

# BETHEL NOTES

## Sunday, May 1st

### *Third Sunday of Easter*

*The disciples make a big splash and eat breakfast with the risen Jesus. Wading in the water (remembering baptism) and eating with Jesus (celebrating holy communion) is our weekly encounter with the risen Christ. Jesus asks us again and again: Do you love me? And Jesus invites us, again and again, to follow him, bringing the Easter life to others.*

### *Readings*

#### *First Readings*

Acts 5:27-32

#### *Psalms*

Psalms 118:14-29

#### *Second Reading*

Revelation 1:4-8

#### *Gospel*

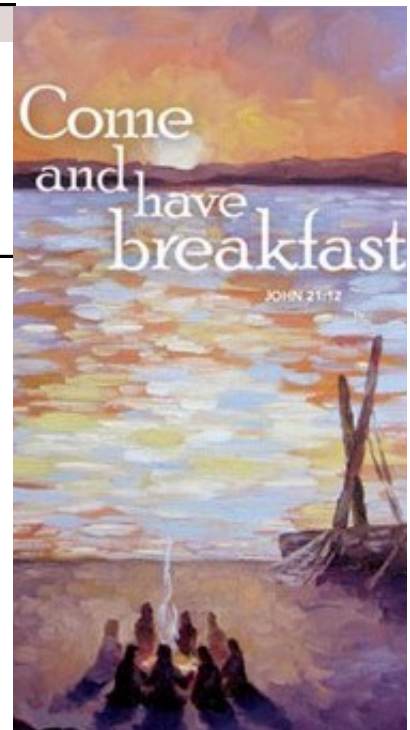
John 20:19-31

***Join us after worship as we deliver  
May Day baskets to our neighbors.***

***Join us Sundays  
9:30 AM in-person or online at [bethelmt.org](http://bethelmt.org).***

### **SERVING THIS SERVICE**

<b>Accompanist</b>	Connie Titcomb, piano; Rev. Steve Nelson, guitar
<b>Lay Assistant</b>	Walt Nuessle
<b>Ushers</b>	Patty Braget
<b>Tech</b>	Adam Elkin
<b>Children's Church</b>	Julia Elkin and Maya Stringer
<b>Counters</b>	Patty Braget and Laurie Turner
<b>Hospitality</b>	Terry Korpela



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### **OFFICE HOURS**

MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY 9:00 AM TO 4:30 PM    CLOSED FRIDAY

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- ✝ Prayers of comfort for the **family and friends of Marlys Bair**, who passed peacefully on April 22nd.
- ✝ Prayers of healing and preparation for **Gordon Lord** who will be having an additional surgery in May.
- ✝ Prayers of healing for **Arlene Sexe** as she has been admitted to the hospital.
- ✝ Prayers of healing for **Donna Fugle**, *Joni Collins' mother*, who is recovering at Eastview Nursing Home following a fall and hospitalization.
- ✝ Prayers of thanksgiving for **Sue Hesse** who is now home and recovering from a successful procedure.
- ✝ Prayers of healing and support for **Cindy Doughty**, *Patty Braget's sister*, who has been diagnosed with ALS.
- ✝ Prayers of healing for **Christie Dennehy**, *sister of Rev. Steve Nelson*, as she recovers from surgery.
- ✝ Prayers of support and healing for **Don and Kathi Bisgard** as they work through some medical issues with Don.
- ✝ Prayers of healing and strength for **Rick Robitaille**, *brother of Tom Robitaille*, as he receives treatment for cancer.
- ✝ Prayers of healing for **Heath Poser**, *nephew of Connie Titcomb*, who has begun treatment for brain tumors and will have surgery once the treatments are concluded.
- ✝ Prayers of healing for **Mim Mikulecky** as she recovers from knee surgery.
- ✝ Prayers of healing and support for **Karla Wagner**, *Dena Wagner-Fossen's mother*, as she manages health issues.
- ✝ Prayers of healing for **Abby Bisgard-Clegg**, *daughter of Don and Kathi Bisgard*, as she begins treatment for cancer.
- ✝ Prayers of healing for **Rev. Inge Williams**, *friend of Pastor Jessie*, as she has surgery preceding cancer treatment.
- ✝ Prayers of healing for **Eric Peterson** as he ends treatment for cancer and begins immunotherapy.
- ✝ Prayers of strength and healing for **Lisa Leland**, *niece of Sandy Bechard*, as she completed treatment for breast cancer.
- ✝ Prayers of healing and strength for **John Korpela** as he continues chemotherapy treatment.
- ✝ Prayers of healing for **Cody Buus**, *Cindy Considine's nephew*, who is undergoing medical treatment.
- ✝ Prayers of strength & leadership for **Gustavo Driau**, Regional Representative of South America
- ✝ Prayers of thanks and continued healing for **Ed Pottratz** as he continues cancer treatment.
- ✝ Prayers of healing for **Alex Bostic** as he continues treatment for cancer.
- ✝ Prayers of healing for **Bob Walker**, *brother of Colleen Walker-Nelson*, who is managing kidney disease.

