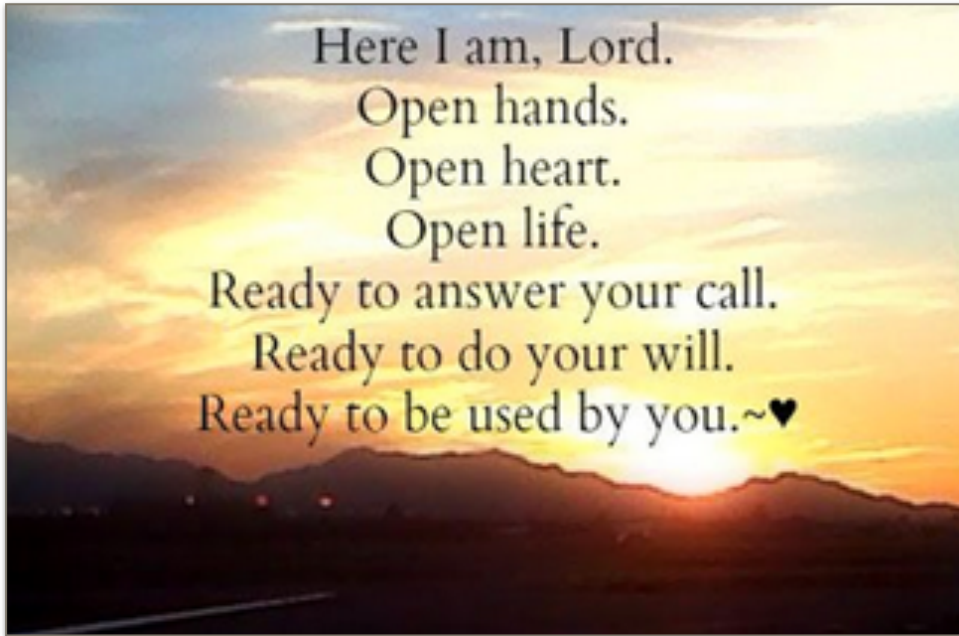


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BETHEL NOTES



Sunday
June 30

Serving This Sunday

Accompanist:

Mary Seim

Lay Assistant:

Anne Vannatta

Usher(s):

The Elkin Family

Projectionist:

Dean Amor

Counters:

Pam Dougherty
Matt Crampton

Childcare:

Isabelle Grosenick
Morgan Dunn

Hospitality Host:

The Elkin Family

Readings for the Third Sunday After Pentecost:

1 KINGS 19:15-16, 19-21

GALATIANS 5:1, 13-25

LUKE 9:51-62

This Sunday at Bethel:

we offer a healing service for anyone who would like to come forward and receive a laying on of hands, anointing, and prayer. All are welcome.

We will also be receiving an additional offering today in the wicker baskets. This offering will be given to Gustavo Driau, ELCA Global Missionary from South America, for his visit to Montana. The church council approved this special offering.

PRAYER REQUESTS

We are here to pray for you!



- ✦ Prayers for **Faith Crouch** (granddaughter of Bernice Johnson) who is awaiting a double lung transplant.
- ✦ Prayers of healing **Ed Pottratz** for healing as he resumes cancer treatment.
- ✦ Prayers of healing for **Lee Klette**, son of Russ & Cheryl.
- ✦ Prayers for **Linda Juvik** (sister of Sandy Bechard) undergoing treatment for breast cancer.
- ✦ Prayers for **Angela Mart** (daughter-in-law of Jane Mart) as she undergoes treatment for breast cancer.
- ✦ Prayers for healing for **Becca Thompson**.
- ✦ Prayers of healing for **Gary O'Brien** brother-in-law of Sue Hesse.
- ✦ Prayers for God's presence for **Jane O'Brien** mother of Carrie O'Brien
- ✦ Please continue to pray for God's presence and peace for **Don Bisgard** (Kathi) as he prepares for stomach surgery on July 8th.
- ✦ Prayers for healing **Trina Wagner** (Dena Wagner-Fossen's sister) as she recovers at home.
- ✦ Prayers for **Ron Nelson** (Kaleb Pottratz's father-in-law) as he recovers from surgery.
- ✦ Prayers for **Pam** (friend of Tamy Scholten) as she recovers from surgery.
- ✦ Prayers for **Glenn Vannatta** as recovers from knee surgery

- ✦ Prayers for healing for **Carole Wavra** mother of Patti Godtel as she recovers from surgery.

THANK YOU!



