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GWOH Worship & School Supply Collection Sunday, September 7th

This year we are collecting items for school children who are served by members of our congregation for God's Work, Our Hands. Some local teachers shared their wishlists for their classrooms and students.



Items needed:

Tags are hanging on the window in the lounge of things we still need.

You can bring the items at any time. If you would like to have someone else purchase items for you, please give the money to Cindy, Pastor Kim, or the office.

We will have a special blessing for them on Sept 7th.

Thank you for your generosity for the local children and teachers!

Special Congregational Meeting: Sunday, September 14th at 10am

In June there were some sewer problems at the parsonage, and it was discovered that there were issues with the pipe going to the road. We now know it is a much larger issue and that 60 feet of pipe will need to be replaced. We are actively collecting quotes for the repair. Council will present the company they suggest and more information before the vote.



Bring your pet, your favorite stuffed animals, your plant, and/or a picture of your animal friend and join us for a special Blessing for St Francis.

We will worship outside on Sunday, October 5th at 9am so that all 4 legged friends can be comfortable! Please bring a lawn chair to sit on (we will also have folding chairs available at church.) Or if you prefer, run home and bring your pet after worship. Dog treats will be provided.

Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) Mobile Pack: Oct 6th-9th

Our Annual Mobile Pack designed to assemble Manna Packs of nutrient filled meals for hungry children is fast approaching. Our goal this year Pack over 650,000 meals!! Not only do we need your help packing these meals, but we must raise \$189,500 across our Partner Churches to fund all the meals also. Watch the bulletin board for financial updates.

The FMSC Mobile Pack will again be held at Green Bay Community Church from Monday, October 6 th to Thursday, October 9 th. Online sign up is open now. Sign-up information is below. Please plan to help with one of the packing sessions. In addition, we will be looking for volunteers for registration, greeting and rovers at each packing time. Please contact Kathy Long (920-660-0931) or Kay Zastrow (920-660-3936) if interested. Come join the fun and help feed God's starving children!!



2025 GREEN BAY MOBILEPACK #2510-064SC

Volunteer Registration begins
SUNDAY, AUGUST 24 at 7:00 AM

Spots fill quickly! Register early to get your desired time.



MON., OCT. 6	TUES., OCT. 7	WED., OCT. 8	THURS., OCT. 9
Unload: 12:00-1:00 pm	12:00-2:00 pm	5:00 -6:30 pm	10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Set-Up: 1:00-3:00 pm	4:00-6:00 pm	7:00 - 8:30 pm	Clean Up: 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm
4:00-6:00 pm	6:30-8:30 pm		
6:30-8:30 pm			

PACK AND PROVIDE

We will fundraise for 650,000 meals this year!

We are also collecting non-perishable food items for local hunger relief. This year's recipient is **De Pere Christian Outreach.**

ONLINE REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS - 2025 GREEN BAY MOBILEPACK #2510-064SC

TO BEGIN: Scan the QR Code or go to *give.fmsc.org/greenbay*

- 1. Click on **Volunteer** button.
- 2. Click on session that you would like to register for.
- If you have an account: Enter your email and password. If you can't remember your password, click on Forgot Your Password and an email will be sent to you.
 - If you do not have an account: Click on Create an Account and follow prompts.
- 4. Enter all information.
- 5. Group Leader enters names and emails of all group members.

QUESTIONS?

View the FAQ sheet at fmsc.org/about-us/faqs.





Fundraising: Multiple Ways to Help

BETHEL ANGEL DONATION BOARD – Stop by the FMSC bulletin board, where we will have donation envelopes with varying dollar amounts from \$5.00 to \$100.00. We will also have blank ones, so you can choose your amount.

Just a reminder that a donation of \$106 will feed one child FOR AN ENTIRE YEAR!! These donations will help fund FMSC Mobile Pack ingredients. Check out the board to get your envelope and help make a difference in the lives of hungry children today!!

BETHEL DESIGNATION ENVELOPES/CARDS – These can be used to honor people on their birthday, anniversary or other occasion, or given in memory of a loved one. They can be found in the church office or at the usher's stations.

BUSINESSES OR INDIVIDUALS WHO MAY WANT TO MAKE A SPECIFIC DONATION to sponsor a family, village, etc., and be recognized during each mobile pack can learn more about this process by visiting the church office or contacting Kay Zastrow (920-660-3936) or Kathy Long (920-660-0931)

ANNUAL FMSC 5K RUN/WALK – Hey Runners and Walkers!! Here is a fundraising opportunity for you! Saturday, September 20th, 8:00 am start. Sponsored by Green Bay Community Church. Go to gbcc.me/events for more information or to sign up.

JOHN KELLEY AND FRIENDS BENEFIT CONCERT – Music Lovers!!! These incredibly talented performers create an eclectic blend and intense fusion of Rock, Jazz and Musical Theatre. This will be a free will offering performance on Friday September 26 th at St Matthews Church, 130 St Matthews St at 6:00 pm. Pizza and concessions will be sold at 6:00 p.m. Concert will be from 7:00-8:15pm. The free will offering and all proceeds from concession sales will go to the Feed My Starving Children Green Bay Mobile Pack

Thank you for considering these mission opportunities. We also appreciate your continued support and prayers for the success of the Mobile Pack and for the safe delivery of the food to the children who will receive it.