# May Day May Day Baskets!

Join us Sunday, May 1st after  
worship we will be delivering  
to houses in our neighborhood!





## Coffee Hour After Worship Is BACK!

We are once again offering some refreshments (coffee, tea, hot coco, cookies, fruit and other treats) after our Sunday worship services.

We need bakers and other treat makers (givers) for this ministry. We would like to put Hospitality Teams together and on a monthly rotation. When it is your team's month, your team captain will schedule what Sunday works for each team member to bring treats. They can be baked goods homemade, or store bought, fresh fruit or any other treat you would like to provide. With a guideline of 2 dozen items per person on a Sunday – usually have two people bring for a total of about 4 dozen “or so.” If you have time on your Sunday to stay and clean up after coffee hour, great...if not, it is not a problem, we always have help to do the clean up. If you would like to be on this ministry group, call the Bethel Office 406-761-1543 or email [bethelgf.church@gmail.com](mailto:bethelgf.church@gmail.com) and leave your name, phone number and email.



Thank you to CMR Leadership for cleaning up the leaves and trash around our building and treating the little ones at TLC to some treats and kindness. Wonderful future leaders of our community.

*"For bells are the voice of the church; They have tones that touch and search The hearts of young and old."*

*- Henry Wadsworth Longfellow*

## Calling All Bell Ringers!

The Bethel Bell Choir will be playing Sunday, May 22nd.

Rehearsal will be Saturday, May 21st from 10 am to Noon.

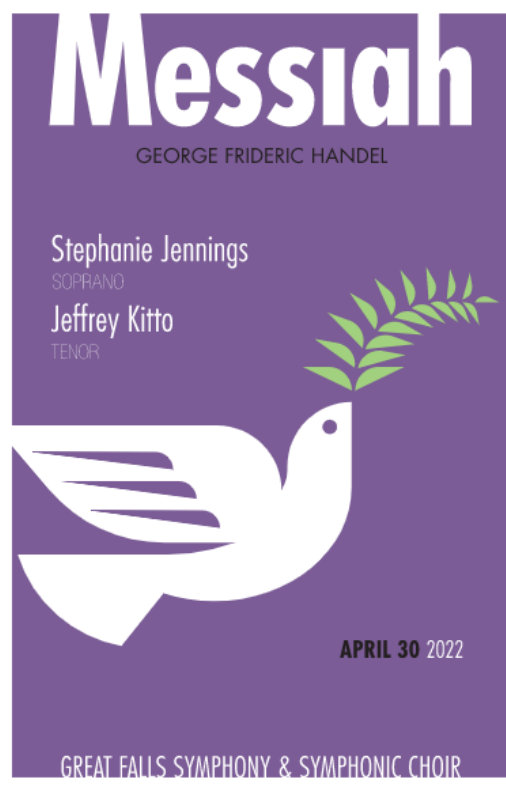
If you would like to play in the Bell Choir that Sunday, email Sharon Mueller at [oboecclar@gmail.com](mailto:oboecclar@gmail.com) by May 16th.

# Great Falls Symphony & Symphonic Choir

presents George Frideric  
Handel's **Messiah**  
Featuring Stephanie Jen-  
nings Soprano and Jeffrey  
Kitto Tenor.

Click the link for ticket  
information.

[https://  
www.gfsymphony.org/](https://www.gfsymphony.org/)



## Close Knit Crafters Resumes in May!

Hey all you crafty people, Close Knit Crafters is starting back up and ready to get creative!

