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BETHEL NOTES



Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

A woman finds healing by touching Jesus' cloak, and a girl is restored to life when he takes her by the hand. In both cases a boundary is crossed: in Jesus' time the hemorrhaging woman was considered ritually unclean, polluting others by her touch, and anyone who touched a corpse also became unclean. In Mark's gospel Jesus breaks down barriers, from his first meal at a tax collector's house to his last breath on the cross as the temple curtain is torn in two. We dare to touch Jesus in our "uncleanness" and to live as a community that defines no one as an outsider.

Readings:

Lamentations 3:22-23

2 Corinthians 8:7-15

Mark 5:21-43



Jan DeGroot (sister of Marj Vander Aarde) who is battling cancer.

Ed Pottratz and family.

Todd Whitted (nephew of Bobbie Bowen).

Shelly Murphy

Dick Seim as he recovers from heart surgery.

Katie Smith (daughter of Grant & Janet Smith) who is on a summer mission trip to Asia with InterVarsity.

Kurt Hesse (brother of Don Hesse)

Ardis Scholten (mother of Dave Scholten) who is in hospice care.

Jane O'Brien (mother of Carrie O'Brien)

Faith Crouch (granddaughter of Bernice Johnson) who is awaiting a double lung transplant.

Bob Walker (brother of Colleen Walker-Nelson) who is recovering from surgery.

Fern Myhre who was recently hospitalized.

All of the young adults and adult leaders from our community attending the 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston.

Walt and Leone Nuessle as they mourn the death of Walt's aunt Ruth.

Andrea (Radue) Johnson as she mourns the death of her father, Kelly Radue.

**Serving this
Sunday**

Accompanist:
Mary Seim

Lay Assistant:
Kaye Van Gilder

Usher(s):
Tom & Linda
Rosenbaum

Projectionist:
Dave Scholten

Counters:
Patty Braget
Marilyn Carlson

**Nursery
Attendant(s):**
Carly Cushman
Adam Elkin

Sunday
July 1

**WE WILL RECEIVE
AN ADDITIONAL
OFFERING IN THE
WICKER BASKETS IN
SUPPORT OF ELCA
WORLD HUNGER.**

**ADULT FORUM IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL
AFTER WORSHIP. WE WILL HAVE A DEEPER
CONVERSATION ABOUT TODAY'S
LECTIONARY READINGS AND THEIR
IMPLICATIONS FOR OUR MISSION AND
MINISTRY. LED BY PASTOR STEVE.**

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS

New Binders for Usher/Greeter and Flower Sign Up

We encountered a minor incident at the church this week and as a result we are adjusting how we sign up for Usher/Greeter and Flower donations. We had a family who stopped in for assistance and later we noticed that some items were missing from the church, including the Usher/Greeter and flower binders. Nothing of value was missing. Sarah has put together new binders and they are located in her office during the week. If you would like to sign up during the week, you may stop by the church during office hours and Sarah will help you. You may also call or email myself or Sarah and we can put your name in the binders. The Usher/Greeter sign up is also available online on our website www.bethelmt.org under Bethel Ministries. The binders will be available on the sign up table on Sundays. We were able to update the new Usher/Greeter binder with the online information. If you had signed up for flowers, please let us know so we may put you in the new binder. We thank you for your understanding.

VBS Help Needed

We are moving closer to our Vacation Bible School Week where we will be hosting around 100 young campers ages 3 to 12 as well as Flathead Counselors and Junior Counselors. During that week we provide a daily snack for our campers and lunch for our Counselors, Junior Counselors, and adult volunteers. If you would like to help provide some of the food and or supplies for our week, there will be a hard copy sign up on this Sunday, July 1st and available on line on our website's homepage www.bethelmt.org. We have an amazingly generous congregation at Bethel and we are honored to have so many souls who support our youth ministries. Thank you all in advance and God bless.

**SAVE THE DATE
JULY 8TH**

**Farewell/Godspeed for
the Arvanetes Family.**

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS

Hospitality Angels

Dew Elkin has inspired me to bring attention to some helpers at our church that go about their duties and we don't often get a chance to say thank you. All of our members who sign up each week to bring sweets and treats for our coffee time after the service.

There are so many who regularly sign up or donate money to offer this special treat for all of us to catch up with those we haven't seen all week (or sometimes longer), meet new members, or enjoy supportive fellowship before we head back out to our busy lives. A sincere thank you to all who support this ministry by bringing goodies and cleaning up afterward, you are all so very much appreciated. If you would like to sign up to bring treats on a Sunday you may email me at bethelmc.church@gmail.com, go online to our website www.bethelmt.org/hospitality-team and click on the link at the bottom of the page to sign up.