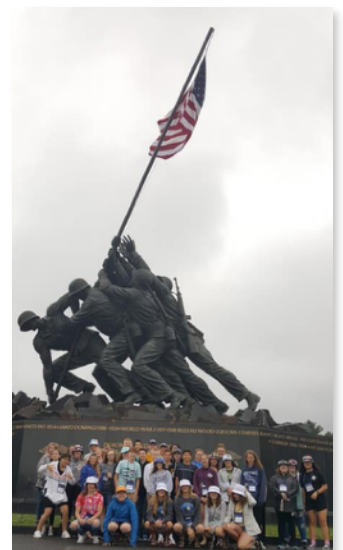
Thank you so much to everyone who supported me and made monetary contributions to let the

NY/D.C. trip happen for me. It was an experience of a lifetime that I'll never forget. It has helped

me get a wider view of these exciting places, as well as making new friends on the way. It was an experience that was truly memorable and special.

Thank you so much.

Adam Elkin



FAMILY PROMISE HITS A “HOME RUN” OF GIVING AT CENTENE STADIUM!



What an evening for the Great Falls Voyagers and Family Promise of Great Falls! Under beautiful sunny skies at Centene

Stadium 225 tickets were sold to support Family Promise and cheer on your Great Falls Voyagers baseball team. In combination with ticket sales and a 50/50 drawing a total of \$1600 was raised for Family Promise.

It was a beautiful game for a beautiful cause and we want to thank all who participated by buying tickets, participating in the 50/50, and through prayers. A big thank you to our Great Falls Voyagers ball club for offering this opportunity for support of Family Promise. We are blessed to have such a wonderful organization take such an active role in our community.



A big shout out to Dew Elkin, AnneRose Rogers and Pastor Steve who sold a total of 60 tickets!

We hope you enjoyed your evening and if you were unable to attend this year, we will see you at the ballpark next year!!



Montana SWO Fall Convention and Gathering

WHEN:

September 27 & 28, 2019

WHERE:

Bethel Lutheran Church
1009 18th Ave SW
Great Falls, MT 59404
(near the Heritage Inn)

FEATURING:

Speaker—Rev. Julia Seymour, Big Timber, MT
Church Rep—Lois Bylund
Women's Health

BAPTIZED
AND SET *Free*

Ephesians 4:5-6 One Lord, one faith, one baptism...one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in all.

Women of the **ELCA**



Bethel Bunch

If you are looking for a fellowship group filled with food, conversation and laughter then look no further. Bethel Bunch is a gathering for all adult individuals and/or couples.

Bethel Bunch does not have any set meeting time or dates. We try to meet 5 to 6 times a year depending on the activities or who is hosting. Some of the fun things we have done in the past is a Missouri River float trip, wine and cheese party, Chinese New Year celebrations (this is usually an annual event in January or February), Christmas caroling for shut-ins, Progressive dinners, gathering food for FISH or the Middle School Food Cupboards, and soup suppers. Truly the options for Bethel Bunch are endless depending on the host and hostess. We also try to lift up by attendance or prayer other Bethel or community functions. We annually host a weekday lenten Soup Supper, attend Family Promise fundraisers, and the annual FISH dinner provided by Our Savior's Lutheran Church.

There is no better way to develop new friendships and cultivate older ones than getting together with fellow Bethel members in Christ and share in all that God has given us.

We are working on a get together very soon so make sure you check the church bulletin, Bethel Notes or get on the email list for all Bethel Bunch notifications. For additional information please contact Terry Korpela at terry.korpela@gmail.com or home phone 406-761-7409 or cell 406-799-4094.



July 22nd - 26th
for Pre - K ages 3 & 4 (potty
trained)
Kinder - 6th
Junior Counselors 7th grade and
up for more information go to
www.bethelmt.org

Join Us!

Each day at camp we have an opening worship and a closing worship...JOIN US!! 9:00 AM and 1:00 PM. Would love to see you and share in the energy and excitement of Camp Week!

If you are interested in helping with camp this year, please contact Tami Grosenick at the church office 761-1543 or email bethelmc.church@gmail.com.

Thank you and hope to see you this summer!

ELCA GLOBAL MISSIONARY GUSTAVO DRIAU TO VISIT BETHEL IN JULY

Our global missionary, Gustavo Driau, the Regional Representative for South America will be visiting Bethel and other ELCA churches in Montana from July 5th to July 15th. He will be preaching at Bethel on July 7th and look for a meet and greet following our service on July 7th.. In preparation for his visit, we are going to be posting some of Gusavo's articles about Bolivia.

