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

- We are a Reconciling in Christ Congregation.
- Bethel Children, Youth & Family Ministry bridges generations to model, equip, and encourage a foundation of trust in God's story.

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Oct. Deadline:

Approved Article, Advertisement
and Calendar deadline is:

**September 20 at
12:00 Noon**

A Blessing for our Ministry

"It is a pleasure to inform you that Christian Theological Seminary has awarded a grant of \$39,316.00 to Bethel Evangelical Lutheran Church for its clergy renewal program. Funding for the 2019 Lilly Endowment Clergy Renewal Programs is provided by Lilly Endowment Inc."

What a wonderful letter to receive in the beginning of August. This is a promise of supporting Bethel in our new venture of cultural competence, rest, and renewal for us as a whole. Indeed, there is reason for the 'Happy Dance' to be had by all of us in celebration and thanksgiving. This means that, as a community, we will be able to financially support our plans of taking the Intercultural Development Inventory, do the work to become more culturally competent and welcoming, as well as allow me to go away for three months, while you work on things with another pastor. Dr. Jen will be trained as an IDI facilitator and will assist many of us through this renewal process. And I will be trained as an IDI facilitator upon my return.

Here are some hopes and dreams we included in our grant application:

*"All are welcome, without exception." At Bethel Evangelical Lutheran Church we say these words each day. Our members and our pastor, Brenda Froisland, strive to BE the church. Yet we are always challenged to make our welcome truly relevant and inclusive. We know we have a lot to learn about ourselves relative to other cultures, as well as our own. This proposal describes how we -- the members and pastor of Bethel -- plan to enter a time of renewal and reflection to increase our cultural competency. Our calling is to move beyond welcome to deeper inclusion and belonging for all -- that is, **we are called to care for all cultures.***

As part of Pastor Brenda's sabbatical and the congregation's commitment to renewal before, during, and after the sabbatical, our leadership and members are excited to explore the Intercultural Development Inventory (IDI) as a new tool for reflection and development. The IDI helps identify the cultural proficiency of individuals and organizations, and will allow us to learn more about how best to work with one another in ministry. We recognize how important this knowledge is to equip us to care for one another with the grace and love of God.

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This will be an incredible experience for all of us, and I look forward to learning about our own cultural sensitivities and how we can increase our competence, together.

With you, for Jesus, and all people, without exception,

Pastor Brenda

Grief Is Hard

As a community, I know this past month has been very difficult. Celebrating the lives and mourning the deaths of Lennore Bevis, Dody Schlottke, and Mary Sunde - all in the span of four weeks - is so much to hold. Too much to hold on our own, as individuals. So, I encourage us all to hold it in community. To continue to talk about our friends, tell stories, laugh and smile at the good things, seek one another out when we need a good cry, be there for another when they need a listening ear, and remind each other that God is for real. Resurrection is real. Jesus made sure to this truth in faith!

Looking at some resources about grief, I would like to remind us all of the following:

While grieving a loss is an inevitable part of life, there are ways to help cope with the pain, come to terms with your grief, and eventually, find a way to pick up the pieces and move on with your life.

1. Acknowledge your pain.
2. Accept that grief can trigger many different and unexpected emotions.
3. Understand that your grieving process will be unique to you.
4. Seek out face-to-face support from people who care about you.
5. Support yourself emotionally by taking care of yourself physically.
6. Recognize the difference between grief and depression.
7. Know that grief can also include physical concerns such as fatigue, nausea, lowered immunity, weight loss or gain, aches, pains, and insomnia.

Please reach out if things feel out of hand for you and let us all help one another as we go through the stages of grief (Denial, Anger, Bargaining, Depression, Acceptance) at our own pace, in our own order, and for all the ones we love who have gone before us.

With you, in sorrow and hope,

Pastor Brenda

An email we received about our signs on 42nd!



Hi Bethel Folks,

I wanted to let you know that your signs have been a blessed gift to me the past couple of days. I'm going through some very difficult times; some severe financial issues, both my parents are having health crises and my daughter has some significant mental health issues. Your signs really have given me life and hope.

Great idea and thank you so much.



From the desk of Dr. Jen Kilps, Engagement Coordinator

I hope you have noticed the signs in our juniper bushes lining 42nd Street. Some of them read: **YOU MATTER, YOU CAN DO IT, YOU ARE NOT ALONE, DON'T GIVE UP.** There is one with a big smiley face and one with child-drawn hearts.