Bethel Members at the FMSC Neil Diamond concert, car show, and BBQ at St John's in Ashwaubenon where funds raised will feed 31 children for a year!!









Tuesday, October 7th at Culvers (11820 Velp Ave, Suamico)

Our last share night was a huge success making \$770. Normally we can only do one of these per year, but because of the road construction Culver's offered to let us do another. Please see the sign up sheet in the hallway to volunteer.

Bring yourself, your family, or your neighbors to a meal or buy some Christmas gifts with the purchase of gift cards. Bethel Lutheran receives 15% of all sales (including gift cards).

Bible Studies at Bethel



Grace Study Group will meet on Thursday, September 4th at 10:00am in the church lounge. Shirley Rasmussen will host. We will continue in our study of *Bread of Angels* by Barbara Brown Taylor.

Beer & Theology will meet on Tuesday, September 9th at 5:30pm at Next Door in the Lounge with the theme of Micah 6:8: "and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God." What does this mean for us in today's turmoil? What is required of congregations, pastors, and the church?

Joy Study Group will meet on Tuesday, September 16th at 6:30pm in the church lounge continuing the study of A is for Alabaster. Dawn Schroeder will be hosting.

BBB's will meet on Tuesday, September 23rd at 6:30pm at Kathy Long's home. The study, *From Widows to Warriors* will be continued.

Mission Opportunities

Salvation Army Senior Meal

will be prepared on Monday, September 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.

- Amber prescription bottles brought to the VA for filling with laundry supplies for the vets. If they have medicine in them yet, that's ok, it will get properly disposed of.
- Cell phones recycled for use in domestic violence centers.
- Christmas Lights recycled with the money used to cover shipping costs for other recycling.
- Egg Cartons for Paul's Pantry
- Wine corks The Cork Montados where cork comes from is endangered.

Eyeglasses & Hearing Aids - recycled through our local Lions Club to help those in need.

Memorial & Gifts

Thank you to Peggy Hansen for her donation to music & arts in memory of Tarin Carlson Thank you to Dawn Schroeder for her donation to music & arts in memory of Tarin Carlson

Welcome to the Bethel Family





June 22nd: Weston Alexander Preston





July 6th: Abygael Shneyca Raphael





August 17th: Emersyn Luella Schwartz

Bethel Prayer Concerns



Aili
Berne Baer
Caryl Peters
Christina Petzel
Deb McAllister
Elaine Barber
Eric Pedersen
Gloria Treptow

Karen Koblenz Kathy Forrest Kelly Schmidt Jackie Joe Russett Lottie Jaworski Lou Warner Luke Wubben

Ron Niemuth
Ron Pedersen
Sally Caylor
Sandy & Dave Elbe
Sheila O'Connor
Shirley Johnson
Paislee Porod
Willow Van Vonderen

September Birthdays

9/2 Marilyn Meister

9/2 Tim Moran

9/3 Wanda Eitland

9/5 Pegi BeDell

9/7 Shannon Hansen

9/12 Karl Peterson

9/15 Mark Strohschein

9/17 Cynthia Michalski

9/17 Brittany Grefig

9/17 Linda Wessely

9/18 Doris Brack

9/19 Lily Dombroski

9/20 Sarah Golden

9/20 Shirley Rasmussen

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



9/21 Lou Warner

9/22 Douglas Greenwood

9/26 William Hervas

9/28 Pam Niemuth-Schraufnagel

September Anniversaries

9/15 Paul & Nicole Keckhaver
13 years
9/19 Howie & Dawn Schroeder
16 years
9/24 Jack & Gayle Peot
42 years
9/27 Benjamin & Ashley Hietpas
11 years





Updates from the Resurrection Food Pantry & Fill the Wagon!

Activity at the pantry is booming!

In July, 314 families picked up food from the pantry. Those families amounted to 1,020 individuals. August is following with similar numbers. There were 45 new families registered in July. That is about 33% more than normal.

Specific food needs at the pantry right now include: <u>canned</u> soup (no Raman please), canned meat, baked beans, meals in a can, pasta sauce, breakfast cereal, and side dishes. Fresh garden produce is always appreciated. The garden is doing spectacular this year but they are still spending \$200-300 per week on fresh produce beyond what the garden can generate. They can especially use fresh onions, tomatoes, potatoes, cucumbers, apples, pears, and other fresh fruits.

The fill the wagon day in August was a huge success. We collected over 193 pounds of food for the pantry! Thank you to everyone that brought food to donate. There will be a newshopping list September 7th so that we can fill the wagon again on September 14th.

History Council

Here at Bethel we have a rich history. There are a number of boxes with pictures, art, news articles, and so much other historical information about our church and its members. It is our hope to have members that have a wealth of knowledge to come together and volunteer to help with this project. Watch for more information soon including a sign-up sheet.



