



**“Give strength, give thought,
Give deeds, give wealth;
Give love, give tears,
And give yourself.
Give, give be always giving.
Who gives not is not living;
The more you give,
The more you live.”**

-Unknown

***To Learn About Bethany’s
Planned Giving Opportunities,
Contact our Development Office***

610-589-6828 or mkerber@bethanyhome.org



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Children's Home
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**Limerick Furniture's
2nd Annual
Furnish a Cottage Event**



Live Event: April 23, 2016

**Goal: To furnish the Youth Cottages
at Bethany Children's Home with
Furniture that makes it feel like
home!**

**Overall Goal: To Raise \$20,000
April 1st- April 23rd**

**Please call for more information
610-589-6828.**



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**A special thank you to our Board Members
who have completed their years of service
to the Board of Directors.**

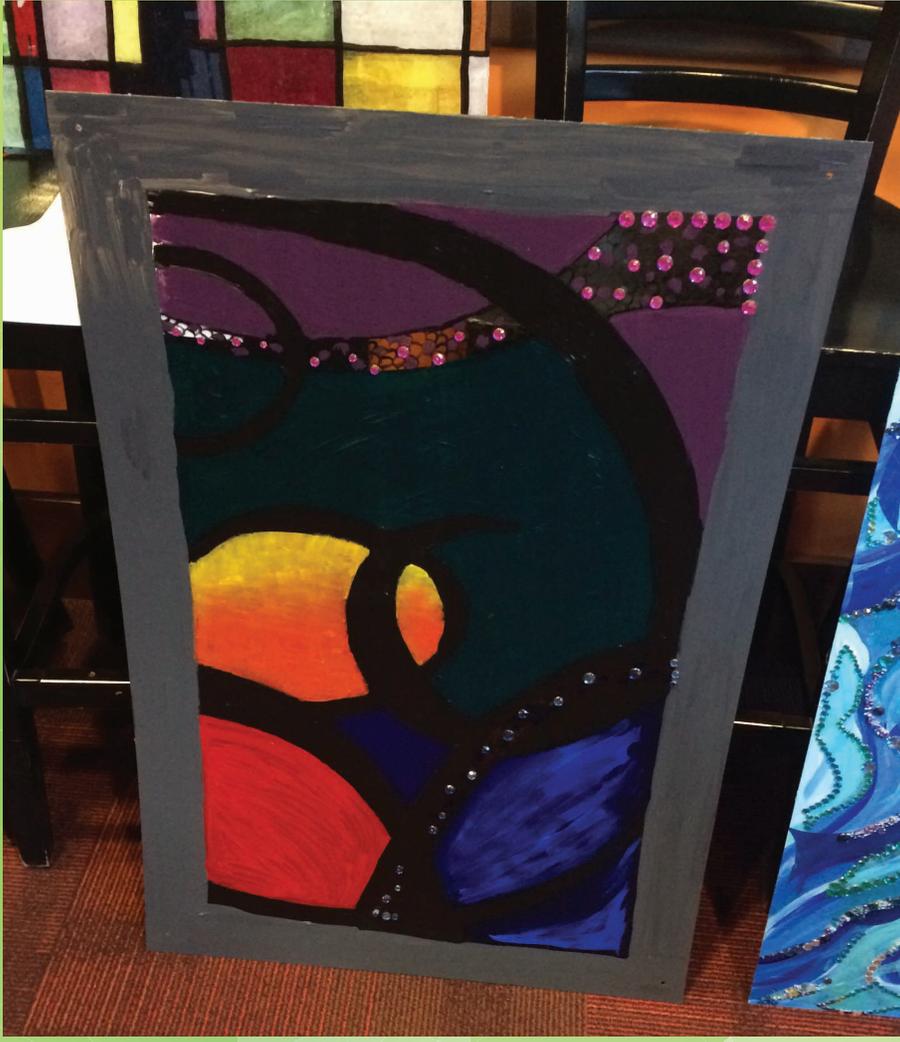
Thank you for Providing a Brighter Future for Our Youth!

Rev. Dr. Robert I. Rhoads, Sr. – 29 years

Rev. Curtis Sandrock – 10 years

Diane Schaffer – 32 years

Bethany Youth Participates in Art Auction Benefiting Vision Corps



Sarah, along with her mentor and Bethany Resident Artist Dustin Horne, participated in the Benefit Art Auction for the Vision Corps Foundation on February 18.

Sarah and Dustin each created 2ft x 3ft painted acrylic panels that were displayed at the Federal Tap House in Lancaster and then auctioned off to benefit Vision Corps. This is one of many community outreach programs facilitated through Bethany's Arts and Recreation departments.

Dustin says, "It's important to me to provide our youth with an avenue to celebrate their artistic creations with the larger community, and also to connect them with outreach opportunities. So this was a great fit for us. We had a great time creating our pieces and participating in the event!"

Reformed Church of the Ascension Donates 100 Pillowcases

Joan Hagerman and others from Reformed Church of the Ascension in Jeffersonville, PA donated 100 handmade pillowcases to Bethany in February. Bethany is thankful for this great donation that adds a personal home-like touch to our youth's bedrooms.