This is the message we want to give our neighbors and those passing through our community. Members of Bethel understand that life can be difficult. We are not a church that sugar-coats our experiences or lives together. We want people to know that we are REAL! That we support and care for each other through some of life's most difficult struggles.

The *implicit* message is that we can care for you too.

Our Mental Health Small Group meets the first Tuesday of every month in the Parlor. The number of people in attendance varies but we have a core of people committed to be present. We mostly sit around and chat. We have built up a trust and an openness with each other that allows for very real conversation. When a new person comes along, this group opens itself up, sharing stories to help people feel comfortable, and sometimes just listens.

And it's funny, the more we share stories about ourselves, our families, our feelings...the easier it gets. The more comfortable we are. I can say that confidently. It is not easy to talk about depression, whether our own, or that of a friend or a member of our family. There has been so much stigma over the years. And, sadly, it IS common. Mental health issues affect us all. And to be able to talk about it freely, with concern as well as smiles and hugs, well, it just makes things better.

If we cannot find comfort and radical acceptance within our church community, where else will we find it?

The signs on the lawn were inspired by a photo of similar signs, black and white, in a simple font, spread over a lawn. I asked people in the small group what they thought of it and they loved it. Sometimes these are just the words you need to hear when life gets rough. When we feel alone.

Our signs are colorful though! And not perfect! During Family Camp last month everyone took up a paintbrush and the color of their choice and painted a sign. Even Marshall, who is 6. It was a sunny day and our signs were spread over the lawn of Camp Onomia, overlooking the lake. It was a peaceful activity and there was much laughing and admiring of each other's work. We finished our project and continued to play with each other, going for walks, simply enjoying the company.

We are a church. A colorful one and not perfect! We have SO MUCH room for love. So much more than we can imagine.

Come visit with us. We meet the first Tuesday of every month at 6:30 PM in the Parlor. It's safe. It's not therapy. And it's real.

Talk to me anytime, about anything. Christ dwells in the midst of our relationships. Always.





*Will you help us
with the birthday party?*

We would love to have people bring birthday cakes for the celebration. We need at least 12 cakes. One for each month of the year. Please let Pr Brenda know that you will bring one.

Thanks!

Join us for Renewal Sunday, Sept. 8th!

You are invited!

What: **Renewal Sunday**

When: **Sunday, September 8th**

9:20 AM Education for All Ages

10:30 AM Worship

11:30 AM Celebration!

Birthday Celebrations

Celebrate all that we have done...

and excitement for building

what will come next!

We will also be filling the school bags with the supplies you brought for Lutheran World Relief!

All are welcome!



**VOLUNTEER AT
FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN**

**JOIN BOLD AND BETHEL on
Saturday, September 7, 2019
4:30 - 6:30 PM**

**990 Lone Oak Road, Suite 136,
Eagan, MN 55121**

Then we'll go to Ze's Diner
at 3448 Denmark Ave,
Just down the road ~ <http://zesdiner.com/>

Turn Hunger into Hope with Your Own Two Hands.
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For all that has been
THANKS



Well done, good and faithful servants.



After many years of faithful service to **Habitat for Humanity** and the **Share A Lunch** program, it is time to end this work. We will now explore new ways to contribute to our community and to continue to use our hands for God's work.

May it be so.



For all
that will be **YES!**
DAG • HAMMARSKJOLD

Music – Speaking Through a Cup of Lemonade

It was not too long ago that I found myself at the Irish Fair of Minnesota – a celebration of all things Irish. Even though I have zero Irish in me and I tend to run and hide when St. Patrick's Day comes around in St. Paul, I do enjoy celebrating the culture and the excitement that comes with the Fair. The shopping was filled with green items, and the Irish dancers made me sweat just watching them. There was a 0k run, that's right, zero kilometers, in which participants received a t-shirt for participating. There were Irish breeds of dogs tired from hundreds of hands petting them and giving them attention.



