during this time. We aren't leaving a message after the beep with God. We are in a real, tangible ongoing relational conversation with God.

I was reminded of this in my own time of worship with a new song we are introducing to you in November called Waymaker. I hadn't planned on bringing it into the service, it was just a special song I held in my heart. But as my heart has clung to this melody and text and I felt God speaking to me as I sang this song, I knew the band had to bring it to you in our time of worship together. I believe that God will use this song to speak to us, to grow our faith and to cast our nets a bit deeper.

Always we are given the option to cast our cares upon the Lord or cast them upon our own feeble hands and hearts. When our faith grows weary, our God does not! When our anxiety expands, our God is bigger! God is a waymaker, promise-keeper, light in the darkness – our God. That is who God is. When your mind turns to anxious thoughts about the future, remember: "Your heavenly Father knows" (Matthew 6:32). God will give you what you need and make a way.

### December Worship and Building Closures

**Sunday, Dec 1** - Communion, 8:30 and 11:00 services.

**Sunday, Dec 8** - The Story of Christmas, 11:00 am.

**Monday, Dec 23** - Church Open

**Tuesday - Friday, Dec 24 - 27**

**Dec 24: Christmas Eve** services at 4:30 and 7:30 pm  
(Church closed for regular business this day.)

Dec 25: Christmas Day - Church closed.

Dec 26: Church closed.

Dec 27: Church closed.

**Dec 30 & 31** - CHURCH OPEN

**Wednesday, Jan 1** - Church Closed for Holiday

**Thursday, Jan 2** - CHURCH OPEN

**Friday, Jan 3** - Office Closed

## Audio/Visual Ministry – What's New?

This new area of ministry has continued to grow and be refined as we seek to reach those who don't yet know about Christ or are unable to make it to church on Sundays. Many of you may know that we are now live streaming our services on our YouTube channel. Live streaming means that we are LIVE on air as we hold church. Those at home are right there with us through every motion and prayer on Sundays for both services! We are grateful to our A/V Tech, Jeremy Bosse, for leading us in this new direction.

Because YouTube is more accessible, we are no longer partnering with Cornerstone TV. We have found that few people have access to the sub-set channels and that our time slots were limited. Live streaming on YouTube is not only easier to access, but it also allows us to save time and staff hours on editing the videos each week to send to Cornerstone.

Session approved using the quarterly offerings that used to go to Cornerstone to be set aside for the live streaming equipment.

The next offering will be January 12, 2020.

All in all, this is a positive and forward move that helps us in reaching those who cannot attend in person and those who may not yet know Christ.



Here is the link to our YouTube videos:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/beulahpresby/videos>

## Welcome New Members!

**Richard Metzger** has been faithfully attending the early service and is looking forward to officially becoming a part of the Beulah family. He loves to travel, especially to Mississippi. He is also a big sports fan, the Steelers being his favorite. **Shirley Metzger Nuckels** was born in Pittsburgh and currently lives in Wilkinsburg. She has three brothers: Ray, Bill, and Rick. She loves to paint and do word searches. She is so excited to join Beulah because she just loves everyone here.



Richard and Shirley are siblings and are related to members Bill Metzger and Shelley Rochez.

## Discipleship Ministry

Carolyn Leah  
Director of Christian Discipleship

*Carolyn*



**Discovery time for adults and youth will continue with discussions about different world religions for the first two weeks of November.** Join us on November 3rd as we look into to what Jehovah's Witnesses believe compared to Christian foundational doctrine. We wrap up on November 10th by looking back on what we have learned and asking questions that we still have.

Beginning November 17th and running through December 15th, we will get an early start preparing ourselves for Advent with two exciting studies.

**Study 1: What Is the S.H.A.P.E. of Your Gift?** - As we prepare for the gift-giving season, we will explore the gifts God has given us that show how we might best serve God. If you have ever wondered how God may be calling you to live out your Christian service, and how you might decipher that big question, come to this Discovery time series.

Through a series of five different class sessions, we will look at five aspects of ourselves.

**S is for Spiritual Gifts** – The Bible helps us to know that we are gifted by the Holy Spirit in specific ways. Through an extensive list of spiritual gift possibilities, we will explore what each means and take a self-inventory to discover what spiritual gifts we possess. We will look at how those spiritual gifts are used in everyday ministry and Christian life.

**H is for Heart** – What is your passion? What really gets you moving? What gets you motivated? What is it that you truly love to do? These heart things are central to where and how we use our resources, spend our time and engage with others. How do “heart” things shape the gifts you share for Christ?