Our Possessive Investment in Whiteness: The Ongoing Legacy and Impact of White Privilege

Rev. Dr. John C. Dorhauer will cover a variety of subjects related to his doctoral research on White Privilege and its affect on the church. He will introduce the concept of a Spiritual Autobiography told through the lens of race. Following that, John will open up discussion on two foundational pieces to understanding the manifestation and impact of white privilege: whiteness as the norm; and whiteness as cash value. The presentation will conclude with a look at what it means to be a white ally. This last part introduces critical thinking about what actions can be taken by allies, advocates, and accomplices who are passionate about racial equity.

Bethany Children's Home

1863 Bethany Road
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Saturday, May 14, 2016

from 2-6 pm

*Bethany hosts the
Rev. Dr. John C.
Dorhauer,
UCC General Minister
and President for
White Privilege Workshop*



The Rev. Dr. John C. Dorhauer grew up Roman Catholic in the city of St. Louis, but through a series of life changing events found himself attending Eden Theological Seminary and developing a love for the United Church of Christ. Following ordination Rev. Dorhauer was called to serve Zion UCC in Mayview, MO and followed by First UCC in Lebanon, MO. John served next as a member on the St. Louis Conference Staff. In 2008, John was called to the Southwest Conference to serve as Conference Minister. On June 29, 2015 Rev. Dorhauer was elected to serve as the 9th General Minister and President of the United Church of Christ.

Rev. Dorhauer has penned three books and is recognized as a leader committed to social justice. Rev. Dorhauer's Doctoral studies were centered on White Privilege and Its Affect on the Church. He has traveled extensively across the county following the release of his second book, **Steelplejacking: How the Christian Right is Hijacking Mainstream Religion** and was presented with the Shalom Award by the student body at Eden Theological Seminary for his lifelong commitment to justice and peace.

Fee: \$10 per person. Register online at psec.org by Monday, May 2.

Bethany Children's Home Joins Team Cindy for WalkMS

Each spring Bethany staff and youth participate in the WalkMS event hosted at Gring's Mill in Reading, PA. Bethany began walking in 2009 through a relationship with Kevin and Cindy Snyder. This year marks the seventh year Bethany's entire campus will walk with Team Cindy, the largest team at the Gring's Mill event. Team Cindy is one of the highest fundraising teams at the annual walk, which supports research and resources for individuals and families living with multiple-sclerosis.



REMEMBER WHEN? A look into Bethany's Past

Did you know that Bethany's first name was "Orphans Home of Shepherd of the Lambs" and was changed to "Bethany Orphans Home" in 1873?

The name was again changed on October 6, 1958, replacing the word "Orphans" with "Children's" to represent a shift in the population of youth admitted to the home. The 1950's marked a time in our history when family and children's services were developing into a form closer to what we know today, and less children were actually orphaned.



Today, Bethany keeps the same name we adopted nearly 58 years ago. We continue to serve children and youth between the ages of 13-21 who cannot, for whatever reason, live with their own or a substitute family. Most of our youth have family connections or resource families they are working to return to. While our youth are here, we offer a supportive environment in which each youth can develop stronger life skills, solid education habits, and focus on healing.

Wes Chapman, Founder of A Human Project to Speak at Bethany in May



On May 11, 2016 at 4:00 PM Wes Chapman, founder of A Human Project, is speaking to the Bethany community. Chapman is sharing his own childhood story and speaking out on behalf of children who are traumatized, abused, and neglected. Community churches and organizations are invited to attend this one time event with Chapman, who is visiting from California.

A Human Project is a for-purpose organization creating an international movement. Their global mission is to create a community of empowered youth; a world wide community without borders and without excuses to achieve.

The Project promises to create empowerment within youth, enabling them to succeed regardless of their surroundings or environmental situations. They will give youth the tools and resources needed to create long lasting, positive habits.



Wes Chapman shares his own childhood story through A Human Project, to join the movement check out www.ahumanproject.com.

Through these promises, A Human Project will give youth the opportunity to break the cycle of hopelessness. The teams works to show youth they are not alone and they are worth something. They believe that every child is created for a purpose and that each child deserves to experience ultimate joy.

For more information, follow Bethany on Facebook and look for the hashtag #humantour. You can also look for updates on our website bethanyhome.org and feel free to give us a call at 610-589-6828.



"my name is alex, a human project saved my life. learn what they do & how you can help."



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ABOUT BETHANY CHILDREN'S HOME

Founded in 1863, Bethany Children's Home has provided a safe place of nurture, protection, and supportive care to aid youth in their own self awareness, growth, and healing for a brighter healthier future. Everyday youth who have been abused, neglected, or abandoned are taking back their lives with the help of Bethany.

Services: Music Therapy, spiritual services, arts & recreation, Safe Spaces, anger management, social services, and more are provided to every youth at Bethany.

Programs: Bethany offers individualized programs for youth who for whatever reason cannot live with their family or a substitute family. From Emergency services to longer term Residential Treatment programs, Bethany supports youth while they heal and prepare for the next steps of their journey.

Campus Facilities - youth enjoy access to areas that promote therapeutic and leisure activities, including the following:

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| Haas Learning Center | Hiking trails |
| In-ground pool | Fishing pond |
| Full gymnasium | Church |
| Fitness Center | Softball field |
| Multi-purpose room | Infirmary |
| Racquetball courts | Working dairy farm |
| Basketball | Art studio |
| Volleyball | Ceramic studio |
| Tennis courts | Musical instruments |
| Low ropes course | Recording studio |

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