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PASTOR'S PONDERINGS

DEAR ONES,

As I write, I am attending a conference called Faith in Us: Democracy Defense National Clergy Training. This morning I heard a Rabbi, an Imam, and a Lutheran Pastor tell the story of the call of Moses from their various perspectives. It was beautiful.

As such, I am honored to be a part of a multi-faith organizing group to support non-partisan democracy for the benefit of all people, without exception. Now I am listening to a man talk in Arabic, being translated into English. Our neighbors have heart-breaking family stories both of people in the United States and all over the world. Stories of how authoritarian leadership and governments can be very destructive to particular peoples, creating space for genocide, racism, and injustice we have not seen in our lifetimes.

Friends, because Bethel is an early voting location for Hennepin County in the mid-term elections, we are placed into a unique situation. As I learn this week how to organize, I need you all to know that protecting the democratic election is now a part of my call from God. I will be working more closely with fellow multi-faith clergy, as well as all of you. For those of you who participated in the Civil Rights Movement, we are learning from the same tactics that helped you protect our siblings in Christ.

Bethel is called and will be sent to ensure safety, fairness, openness, and access for all eligible voters. Please stay tuned and get ready to talk about and plan for some extra work in October and November in order to ensure a democratic vote without interference.

Here are a couple slides I am learning from that

will guide us in our own discernment of how we best follow God's will in this process.

What Authoritarians Do: Around the World, Throughout Time

- Pick a Scapegoat
- Spread lies
- Silence anyone who speaks up
- Use violence to keep control
- Rig the game so they can't lose - do anything to stay in power



These six principles were outlined by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in his famous essay, "A Pilgrimage to Nonviolence." They serve as the foundation of the teachings of Kingian Nonviolence Conflict Reconciliation and are often referred to as the "will" of nonviolence.

- 1: Nonviolence is a way of life for courageous people.
- 2: The beloved community is the framework for the future.
- 3: Attack forces of evil not persons doing evil.
- 4: Accept suffering without retaliation for the sake of the cause to achieve a goal.
- 5: Avoid internal violence of the spirit as well as external physical violence.
- 6: The universe is on the side of justice.



Thank you for your commitment to the love and radical welcome of God.

Pastor Brenda

BOARD OF ADMINISTRATORS

GREETINGS FROM YOUR BETHEL BOARD OF ADMINISTRATORS!

The board met recently on a warm August evening. We were pleased to appoint one more member to our last open board seat, welcoming Erin Gaines to the Board of Administrators as Secretary for a two-year term ending in 2028. We're



Erin Gaines

delighted to have a full team in place now — thank you to Erin and to all who are serving in so many other roles at Bethel.

We heard a good financial report for July — Bethel continues to operate at a deficit, but in a much better position than we originally forecast — and advanced recommendations for funding awarded by the Endowment Committee, as well as a seminary scholarship award for Susan Johnson's diaconal ministry studies.

Sarah Berke
BOA President

MISSION COUNCIL REPORT

I hope everyone is getting the chance to soak up and enjoy the last days of summer! The Resistance Remains event was fun and well attended, with many beautiful and intriguing crafts and artwork for sale. At our last meeting we did some event planning. Rally Sunday will be on September 13. In addition to filling backpacks and delicious food, we will be having snow cones. This year we will be making more encouragement signs for the boulevards around Bethel, so bring your artistic ideas to cheer on our neighbors!

The Mission Council has decided to again offer food to the neighborhood during Trunk or Treat. We're currently exploring potential vendors and are open to suggestions. Give to the Max Day will feature bingo, with prizes and more fun on offer. December's Community Fun Night will

include making ornaments and waffles. More to come on these events soon.

I would like to mention that the Menard's receipts have been a great help to buy necessities for the building; please continue to donate them as you are able!

September's Mental Health Connect program is "Chronic Procrastination and Its Toll on Mental Well-Being" to be held Tuesday, September 8, 2026, 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 4100 Lyndale Ave S, Minneapolis, MN, 55409. Please let me know if you have any questions about this event.

Peace to you all,
Susan Johnson
On behalf of the Mission Council

GRANTS UPDATE

HI EVERYONE!