This group gets together to crochet, knit, do crafts of all kinds, teach you how to knit or crochet or just visit! Close Knit ministry began approximately 12 years ago to make **Prayer Shawls**, and have made over 100. Now they have expanded to doing any crafts. They meet on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month from 9:00 AM - Noon and we are a fun group! If you would like to join in this crafty crew, they meet in the Fellowship Hall at Bethel and will start back May 14th.

If you would like more information about this group talk with our leaders Sue Hesse, Shelly Murphy or Leone Nuessle.

All are welcome!



**Mother's Day Brunch**  
May 8th - 3 Seatings  
available: 9:30am, 11am,  
12:30pm  
\$25/ages 12+ | \$18/ages  
5-11 | Free/3 & under  
Celebrate Mother's Day  
with a brunch buffet by  
the lake!  
[https://flbc.net/  
mothersdaybrunch/](https://flbc.net/mothersdaybrunch/)

**Memorial Day Work Re-  
treat**  
May 27-30, 2022 FREE  
(registration required!)  
Enjoy all of the fun activities  
camp has to offer, and help  
FLBC prepare for summer  
camp with some work pro-  
jects!

**FLBC is hiring for  
2022 Summer Staff!**  
We are putting together  
an awesome team of staff  
to help us make Summer  
2022 amazing! We are  
looking for faith-filled,  
hard-working, and kind-  
hearted individuals to join  
our team. Visit [https://  
flbc.net/employment/](https://flbc.net/employment/) to  
learn more and to apply!  
People ages 16+ are in-  
vited to apply for a variety  
of positions such as camp  
counselors, support staff,  
and more!

## Job Opening in the Montana Synod Office

We are sad to announce that Candi Standall will be resigning to move to Memphis, Tennessee to be closer to family at the end of June.

Therefore we are opening up applications for our Office Administrator position! If interested, please download the full application below and mail to the synod office or email:

[cstandall@montanasynod.org](mailto:cstandall@montanasynod.org)

### Open Position: OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

Full-time, hourly + benefits

Interviewing is expected to begin May 2, 2022.

Start date: June 13, 2022 (at the earliest)

Accepting Applications until the position is filled.

[Click here for Full  
Job Description and  
benefits.](#)

### Position Description:

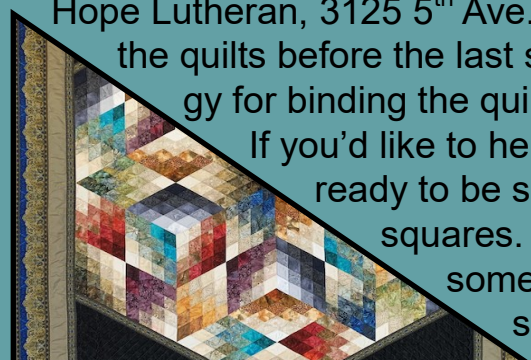
The Office Administrator for the Montana Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) is an integral part of the synod staff team whose primary responsibilities involve the day-to-day activities within an office environment including answering phone calls and email, maintaining paper and on-line filing systems, organizing synod events, maintaining a contacts database and a variety of front office reception tasks.



## MONDAY NIGHT QUILTERS TO MEET

1<sup>st</sup> Monday Night Quilters will meet Monday, May 2, 2022, 6-8 p.m. at New Hope Lutheran, 3125 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. So. Please park in the alley. Again, we will tie the quilts before the last step of binding them is done. Thank you to Peggy for binding the quilts made in April.

If you'd like to help from home, there are many squares kits ready to be sewn into tops, and also fabric to be cut into squares. If you have questions, or would like to pick up some squares kits to make tops or fabric to cut into squares, call 799-0100.




















# Just for YOUTH

The Bible has many names for Jesus. Here are five:

H  E A  L E   
 T E  A C  H  E R  
 G  O D ' S S  O  N  
 S A  V I  O R  
 S  E R V A  N  T

Use the letters inside squares to make a new word.  
 Write the new word inside the squares below.  
 Repeat this for the letters inside circles and  
 the letters inside triangles. Read the completed  
 sentence. We can speak for Jesus whenever we:



## Meet Saul-turned-Paul

Acts 9:1-6

Write the words from the bottom of the page inside their matching shapes in the story.

