

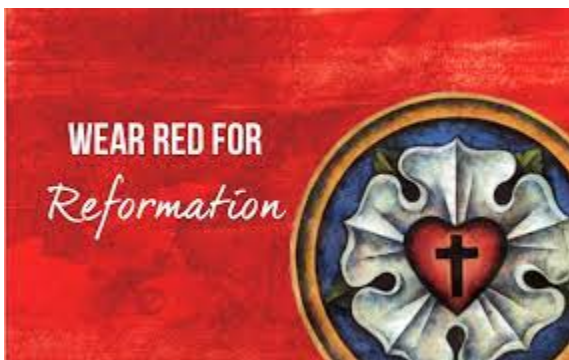
THIS SUNDAY bring your pet, your stuffy, and/or a picture of your animal friend and join us for a special blessing.

Worship will be outside so that all of our 4 legged friends can be comfortable! Please bring a lawn chair. Dog treats and Human treats will be provided!

If you are unable to attend but would like your pet blessed, please let Pastor Kim know.

New Member Sunday, October 22nd

Whether you have been coming as a visitor for years or just a few months, we want to welcome you to Bethel and install you in worship as new members. Becoming a member means that you are claiming Bethel as the place where you will worship, grow in faith, and serve with and among as together we reach out to our neighbors to share the love of God. If you are interested in becoming a member, please let Pastor Kim know.



Reformation Sunday, October 29th

Sunday, October 29th is Reformation Sunday, the day we celebrate when Martin Luther posted his 95 theses on the church door in Wittenberg, an act that propelled the reformation of the church. This is a day to celebrate. Please wear red! We will be taking a picture of all of us for the front of our directory!

All Saints Sunday, November 5th

We will be honoring the saints among us, those who have died or been baptized in the past year on Sunday, November 5th during worship. If you have loved one who has died or been baptized since November of last year, please share their name so they can be lifted up during a special part of the service. A sign-up sheet can soon be found in the hallway.



From the Desk of Pastor Kim

I love fall at Bethel, because it means that the Bible Study groups have all returned back to their monthly gatherings. Bethel is a special place with 5 different groups, all studying something different about faith and the Bible. I find reading scriptures with others is so important as we each bring our own perspective, our own life experiences, and our own needs to the text.

This month we also celebrate Martin Luther and the reformation that occurred over 500 years ago. One of Martin Luther's soapboxes was that he thought it was important for people to read the Bible in their own language. To wrestle with the text in their own context. Why? Because the scriptures "hit a moving target." We do not live in the same context as the 1st Century disciples, some 2000 years ago. We can make inferences about what life was like, the political and social climate, but we live in a different society. 2000 years from now, society will be a lot different from what we experience today. Reading and studying scripture in community helps us to make sense of what God is telling us about who God is, and who we are as God's people at this time.

If you are not currently in a Bible study group, or have ideas for a new group, please let Pastor Kim know.

Upcoming Pastor Kim's Conferences

On October 9-11th, Pastor Kim will be completing her year-long cohort for Adaptive Leadership led by Luther Seminary. She will gather with other ELCA colleagues from all over Wisconsin and Upper Michigan at Madeline Island. Thanks to the Siebert Foundation for providing funding for all of this year's conferences and training.

On October 16-18th, Pastor Kim will join other Rostered Ministers of our synod at the Fall Theological Conference, in Door County! This is a time of learning and vibrant worship accompanied by time for renewal with colleagues. This year's presenters, The Rev. Libby Howe, Congregational Support Coordinator for the Wisconsin Council of Churches, and The Rev. Dr. Sam Giere, Professor of Homiletics at Wartburg Theological Seminary, will lead conversation on the theme: proclamation under the pressure of our current social climate.



**October 8th is Pastor Kim's
12th Ordination Anniversary!**

**2000 years from now,
people will not understand
the difference between
"butt dial" and "booty call"
and this is exactly why
the Bible is hard to understand.**

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Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) Mobile Pack: Oct 2nd-5th

The FMSC Mobile Pack will be held at Green Bay Community Church from Monday, October 2nd to Thursday, October 5th. Please plan to help with one of the packing sessions. Our goal is to pack a half of million meals and raise \$150,000!

We are especially in need of Grovers (people who greet and roam during the packing.)



Fundraising: So Many Ways to Support

Angel Board: There are lots of envelopes available on our FMSC Angel Board. Dollar amounts from \$1.00 to \$100.00 can be selected for a donation that can be made for FMSC Manna Pack Ingredients.

Please continue to watch the bulletin and Facebook for other events that support Feed My Starving Children.

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October 24, 2023 | 4PM-8PM

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Bethel Photo Directory Coming Soon!