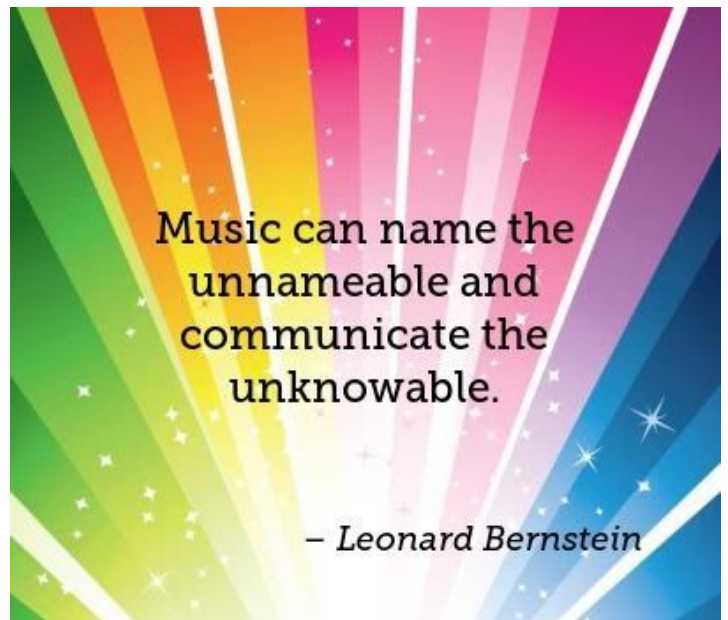
There was plenty of Irish fare to eat and so I tried a Guinness Pulled Pork sandwich. It was very good. To wash it down I went to get some lemonade – it's a little quirk of mine that one can always find me at a fair or large event with a cup of lemonade. The gentleman who was serving asked about the t-shirt that I was wearing which read "Michigan Music" – since I went to the University of Michigan for a degree. So, I told him that I was a music director of Bethel Lutheran, a church in South Minneapolis, and played various instruments. He stopped and told me how music really speaks to the soul and is very moving. This quick but genuine conversation ended by him wishing me well and saying, "thank you for your service," referring to me being a musician. I found it strange; I've never been "thanked for my service" for just being a musician. But the more I thought about it the message sunk in.

Music is a way of communication that transcends the bounds of language and culture, bringing people together to calm fears and bring hope. I believe this has been the goal of music from the very beginning. Think about any song with or without lyrics. Hymns in church tell a hopeful story, while spirituals may speak of struggles yet look for hope. Some of today's pop songs speak real world struggles of relationships and life, providing a relatable and therefore calming story to listeners. Music with no words has emotion too, evident from those performing it, and sometimes just perceived by the individual listening. Music does provide a service as the gentleman at the lemonade stand suggested. Maybe not as tangible as something to hold in your hand or something that you can see but something that can move the soul. Something that is and hopefully remains a great mystery.

All of the recent celebrations of life at Bethel have used music to emote a message of hope and to remember those who have gone on before us. Music has the power to bring us closer to our loved ones who have passed on, and has equal power to create new memories with new life as well. How does music speak to you? How has God used music in your life to communicate joys and prayers? I know I'll be thinking about the power of music the next time I go for a cup of lemonade!



Phil Radtke
Music Director





In March through June of this year, our Office Manager, Susie George, took a sabbatical to pursue her vocation. She spent this time in Tucson, Arizona, volunteering with the Casa Alitas Program serving migrants and asylees who survived the arduous border crossing to safety in the U.S.

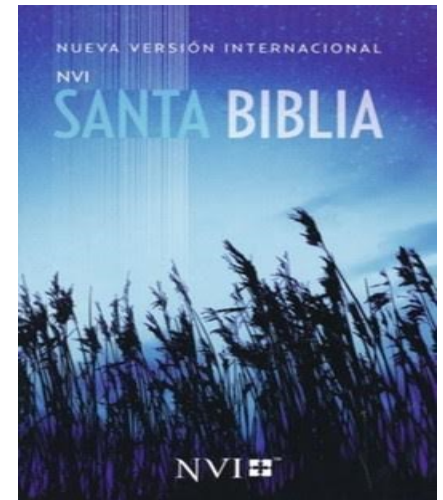
At Casa Alitas, workers and volunteers offer hospitality to families giving them a safe place to rest, rehydrate, eat, and care for their children. They are provided with clothes, travel bags, hygiene kits, baby food, toys, and diapers. Casa Alitas has hosted as many as +200 visitors in a day. Since October, they have welcomed over 16,000 people through their doors.

One item that visitors have requested and Casa Alitas has asked us for are **Spanish language Bibles**.

Bethel's Mission Council has taken up the challenge to work with Susie to purchase 500 Bibles that can be distributed to families in need of God's Holy Word.

We are committed to raising \$1,500 by the end of September to this end.

Please donate to this ministry via Special Offering on Sundays or by dropping off a check or money at the office. Checks can be made out to Susie George with Spanish Bible on the memo line. Peace in Christ!



