

It has now been a year of us doing the Bethel Herald as an email delivery with printed copies available at the church. If you would prefer to get a printed copy mailed to your home, please let the office know.

Daylight Savings: Fall Back Saturday, November 4th



Sunday, November 5th

We will be honoring the saints among us, those who have died or been baptized in the past year during worship.

Lifting Up our Baptized Saints:

Casey McDonald Jr
Ryker Schwartz

Bethel Saints Remembered:

Julie Karnopp	Barb Tuyls
Ricky VanLieshout	Alice Jeske
Barbara Kratz	Lorraine Hansen
Joann Keckhaver	Ryker Schwartz

Christ the King/Through the Church Year Worship, November 19th

This year on **Sunday, November 19th at 9am**, we will be having a review of the readings and seasons of the past year. The Gospel of Matthew began with the genealogy of Jesus in Advent and ends with the Great Commission in the season of Pentecost. Come and worship as we hear key scripture and sing through the liturgical season.

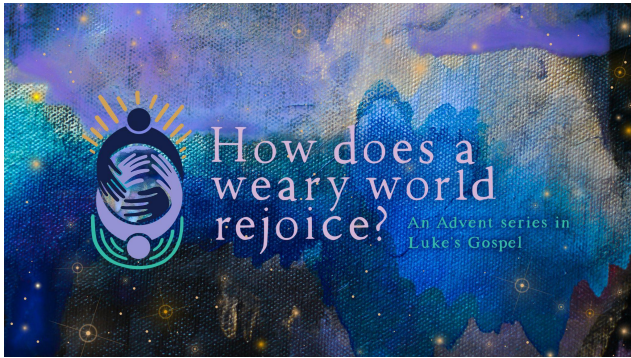
Thanksgiving Worship Tuesday, November 21st, 6:30pm

Start your Thanksgiving out right by worshiping with us on **Tuesday, November 21st at 6:30pm**. Join us in giving thanks to God the One from whom all blessings flow! Stay after for a piece of pie and fellowship! Sign-up for worship volunteers and pie bringers can be found in the hallway.



Welcome New Members

Welcome Carol Wehunt, Ben & Ashley Hieptas with Landon, who will be baptized Nov 12th.



Advent Season

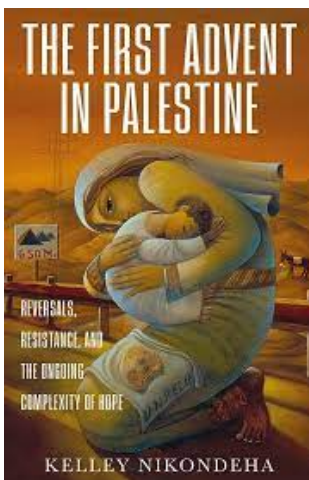
Advent will be starting on Sunday, November 26th this year. This year, we are paying close attention to how the Gospel of Luke begins the story of Jesus: by interweaving Christ's birth with the parallel story of Elizabeth, Zechariah, and John the Baptist. As we look closely at these birth narratives told side by side, we will see the full scope of

human emotions: isolation, fear, disbelief, as well as connection, trust, and joy.

This season we will acknowledge the weariness of our world while also seeking real and daily moments of joy; to remember that all of life can be a prayer. As we move through our series, we hope to create space for acknowledging the weariness of our world while celebrating God's closeness with great joy. Instead of just reading the Gospel texts, we will be having mini-skits telling the story. If you are willing to be a character, please let Pastor Kim know. We are also looking for globes to use in our worship space.

Advent Midweek Prayer

We will gather for song and Holden Evening Prayer on **Wednesdays in Advent at 6:30pm.** We will be sharing this service with the good people of Resurrection. Advent is a great time to remember that it is not just us at Bethel waiting for the Savior to come but the whole church, including our friends just down the street. We will be using the book, *The First Advent in Palestine*, along with our Advent texts from Luke to bring the message.



Wednesday, November 29th, all will gather at Bethel

December 6th, all will gather at Resurrection Lutheran
(1024 Shawano Ave)

December 13th, all will gather at Bethel

December 20th, all will gather at Resurrection.

On this night we will acknowledge that this season also brings sadness. Worship will be a Longest Night/Weary Worship Service

Other Upcoming Advent Events

Women's Advent Breakfast will be **Saturday, December 2nd at 9am**. All ladies of Bethel are welcome. We will gather with the women of Resurrection for egg bakes, french toast bakes, fruit and fellowship.

