

Office Hours:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

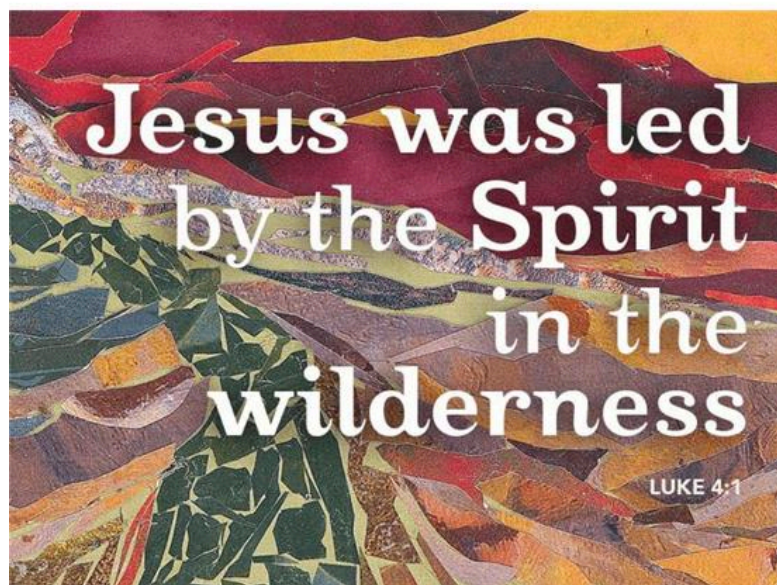
Tuesday, Thursday 9:00 am to 2:30 PM

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BETHEL NOTES



Readings:

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

Romans 10:8b-13

Luke 4:1-13

This Sunday at Bethel:

Faith Formation meets today after our service in the Fellowship Hall. Our topic is **Self/Others (Home)**. What are the peculiar challenges & opportunities of living out our calling at home? What does it look like? What doesn't it look like?)

Worship Planning committee will meet in the Gathering Place following service.

Congregational Vitality Forum will meet in the Sanctuary following service.

Sunday
March 10

Serving this Sunday

Accompanist:

Lynn Ryan

Lay Assistant:

John Blank

Usher(s):

Tom and Linda
Rosenbaum

Projectionist:

Ava Fossen

Counters:

Stephanie Cummings
Donna Vinnedge

Nursery

Attendant(s):

Adam Elkin
Morgan Dunn

PRAYER REQUESTS

We are here to pray for you!



Prayers of healing for **Jan DeGroot** (sister of Marj Vander Aarde) as well as **John Hartog** (Marj's brother).

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

Prayers of healing for **Don Bisgard** as he battles stomach cancer.

Prayers of healing **Ed Pottratz** for healing as he resumes cancer treatment.

Prayers for **Sue Hesse** as she recovers from surgery.

Prayers of healing for **Lee Klette**, son of Russ & Cheryl.

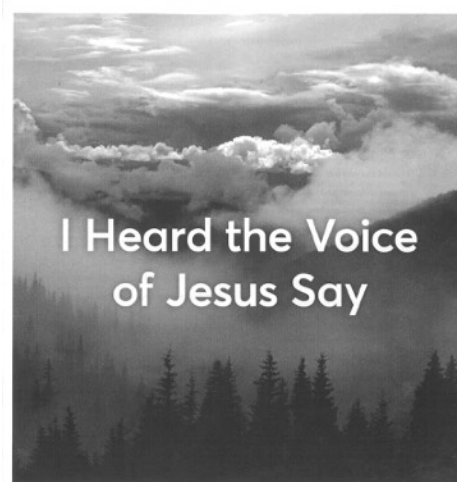
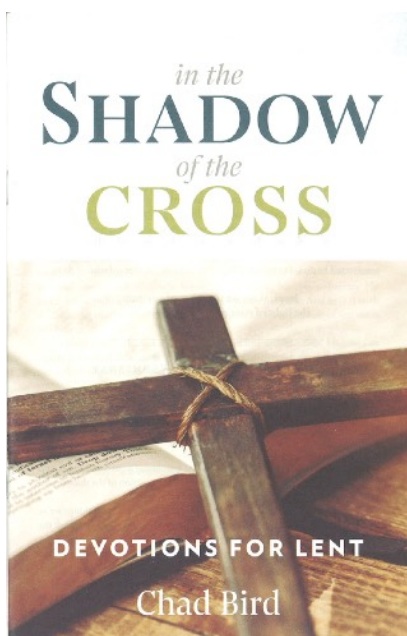
Prayers comfort for **the Klette Family** as they mourn the death of Cheryl's aunt, Marj Cole.