My name is Abby Johnson and I'm the new office and grant manager here at Bethel. It's been wonderful to settle into this position and to meet the congregation and community. I look forward to meeting more of you! A little bit about me: I grew up in the Chicagoland area. I moved to Minnesota in 2013 for college and never left! I live right in the neighborhood with my long-term partner, James, and our dog and cat, Lucca and Gigi. We love to spend our free time riding bikes, trying new food, gardening, and being couch potatoes with our pets. In addition to being present in the office, I will also be spending time working on Thrivent Action Team grants, as well as researching and applying for other grant opportunities to keep providing

for our wonderful community here in Minneapolis. We plan to continue using this funding for things like Bethel's Little Free Pantry, Community Fun Nights, 2nd Saturday Concert Series, Rally Sunday, and more. If you have any interest in applying for a Thrivent Action Team grant to sponsor something like marketing or hospitality for an event hosted by Bethel, please consider becoming an associate member! Your support means so much to Bethel. I'm so happy to be here and I can't wait to see what the future holds for this special place.



Abby Johnson

Grant and Office Manager

BERNIE'S MUSIC UPDATE

DEAR FRIENDS,

Welcome to September! We are preparing for Rally Sunday on September 13th, and I look forward to seeing you there. I want to extend a big "Thank You" to the members of the Bethel community who shared special music with us every month this summer.

Bethel Choir and Handbell Choir are meeting once again. Handbell Choir meets on Mondays, and Bethel Choir meets on Wednesdays, both at 7:00 pm. Handbell Choir plays on the 3rd Sunday of the month, while Bethel Choir sings on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month, with an additional service or two during holidays.

There are no auditions to join our choirs. Reading music is not required, but helpful. So if you are curious about us, we welcome you! If you have a family member or friend who

might be interested in joining us, please invite them to check us out. Please contact me at music2023@bethel-mpls.org, or chat with me at worship for more information or to ask questions. You are welcome to join us occasionally or regularly.

This November, our annual 2nd Saturday concert series resumes and continues through March. Concerts begin at 3:00 pm and feature live music from local musicians from around the Twin Cities. I hope you mark your calendars and join us for some live music, with treats and conversation to follow each concert.

Thank you for singing, playing, and supporting worship music at Bethel!



Peace and Grace,

Bernie Asher

music2023@bethel-mpls.org

BUILDING UPDATES

Did you know that we now share our building with three congregations, two home school groups, six 12-step groups, Girl Scouts, Scouting America, Community Aid Network-MN, Nokomis Healthy Seniors, and no less than ten other organizations? Our most recent addition is a Daycare that will meet in the Toddler Room Monday through Friday from 7am -6pm. We continue to talk with organizations to share our building. We also expect to see no less than 15,000 residents of Hennepin County in our building during early voting in October and

November. Given all of this, we continue to look for partners in ministry that will actually share our building and help us all afford this beautiful building and grounds.

Pastor Brenda

On behalf of the Building and Grounds Committee



JOIN BETHEL'S *Handbell and Vocal Choirs*

ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN!

We want you to:

- Sing in the choir
- Play handbells
- Play an instrument during worship

Handbell Rehearsals — Mondays, 7pm starting 8/24
Choir Rehearsals — Wednesdays, 7pm starting 8/26

If you are interested in singing in the choir, playing in the handbell choir, or if you would like to play another instrument during worship, contact Bernie at music2023@bethel-mpls.org

FEASIBILITY UPDATE

Your Feasibility Study Team continues to meet monthly, and here is what we have been recently discussing:

What are the pros and cons of some of the following potential options for Bethel's future?

1. Stay the same course and share our building and grounds more and more.
2. Find a partner or partners to pay an even share of building costs (co-owners and co-managers).
3. Sell/deed the building and grounds to someone else and stay as a tenant.
4. Sell/deed the building and grounds to someone else and find someplace else to be church.

5. Merge with another congregation at another location.

6. Merge with another ELCA congregation(s) at our location.

Please be assured that none of these options are on the table right now and that when one is, you will be asked for your input before decisions are made. We continue to have conversations with OurSpace and are always on the lookout for other opportunities to learn more about. We hope to soon have more information on the status of our monopoly contracts, as the monopoly is a major factor in future decisions about use of our parking lot.

Thoughts? Share them with us.

*Laurie Hauge, Ann Allison, Gene Rodi,
Don Olson, Pastor Brenda, and Jim Lair*

feasibility@bethel-mpls.org

Sunday School

AT BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

SUNDAYS AT 10:15AM — STARTING SEPTEMBER 20, 2026



**REGISTER
HERE:**



Registration is preferred, but not required. By registering, we will be able to communicate with you in the event of any changes to the schedule.