**A is for Aptitudes and Abilities** – What are you good at doing? Are you good with people, numbers, computers, or sports? We all have certain aptitudes and abilities that shape what we do and how we interact in our daily lives. We will be putting them into the mix as we find our “shape” for serving Christ.

**P is for Personality** – Many of us are familiar with the classic Myers-Briggs model of personality testing, but we will be tackling a different typing model called the Enneagram. The enneagram is a tool that has been

used more in religious settings and not only helps you to see the positive aspects of your type but also some weaker points that you may have to pay attention to as well. It addresses what happens to your type when you are under stress and when you are motivated – you actually take on aspects of other types. Intriguing!

**E is for Experiences** – Significant experiences impact us throughout our lives – both good and bad experiences. We will take a look at them and discuss how they have shaped us. How do these experiences, added to all the other ways we have looked at ourselves, form us for serving God? We will synthesize our findings and look at what the full “shape” of our gift looks like.

Join us in room 209! Watch for more details about each upcoming class and the tools that we will offer to discover your S.H.A.P.E.

### **Study 1: The Birth of Jesus – Not What You Think.**

We have so many songs, stories, and images that form our view of the Christmas story, but often they communicate a wrong picture. One of the best studies ever put together to help us sift through the details has been done by world-renowned Middle Eastern scholar and theologian Kenneth Bailey. Through his video series and our discussion about Middle Eastern customs that SHOULD shape our understanding of the Christmas story, we will get an outstanding look into the world and culture into which Jesus was born.

Come and view the videos and talk with us about this new perspective on the Christmas story. Your new understandings may make this a very special Christmas season for you! Join us in room 206.

### **Children's Discovery Time:**

Our children have been working on biblical stories of community over the fall term of classes. We encourage parents to bring children of all ages to our 9:45 AM Discovery time.

Nursery Discovery Class is available for all children up through age 3 in 207. PreK/Early Elementary Class is available for children 4 – grade 2 in 108. Tween class is available for children Grades 3 – 6 in room 109 B.

## Children's Christmas Play - December 22

We will once again present the Christmas story in the form of a children's play during the 9:45 hour on Sunday, December 22. Children of all ages are invited to be a part of the play. Some evening practices will be scheduled and we will also practice during the Sunday morning Discovery Hour at 9:45 on November 24th, December 1, December 8, and December 15.

## Children as Worship Leaders for Family Service December 24th

Children will be worship leaders for the 4:30 PM service on Christmas Eve. It is always a wonderful worship service when our children are using their gifts to lead us in celebrating the birth of Christ. We will have practice times for music and speaking parts. Some practices will be scheduled in December.

## Family Faith News Updates

Most weeks, Carolyn Leah is sharing some Family Faith News via email to families with children. The Faith News highlights some upcoming events, some faith practice ideas for families, a faith word study, and sometimes links to articles, podcasts, blogs or websites. If you would like to receive this Family Faith News, please email Carolyn Leah at cleah@beulahpresby.org.

## Exceptional Friends - Tuesdays at 5:30

We have begun our fall session of Exceptional Friends! Several new Friends have joined us! Our Friends meet from 5:30 to 7:30 PM each Tuesday. **We will be playing bells at the 11:00 service on November 3rd.** If you are an 8:30 attendee, why not stick around after Discovery Hour to witness the beautiful music that our Friends work so hard to present for us to worship God?

We have been asked to play bells at a holiday shopping event held at East End Cooperative Ministries in East Liberty on Saturday, December 7, from 10 AM to 2 PM. This event is sponsored by Uniquely the Same, an organization that works to promote and support individuals with differing abilities and special needs. The event will have vendors available with gift possibilities or purchase. We will be playing bells from 10 to 11 AM.

## Gratitude Campaign for 2020

God has been so faithful in his goodness to Beulah Church for our 235 + years of ministry! Over the years there have been many changes in our world and in our community and so too in our mission and ministry. Looking back at our more recent history in the past five years, we have stepped out in faith in new forms of ministry to young people through the summer camps programs and East End Youth Ministries. We are forming relationships and partnerships in our community to build bridges across racial divides. We offer two different types of worship services on Sunday mornings that glorify our great God. We offer opportunities for disciples of all ages to grow in knowledge and understanding of God's word and in application to life.

These and many more ministries are what the Gratitude Campaign is all about. God's goodness and grace are given in abundance. Gratitude grows in our hearts and we give generously. The 2020 Gratitude Campaign is an opportunity to put hands and feet to your gratitude for God's grace in your life and in the life of our church.