It has been a decade since we had a new church directory. This time we will be making it ourselves using personal photos. Please submit updated photos (any good picture will do, maybe from a recent vacation or holiday) to our email: Attention Photo Directory. Photos can also be submitted to the office for scanning.

Fall Clean-up Days: Thursday, October 26th & Saturday, October 28th at 8am. Please come and help!



Let all that you do be done in
love.

East Central Synod of Wisconsin Synodical Women's Organization

20th Biennial Convention – October 21st, 2023
Registration begins at 8a, Program begins at 8:20a
and concludes at 3p

St. John Lutheran Church
1700 Lost Dauphin Road, DePere, WI 54115

Representative from the church wide Women of the ELCA

Raeann Purcell from Florida will be the first guest speaker.

Challenges to Seeking Justice as People of Faith

Rev. Cindy Crane, Director of the Lutheran Office for Public Policy in Wisconsin

What are possibilities for organizing discussions and actions around stories of injustice? Can we discuss difficult issues within our congregations? What are the barriers? Explore how we can better talk to one another about things that matter. Also hear from our new hunger advocacy fellow!

How is God Calling you or Your Group to Do Justice? Shirley Paulson

Learn more about what the ECSW Racial Equity Team and churchwide ELCA are doing to empower individuals and congregations to work for racial justice and discover how God may be calling you.

REGISTRATION is \$35 per person - Registration Fee is Non-Refundable – Due by October 11th
(Bethel has money to fund anyone who would like to attend.)

Bible Studies at Bethel

Peace & Faith Study Group will meet on Thursday, October 5th at 10am. Nancy Boettcher will lead Session 4 of *Entering the Passion of Jesus* by Amy-Jill Levine.

Beer & Theology will meet on Tuesday, October 10th at 5:30pm at The Next Door Lounge. Topic: Ecclesiastes 1:16 *For with much wisdom comes much sorrow, and as knowledge grows, grief increases.* Do you find this to be true? When? What does this mean to you?

Joy Study Group will meet Tuesday, October 17th at 6:30pm at Bethel's lounge with Linda Wery leading Session 6 of Amy-Jill Levine's *The Sermon on the Mount*.

BBB's will gather on Tuesday, October 24th at 6:30pm at Dar's home with Cindy leading Session 2 of, *Difficult Words of Jesus* by Amy-Jill Levine.



Trunk or Treat Tuesday, October 31st 4-6pm

It is time to welcome ALL characters to the annual trick or trunk event at Bethel. Join others at Bethel as we decorate our car/van/truck trunks and get to know the neighbors around us as they bring their children to trick or treat among us. Lots of ideas can be found online. You can be as simple or elaborate as you want. It's a simple way to let the neighborhood know we care and have a safe way for the littles to celebrate the day. Costumes encouraged even if that means you come as you are!

Last Sunday Supper at Riverside Pizzeria

Thank you to all of you who joined the food and fellowship during the Last Sunday Suppers this summer. It was so great to see the multi-generations come together!



Hailey entertaining Howey and the group with her songs



Dave Hansen earned his wings!



Emily Esworthy, Aug 23, 2023

The Rev. Tim Krick, a friend of Pastor Kim's, who works with congregations on behalf of Lutheran World Relief, recently visited some of the communities your compassionate support is reaching in Ukraine. This trip took him just four miles from the Russian border, into towns that were occupied by Russian troops within the last year. Here are some of his observations.

What was it like to visit an active war zone?

Tim: Very surreal. The vast majority of buildings had been damaged, and all around were reminders that the war is ongoing ... As we were handing out quilts, the Ukrainian military was clearing mines from some nearby fields, and we heard explosions go off ... And then there were the frequent air raid sirens. There is this constant apprehension. And this is their everyday life.



Anna Prokopenko, 69, with her LWR Mission Quilt

How are the people holding up?

When we talk about serving the most vulnerable, this is as vulnerable as it gets — the people who stayed behind when war broke out. Many are elderly, or they didn't have the resources to go somewhere else. They are often alone. Some of them had their homes occupied or looted. They've lost loved ones. Some were sexually abused during occupation. And there is so much uncertainty. They are adamant that Ukraine will prevail, but they don't know what might happen to them personally.



One young mother at the quilt distribution told us that you live every day with this feeling that you could die at any moment. She's afraid to let her son just go out and run. There are mines and broken glass, and you don't know who you can trust. And so people feel isolated.

The refrain we heard over and over again was, "Thank you for remembering us." Thank you for your prayers. Thank you for providing this food, this place to stay. Thank you for remembering.

The Rev. Tim Krick works with a child during an art therapy session at a sanatorium in Ukraine.