MINISTRY CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
30 10:00am Bethel Worship 11:00am Fellowship Time 11:30am Stewardship Meeting 1:00pm Pentecostal Casa Worship 5:30pm Minneapolis Jo 6:00pm La Voz de Dios Worship 7:00pm El Nuevo Despertar AA	31 Bethel Office Closed 7:00am Mi Casita Daycare 7:00pm Bridge to Shore AA 7:00pm El Nuevo Despertar AA 7:00pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal	1 7:00am AA Meditation 7:00am Mi Casita Daycare 9:30am NHS Coffee Time and Cribbage 9:30am OA HOW Meeting 10:00am NHS Exercise 10:00am Staff Meeting 5:30pm Minneapolis Jo 6:00pm Luz Alas Naciones 6:30pm Scout Troop 38 7:00pm El Nuevo Despertar AA 7:00pm Pentecostal Casa Music	2 7:00am Mi Casita Daycare 10:00am NHS Women's Art Group 10:00am NHS Yoga 12:00pm Hybrid Bible Study 6:00pm La Voz de Dios 6:00pm Luz Alas Naciones 6:30pm Continuous Action AA 6:30pm Nokomis Quilters 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm El Nuevo Despertar AA
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BIBLE STUDY WITH PR BRENDA

Wednesdays at 12pm

Online meeting room:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81542792093>



And in-person in the Fireside Room.

9/2	Women of the Early Church: Acts 9:36-43 Romans 16:1-15
9/9	Psalms 103:1-13
9/16	Matthew 20:1-16
9/23	Matthew 21:23-32
9/30	Matthew 21:33-46

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For a full list of our staff
and leadership members,
please visit our website:



SUNDAY SERVERS

Date	Assisting Minister	Lector	Cantor	Sacristy	Ushers	Streaming	Hospitality	Altar Guild
9/6	Ann Allison	Dan Hauge	Janet Anderson	Stephanie Johnson	Norris and Jay	Gene and Ted	Clarice Lovstuen	Laurie and Anna W.
9/13	Anna Olsen	Ann Allison	Sarah Berke	Marilyn Newborg	Jayson and Grayson	Gene and Ted	Rally Sunday	Laurie and Anna W.
9/20	Sharon Rodi	Stephanie Johnson	Kristin Cleary	Marilyn Newborg	Susan and Jerry	Gene and Ted	Romell White	Laurie and Anna W.
9/27	Susan Johnson	Darlene Olson	Bernie Asher	Marilyn Newborg	Mason and Marshall	Gene and Ted	Ann Allison	Laurie and Anna W.

SEPTEMBER

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays

Emily Kjesbo-Johnson	2
Wia Day	5
Carol Ulrich	5
James Hansen	6
Derrick Williams	5
Mike Wohnoutka	7
Kay Herceg	9
Rick Herceg	12
Don Olson	13
Ed Sunde	13
Robert Pikkarainen	14
Marilyn Newborg	15

Wendy Krogh	17
Mark S Olson	18
Sharon Rodi	18
Dale Newborg	20
Kelly Hoover	22
Aaron Warwick	23
Kristin Cleary	24
Stephanie Johnson	27
Josh Weber	27
Bryan Mann-Entzel	29

Anniversaries

Norris and Clarice Lovstuen	1
Kristin and Jim Cleary	4
Larissa and Chris Hoover	15
Doug and Sarah Psick	19
Susan and Jerry Johnson	23
Sharon and Gene Rodi	25
Aaron and Karen Warwick	30

If your birthday or anniversary is missing or incorrect, please let the office know so we can update our records! Thank you!

BETHEL'S

FREE rally sunday

SEPTEMBER 13, 2026

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP AT 10AM
OR AFTER AT 11AM FOR:

- FREE PICNIC
- SERVICE PROJECT
- AND MORE!

Help us put together school bags filled with school supplies for Lutheran World Relief to distribute.

More details to come!

**This event is FREE and open to the public.
ALL ARE WELCOME!**

BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
4120 17th Ave. S., Minneapolis, MN
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PRAYER list...