Strengthening Lutheran Schools in Bolivia



August 20, 2018

The pastor president of IELB, pastor Emilio Aslla, the secretary of Education of IELB, Francisco Quispe Chambi, and the director of the Lutheran School in El Alto, La Paz, visited from August 12 to 16 the educational work of the United Evangelical Lutheran Church in Argentina and Uruguay. The visita embraced the purpose of strengthening the development and growing processes of the Lutheran Schools in IELB in La Paz and Santa Cruz de la Sierra.

Throughout Latin America, and in Bolivia as well, education is

essential to achieve satisfactory living conditions according to the different needs and expectations of a society as heterogeneous and complex as Bolivia's.

Education in Bolivia is one of the issues of greatest concern for the governments and civil society and has a great importance on all aspects of political, economic and social life.

The Lutheran educational work in Argentina was started by the missionaries of the United Lutheran Church 100 years ago, today more than 10,000 students attend the Lutheran educational institutes daily, from initial level to higher education.



YOU ARE INVITED

To meet and greet ELCA Global Missionary, Gustavo Driau. Gustavo lives in Buenos Aires, Argentina, and serves as regional representative, stewarding relationships with South American churches and their partners, in Bolivia (MT. Synod's Companion Synod) Brazil, Chile, Columbia and Peru. Bethel is in a covenant relationship of support for/with Gustavo through ELCA Global Missions. Gustavo will be in worship here at Bethel, Sunday July 7th, sharing the good news of the ministries he accompanies. A forum will follow the service. On Monday evening, July 8th, you are invited to an open house/meet and greet from 6 - 8 at the Synod House (1221 24th Street South). This is open to all congregations in our area.

Drinks and hors d'oeuvres will be served.

INTRODUCING GUSTAVO DRIAUI

Gustavo stewards ELCA's relationships with South American churches and partners through deep engagement and presence in their lives and ministries. As Regional Representative in, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, and Peru, he accompanies the ELCA's companion churches and institutions through ELCA-supported projects and provides support for ELCA mission personnel.

Companion Synods

Bolivia: Montana Synod (1F); **Brazil:** Southern Ohio Synod (6F); **Chile:** Western Iowa Synod (5E) and Indiana-Kentucky Synod (6C) **Colombia:** Southeastern Minnesota Synod (3I) and South Carolina Synod (9C); **Peru:** Texas-Louisiana Gulf Coast Synod (4F), and La Crosse Area Synod (5L)

Education

PGC International Cooperation and Development University of Barcelona, Barcelona Spain

PGC Non-Profit and Civil Society Organization Management Latin American School of Social Sciences, Buenos Aires, Argentina

M. Arch. Urban Design, Planning and Management University of Buenos Aires, Buenos Aires, Argentina

Hobbies

Music and gardening



An additional offering will be received this Sunday in the wicker baskets to help offset the travel cost for Gustavo during his visit to Montana.

*Special Note

Gustavo has many years of experience serving among Latin American Lutheran Churches and partners with projects and programs for diakonia, mission, development and disaster response through strategic planning, monitoring and evaluation. He has served with the United Evangelical Lutheran Church in Argentina and Uruguay and with Lutheran World Federation in Geneva, Switzerland.

Blog

<https://gustavodriausouth.wixsite.com/mysite>

SUMMER!

Summer is a busy time in Montana. Time to get out and enjoy our beautiful state. If you are unable to make it to Sunday services the Stewardship Task Force would encourage you to consider a couple of different possibilities for giving.

First you can setup a one-time or recurring scheduled donation by clicking "On Line Giving" at bethelmt.org.

Another would be to set-up a recurring automated payment through your personal bank.

Finally, you can mail your check to Bethel Lutheran Church
1009 18th Ave SW
Great Falls, MT 59404

Giving envelopes can be found in the Track Rack near the front entrance.

We hope you enjoy the beautiful weather and all that Montana summer's have to offer.

What's Coming Up at FLBC:

Summer camp

It's not too late to register for camp!

Visit <https://flbc.net/summer-camp-programs/> to learn more about summer programs & to register. Check out new programs like Treehouse Camp, Navigators (for campers entering 1st & 2nd grade) and Seattle Servant.

Program highlight: *Senior High Rock & Raft, June 30-July 5, July 21-26, August 4-9*

This week of climbing is geared toward climbers of all abilities. Spend four days climbing at Stone Hill, one of Northwest Montana's premier climbing areas. You will learn climbing technique, knots, and belaying. Our climbing guide will set up routes for all climbing levels. Evenings will be spent cooking meals, relaxing, and spending time in Bible study with the rest of the group. At week's end, your group will spend a half-day white water rafting on the Middle Fork of the Flathead River.