WHAT IS THE BEST WAY FOR PEOPLE AND CONGREGATIONS TO HELP?

Tim: Pray. Pray for an end to the war. Pray that peace prevails. And pray for continued strength, because there is no end in sight. And please continue to give what you can ... because you are giving

them the most basic resources they need to endure until the war ends. You are giving them the hope they need to continue on.

3 ways your love is helping Ukrainians today

- * Providing hot meals, lodging and art therapy to families in 6 sanatoriums
- * Comforting displaced families with quilts and kits
- * Deploying a mobile clinic to provide medical care in hard-hit areas ...and so much more.



Thank you for supporting the largest humanitarian response in LWR history!

Mission Opportunities

Resurrection Food Pantry Items always needed include: baked beans such as pork and beans and great northern. Please bring only cans, not glass jars. Needed at this time: cookies, pasta, large cans of pasta sauce (24 oz). They are always in need of laundry soap. Please bring extra paper bags and plastic bags (w/no holes). Donations may be placed in the designated basket near the steps going down to fellowship hall.

NEW Shelter Meal will be prepared on **Sunday, October 15th**. Please sign-up on the bulletin board for items.

Mission Room Don't forget that we collect the following items downstairs in the green room:

- Empty Pill Bottles
- Cell phones
- Christmas Lights
- Egg Cartons
- Wine corks
- Eyeglasses & Hearing Aids

Bethel Prayer Concerns

Baby Wesley

Becky Pilon

Betty Jensen

Berne Baer

Christina Petzel

Elaine Barber

Dan

Dan Conard

David

Eldon Wade

Ken Claussen

Kristen Dally

Melissa Montevideo

Pat Larson

Sandy & Dave Elbe

Steven Gibson

Shirley Johnson

CJ Johnston

Karen Koblenz

Ralph Addison

Ron Kasulke

Roberta Krouth

Tyler T

Kathy Towle

Austin Tree

Willow Van Vonderen

Sue Vaughan



October Birthdays

Ronald Pedersen	10/4	Brooke Burmeister	10/13	Jodi Jonet	10/25
Denna Jepson	10/5	James Stoll	10/13	Mike Martin	10/25
Elaine Klopstein	10/6	Paul Jerks	10/17	Garret Carlson	10/27
Hayden Skrobel	10/8	Nicole Keckhaver	10/17	Barbara Stoll	10/27
Stan Keckhaver	10/9	Kenneth Adams	10/18	Josephine Andrews	10/28
Roland Christian	10/11	James Petzel	10/21	Bruce Brusewitz	10/29
Virgil Johnson	10/11	Linda Zettle	10/22	Howie Schroeder	10/30
Layla Andrews	10/13	Ralph Addison	10/24		

October Anniversaries

Bruce & Kelly Brusewitz	10/1	12 yrs
Dar & Larry Schuurmans	10/1	35 yrs
Stephanie & Ben Rodgers	10/1	2 yrs
Glenn & Yvonne Pamperin	10/4	32 yrs
Leon & Rose Dunst	10/5	39 yrs
Mark & Deborah Niemuth	10/7	44 yrs
Chris & Heidi Compton	10/14	7 yrs
Carol & Jon Poppy	10/19	33 yrs



Veterans Day

We would like to honor the Veterans in our midst. We would like a list of living Veterans within this membership so they can be honored for their service on Sunday, November 12th. Call Bethel Lutheran Church 920-494-3737 and leave the name and branch of service.

Funding for Mission & Budget

	Revenue	Expenditures		
Aug	\$ 16,166	\$ 16,994		
Sept through 24th	\$ 32,855	\$ 22,975	2023 Monthly Budget:	\$21,490
YTD	\$ 175,091	\$ 182,076	2023 Total Budget:	\$257,876

Congregation Council Minute HIGHLIGHTS

Monday, September 18, 2023

(Awaiting approval at the October Church Council Meeting)

Present: Pegi BeDell, Doris Brack, Linda Grunewald, Charlie Hilla, Todd Keckhaver, Marilyn Meister, Gayle Peot, Linda Wery, Pastor Kim Swenson **Excused:** Cindy Michalski

Call to Order: Charlie called the meeting to order at 6:30

Dwelling in the Word: Linda W led dwelling in the word with a passage titled "In Good We Trust" from the book *Worry Less Pray More* and referencing 1st Timothy 6:17 and then led us in prayer.

REPORTS: **Secretary's & Parish Accountant Reports:** Received as submitted.

Pastor's Report: There was no report due to time off for surgery and recovery.

NEW BUSINESS:

Purchase of the Portable Sound System: We have been using Dani Maus's system. She asked if we would like to purchase it for \$500. An anonymous donor has given the money for the purchase. We greatly appreciate this donor. THANK YOU!