PRAY FOR BETHEL MEMBERS

Jan Walker	Laurel Jorgensen
Marilyn Newborg	Gloria Condon
Stella Warwick	Hundt Family
Christopher Rodi	Puckett Family
Dave and Libby Krogh	Darrell Dahl
Larissa Hoover	Walker Family
Leonard Phillips	Warwick Family
David and Sue	Pikkarainen Family
Dorumsgaard Ayers	Gert Carlson
	Joyce Hughes

MORE PEOPLE OF GOD

- People struggling with mental illness and their loved ones
- Victims of natural and human disasters
- People in war-torn places
- Black, Brown, Indigenous, and Asian Lives
- People without homes
- Refugees, Migrants and Asylum Seekers
- People affected by gun violence

MEMBERS, RELATIVES

AND FRIENDS IN THE SERVICE

Katrel Bishop (Pr B's nephew)
Adam Froisland (Pr B's nephew)

PRAY FOR OUR RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

Barb Passow (Pr B's friend)
Martin/Harne family (Pr B's relatives)
Ivy Potratz (Susan Johnson's stepmom)
Sherri Johnson (friend of Bethel)
Kris Hayes (Ann Allison's sister)
Marvin (Bryan Mann-Entzel's father)
Virginia (Jerry Johnson's mom)
Bill (Barb Wandberg's brother)
Lennon (Cole and Bryan's niece)
Beth (Dan Hauge's sister)
Andrea and Sage (Candy Hickenbotham's family)
Ethylmae Ross (Gloria Condon's aunt)
Ian (Pr B's friend)
Eric (Pr B's and Mary's family friend)
Julian (Jan Walker's friend)
Kristian (Pr B's friend)
Steve (Pr B's brother)
Michael (Marilyn Newborg's brother)
Donovan (Angel Cannon's father)
Rita (Sharon Phillips' friend)
Calvin (Angel Cannon's godfather)
Wayne (Karen Warwick's dad)
Trent and Michelle (Norma's family)
Darlene (Jeff Alberts' mom)
Susan (Mike Condon's sister)
John (Kathy Hundt's brother-in-law)

BETHEL'S MISSION PARTNERS

❖ReconcilingWorks ❖Casa de Oracion - Pentecostal
❖Mpls Area Synod ❖Nokomis Healthy Seniors ❖CANMN
❖Iglesia Evangelica Luz Alas Naciones ❖Iglesia Evangelica La Voz de Dios
❖Bancroft Neighborhood Association ❖Bread of Life Deaf Lutheran Church (BOLD)

You can now submit a Prayer Request on our website.
Please visit bethel-mpls.org and scroll towards the bottom
of our main page to locate the form.

For additions or revisions to the Prayer List, please contact
Pastor Brenda: pastor@bethel-mpls.org
or the Office: office@bethel-mpls.org
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STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

GOD'S GRACE — JUSTICE AND JOY

Earlier this year during worship, the congregation sang a hymn called "For Everyone Born, a Place at the Table" with lyrics by Shirley Erena Murray. This hymn inspired our stewardship theme. Pastor Brenda found relevant Bible verses which Jerry Johnson shared in last month's Herald.

This month I'd like to share a couple of verses and the refrain from the hymn (you can find complete lyrics online). Through ways like praying, serving, interacting with others, volunteering, donating, advocating and more, we can all work towards these ideals:

For everyone born, a place at the table,
For everyone born, clean water and bread,

A shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,
For everyone born, a star overhead.
For everyone born, a place at the table,
To live without fear, and simply to be,
To work, to speak out, to witness and
worship,
For everyone born, the right to be free.
And God will delight when we are creators
Of justice and joy, compassion and peace;
Yes, God will delight when we are creators of
justice,
Justice and joy!

We'll look more at the theme of Justice and Joy in the weeks leading up to Promise Sunday on November 15. What will the food contest be this year? Find out next month!

Thanks for reading.

Kristin Cleary

On behalf of the Stewardship Committee



In gratitude, Bethel Lutheran Church amplifies God's grace, nourishes all creation, reaches out, and builds community.

- We are a Reconciling in Christ Congregation.
- Why a Public Church? To impact and enhance the community so that everyone feels a sense of love and belonging.

SAVE THE DATE

for these events at Bethel

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SEPTEMBER						
13 Rally Sunday						
20 Sunday School Begins						
OCTOBER						
25 Trunk or Treat						
NOVEMBER						
14 2nd Saturday Concert						
15 Promise Sunday/Potluck						
19 Give to the Max Day/BINGO!						
DECEMBER						
10 Community Fun Night						
12 2nd Saturday Concert						
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Stay tuned for more information on these events.