Special cards for you to complete will be mailed, but are also available in the chair racks and in the church office. Please pray about what God would have you give out of your generous and grateful heart. Gratitude Sunday is Nov. 17, 2019. Bring your completed card as we offer our gratitude gifts to the



Sponsored by  
Penn Hills Association of Christian Clergy

Sunday, Nov. 17, 2019 4:00 p.m.  
Beulah Presbyterian Church

*And he answered saying, 'Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbor as thyself.'* Luke 10:27

Our goal is to learn to live the commandments of Jesus Christ. The second part of this commandment is where we struggle: loving our neighbor as ourselves.

Join us in our continuing discussions on loving our neighbors and understanding our differences from a racial perspective. If you need childcare, it will be available.

**We do need reservations for childcare to be called into the church office by Monday, Nov. 11, 2019.** Please call the Beulah Presbyterian Church office at (412) 242-4570.



## Youth and Missional Outreach

Alex Ruzanic, Director

### What's Happening in Youth Ministry?

We have had about a month of East End Youth Ministry meeting and it has been a blessing. Each Wednesday we meet for dinner (all family members included) from 5-6 pm then head downstairs for programming from 6-7:30 pm. We are continuing with our LAMENT (Crying Out) PROJECT. Last month I talked about the LAMENT PROJECT...



Here is a quick overview to this program:

We discovered that our youth in our community feel this – "I'm so alone, so I don't feel anymore."

Our youth feel alone, isolated and stressed. They are broken and lonely. Youth are not living into the God-given life Jesus wants for them. Therefore, we describe it as a false narrative.

We desire our youth to have a Jesus-Centered Narrative: In Jesus, I am fully known and STILL loved!

We will work on bridging the false narrative to the Jesus-centered narrative. We want to introduce our youth to the practice of Lament and allow them to discover and live within the Jesus-centered narrative. By living into this Jesus-Centered Narrative we hope that youth will be able to learn, experience, practice, and live into the Christian practice of lament. That is learning to CRY OUT in healthy and powerful life-giving ways. This will bring them FREEDOM through Christ by allowing them to feel again and to be honest with Jesus. This will happen in the context of their faith community.

So come on out Wednesdays to discover the LAMENT PROJECT.

We could still use some help in working on meals, cooking, planning and serving. WE are excited to see where God is moving this ministry. Thanks for all of your support and prayers!

### NOVEMBER LOOKS LIKE THIS:

3	Discovery Hour
6	EEYG (Pronounced EGG) YOUTH GROUP 5-6pm Dinner 6-7:30pm Youth Group
10	Discovery Hour
13	EEYG
17	Discovery Hour
20	EEYG
24	Discovery Hour
27	NO EYEG Due to Thanksgiving
28	Happy Thanksgiving

During the Discovery Hour we are having Confirmation Class. Any youth is welcome whether they are in the class or not. Should be a wonderful time for all to discover and learn about their faith journey.

## MUNCHIN' WITH THE MINISTERS

**Munchin' will return Thursday, Dec. 12th,  
at 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary with  
Woodland Hills H.S. Chamber Choir**

We will celebrate the Advent season with one of our most popular programs -- Christmas festivities with the Woodland Hills High School Chamber Choir and popular seasonal songs chosen by you. Pianist Debby Carberry will return as our accompanist. As usual, the program will be in the seasonably decorated sanctuary.

### What's happening with Munchin' in 2020?

Because of declining attendance, the steering committee has decided to reduce the Munchin' offerings to two each spring and fall. Current plans are for a Bible study in April and a book review in May. Next fall's programs have not been discussed.

Please consider signing up in advance to help with necessary work: setting tables, putting clean dishes away after the meal or taking tablecloths home to wash, dry and return. This will be especially important in December when we will might be feeding 70 or so people. Only two people each time putting dishes away would suffice. Please help the committee members by pitching in as you are able.

## Expression of Gratitude

To Our Beulah Family,

We would like to thank Sue White and Wendy Edwards for the perfect reception held on Sunday, September 29th, in the Chapel Social Room. Also, thanks to all of the others who contributed to make it a special time.

It was a privilege for us to work with contractor Mike Sullivan to transform a deteriorating basement into a mini-museum for others to enjoy and learn of Beulah's long and rich history. Many people contributed financially when needs arose, so a thank-you goes to them. After a year of work it is time to reserve the room and kitchen for activities.

Reservations may be made with Lucinda in the church office.

In all these things we give God all the honor and glory in preserving our dear little historic Chapel and Memorial Cemetery.

Again, thank you!

Ruth Ann & Bill Ritter

## Updated Church Directory

Did you pick up your copy yet? Please go to your listing and make sure it is accurate. We have not had too many calls so far, but those corrections we have had are a result of our not getting updated information or our error in how it was entered into the database.