If you are interested, one of the attachments in this email is a blessing you could use to send your campers on their way!

Upcoming Retreats and Events:

Register by calling the camp office at 406-752-6602 or emailing office@flbc.net

Labor Day Family Camp

August 31-September 2, 2019

Join us this Labor Day weekend for one last summer celebration with your family! Camp staff will lead children and youth in classic camp activities such as Bible study, worship, games, hikes, and more. Adults will gather together for special facilitated time of study and discussion led by Pr. Molly and Allen Sasser-Goehner. All join together for worship, fellowship, and games! Enjoy all that FLBC has to offer during this great family retreat: swimming, stand-up paddle boarding, crafts in the Art Barn, sailing, high and low ropes team building, and much more!

Holden Village trip

September 22-26, 2019

This trip will begin at FLBC, from there traveling together by van to Wenatchee, WA for an overnight, before continuing to Holden Village, nestled in the Northern Cascades near Chelan, WA. Spend three nights at Holden Village experiencing fantastic food, gorgeous scenery, hiking, worship, and study time together. [Register online by July 1st!](#)

To the Mountains: An Adult Wilderness Experience

August 31-September 2, 2019

Spend your Labor Day weekend enjoying the diversity of God's creation in beautiful NW Montana! Join our trained FLBC staff both on foot & by water as we spend an overnight backpacking, a day rock climbing, and a morning sailing on Flathead Lake. Experience the glory of the wilderness alongside new friends and dive into Scripture as you see God reflected in the landscape around you. No previous wilderness experience required, all community gear and food provided.

Young Adults in Global Mission

Jeremy Stordahl

has been selected to serve as a missionary in Australia.

He will begin his mission in August 2019

Ways to support my call to serve as a volunteer for the ELCA's Young Adults in Global Mission program!
To make a credit card gift, call 800-638-3522 to make a credit card donation. Please specify support for Jeremy Stordahl.



To give by check, make your check out to "ELCA Global Church Sponsorship" and write "Jeremy Stordahl giving code: GCS3503" on the memo line. Give through your congregation or mail to:

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
ELCA Gift Processing Center
P.O. Box 1809
Merrifield, VA 22116-8009

Online at: <http://support.elca.org/goto/JeremyStordahl>

Thank you for joining me and for your support – every gift truly matters!

To learn more about Jeremy, pick up a brochure in the Track Rack at Bethel.

FISH Stats!

During the week of June 17-21, dedicated members of Bethel worked FISH. They served 56 families, 83 adults, and 47

children, for a total of 3549 lb. of food distributed. Thank you to the workers and for support from Bethel.



THIS WEEK AT BETHEL

Monday 7/1:

- Boy Scout Troop 1028 meeting at 6:30 pm in the Gathering Place
- Strategic Planning Committee meeting 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall

Tuesday 7/2:

- Bible Study at Electric City Coffee at 6:30 am.

Wednesday 7/3:

- Staff Meeting 10:00 AM in the front office

Thursday 7/4:

- Bethel Office Closed for the July 4th holiday. Happy Independence Day!!

Friday 7/5:

- Aitz Chaim first Friday worship 6:00 PM in the Sanctuary
- Gustavo Driau arrives from South America for his visit

Saturday 7/6:

- Close Knit meets 9:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday 7/7:

- Global Missionary Gustavo Driau will be preaching. Adult forum meet and greet to follow service in the Fellowship Hall. Refreshments will be provided. We will conclude by noon.

Monday 7/8:

- Global Missionary Gustavo Driau meet and greet at the Montana Synod Office 1221 24th Street South 7:00 to 8:00 pm
 - Boy Scout Troop 1028 meeting at 6:30 pm in the Gathering Place
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday 7/7:

- Global Missionary Gustavo Driau will be preaching. Adult forum meet and greet to follow service in the Fellowship Hall. Refreshments will be provided. We will conclude by noon.
- We begin our Family Promise Host week.

Monday 7/8:

- Global Missionary Gustavo Driau meet and greet at the Montana Synod Office 1221 24th Street South 6:00 to 8:00 pm
- Boy Scout Troop 1028 meeting at 6:30 pm in the Gathering Place

Tuesday 7/9:

- Bible Study at Electric City Coffee at 6:30 am.

Thursday 7/11:

- Pastor Steve on vacation through July 21st

Calling All Chefs!

If you would like to help provide some hors d'oeuvres/ refreshments for the Monday evening event for Gustavo at the Synod House, please let Pastor Steve know before Monday.