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| Sept. 8 | Ms . J. Drake Hamilton , Vice President
Fresh Energy Inc.
Fresh Energy Plans for 2019-2020 |
| Sept.15: | Dr. Jen Kilps will give an update on some of the exciting things coming up in the new program year. |
| Sept. 22: | Susie George — Bethel Office Manager and Member of Mayflower UCC
Talks about her 3-month work at the U.S./ MX Border |
| Sept. 29: | Paul Kile -- Bethel Member
Discussion of the importance of Meditation and its relationship to Prayer |
| Oct. 6: | Ali El Hassan
Metropolitan Council —7 Counties—Mpls./St. Paul
Director of Water Management
Issues of Water Pollution and Water Scarcity |

SEPTEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
1 10:00 AM Bethel Worship- Outdoor 1:00 PM Pentecostal Casa Worship 1:30 PM MN Casa Worship	2 Labor Day Building & Office CLOSED 	3 9:30 AM Overeaters Anonymous 10:00 AM NHS Exercise Class 10:30 AM Staff meeting 12:30 PM Ecumenical Text Study 1:30 PM NHS Knitting Class 6:00 PM Girl Scout Patrol Meeting 6:00 PM Worship & Music Committee 6:30 PM Improv Group 6:30 PM Pentecostal Music Practice 7:00 PM Scout Troop 38 Mtg	4 10:00 AM NHS A 10:00 AM NHS Y 6:30 PM AA Group
8 9:20 AM Education for All Ages 10:30 AM Bethel Worship Renewal Sunday! 11:30 AM Bethel Party! 1:00 PM Pentecostal Casa Worship 1:30 PM MN Casa Worship 3:00 PM Bellis Volunteer Speakers Org Meeting	9 8:00 AM SHARE-A-LUNCH Group 9:00 AM NHS Senior Cards 6:30 PM Bell Choir 6:30 PM Nokomis Quilters 7:00 PM Scout Troop 38 Com Mtg	10 9:30 AM Operation Love 9:30 AM Overeaters Anonymous 10:00 AM NHS Exercise Class 10:30 AM Staff meeting 12:30 PM Ecumenical Text Study 1:30 PM NHS Knitting Class 6:00 PM Girl Scouts Troop Meeting 6:30 PM Mental Health Group 6:30 PM Improv Group 6:30 PM Mission Council 6:30 PM Pentecostal Music Practice 7:00 PM Scout Troop 38 Mtg	11 10:00 AM NHS A 10:00 AM NHS Y 6:30 PM AA Group 7:00 PM Bethel C
15 9:20 AM Education for All Ages 10:30 AM Bethel Worship 11:30 AM CYF Meeting 1:00 PM Pentecostal Casa Worship 1:30 PM MN Casa Worship	16 9:00 AM NHS Senior Cards 6:30 PM Bell Choir	17 9:30 AM Book Group (private) 9:30 AM Overeaters Anonymous 10:00 AM NHS Exercise Class 10:30 AM Staff meeting 12:30 PM Ecumenical Text Study 1:30 PM NHS Knitting Class 2:30 PM NHS Health Fair Meeting 6:30 PM Improv Group 6:30 PM Pentecostal Music Practice 6:45 PM Board of Administrators 7:00 PM Scout Troop 38 Mtg.	18 10:00 AM NHS A 10:00 AM NHS Y 6:30 PM AA Group 7:00 PM Bethel C 7:30 PM AA Lead
22 9:20 AM Education for All Ages 10:30 AM Bethel Worship 1:00 PM Pentecostal Casa Worship 1:30 PM MN Casa Worship 6:00 PM Allured Music Fall Recital	23 9:00 AM NHS Senior Cards	24 9:30 AM Overeaters Anonymous 10:00 AM NHS Exercise Class 10:30 AM Staff meeting 12:30 PM Ecumenical Text Study 1:30 PM NHS Knitting Class 6:30 PM Improv Group 6:30 PM Pentecostal Music Practice 7:00 PM Scout Troop 38 Mtg	25 10:00 AM NHS A 10:00 AM NHS Y 4:15 PM NHS Ou 6:30 PM AA Group 7:00 PM Bethel C
29 9:20 AM Education for All Ages 10:30 AM Bethel Worship 1:00 PM Dakota Sacred Sites Tour 1:00 PM Pentecostal Casa Worship 1:30 PM MN Casa Worship 4:00 PM MN Casa Potluck	30 9:00 AM NHS Senior Cards 6:30 PM Bell Choir		