2nd Annual Advent Crafts will be after Worship on **Sunday, December 3rd**. Please bring a coffee hour snack to share. There will be several Advent crafts for those who love crafts and for those who think they are allergic to crafts. Come and add more blocks to your nativity.

If you are Hospitalized As a reminder, due to HIPAA privacy laws, the church is often not informed when a person is hospitalized. Please call or have a loved one call the church office when you are in the hospital. Do not rely on the hospital to call the church office, even if they have said they will.

Thank You

Thank you to all who volunteered on Thursday, October 26th and Saturday, October 28th to help clean Bethel inside and out. Many hands make light and enjoyable work. Thank you!

Photos Wanted!

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.



Trunk or Treat 2023 brought almost 200 kids to Bethel!



November Birthdays

Meagan Dow	11/2	Roberta Krouth	11/14	Jessie Bouressa	11/25
Beth Peot	11/6	Bret Brugger	11/17	Charles O'Hearn	11/27
Donna Hansen	11/7	Ali Peot	11/18	CJ Johnston	11/28
Chris Petersen	11/9	Grace Golden	11/20		

November Anniversaries

Ken & Sharon Anderson	11/3	33 yrs
Jodi & Bryan Jonet	11/3	33 yrs
Marcia & Dale Johnson	11/8	54 yrs
Reuben & Kayla Anderson	11/14	48 yrs



Bethel Prayer Concerns

Baby Wesley	Ken Claussen	Ralph Addison
Becky Pilon	Kristen Dally	Ron Kasulke
Betty Jensen	Mellissa Montevideo	Roberta Krouth
Berne Baer	Pat Larson	Tyler T
Christina Petzel	Sandy & Dave Elbe	Kathy Towle
Elaine Barber	Steven Gibson	Austin Tree
Dan	Nancy Johnson	Willow Van Vonderen
Dan Conard	Shirley Johnson	Steve Van Laanen
David	CJ Johnston	Family of Ryker Schwartz
Eldon Wade	Karen Koblenz	

Our Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to the family of Ryker Schwartz. Ryker was born and died on October 25th. Ryker's funeral was held at Blaney's Funeral Home on Saturday, October 28th.

Memorial and Gifts

Peggy Hansen in memory of Sue Davie to Feed My Starving Children

Gift Advisory Committee: Terri Hilbert, Linda Grunewald, Tori Russett, Charlie Hilla, Paul Jerks, Doris Brack (Council Rep), Todd Keckhaver (Treasurer), and Pastor Kim.

Bible Studies at Bethel

Grace Study Group (previously Peace and Faith) will be going out to eat at 1951 on Thursday, December 7th at 11:30am.

Beer & Theology will meet on Tuesday, November 14th at 5:30 pm at the Next Door Lounge. Topic: Heaven.

Joy Study Group will begin their new book, *A is for Alabaster* by Anna Carter Florence on Monday, November 20th at 6:30pm at Bethel's lounge.

BBB's will gather on Tuesday, November 28th at 6:30pm at Kathy Long's home with Sharon Hilla leading conversation on Session 3 of the book, *Difficult Words of Jesus* by Amy-Jill Levine.

Library News

The women in the library have been busy. There are many new books for you to check out!

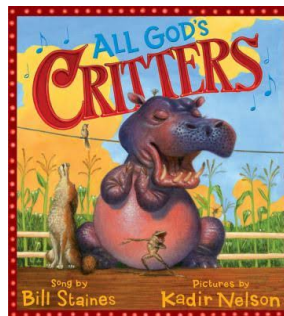
New Children's Books

All God's Critters by Bill Staines

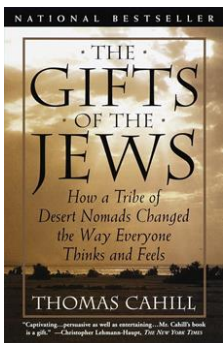
Chrysanthemum by Kevin Henkes

Ugly Bug Ball by Sylvia Egebo Stettinichs

Butterfly Mornings by Bonnie Sose



New Adult Books



How the Irish Saved Civilization: The Untold Story of Ireland's Role from the Fall of Rome to the Rise of Medieval Europe by Thomas Cahill

Gift of the Jews: How a Tribe of Desert Nomads Changed the Way Everyone Thinks and Feels by Tomas Cahill

Desire of the Everlasting Hills: The World Before and After Jesus by Thomas Cahill

Bethel Newsletter deadline for the December/January issue will be November 15th. We ask that all submissions be turned in by this date. Thank you.



