

Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive - May 9th

The Stamp Out Hunger food drive is coming on Saturday May 9th. The Resurrection Food Pantry will again need collection teams to pick up the food on the mail routes beginning at 9:30 am. The Pantry is hoping for 8,000 lbs of food from the event. They are furnishing teams who will be collecting on the East Side of Green Bay at the Cofrin Post office. The collection activity is usually finished by about 1pm. We will then need many additional people at the pantry to sort and put the food away. There will be a light lunch funded by a Thrivent Action Grant around 12:30 pm. Those who participated last year actually had fun doing this service. **Just remember to bring sunscreen.**



There is no need to register to be a sorter. Resurrection is hoping for about 30 people to help with sorting. Also needed is at least one or two smaller children that can be lowered into the totes that can lift a bag of a few cans of food. The walls of the totes are about 40 inches tall and it is not easy to reach the bags at the bottom from outside the totes when they are almost empty.

If you can help with this, please let Charlie Hilla know.



Beer & Theology Bible Study

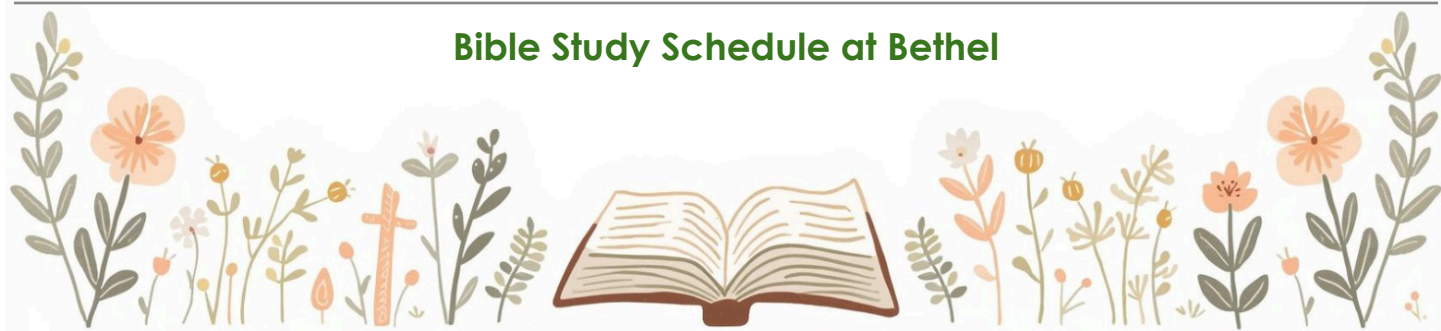
Beer & Theology gave a donation of \$300 in 2025 to ELCA GOOD GIFTS.

They purchased; chicks & a rooster, honeybee hives, 2 water filters, a micro loan for women, and school supply sets.

The study group meets monthly at a local restaurant for dinner & fellowship, beer is not mandatory. Topics for study are selected from within the group.

All are welcome to join the study. If you're interested in attending, contact Debbie Kasulke or Tim Carlson. You can also learn more about ELCA GOOD GIFTS at <https://goodgifts.elca.org/>

Bible Study Schedule at Bethel



Grace Study Group will meet on Thursday, May 7th at 10:00am in the Church Lounge.

Beer & Theology will meet on Tuesday, May 12th at 5:30pm at Next Door in the Lounge.

Joy Study Group will meet on Tuesday, May 19th at 6:30pm, Dawn Schroeder is hosting at her home.

BBB's will meet on Tuesday, May 26th at 6:30pm Location TBD.

Mission Opportunities

Resurrection Food Pantry In April we donated 134 pounds of food to the pantry! Food Items that are needed at the pantry right now are baked beans, canned fruit, jelly, pasta, pasta sauce, meals in a can, breakfast cereal, sugar, flour, oil, spices, dried beans and lentils, salt, and pepper. **Please no glass containers**, they are heavy and they break.

Salvation Army Senior meal will be served on **Monday, May 18th**. Please see the sign-up sheet up on the bulletin board for items needed for the spaghetti dinner.

