Bethany 2023 Annual Business Meeting Election Ballot Moderator – For a three-year term (select one) Michael Walter Elder - For a four-year term (select one) Karen Watson Deacon - For a four-year term (select one) Craig Maloney Deacon - For a one-year term (select one) **Brad Gering** Christian Education - For a two-year term (select two) Julie Mendel Motion To Sell Small Land Parcel The Deacons propose selling the small strip of land between the east parking lot and the Deckert property at 525 S. Juniper St. to Marlowe Deckert for \$2,500. _____ Yes, I approve of this sale. No, I do not approve of this sale.

BETHANY MENNONITE CHURCH

January 8, 2023

Prelude Phyllis Kirschenman Call To Worship One: This is the day that You have made, Lord. All: Help us to rejoice in it and be glad! One: Remind us of the privileges we enjoy as Your people: All: to come to You in these moments, to confess our sins, to receive forgiveness and give it, to pray and sing and listen, to renew our fainting spirits, to rest in all Your promises One: Open our eyes to see You, Lord. All: Open our ears to hear Your Word. One: Visit us through Your Holy Spirit, All: and help us to celebrate our faith. Amen. •Hymn of Praise "Stand Up and Bless the Lord" #11 Invocation Morning Greeting **Special Music Becker Family** Announcements and Prayer Requests Time of Prayer Morning Offering for the General Fund Doxology Hymn of Thanksgiving "I Love You, Lord" (twice) #85 Scripture Reading Kent Becker Message • Hymn of Response "Bless His Holy Name" (twice) #4 Benediction Closing "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" #393 Phyllis Kirschenman Postlude

LEARNING/SERVING—THIS WEEK

Today 9:00am Worship

10:00am Fellowship Time

10:15am Sunday School

Wednesday 5:30pm Elder Meeting (rescheduled)

Next Sunday 9:00am Worship

10:00am Fellowship Time

10:15am Sunday School for youth10:15am Annual Business Meeting

Prayer List

DeWayne Graber; Anna Mae Zimmerman

Family Matters

Judy Walter; Amy Walter;

Tonda Gross

Next Week's offering will be for the General Fund

Food Pantry Volunteers

Friday, January 13: Closed

Friday, January 20: Marlene H, Brandy F, & Dennis E

YouTube Links:

January 8: https://youtu.be/OHKQlgkEKMo
January 1: https://youtu.be/K7gdUVKT74k

<u>Plastic Bags for Food Pantry</u>

The Food Pantry is running short of plastic grocery bags. If you have a nice stash from your holiday shopping, please bring them and place them in one of the food pantry boxes around the church. Thank you!!

Annual Meeting January 15

The 2023 Bethany Annual Business Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 15 at 10:15am in the church basement. Reports will be given and votes will be taken on the slate of officers and the 2023 budget. All members are encouraged to attend. Please see ballot on the insert.

Please note that the CE Team has not been able to find a second person to complete their team. We will be asking for a write-in candidate to fill that position. Please carefully consider if this is a ministry that you could participate in.

Ushers Needed

Ushers are needed for 2023 starting in February. If you are interested in helping, please speak with Gerald Watson.

Yearbook Changes Due in the Office

Sheila will be working on the new yearbook throughout the month of January. If you have any changes you would like made, please leave her a note in her church mailbox. There has been a particular desire for more cell phone numbers and emails in the book. If you are willing to share yours please leave that for Sheila as well.

2023 Church Dues

The dues for 2023 will remain at \$120 per member.

These dues can be paid any time, either by designating an offering check or by sending them to the church in care of treasurer, Marian Gering.