



August 9, 2021

The Good News!

With Liz Barnett

This week in our sermon, we focused on the Apostle Paul's letter to the church at Ephesus, that he wrote while he was in prison, to address the division in the church. In order to live into the plans that God has for our church, we need unity. God does not want us to have the sin, sickness, and sorrow of the world so he sent Jesus to show us a different way. Through Jesus' love, we can overcome the world! God loves everyone and does not want us to be divided. In order to have unity, we need the Holy Spirit in our hearts so that we can love and serve one another. Paul instructs us to take off the old – lying, being angry, stealing, seeking revenge, and being impulsive, and replace it with living in truth, seeking peace, doing an honest day's work, forgiving, and demonstrating self-control. I challenge you this week to seek unity by putting on the Armor of God!

Blessings, Liz Barnett (ebarnett@baylakeumc.org or 512-694-1072)

Spiritual Practices – Community Outreach

Baylake Academy Community Fair - On Saturday, July 24th, we participated in the Community Fair sponsored by Baylake Academy! We had so much fun connecting with our community and families whose children will attend the school starting in September. Thanks to Chelsea, Tara, and Bev for organizing the event!



Family Ministries – Vacation Bible School 2021!

To attend, please register at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0A4FADA723A2FD0-vacation>



Baylake United Methodist Church
Vacation Bible School
 Vacation Bible School will be a bit different this year. We are asking parents to remain with their children for the event. This family oriented VBS will allow families to learn about God's love together as we hear Bible stories, create crafts, and play games. We are so excited you will be joining us this year!
Date: 08/19/2021 (Thu.)
Time: 6:00pm - 8:00pm EDT

A LIFE OF DISCIPLESHIP

Worship

This week we will continue our journey to walk more closely with Jesus by focusing on how to be wise and not foolish. Join us on Sundays at 9 am on Facebook & YouTube and in person and 11 am in-person, with masks and social distancing if not vaccinated.



Scripture Eph 5:18-20

18 Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, **19** as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, **20** giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.



2021-2022 Scholarship Recipients

Congratulations to our College Scholarship Recipients: Mary Allsbrook (VT), Willow Baker, (VWU) Laney Butt (Milligan), Brooke Kent (UNC-W), Trevor Law (ODU), Maura Nacey (UVA), McKenna Nacey (VT), Jake Rasmussen (GMU), Michael Rogerson (UVA), Carter St John (VT), Joshua St John (ODU). May God Bless and Keep You!

Administrative Teams

So that we can continue our ministry to those in the Shore Drive area, all our committees and teams have continued to meet via Zoom Church office hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 9am to 2 pm, Wednesday 12pm to 5pm and Friday 9am to 12pm.

Church Council – Our **MISSION** is to “Make Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World”! We will do this by executing our **VISION** to connect with our community by praying, asking, worshipping, and serving others (PAWS).



COMMUNITY OUTREACH THROUGH UPWARD SOCCER

After cancelling two spring Upward Soccer seasons due to COVID-19, our outreach to the community through Upward Soccer is resuming this Fall! The first game will be on Saturday, September 11th for an 8-game season. The games will be held on the fields at Virginia Wesleyan University. Children ages 3 to 7th grade are invited to participate. Early registration is open now for \$100 with a multiple child discount offered. You can register and find more details about the season here [Upward Sports - Baylake United Methodist \(baylakeumc.org\)](http://Upward Sports - Baylake United Methodist (baylakeumc.org)). Volunteers are needed as coaches, moment of encouragement leaders, and concession stand workers. Contact Dusty Gray at stilender1@aol.com if you would like to be a part of the ministry!

C.O.O.L 2 – Caring for Lord and Others Capital Campaign!

We are making improvements to our facility that serves as our strategic base for ministry! Please prayerfully consider donating at [Baylake UMC Giving Form \(sharefaith.com\)](http://Baylake UMC Giving Form (sharefaith.com))

PRAY!

Prayer: Please keep in your prayers the family of Clara Elizabeth Fischer in her death, Cyndy Feit, Gean Longo, Bill Fowlkes, Martha Kornegay, Mary Mattice, Betty Fultz, Larry Diunizio, John Barnes, Patty Waller, Sherry Harrington, Elizabeth Howard 's (Bob's niece) son Jakob for heart issues, Kristin Spannagel a friend of Amy for healing from cancer, Sue Rieve's neighbor Lisa and Bob Howard's sister-in-law diagnosed with breast cancer. If you or someone you love needs prayer, please send your prayer request to prayerbumc@aol.com.

Children & Youth Ministry

Our **Director of Children's Ministry, Liz Barnett**, continues to minister to our children, 'twens, and parents through this challenging time. Join us for Children's Church during the 11am worship service and on YouTube for the weekly lesson!



Ministry Impact



Missions

As the school year begins and fall quickly approaches, there are several ways to serve our community. On Sunday, September 12th, following the 11am worship service, we will pack Family Food Baskets for Bayside Elementary School Beach Bag families. Please bring in donations of peanut butter & jelly, jars of pasta sauce & pasta, mac & cheese, canned vegetables, fruit, and soup, and snack bars. We will also resume packing and delivering Beach Bags in September, so volunteers are needed to purchase food and deliver the bags to Bayside Elementary School.



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