Congregation Council Minute HIGHLIGHTS

Monday, August 11, 2025

(To be approved at September meeting)

Present: Pegi BeDell , Doris Brack, Ben Hietpas, Cindy Michalski, Gayle Peot, Linda Wery, Charlie Hilla, and Pastor Kim Swenson **Excused:** Tim Moran

Call to Order: Cindy called the meeting to order at 6:30.

Dwelling in the Word: Cindy led *Dwelling in the Word* with listening to a daily devotion from Our Daily Bread/ discussing open communion. Cindy led the opening prayer with the prayer from Our Daily Bread.

REPORTS:

Secretary's Report: June 9th and special July 10th reports received as submitted.

Parish Accountant Report: Received as submitted.

Pastor's Report: Received as submitted.

NEW BUSINESS:

Officers: Treasurer - Linda Wery was nominated. Nominating Committee - Linda Wery was nominated.

Medical Supply Lending Library: Discussed resources for lending Medical Supplies. Ashley will check on the resources we discussed.

Culver's: Received check for \$770.60. This was for 3 hours of work with 6-8 people volunteering. Linda said due to road construction they are allowing organizations to do this again. She will check on upcoming dates.

Pet Blessing: Oct 5th, Cindy will ask Todd to put up the banner beginning of Sept. Will need volunteers to set up and volunteers to stay for the tear down.

Budget Committee & Personnel Committee Dates:

Budget - Sept 18th @ 5:30 (Pastor will ask Dawn to send Tori/Diane a note regarding this). Personnel - TBD

OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion around the transferred funds from the June Mtg. \$28,000 was transferred from Ministry Savings into the American Funds Money Market account for better interests rates.

Plumbing Repair at the Parsonage: Todd has contacted 3 companies, waiting on quotes/responses.

Tablets for Worship - test run: We are looking for tablets to test the QR code on. Linda and Gayle have tablets they could use. They will bring them to church on August 17 & August 24 for a test run.

Caring for our Neighbors:

- Helping hands: Blessing on Sept 7th for all the School Supplies
- Resurrection Food Pantry: Charlie discussed the food drive. Charlie will be on the Board which will keep Bethel more informed.
- Helping Haitians Housing is a concern. Both of the Haitian couples are of limited income and paying quite high rent for terrible living conditions. Looking for more affordable and safe places.
- Pastor will check with several different organizations we discussed. Continued discussion at the next meeting.

Adjourn: Adjourned at 8:05 p.m. and closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Next Meeting, Monday, Sept 8th at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Pegi BeDell, Council Secretary

Service Schedule for September



	Assisting Minister	Reader	Altar Guild & Communion Assist	Usher	Video Tech
Sunday, September 7 th	Cindy Michalski	Doris Brack	Sheila Greenwood Karen Hervas	Gayle Peot Dar Schuurmans	Rick Johnson
Sunday, September 14 th	Kay Zastrows	Michael Zastrow	Marilyn Meister Charlie Hilla	Carol Wehunt Kathy Long	Doug Scholes
Sunday, September 21 th	Doug Hanson	Sandi Tibbetts	Linda Wery Pat Petzel	Linda Grunewald Kay Smith	Rick Johnson
Sunday, September 28 nd	Charlie Hilla	Peggy Hansen	Gayle Peot Peggy Hansen	Sharon Hilla Marilyn Meister	Cindy Michalski

Service Schedule for October

	Assisting Minister	Reader	Altar Guild & Communion Assist	Usher	Video Tech
Sunday, October 5 th	Doug Scholes	Dar Schuurmans	Debbie Kasulke Dar Schuurmans	Dawn & Howard Schroeder	Doug Hanson
Sunday, October 12 th	Cindy Michalski	Linda Wery	Kathy Long Linda Wery	Charlie & Sharon Hilla	Yvonne Pamperin
Sunday, October 19 th	Kay Zastrow	Michael Zastrow	Karen Hervas Sheila Greenwood	Dave & Mary Hansen	Doug Scholes
Sunday, October 26 th	Doug Hanson	Doris Brack	Pat Petzel Peggy Hansen	Linda Grunewald & Carol Wehunt	Rick Johnson

September 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	labor Day	2 3:00 Personnel	3	4 10:00 Grace Bible Study	5 Pastor Sabbath	6
	Office Closed	Meeting	7:00 Choir			
9:00 Worship/ GWOH	8	9 1:00 Pastor Text Study	10:00 Mission	11 9:30 Library	12 Pastor Sabbath	13
10:30 Tone Chimes	6:30 Council	5:30 Beer & Theology	Jewing			
			7:00 Choir			
9:00 Worship	Salvation Army	16 1:00 Pastor Text Study	17	9:00 GB	19 Pastor Sabbath	20
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8:00 Tone Chimes	22	23 1:00 Pastor Text Study	24	25	26 Pastor Sabbath	27
10:00 Fellowship		6:30 BBB's Bible Study				
Comm.			7:00 Choir			
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10:30 Tone Chime 10:30 Building & Grounds						

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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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