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

- Cell phones: for use in domestic violence shelters.
- Christmas Lights: recycled with the money received used to offset costs for other recycling.
- Egg Cartons for Paul's Pantry
- Wine cork: to The Cork Montados, where cork comes from, is endangered.
- Eyeglasses & Hearing Aids. recycled through our local Lions Club organization

Handbags of Hope

While you are spring cleaning, sort your purses and donate some for women who visit the Resurrection Food Pantry! Quarterly we fill the bags full of hope, with items such as: socks, feminine products, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, fingernail clippers, nail files, nail polish, combs, soap, small shampoos, etc. for the women who visit the pantry. There is a large tote in the lounge to place handbags and toiletries. Thanks for supporting this ministry.

May Birthdays

5/1 Elaine Barber	5/11 Linda Grunewald
5/2 Marsha Scholes	5/14 Reuben Anderson
5/3 Doug Scholes	5/16 Linda Wery
5/4 Kenny Anderson	5/20 Corbin Keckhaver
5/5 Sheila O'Connor	5/21 George Eitland
5/6 Judy Pedersen	5/22 Glenn Pamperin
5/8 Dick Schoen	5/25 Dani Maus
5/9 Paul Keckhaver	5/26 Hailey Hansen
	5/31 Dar Schuurmans



May Anniversaries

5/11	Kathy and Paul Long	35 Years
5/12	Megan and Andrew Wickman	14 Years
5/15	Karen and Jeff Vercauteren	44 Years
5/21	Deb & Chris Hirthe	49 Years
5/31	Tom and Jenny Kaye	35 Years
5/31	Stuart and Karen Sarkela	40 Years

Bethel Prayer Concerns

Alli	Jackie
Elizabeth K.	Ron Kasulke
Caryl Peters	Ron Niemuth
Christina Petzel	Gloria Treptow
Deb McAllister	Sally Caylor
Elaine Barber	Sandy Elbe
Eric Pedersen	Sheila O'Connor
Karen Koblenz	Paislee Porod
Kathy Forrest	Joe Russett
Kelly Schmidt	Luke Wubben
Lou Warner	Nadine Knoll
Mel Chaltry	Brenda Fruechette
Dick Schoen	Steve Jenkins
Marsha Scholes	Makayla Chmielewski
The Family of Willow Van Vonderen	
The Family of Rob Rabione	
The Family of Dixie Hoover	



Say Something Nice

Another month and another "Say Something Nice" from me. Please consider this an opportunity to have your voice heard... to show your love for the people in our church family.

This month I am showing gratitude to Debbie Kasulke. In case you're wondering what she does that got my attention, it's really just her being and living her life as a child of God. She is always pleasant. She never says a bad word about anyone. She encourages people to reframe their words to be more positive.

She shows up every week to help Ashley out in the office with folding bulletins and posting the hymn numbers. She always shows up for choir practice. She shows up as a delegate for Crossways Camping Ministries. She shows up for Beer and Theology and Joy Bible groups. She shows up for every function at Bethel.. from Trunk or Treat to Communication training.

Debbie shares her story of Bethel welcoming her since the first time she walked through our doors as an unhoused woman and she continues to walk through those same doors and welcomes others at every opportunity that comes her way. Thank you Debbie Kasulke. You are loved and loving.



Cindy Michalski, Council President

Please feel encouraged to submit your own "Say Something Nice" about our members and staff. **We can all use lifting up right now, so let's do that for each other!** Let Ashley know if you want to add something or send an email to: bethelonbond@yahoo.com.

THANK YOU!

A special thank you to the five brass players for taking the time to make our Easter service extraordinarily beautiful.

Their names and instruments are as follows:

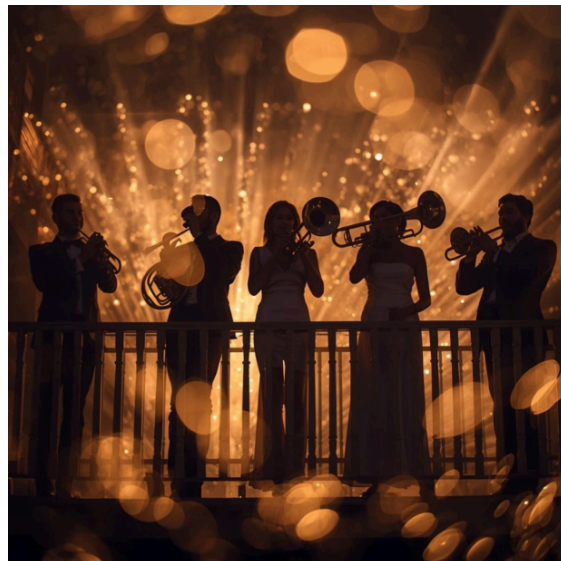
Trumpet: Kelly Robinson

Trumpet: Zach Steffen

Horn: Aimee Patch

Trombone: Anton Granatella

Bass Trombone: Thomas McGowan



Power of Pipes Concert Series

Save the date for **Tuesday July 21st at 6:30pm**. Rowen has arranged for Bethel to host a Power of Pipes concert this summer. Each concert in the series is at a different Green Bay area church and features its resident organist. The concerts provide opportunities to learn about the history of the churches and of the organs you find inside them. Each concert is different, providing opportunities to hear different kinds of organ music. We will need some volunteers to usher and some snacks for guests. Watch for a sign up sheet for this soon. This is a great way to connect with our local community. We hope to see you there.



Join us for a Culver's Share Night Fundraiser on **Monday, May 4, from 5:00–8:00 PM at the Voyageur Drive Culver's!**

Enjoy your Culver's favorites while supporting our **FMSC MobilePack** event. Every meal purchased helps us get closer to our fundraising goal and helps provide meals for children and families in need around the world. Bring your family, invite your friends, and help us make a difference—one meal at a time!

Congregation Council Minute HIGHLIGHTS

Monday, April 13, 2026

(To be approved at May meeting)

Present: Doris Brack, Tim Carlson, Ben Hieptas, Charlie Hilla, Julie Juranitch, Cindy Michalski, Gayle Peot, and Linda Wery

Call to Order: Cindy called the meeting to order at 5:30PM

Dwelling in the Word: Tim led with a story from "Chicken Soup for the Soul" called "Optimist". He felt that even within our church, we should seek opportunities to be optimistic.

REPORTS:

Secretary: Charlie motioned to accept the Secretary's Report. Seconded by Tim and passed.

Parish Accountant: Gayle motioned to accept the Parish Accountant's Report. Seconded by Ben and passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ministry Site Profile: Linda Wery, Debbie Kasulke, Kay Smith, and Carol Wehunt continue to work on the MSP, filling out forms, collecting information, etc.. We were able to add to the list of ministries that Bethel supports and offer suggestions on who, from outside our membership, might write a report about our church. The committee will meet with Pastor Nate from the synod soon.

Amendments to Bylaws: There is a conflict between our Constitution and our Bylaws concerning the pastors voting rights at council meetings. We recommend bringing this to the Semi-annual meeting on June 7th to return the pastor to a non-voting status.

Synod Assembly: Marsha and Doug Scholes are Bethel's delegates for the Synod Assembly Meeting in Oshkosh on June 4-6, 2026.

Spring Cleaning: *Outside,* Josh will do his seasonal pick up and volunteers from Buildings and Grounds will handle the finer details. *At the parsonage,* they will fill in dirt where the ground has settled from the sewer line repair that took place last year.

Inside, need a checklist so volunteers can mark off when an item is completed. Plan for a nice week in May.

OLD BUSINESS:

Building Security: The Green Bay Police Dept has increased drive-by and door lock checks. Building and Grounds will install solar cameras outside the front entrance on Bond, both parking lot entrance doors, and the Conference room door. Tim is working with LaForce to consider door lock changes and/or replacement door possibilities.

We also need to increase our communication about our facilities being used for celebrations so that we don't accidentally have an overbooking. We will have Ashley note private parties on the Bethel Herald calendar.

Summer Wednesday Night Services: With our lower attendance last year and difficulty getting pastoral coverage, we will not have mid-week summer services in 2026.

Semi-Annual Meeting: Immediately following worship service on June 7th, we will hold the meeting and include the recommended Bylaws change along with the election of new council members on the agenda.

Culver's Night: Linda reported that we don't have a total yet for the successful Lineville Rd event. The next date is scheduled for June 2nd at the West Mason St. location with adjusted hours of 4-7PM. These events have been easier, more fun, and very successful (15% of profits) activities, so try to fill a volunteer slot and/or stop in for food or gift cards.

Linda will investigate using the DePere site for another event.