Pr Brenda at Bishop's Theological Conference

Pr Brenda at SHAPE of Leadership

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Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Support Group Yoga Lunch</p>	<p>5 9:30 AM NHS Nurse is in 10:00 AM NHS Exercise Class 11:00 AM NHS Chair Exercise 11:15 AM NHS Health Talk 6:15 PM MN Casa Worship 7:00 PM BNA Board Meeting</p>	<p>6 11:00 AM NHS Yoga 6:00 PM Pentecostal Casa Worship</p>	<p>7 6:00 AM MN Casa Worship 9:00 AM AA Amigos II 9:00 AM Debtors Anonymous (S Mpls) 11:00 AM Violin Studio 3:30 PM MN Casa Prayer Service 4:30 PM Feed My Starving Children - Eagan 5:00 PM MN Casa Meeting</p> 
<p>Support Group Yoga Lunch Choir</p>	<p>12 9:30 AM NHS Nurse is in 10:00 AM NHS Exercise Class 11:00 AM NHS Chair Exercise 11:00 AM NHS Lunch & Movie 11:30 AM NHS Staff Mtg & Care Conf 6:15 PM MN Casa Worship</p>	<p>13 11:00 AM NHS Yoga 6:00 PM Pentecostal Casa Worship</p>	<p>14 6:00 AM MN Casa Worship 7:45 AM Intergroup Debtors Anonymous 9:00 AM AA Amigos II 9:00 AM Debtors Anonymous (S Mpls) 3:30 PM MN Casa Prayer Service</p>
<p>Support Group Yoga Lunch Choir Leadership Meeting</p>	<p>19 9:30 AM NHS Nurse is in 10:00 AM NHS Exercise Class 11:00 AM NHS Book Club 11:00 AM NHS Chair Exercise 6:15 PM MN Casa Worship</p>	<p>20 11:00 AM NHS Yoga 6:00 PM Pentecostal Casa Worship</p> 	<p>21 6:00 AM MN Casa Worship 9:00 AM AA Amigos II 9:00 AM Debtors Anonymous (S Mpls) 1:00 PM Pentecostal State Conference 3:30 PM MN Casa Prayer Service 5:00 PM MN Casa Meeting</p>
<p>Support Group Yoga Lunch Preach/Tech Mtg Lunch Choir</p>	<p>26 9:30 AM NHS Nurse is in 10:00 AM NHS Exercise Class 11:00 AM NHS Chair Exercise 1:00 PM NHS - Caregiver Support Group 4:00 PM NHS Exec Committee 6:15 PM MN Casa Worship 6:15 PM ICOM Meeting 6:30 PM Cub Scout Den Mtg</p>	<p>27 11:00 AM NHS Yoga 6:00 PM Pentecostal Casa Worship</p>	<p>28 6:00 AM MN Casa Worship 9:00 AM AA Amigos II 9:00 AM Debtors Anonymous (S Mpls) 3:30 PM MN Casa Prayer Service</p>

Dakota Sacred Sites Tour

September 29, 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

St. Peter's Catholic Church, St. Paul

Lutheran Night at the Twins



A good time was held by all at the Lutheran Night at the Twins Game on August 5th! The Twins beat the Braves 5 to 3 and our Music Director managed to sample many of the delicacies available. He may be warming up for the Sate Fair. Join us next year for this fun evening!



Welcoming Visitors During a Church Service

I've always been terrified by the way my childhood church welcomed new people. Near the beginning of the service, the pastor asked guests to stand up so they could be recognized. That alone was awkward. Then an usher ran around and gave each visitor a bag of microwave popcorn with some church literature attached. You could see the embarrassment on the faces of the people standing up as they waited. It was where "awkward" met "get me out of here!" Finally, after all the popcorn was distributed, the pastor wrapped it all up by saying, "Thanks for popping in." The last time I was there, several years ago, they were still doing this.

There is nothing worse than making visitors feel singled out or uncomfortable. It's not really being welcoming. Likewise, don't swarm a visitor. Many of us are in small enough congregations that we know when there's a new face in the crowd. That doesn't mean everyone has to swarm around that new person and introduce him or herself. I've been in that uncomfortable situation, too. Here's the key: be welcoming but not overwhelming.

So as you look at what you do as a church to say hello to new people during a service, here are a few things to consider:

Don't embarrass anyone. Ever. Let new people blend in if they want. There are enough barriers for people to walk through the front door of your church. Don't make their fears come true by singling them out or making them feel uncomfortable.

Always have an in-service welcome that casts vision. An enthusiastic greeting from a real person from the podium should be a part of every service. And a sincere greeting needs to be accompanied by a glimpse of your church's vision. Who are you as a church? Why do you exist? How can you convey this to visitors?