If you are homebound, please let the church know and we will send one to you. Ann Turnock will have some on hand when she visits as well.

## ALZHEIMER'S CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11, AT 7:30 P.M.



The Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group will meet November 11, from 7:30 – 9:00 pm, in room 206. Anyone with a loved one with any type of dementia is welcome to join us for a time of sharing caregiving concerns and possible solutions. We meet the second Monday of each month, affiliate with the Alzheimer's Association and have their literature available at meetings. You may contact Ruth McKean at 412-271-1399 or [rmckean2@verizon.net](mailto:rmckean2@verizon.net) if you'd like further information.

## Beulah Christian Preschool and Child Care Ministry

Tracy Belmonte, Director



[www.facebook.com/beulahpreschool](http://www.facebook.com/beulahpreschool)

*Tracy*



It's officially FALL and we are so very grateful for another wonderful school year! We LOVE to sing "Thank you! Thank you, Dear God!" It is a BCPCC children's classic and it does fit so well with our themes this time of the year!

**November is the month we focus more on God's blessings and spend time talking about our Thanksgiving holidays and family traditions.** Teachers plan many fun Thanksgiving activities and the children also enjoy a special preschool-style "feast" right before vacation days! Did you know there are several children's books written from the turkey's perspective?? They are SO fun to read and giggle through!

Additional fall themes continue with talk about farms, and leaves, and seasonal weather! We also continue to work on our social skills as we practice getting along with each other in a group and how to resolve conflicts. Even learning to walk in a line is something we practice! Every day brings so many learning opportunities!

**As a Christian school, we enjoy having special worship services with the preschool-age children each month.**

For Thanksgiving, our families and others are invited to participate in worship with us in the sanctuary as we hear another Knowing Place story. The children will learn how to help lead in worship by offering our special Knowing Place song: O God We Adore You. The worship days will be the Tuesday and Wednesday before the holiday. Please just call the Preschool office for more information if you'd like! 412-242-4424.



**Thanks, as always, to our fabulous congregation** for the many ways you all continue to support our special ministry to children and families!

We pray that you have a blessed and joyful Thanksgiving!



## Thanksgiving and Christmas Mission Offering

November 9 – December 21, 2019

Dear Friends,

As we move into the holiday season, we are thankful to God for our bounty of blessings. He has bestowed so much on us that we have much more than what we deserve while around us we see so many who are in need.

Matthew 25: 34-36: *"Then the King will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world, for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.'"*

This year, MOST has decided to do things somewhat different than in years past. MOST is offering two opportunities for expressing our compassion to those in our local community as well as nationally and internationally. We are combining the usual Thanksgiving and Christmas Offerings into a single offering. Special Offering envelopes will be available November 9 – December 21. Our focus for this offering this fall will be:



**The Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank's** mission is to feed people in need and mobilize the community to eliminate hunger. They are a proud member of Feeding America. Their vision is a hunger-free southwestern Pennsylvania. Their work includes Produce to People, which Beulah volunteers support, helping to distribute food on the Northside of Pittsburgh and the annual KDKA Turkey Fund.



**PRESBYTERIAN  
DISASTER ASSISTANCE**  
OUT OF CHAOS, HOPE

**Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA)** provides a wide variety of disaster relief support internationally as well as nationally. Most recently Hurricane Dorian made landfall in the Bahamas as a Category 5 hurricane on Sept. 1, 2019. PDA is working with partners on the ground in the Bahamas to

respond to the immediate needs with a solidarity grant. Thus far the grant has primarily helped evacuees in shelters with emergency needs. PDA is working with ACT Alliance to plan for long-term recovery support.

In addition to Hurricane Dorian, PDA has sent national response teams to meet with Presbyteries and community leadership in various other disaster situations such as spring tornadoes and flooding, Missouri River basin flooding and California wild fires.

Please mark your choice for the recipient(s) of your gift on the offering envelope and return it to the church. We will have special offering envelopes in the bulletins and literature racks in the near future.

Thank you for your willingness to share generously your blessings with others.

In His service,

Tim and Ramona Bosse, Co-Chairs  
Mission and Outreach Support Team (MOST)



Please join us on  
**Sunday, November 24**  
**Loaves and Fishes Day of Service**  
 following the 11:00 Worship Service.

Nourish the Worship Experience with the  
**Hanging of the Greens**  
 in preparation for Advent and Christmas.