Pet Blessing: The pet blessing service will be Sunday, October 1. This service will be outside and live streamed, if possible.

Budget 2024: The budget committee will be meeting on Thursday, September 21 to start putting together the 2024 budget.

Thrivent Support Opportunities: Pegi has contacted Ben Borchardt, a Thrivent rep., to come in to talk to the congregation about Thrivent Action teams and Choice dollars. He is willing to do this in the near future.

Feed My Starving Children: Packing will take place October 2 - 5.

OLD BUSINESS:

Blood Drive: Only 3 people have signed up. We need to have 20. We will probably have to cancel.

Kitchen Stove: A company has been contacted to come and clean the vents. Fire regulations now require that we have the stove checked once a year. Due to the smell of gas the stove will be turned off and fired up when needed for an event. Directions, and a diagram, will be made and posted for turning the stove on and lighting pilots.

Concern for our Neighbors: Many items were collected for the West High Cat Closet and delivered to the school. THANK YOU for your donations.

Photo Directory: A new church photo directory is being put together. Updated digital photos may be submitted to church by sending them to our email, attention Photo Directory. If you do not have an up-to-date photo, pictures will be taken after service on September 24 and October 1 by a member of the church.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn at 7:30 pm. Closed with the Lord's Prayer

Next Meeting, Thursday, October 12 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Marilyn Meister, Council Secretary

Service Schedule for October



	Assisting Minister	Reader	Altar Guild & Communion Assist	Usher	Video Tech
Sunday, October 1st	Linda Grunewald	Doris Brack	June Andrews Peggy Hansen	Jerry Boettcher Kay Smith	Pegi BeDell
Sunday, October 8th	Doug Scholes	Karl Peterson	Debbie Kasulke Karl Peterson	Bonnie Peterson Marsha Scholes	Cindy Michalski
Sunday, October 15th	Charlie Hilla	Dawn Schroeder	Terri Hilbert Marilyn Meister	Howie Schroeder Sharon Hilla	Yvonne Pamperin
Sunday, October 22nd	Kay Zastrow	Michael Zastrow	Kathy Long Shelia Greenwood	Dave Hansen Todd Keckhaver	Sue Keckhaver
Sunday, October 29th	Doug Hanson	Gayle Peot	Marilyn Meister Dar Schuurmans	Carl Andrews Jack Peot	Pegi BeDell

Service Schedule for November



	Assisting Minister	Reader	Altar Guild & Communion Assist	Usher	Video Tech
Sunday, November 5th	Linda Grunewald	Dar Schuurmans	Pat Petzel Peggy Hansen	Charlie & Sharon Hilla	Rick Johnson
Sunday, November 12th	Doug Hanson	Peggy Hansen	Karen Hervas Gayle Peot	Kathy Long Jack Peot	Doug Scholes
Sunday, November 19th	Sandi Tibbetts	Linda Wery	Debbie Kasulke Sheila Greenwood	Jerry Boettcher Michael Zastrow	Yvonne Pamperin

Tuesday, November 21st Thanksgiving Worship

Please sign-up to volunteer

Sunday, November 26th	Cindy Michalski	Dawn Schroeder	Terri Hilbert Marilyn Meister	Dawn & Howie Schroeder	Pegi BeDell
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October 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9:00 Worship 10:00 Tone Chimes	2	3	4 7:00 Choir 7:00 Confirmation	5 10:00 Peace & Faith	6 Pastor's Sabbath	7
8 9:00 Worship 10:00 Tone Chimes	9	10 5:30 Beer & Theology Pastor Kim at Conference	11 10:00 Mission Sewing 7:00 Choir	12 9:30 Library Committee 6:30 Council Meeting	13 Pastor's Sabbath	14
15 9:00 Worship 10:00 Tone Chimes 11:00 NEW Shelter Meal	16	17 6:30 Joy Pastor Kim at Conference	18 5:00 Confirmation 7:00 Choir	19	20 Pastor's Sabbath	21
22 New Member 8:00 Tone Chimes 9:00 Worship 10:30 Worship Com	23	24 6:30 BBB's	25 7:00 Choir	26 8:00 Fall Clean-up	27 Pastor's Sabbath	28 8:00 Fall Clean-up
29 Reformation 9:00 Worship 10:00 Tone Chime	30 	31 4-6:00 Trunk or Treat				New Office Hours: 9:00 – 3:00 Tues - Thurs

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OUR VISION: Growing In Faith Together, boldly inviting others to share in God's love.

OUR MISSION: By God's power, we will serve as Jesus' disciples,
embracing traditions and growing ministries.

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