Clarify follow-up opportunities. Of course you want to meet new people face-to-face, but it might not happen on your timing. Make sure you let people know how and when they can connect with you. Are you by the door after the service? Do you have a welcome center? Do you have a welcome class coming up soon? Will you send them an email? Whatever the process, make it clear.

A great way to approach visitors: "You're not from around here, are you?" and "I'm not sure if we've met, I'm Max." I've been greeted both ways. The first way was an awkward put-off and the other led to a nice conversation.

Be yourself, be your church. Welcome everyone (without exception—my addition, Jen)

Excerpt from Jerod Clark, Church Juice

Dakota Sacred Sites Tour

September 29, 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

St. Peter's Catholic Church, St. Paul

Healing Minnesota Stories and the Minnesota Council of Churches are excited to announce the September 29th date for the Dakota Sacred Site Tour. This tour visits sites in the Twin Cities sacred to the Dakota people. Participants will experientially learn about the history of our land in a way that facilitates healing.

We visit sites located around the confluence of the Mississippi and Minnesota Rivers, what the Dakota refer to as Bdote, or “meeting place of rivers,” including:

- Fort Snelling State Park
- Dakota Internment Camp following the Dakota-U.S. War
- Pilot Knob Hill, a traditional burial ground

There is no cost for the tour, but a free-will offering is appreciated. Contributions for individuals are invited in the range of \$30-\$50. Donations support Healing Minnesota Stories programs and events.

The tour will be led by Rev. Jim Bear Jacobs, Director of Racial Justice from the MN Council of Churches

To register for this transformative experiences, email Jen Kilps ASAP at engagement@bethel-mpls.org

Details: Tours are appropriate for adults and older youth. Tour groups meet at a location in Mendota near the sites and auto caravan to the sites. Car pooling usually occurs so those not preferring or unable to drive can ride with others. Dress for the weather with sturdy footwear rather than sandals. If weather is severe we will reschedule. We will do our best to accommodate the physical abilities of all attendees. Wheelchairs welcome as the places we go are on or very near trails. The whole tour can be accessible; contact us with specific questions. People who may have difficulty standing for storytelling may want to bring lawn chairs. Those walking should expect to be on some uneven surfaces and dirt/gravel paths. We allot four hours for tours though actual times may vary. While there is no time set aside for lunch during the tour, participants are welcome to bring lunch.



Live as a Steward

At dinner one evening a young boy (who shall remain nameless) didn't like what was being served for dinner. He wanted to skip his plate of sloppy joes and instead enjoy the Milky Way candy bar he had bought earlier that day with his allowance money.

Now this boy's parents, like most other parents, had a rule that if you didn't finish your dinner, you didn't get dessert. Tears and protests did no good. It was a standoff: no sloppy joe, no Milky Way. Finally, and begrudgingly, the last bites of sloppy joe were eaten. He had to have that Milky Way.

The family went for a walk after dinner. The parents were surprised that instead of eating the Milky Way right away, the boy simply carried it in his hand as they walked. When they returned home the dinner table drama had passed, and the boy left the Milky Way on the table as he headed off to bed.

Sometimes we think there is something we just have to have, something material that we think will make us happy. Just like the boy, we've all found out that the thing that seemed so important to have turned out to be not so important after all. Learning this lesson (over and over again) helps us grow as God's stewards in taking care of what IS important in this life.

Dan Hauge, Stewardship Committee



september



Sept 1	Hannah Olausen
Sept 2	Emily Kjesbo-Johnson
Sept 5	Wia Day
Sept 5	Guenet Haile
Sept 6	James Hansen
Sept 6	Santiago Ledesma
Sept 6	Derrick Williams
Sept 7	Mike Wohnoutka
Sept 9	Kay Herceg
Sept 9	Phil Radtke
Sept 11	Ethan Mason
Sept 11	Evan Mason
Sept 11	Carrie Melhus
Sept 12	Matewos Beraki
Sept 12	Rick Herceg
Sept 13	Don Olson
Sept 13	Ed Sunde



Sept 14	Robert Pikkarainen
Sept 15	Marilyn Newborg
Sept 16	Ray Pikkarainen
Sept 17	Wendy Krogh
Sept 18	Evan Berg
Sept 18	Mark S Olson
Sept 18	Sharon Rodi
Sept 20	Dale Newborg
Sept 22	Kelly Hoover
Sept 22	Karen McBride
Sept 23	Aaron Warwick
Sept 24	Kristin Cleary
Sept 27	Stephanie Johnson
Sept 27	Mark Walker
Sept 27	Josh Weber
Sept 29	Bryan Mann-Entzel

*Prayers of Thanksgiving
for the birth of*

Irene Dorteia Berke

on August 14, 2019

Congratulations

**Sarah & Vera Berke
and Andrew Hestness**



**And, also, to welcome babies,
we're looking for people who
are willing to make**

Baptismal Towels.