Saul's job was to put Jesus' followers in jail. Saul traveled to different places to find them. On one trip, a bright light from heaven flashed around Saul, and he fell to the ground. A voice said to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you hurt me?" Saul asked, "Who are you, Lord?" He heard someone say:



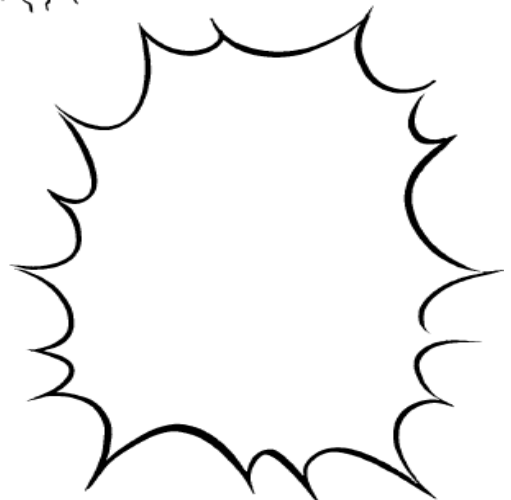
The voice continued: "Get up and go into the city. You will be told what to do." Soon after that, Saul changed his name to Paul and became one of Jesus' followers. He started many new churches. Paul traveled to many countries to spread the good news of Jesus.

## Speak! Sing!

Jesus spoke to Paul in a very bright light. Today Jesus speaks through our words. What can you say about Jesus? What can someone sitting with you say?



Jesus speaks through our singing voices, too. Do you have a favorite song about Jesus? Write some of the song's words in the space below.



Dear Jesus, help me to speak for you  
 by loving others. Amen

this week

Teach someone your favorite song about Jesus.

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

### **Tuesday 5/3**

- Electric City Bible Study, Zoom meeting 7:00 am
- Men's Breakfast Zoom & in the Fellowship Hall 7:00 am

### **Wednesday 5/4**

- Bible Study with Pastor Jessie on Zoom 10:00 am

### **Thursday 5/5**

- Exec Board meeting via Zoom 5:30 pm

### **Friday 5/6**

- Bethel office is closed.
- Aitz Chaim worship 6:00 pm

### **Saturday 5/7**

- Kraft/Achenbach Wedding

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **Sunday 5/8**

- Worship led by Pastor Jessie, in-person and live stream 9:30 am.
- Happy Mother's Day!

### **Tuesday 5/10**

- Electric City Bible Study, Zoom meeting 7:00 am
- Men's Breakfast Zoom & in the Fellowship Hall 7:00 am
- Council Meeting in the Fellowship Hall 6:30 pm

### **Wednesday 5/11**

- Bible Study with Pastor Jessie on Zoom 10:00 am

### **Friday 5/13**

- Bethel office is closed.

### **Saturday 5/15**

- Close Knit Crafters meet in the Fellowship Hall 9:00 am

## **Online Ministries**

### **Electric City Bible Study**

What a great way to connect with one another! Join our bible study via Zoom, Tuesday mornings at 7:00 am. Contact Laurie Turner at [lolli51gus@icloud.com](mailto:lolli51gus@icloud.com) for a link to join the meeting.

### **Men's Breakfast**

Join us for a fun and engaging conversation, and insightful discussion of each week's lectionary texts as we meet both in person and via Zoom, Tuesday mornings at 7:00 am. Contact Dave Scholten at [dscholten@dlsconsulting.net](mailto:dscholten@dlsconsulting.net) for a link to join the meeting or for more information.

### **Hope Circle**

This group meets once a month usually on Thursday evenings. Bible study and fellowship are celebrated with this group of ladies. Contact Laurie Turner at [lolli51gus@icloud.com](mailto:lolli51gus@icloud.com) for a link to join the meeting and Terry Korpela to be on the group email for meetings and prayer requests [terry.korpela@gmail.com](mailto:terry.korpela@gmail.com).

### **Weekly Text Study with Pastor Jessie**

Wednesdays, 10:00 am via Zoom, Pastor Jessie will be leading discussion on the text readings for the upcoming Sunday. Dig deeper in the interpretation of the readings and discuss ways they give us guidance in our daily lives. If you would like to join this meeting, email [bethelgf.pastor@gmail.com](mailto:bethelgf.pastor@gmail.com) to be added to the mailing list.

### **Pastor Jessie Obrecht**

#### **Contact information**

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