Prayers of healing for **Dale Ost** who is recovering from home.

Prayers for **Bernice Jones** (mother of Mike Jones) in Hospice Care.



**Lenten
Devotionals
Available for
free. Pick one
up on the white
table in the
Narthex.**



2019 LENTEN DEVOTIONAL

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SEMINARY

Large print available for

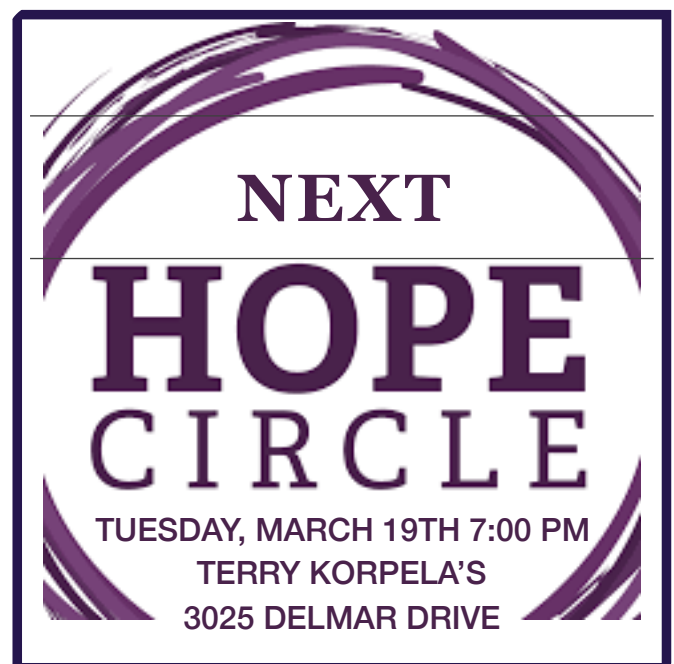
I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

Lenten Soup Suppers

This year we are excited to have members of our congregation share their Faith Story with us and then we will sing the Holden Evening Prayer. Each Thursday in Lent we will begin our meal at 6:15 PM and the service will begin at 7:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

Soup Suppers:

- March 14th
 - Church Council - hosting
 - Doug Sexe - faith story
 - Lisa Carlson - Holden Evening Prayer Lead
- March 21st
 - Logos Staff - hosting
 - Greg and Cherie Stordahl - faith story
 - Colter McCarty - Holden Evening Prayer Lead
- March 28th
 - Hope Circle - hosting
 - Becca Thompson - faith story
 - Dave Scholten - Holden Prayer Lead
- April 4th
 - Bethel Bunch - hosting
 - Dan and Steph Richardson - faith story
 - TBD - Holden Prayer Lead
 - Tom Rosenbaum and Ellen Forsley - special music
- April 11th
 - Chili Night - various hosts
 - TBD - faith story
 - Pastor Steve - Holden Evening Prayer Lead



Growing Our Faith

An Adult Faith Formation Class: Down + Out.

Down and out: it's the life God gives us, the life to which God calls us. This six part series, reintroduces us to the life-changing reality of God's promises, and points the way to a completely different view of life in the light of where grace takes you.