**Call Clarice Lovstuen
612-978-6791
OR
Sharon Rodi
612-722-3324**

Norris & Clarice Lovstuen	Sept 1
Kristin & Jim Cleary	Sept 4
Jan & Mark Walker	Sept 7
Larissa & Chris Hoover	Sept 15
Doug & Sarah Psick	Sept 19
Susan Potratz & Jerry Johnson	Sept 23
Sharon & Gene Rodi	Sept 25
Aaron & Karen Warwick	Sept 30



September 2019 SUNDAY SERVERS

Sept 1	Sept 8	Sept 15	Sept 22	Sept 29
Outdoor Service	RENEWAL Sunday	Pentecost 14	Pentecost 15	Healing Service
Outdoor Worship weather permitting	Worship / Communion by Intinction	Worship / Communion by Intinction	Worship / Communion by Intinction	Worship / Communion by Intinction
Luke 14:1-14	Philemon 1-21	1 Timothy 1:12-17	1 Timothy 2:1-6	Psalm 56:8-13
		Luke 15:1-10	Luke 16:1-13	John 14:25-29
Assisting Minister	Assisting Minister	Assisting Minister	Assisting Minister	Assisting Minister
Paul Kile	Kristin Cleary	Jen Kilps	Jim Lair	Anna Olsen
Communion Assistants	Communion Assistants	Communion Assistants	Communion Assistants	Communion Assistants
Romell White	Don Olson	Larissa Hoover	Libby Krogh	Aaron Warwick
Anna Olsen	Darlene Olson	Les Johnson	Kay Newborg	Sarah Berke
	Bruce Gramentz	Becky Johnson	Teondre Martinez	
Lector	Lector	Lector	Lector	Lector
Matt Nordine	Aaron Warwick	Susan Potratz	Karen Warwick	Ruth Aaskov
Acolyte	Acolyte	Acolyte	Acolyte	Acolyte
None needed	Lizzy Kile	Cyenna Resendez	Michael Hall	Ella Soderberg
Ushers	Ushers	Ushers	Ushers	Ushers
Ted Allison	Dean Anderson	Susan Potratz	Dave Krogh	Susan Potratz
Darlene Olson	David Sunde	Jerry Johnson	Jim Haraldson	Jerry Johnson
Larissa Hoover			Stan Rosby	
Tom Keating				
Toddler Care	Toddler Care	Toddler Care	Toddler Care	Toddler Care
None needed	Wendy Krogh	Chris & Katie Phillips	Sue Dorumsgaard Ayers	Kay Newborg
Hospitality	Hospitality	Hospitality	Hospitality	Hospitality
Becky Johnson	Romell White	Lizzy Kile & Mentor	Ann Allison	Mike & Anna Wohnoutka
Sacristy	Sacristy	Sacristy	Sacristy	Sacristy
Stephanie Johnson	Paige Best	Becky Johnson	Marilyn Newborg	Clarice Lovstuen
Finance Team	Finance Team	Finance Team	Finance Team	Finance Team
Les Johnson	Pat & Bruce Gramentz	Jim & Kristin Cleary	Don & Darlene Olson	Doug Psick
Marilyn Newborg	Ken & Leanne Puckett	Dan Hauge	Romell White	Ted Allison
Kay Newborg				Dean & Janet Anderson
Altar Guild Team 2: Libby Krogh, Laurie Hauge, Anna Wohnoutka				



PRAYER REQUESTS

TOGETHER WE WILL PRAY

RELATIVES & FRIENDS OF BETHEL MEMBERS

PRAYERS FOR OUR MEMBERS

Pikkarainen Family	Crystal Vaughn
Pr Brenda	Lynn Vaughn
Mark Walker	Jim Haraldson
Jan Walker	Sue Dorumsgaard
Marshall Fossum	Ayers
Angel Cantu	Audrey Campbell
Carrie Melhus	Shirley Elavsky
Mike Simons	Jeff Fossum
Sharon Warwick	Mel Olson
Sheila Nelson	Joan Dahlman
Bresina Family	Puckett Family
Karen McBride	Teddy Gaines
Ryan Summer	Joan Hurtovenko
Elaine Vogel	Janet Peterson
Larissa Hoover	Andy Martinson
	Doris Christianson

MEMBERS, RELATIVES & FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

Robert Hundt
Katre Bishop (Pr Brenda's nephew)
Adam Froisland (Pr Brenda's nephew)
Dwana Froisland (Pr Brenda's niece)
Brian Hansen (Kaka Day's husband)
Aaron Larson (Rosie Smith's grandson)
McLain Merial (Kathy Hundt's nephew)
Sean Young (Pr Brenda's godson)

**Please contact us regarding
Pastoral Visit requests.**

Privacy rules do not allow hospitals and care
facilities to share information with us.