MUSICAL NOTES



BETHEL CHOIR

The Bethel Choir hopes you will consider joining us as we sing praises to honor God through music. Rehearsals are held Wednesdays at 7 p.m. No experience is necessary, just a love of music. If you love to sing but can't commit to attending all of the Wednesday choir rehearsals, please speak to Tori Russert or Diane Meinel about special rehearsal accommodations we can make happen for you. We'd love to have you sing with us as the Advent and Christmas seasons are approaching. Please consider joining us for fun and fellowship.

TONE CHIME CHOIR

The Tone Chime Choir welcomes new members who are interested in ringing with us to glorify God through music. To make sure we have adequate music prepared for you, please speak with Diane Meinel, Tone Chime Choir Director, if you would like to join us. Visitors at our rehearsals are always encouraged and welcomed.

INSTRUMENTALISTS NEEDED FOR SPECIAL FESTIVAL SERVICES

Preparations for Thanksgiving, Advent, and Christmas Services will be taking place soon. If you are an instrumentalist or know of anyone who would be able to share their talent as a soloist or be part of a small ensemble at any of these festival services, please contact Diane Meinel, Music Coordinator, at meine247@gmail.com, or call or text 920-445-1356. Vocalists, brass, string and woodwind players are especially needed.

THANK YOU

Thank you to Dave and Mary Hansen for their monetary contribution to the Music Arts Fund. Contributions to the Music Arts Fund help us pay soloists or small ensembles and purchase special music. As always, thanks to the time and talents of The Bethel Choir members and Bethel's Royal Tone Chime Ringers who help to beautify our services.

WORSHIP AND MUSIC COMMITTEE

The worship and music committee has had two fall meetings discussing and planning ways to make our worship at Bethel more meaningful. Please feel free to contact a member of the committee your ideas or thoughts regarding our worship and music. Members of the committee are: Pastor Kim, Tori Russert, Diane Meinel, Peggy Hansen, Jerry Boettcher, Doug and Marsha Scholes, Taylor Hansen, Kay Zastrow, Pegi BeDell, and Charlie Hilla.

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.

Salvation Army Senior Lunch Meal will be prepared on **Monday, November 16th**. Please sign-up on the bulletin board for items needed which include: 2 (24oz) jars spaghetti sauce, 3 (2#) boxes dry spaghetti, 6 dozen breadsticks/dinner rolls, 3 (8oz) containers parmesan cheese, 3 (1#) bags baby carrots. Ice Cream Buckets are always needed.

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

Impact of the 2023 MobilePack

We are beyond thrilled to share that 513,000 meals were packed during the first week of October at Green Bay Community Church, which will feed 1,406 kids for an entire year! To make this possible, 3,124 volunteers worked side-by-side in various roles and capacities; all with one singular goal - feeding God's starving children, in both body and mind.



Thank you to everyone who came out and volunteered.
Thank you to everyone who prayed for our efforts.
Thank you to everyone who came out to Panera Night.
Thank you to everyone who supported the local parishes.
Thank you to everyone who came out for Culver's Night.
Thank you to everyone who patronized our business sponsors.
Thank you to everyone who participated in the 5K Run/Walk.
Thank you to everyone who shared the opportunity with others.
Thank you to everyone who shared our Facebook posts and videos.
Thank you to everyone who donated toward the cost of ingredients.
Thank you to everyone who made this possible.



Congregation Council Minute HIGHLIGHTS

Monday, October 12, 2023

(Awaiting approval at the November Church Council meeting)

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

Call to Order: Charlie Hilla called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m

Dwelling in the Word: Charlie led Dwelling in the Word with a reading about relationships from a book, Holy Hygge, by Jamie Erickson. and then led the prayer.

REPORTS:

Secretary & Pastor's Report: Received as submitted.