Help us prepare the Worship Areas including the Sanctuary and Narthex. We will be hanging the wreaths, setting up the Christmas trees and the crèche and adding the special touches that visually enrich Advent and Christmas Worship.



Nourish Families in Need with the  
**Thanksgiving Food Drive**



Help us provide a Thanksgiving meal and everyday foods for families in our area who have few resources.

We will be collecting both fresh and non-perishable food items on Sunday morning, November 24, 2019. Your donations may include fresh or canned vegetables and fruits, eggs, cereals, pastas, sauces, soups, or the special ingredients for a Thanksgiving Feast!

The Deacons will purchase turkeys and potatoes, but canned sweet potatoes, cranberries, stuffing mix, pumpkin pie filling, pie shells or other autumn treats like fresh apples or pears would be greatly appreciated.

Refreshments will be served. You will be able to munch on treats or relax for a time while offering your helping hands to decorate the Sanctuary.

### 2019 Sanctuary Flower Orders

On November 10 and November 17 you will be able to sponsor a Sanctuary flower arrangement for next year! The cost is \$35 and flowers may be taken home after the Traditional service or offered for delivery to a homebound family. Bring joy to someone and dedicate flowers in honor, appreciation, or memory of loved ones or to celebrate an anniversary or other special event.

## New Parking Signs



You will see new signs at the entrance and at the commuter lot that say no commercial vehicles or overnight parking. They also reinforce that the main lot is not for commuters.

Obviously there are exceptions like the movie companies. Those requests will be approved on a case-by-case basis and with additional fees for parking lot use to defray maintenance costs.

This is an attempt to keep our lot from crumbling any faster than it is and to take away any church liability for those who may presume we offer all-night parking.

## Becoming a Beulah Member

Interested in finding out about becoming a Beulah member? Our membership program is one of individualized mentoring relationships. Contact Carolyn Leah if you are interested in taking the next step and having her match you up with a mentoring partner or pair.



**Daylight Savings Time Ends**  
**NOVEMBER 3rd**

**Turn your clocks BACK**  
**one hour**  
**Saturday night!**



**Men's Bible Study**  
**Wednesdays at 7:30**

**Come on out all men!!!** The Men's Bible Study meets regularly on Wednesday nights from 7:30 to 9:00 pm in room 102. Just come on in the gym entrance and join us. We are currently studying various Psalms. Any questions give Alex Ruzanic a call or email [aruzanic@beulahpresby.org](mailto:aruzanic@beulahpresby.org).

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At this lunch I was sitting next to Pastor Jim and Dr. Sheila Hunt, the pastors at our partner church, First Baptist Penn Hills. We are interested to see what happens in the months ahead but it seems to me that we could become a part of something much bigger that God wants to do in our city.

In a couple of weeks Alex, Carolyn and I will have lunch with one of the organizers/leaders of this group. Not coincidentally as a young person, he attended The Hub at Beulah Church. We want to share with him some of the ways God has led and is leading us to cross barriers and enter into partnerships in our own community.

In the 11 years that we have lived in Pittsburgh, I have grown to love this city. Those of you who are natives and those of you who have lived here longer, I know that you love this city as well. Let's commit to praying to the Lord on behalf of this city and seek its welfare in every way.

Blessings,

*Cynthia*  
Pastor Cynthia



## Organ fund Update

The first phase of organ repair is complete! Our pipe organ has been an important part of worship at Beulah for over sixty years, and this remarkable instrument is a great source of pride and pleasure for many. It helps us express our faith through singing in community and offers strong musical support for our Sanctuary Choir.

Thanks to the generous contributions of so many of you, the Muller Organ Company was able to complete the releathering of the older windchests in the Great division (center keyboard) in July. The next phase will be to repair the leather in the Swell division (upper keyboard). Although the second phase of our fundraising campaign has yet to be launched, we are now accepting contributions. We currently have about \$10,000, which is nearly a third of the remaining cost.

We ask for your support toward the repair to ensure that this fine musical tradition can continue. Thank you!

**Save the Date - January 3 - 5**  
**"The January Getaway-Winter Retreat"**  
*Sign-ups begin in November*

**Where:** Ligonier Camp and Conference Center in Ligonier, PA. *(Staying in the lodge.)*

**Contact:** Call Jeff & Gina Gelpi, (724) 523-0220 or [jerethin3@comcast.net](mailto:jerethin3@comcast.net). More information at the sign-up table following worship and in next month's newsletter.

**Pastor Cynthia will be away beginning Monday, October 28.** She will return to the office on Monday, November 11. The pastors on call during this time will be the Revs. Cathy and Skip Gillis. Cathy and Skip can be reached at 412-435-8655.

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