We depend on you to keep us informed.

Thank you!

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Sue (Mary Rosby's cousin)
Dan Clausen (Sharon Warwick's brother-in-law)
Jane Kinney (Ann Allison's sister)
Jane Kilps (Jen Kilps' mother)
Asylum-seeking families
Jack Fahrendorff (Roberta Horning's dad)
Sue & Wayne (Karen Warwick's parents)
Susan Burk (Pat Gramentz's sister)
Ken (Becky Johnson's brother-in-law)
Ang Tucker (Barb Saunder's friend & Erin's
godmother)
Bill & Peg (Mary Chilvers' dad & his wife)
Joel Walker (Jan & Mark Walker's son)
Denann Karels (Jan & Mark Walker's friend)
The United Methodist Church
Diana Cook (Pr B's friend)
Rita Roselle (Angel Cantu's great-grandma)
David Potratz (Susan's brother)
Joanne Wilberg (Marge Hauge's sister)
Keith Shaubach (Jan Walker's brother)
Joan Knox (Mark & Jan Walker's friend)
Jean Phillips (Chris Phillips' mom)
Pamela Christi (Sharon Phillips' sister)
Marvin Entzel (Bryan Mann-Entzel's father)
Arlene Froisland (Pr B's sister)
Eunice Hellevik (former member)
Gretchen & Louis (Larissa Hoover's parents)
Medaria Arradondo (Crystal Vaughn's cousin)
Susan & Dale (Wendy Ledesma's parents)
Gabe Ness (Julie Hundt's husband)
John Hundt (Kathy Hundt's brother-in-law)
Paula Morgan (Romell White's sister)
Vi & David (Sue Dorumsgaard Ayers' mom/friend)
Cheryl (Karen McBride's sister)
Ann Baskett (Crystal Vaughn's grandmother)
Claire Tarr (Margaret Johnson's godchild)
Meghan (Sue Dorumsgaard Ayers' friend)
Andrea (Mona Falk's daughter)

Board of Administrators

The Board Of Administrators report will be a bit different this month. We had to meet later due to vacations, then I drove to Georgia the next day. So am trying to do this from memory!

- 1) We are removing the tree that split (NW corner of church) in a storm this summer. When we got an estimate on that, we were told we have 4 other trees on our property that need attention and/or removal. Like any patient contemplating major surgery, we are getting second opinions and will be exploring options.
- 2) We are also investigating a problem with water in our basement. Our Tuesday Guys have done much work on this. We have a leak and the rain has not stopped this summer. So we have a water problem! A 40+ year old sump pump is currently working hard to pump the water out. At the end of last week, a hydraulic engineer was due to come and advise on how to manage this issue. Stay tuned as this story unfolds.
- 3) We are gearing up for another Renewal Sunday. Please be sure to come as we get back into the fall activities.

I think I will leave it at that for this month.

Yours in Christ,
Ann Allison, President

We're having a Party!
Would you bake us a cake?



We need at least 12 birthday cakes for our celebration on Renewal Sunday!
Please let Pr Brenda know if you will bring one.
pastor@bethel-mpls.org **Thanks!**

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Tom Keating
Sam Nemanich
Sara Rudy
Anna Wohnoutka

Oct. Deadline:

Approved Article, Advertisement and
Calendar deadline is:

**September 20 at
12:00 Noon**

BETHEL HERALD

*In gratitude, Bethel Evangelical Lutheran Church
amplifies God's grace, nourishes all creation, reaches out, and builds community.
We are a Reconciling in Christ Congregation.*

I teach
Sunday School
what's your
 superpower?

Sunday School
9:20 to 10:20 AM

Would you like to spend quality time and build meaningful relationships with Bethel's kids?

**CHECK OUT WHAT'S DIFFERENT WITH
SUNDAY SCHOOL THIS YEAR!**

Sign up for even just one Sunday or
sign up with a friend to team teach.

No teaching experience required!
Lesson plans and materials can be provided!

If interested in teaching, please contact

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