Parish Accountant Report: Received as submitted. Due to the current budget concerns, we will suspend payment on our ELCA benevolence until the end of the year contingent on what comes in.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Fall Clean-up:** Inside and outside clean-up is scheduled for 2 dates, Thursday 10/26 and Saturday 10/28. Many hands will lighten the load!
- **Aebleskiver:** Scheduled for Saturday, February 24. Linda W will contact April Martin to see if she is willing to coordinate this again.
- **Annual Meeting:** The annual meeting of the church will be February 18, 2024
- **Banners:** Incarnation Lutheran Church donated their banners when their church closed. A place is needed to store these. Charlie will talk to Building and Grounds about a storage area.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Budget 2024:** The proposed budget for 2024 was reviewed. We will reduce our ELCA benevolence giving to 0, which can then be reevaluated in 6 months, and to designate the Aebleskiver funds as follows: \$1000 to each LSS, Crossways, EPH and FMSC with the remainder for Bethel. It was agreed to give staff a 5% increase for the coming year. The congregational budget meeting is scheduled for December 10.

- **Thrivent Support Presentation:** Pegi is talking to a Thrivent Representative. It was decided that a short talk at announcement time about Choice dollars and Action Team Grants with a time for questions after the service would be good. A date was set for November but due to a conflict this will not work. She will get back to him about a date in January.
- **Photo Directory:** Pastor Kim is working on this. She has received some pictures by email and has taken some. All pictures should be submitted by the end of January.

Adjourn: Motion carried to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. Closed with the Lord's Prayer


Next meeting **Monday, November 13th at 6:30 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted, Marilyn Meister, Council Secretary

Funding for Mission & Budget


	Revenue	Expenditures		
Sept	\$ 32,555	\$ 23,384		
Oct	\$ 18,351	\$ 21,753	2023 Monthly Budget:	\$21,490
YTD	\$ 193,104	\$ 204,238	2023 Total Budget:	\$257,876

2023 Annual Budget Meeting: Sunday, December 10th after worship



Poinsettia Order Form

PLEASE PRINT



Name of person ordering flowers _____

Number of poinsettias ordered _____ **at \$9.50 each = total amount enclosed \$** _____

Dedication: _____ **In honor of** _____ **In memory of** _____ **to the glory of God**

If more than one dedication type is used, please indicate with each name what type of dedication is to be printed.

Service Schedule for November



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

Tuesday, November 21st Thanksgiving Worship

Please sign-up to volunteer

Sunday, Nov 26th	Cindy Michalski	Dawn Schroeder	Terri Hilbert Marilyn Meister	Dawn & Howie Schroeder	Pegi BeDell
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Sunday, Dec 3rd	Doug Hanson	Doug Scholes	Peggy Hansen Gayle Peot	Charlie Hilla Sharon Hilla	Yvonne Pamperin
Sunday, Dec 10th	Kay Zastrow	Karl Peterson	Linda Wery Marilyn Meister	Jerry Boettcher Michael Zastrow	Rick Johnson
Sunday, Dec 17th	Charlie Hilla	Doris Brack	Pat Petzel Terri Hilbert	Todd & Sue Keckhaver	Pegi BeDell

Sunday, Dec 24th Christmas Eve Service Sign-up in Hallway
No AM, 4pm & 9pm

Monday, Dec 25th No Service **Merry Christmas!**

Sunday, Dec 31st	Cindy Michalski	Christin Jaworski	Linda Grunewald	Dave Hansen Kathy Long	Doug Hanson
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November 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 5:30 Confirmation w/ mentors 7:00 Choir	2 10:00 Grace Study Group	3 Pastor's Sabbath	4 
5 <i>All Saints</i> 9:00 Worship 10:00 Tone Chime	6	7	8 10:00 Mission Sewing 7:00 Choir	9 9:30 Library	10 Pastor's Sabbath	11
12 8:00 Tone Chime 9:00 Worship w/Baptism	13 6:30 Council	14 5:30 Beer & Theology	15 5:30 Confirmation 7:00 Choir	16	17 Pastor's Sabbath	18
19 <i>Christ the King</i> 9:00 Worship 10:00 Tone Chime	20 1:00 Salvation Army Senior Meal 6:30 Joy Study Group	21 6:30 Thanksgiving Worship w/Pie Fellowship	22	23 Happy  Thanksgiving	24 Office Closed	25
26 <i>Advent</i> 9:00 Worship 10:00 Tone Chime	27	28 6:30 BBB's Study Group	29 6:30 Midweek Worship @Bethel 7:15 Choir	30		

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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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