Care For Neighbors: Charlie was saddened to see no one had signed up to help with Stamp Out Hunger on May 9th in which the USPO partners with our sister congregation, the Resurrection Food Pantry. More volunteers are needed for sorting at the pantry (lunch at noon) 12:30 until finished.

Other Items: The Worship and Music committee will meet to address the culling of the music library and ordering other selections. We need to consider adjustments to, or replacement of the organ bench.

Who needs to be informed about decisions made today?

Ashley- Bethel Herald calendar and June 7th meeting agenda

Rowen- organ bench adjustment

Marilyn Meister-checklist for Spring cleaning

Doris made a motion to adjourn at 7:28PM, seconded by Julie. Motion carried.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer

Submitted by,

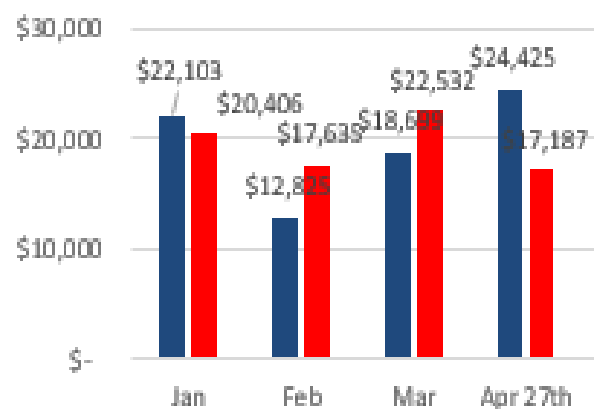
Doris Brack, co-secretary

Funding for Mission & Budget

	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
February	\$12,825	\$17,635
March	\$18,699	\$22,532
<u>April 27th</u>	<u>\$24,425</u>	<u>\$17,187</u>
2026 YTD	\$55,949	\$57,354

2026 Monthly Budget: \$18,843

2026 Total Budget: \$226,118



Thank you for your generosity!



Service Schedule for May

	Assisting Minister	Reader	Altar Guild & Communion Assist	Usher	Video Tech
Sunday, May 3rd	Cindy Michalski	Doris Brack	Kathy Long Linda Wery	Peggy Hansen Sheila Greenwood	Doug Hanson
Sunday, May 10th	Doug Hanson	Gayle Peot	Pat Petzel Gayle Peot	Cindy Michalski Kay Smith	Doug Scholes
Sunday, May 17th	Charlie Hilla	Sharon Hilla	Karen Hervas Peggy Hansen	Dawn & Howard Schroeder	Rick Johnson
Sunday, May 24th	Cindy Michalski	Michael Zastrow	Debbie Kasulke Linda Wery	Carol Wehunt Carl Andrews	Lucas Dean
Sunday May 31st	Roland Christian	Sandi Tibbetts	Debbie Kasulke Sheila Greenwood	Doug Hanson Linda Wery	Yvonne Pamperin



Service Schedule for June

	Assisting Minister	Reader	Altar Guild & Communion Assist	Usher	Video Tech
Sunday, June 7th	Kay Zastrow	Michael Zastrow	Pat Petzel Peggy Hansen	Carl Andrews Cindy Michalski	Doug Hanson
Sunday, June 14th	Charlie Hilla	Ashley Hietpas	Karen Hervas	Sharon Hilla Kathy Long	Doug Scholes
Sunday, June 21st	Doug Hanson	Peggy Hansen	Peggy Hansen Gayle Peot	Kay Smith Carol Wehunt	Rick Johnson
Sunday, June 28th	Roland Christian	Doris Brack	Debbie Kasulke Sheila Greenwood	Charlie & Sharon Hilla	Lucas Dean

May 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
8:30 Choir 3 9:00 Worship 10:00 Fellowship 10:30 Choir	5-8 FMSC Culver's Share Night	5	6:00 Communication training	10:00 Grace Bible Study	2-4 Tutoring	Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive 9:30
Mother's Day 8:30 Choir 9:00 Worship 10:00 Fellowship	5:30 Council Meeting	5:30 Beer & Theology	10:00 Mission Sewing 6:00 Communication training	9:30 Library	2-4 Tutoring	
9:00 Worship 10:00 Fellowship	Salvation Army Meal	6:30 Joy Bible Group			2-4 Tutoring	
9:00 Worship 10:00 Fellowship	Memorial Day 	6:30 BBB's			2-4 Tutoring	

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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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