Christ In Our Home

The newest edition of Christ In Our Home is available in the track rack in the Narthex. Both the large and small editions are available. Stop by and get yours today!

Family Promise Night At The Ballpark

Batter up as we head out to Centene Stadium to watch the Great Falls Voyagers take on the Helena Brewers, and raise money for Family Promise of Great Falls. We will also be celebrating the retirement of executive director, Sharon Odden! There's a 50-50 raffle with First English Evangelical Lutheran Church to help their Helping Hands program, along with other fun surprises! Wear your blue and/or yellow in support of Family Promise.

We are officially sold out of advance tickets for [A Night At the Ballpark](#)! Thanks so much to everyone who has supported our organization. We've raised over \$400 before a single pitch has even been thrown.

Come say hi! Our VISTA service member, Sean, will be manning a big table in Centene Stadium, **with a big banner where you can leave an encouraging message for our guest families.** This banner will be making its way around our host sites throughout the summer, so if you can't make it on Saturday, you can still write something inspiring for our brothers and sisters who are going through such a traumatic time in their lives!

YOUTH AND FAMILY

Prayers for youth and families attending FLBC

This year we have 34 campers registered for a week at Flathead Bible Camp! We will be sending mail to each one from us at the church and will include them in the prayers. A post card(s) will be available each week beginning July 15th either before or after worship for you to sign. We also encourage you to pray for them for a fun and meaningful, life-changing camp experience. Pastor Steve and Dew Elkin will be attending the week of July 29th. If you want to attend and are interested in a \$100 scholarship, they are still available.



Retreats, Events, and Updates:

For additional information about our upcoming retreats and events, check out our website at www.flbc.net.

Labor Day Family Retreat August 31-September 3, 2018

This weekend is for all ages! Adult bible studies will be lead by Pr. Tanner Howard of Havre, MT. FLBC staff will lead activities for kids. Lots of time for boating, ropes course, crafts and play
Click here for Registration Form.

CLICK HERE for the full calendar of retreats and events. Like us on Facebook for news and pictures from camp.

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YOUTH AND FAMILY

2018 ELCA Youth Gathering - "Jesus Changes Everything"

After a delayed departure, our youth and adults leaders made it safely to Houston. Below are some pictures from Tuesday's send-off. Please keep them in your prayers for safety and that they have a fun, meaningful, life-changing experience.



JULY BIRTHDAYS



Blessings to all who celebrate birthdays in July!



If we have missed anyone's birthday, or you do not wish to have your birthday published, please contact the Church Office at 76101543.

Peggy Geiger	1	Arlene Sexe	17
Ryan Burke	1	Bryn Hagfors	17
Marilyn Carlson	6	Joni Olson	17
Steve Titcomb	9	Emerson Hamma	19
Whitney Meredith	10	Dena Wagner-Fossen	21
Beth Olson	11	Letty Richardson	21
Erin Vinnedge	11	Britney Brooks	24
Linda Wallace	12	Hilary Titcomb	24
Mary Lou Norbie	12	Tom Meredith	24
Rex Bell	12	Caleb Pottratz	25
Taylee Fromm	12	Kalun Korst	25
Avery Smith	13	Ryan Gilbertson	25
Brett Weber	13	Linda Rosenbaum	26
Bonnie Zook	15	Torrie Cushman	27
Doug Sexe	15	Colsen Slater	28
Kayla Cushman	15	Bonnie Jensen	29
Brittany Barnes	16	Marilyn Cron	31
Erin Agamenoni	16		

BETHEL CALENDAR

July 2018

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
World Hunger Sunday 9:30am Worship	Boy Scout Troop 1028 Meeting in Gathering Place at 6:15pm		Independence Day Office Closed			9am - Close Knit Group in Fellowship Hall
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
9:30am - Arvanetes Farewell/ Godspeed		6:30pm - Church Council Meeting in the Gathering Place	10am - Staff Metting in the Fellowship Hall	Bonner Youth Group	Bonner Youth Group	Bonner Youth Group
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
9:30am Worship						9am - Close Knit Group in Fellowship Hall
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
9:30am Worship	9am-1:30pm VBS	9am-1:30pm VBS 6pm-8pm - Pool Party @ Jaycee Pool	9am-1:30pm VBS	9am-1:30pm VBS	9am-1:30pm VBS 6pm - Aitz Chaim in the Sanctuary	Aitz Chaim in the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
9:30am Worship	Pastor Steve at Camp Tami Vacation	Pastor Steve at Camp Tami Vacation	Pastor Steve at Camp Tami Vacation	Pastor Steve at Camp Tami Vacation	Pastor Steve at Camp Tami Vacation	Pastor Steve vacation