Will meet Sunday March 10th, from 11-12:15pm in the Fellowship Hall. It will be repeated on Thursday, March 7th, at 10am in Fellowship Hall. Session #5 of 6 is titled, ***Self/Others (Home)***. What are the peculiar challenges & opportunities of living out our calling at home? What does it look like? What doesn't it look like?)

Remaining Sessions:

- **March 17 & 21th** ~ ***Spirit/Flesh*** (God comes down & sends us out. We can't separate body and soul, flesh and spirit.)

Faith Formation

Book Study/ Discussion on the Life of the Apostle Paul

We will read and discuss a recently (2018) released book titled, ***Paul: An Apostle's Journey*** written by Professor Douglas A. Campbell. Participants will need to purchase this book (you can do this on your own through your preferred book distributor (ie. Amazon or Barnes & Noble. The hardback costs about \$17.) or let Pastor Steve know, and he will order the book for you.) There will be a sign up at church or you can reach out directly to Pastor Steve at bethelgf.pastor.steve@gmail.com to express your interest in participating in this book discussion. This class will follow on the heels of *Down + Out* and begin **March 31st**, giving you time to get the book and read it.

Douglas Campbell has made a name for himself as one of Paul's most insightful and provocative interpreters. In this short and spirited book Campbell introduces readers to the apostle he has studied in depth over his scholarly career.

Enter with Campbell into Paul's world, relive the story of Paul's action-packed ministry, and follow the envelopment of Paul's thought throughout both his physical and his spiritual travels.

If you would like to procure the book on your own, [amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com) has the book available in print or electronic version, order from your local book store or sign up in the Narthex at Bethel and we will order a copy for you.

Logos Family Worship & Ash Wednesday Service.

What an amazing service we had here at Bethel Wednesday evening. We served 118 people for our combined service!

A soup supper was provided by Darci Bernardi and her "Church Ladies" Laura Kupfner, Traci Orthman, Shawna Rowe and parent helper Lonnie Seim.

Our Logos Kids provided help with the service. Our readers were Tyler Grosenick, Aspen Rowe, Austen Kupfner, Allison Marr, Abbie Virts, Emma McGraw, Ava Fossen and Jack Pinski. Logos also served during the service. Our ushers were Maya Stringer, Skyler Troyer, and Howard Daniel. Kian Ryan was the acolyte. Communion servers were Kaleb Stringer, Julia Elkin, Abby Troyer, Andrew Dullum, Hailey Marr, Fleming Daniel, and Letty Richardson. Kaleb Stringer also served during the Imposition of Ashers.



Our High School Logos Kaleb Stringer, Lillie and Dylan Erickson also assisted Pastor with a skit for the Homily. Dylan also was our projectionist.

We wanted to take this opportunity to say thank you to all who helped with bringing this service together. Our Logos families for having such great kids and bringing them to the program. Our Bethel family for continuing to support and cherish our youth ministry. The Jubilate Choir for singing and adding your amazing voices to the service. Connie Titcomb for stepping in as accompanist and Mary Seim for joining us during our Family Worship services to play so beautifully. Logos teachers who work each



week with our youth to deepen their relationship with God. Pastor Steve for having a passion of bringing all ages together in faith. Darci Bernardi and her Church Ladies for faithful and tireless service for meals. And especially to Shannon Marr, she is an amazing lady who gets all the communication out, keeping our teachers engaged and running each night and special event. She makes it look so easy, but it is not and we so appreciate her dedication.

Please join us for the last Family Worship of this Logos year April 3rd at 7:00 PM.





American Red Cross

Meadowlark Elementary School in conjunction with the American Red Cross are hosting a blood drive.

Please join our lifesaving mission and schedule an appointment today! The need for blood is constant and only volunteer donors can fulfill that need for patients in our community. Nationwide, someone needs a unit of blood every 2 to 3 seconds and most of us will need blood in our lifetime.

Drive Details:

Site: Meadowlark Elementary School

Address: 2204 Fox Farm Rd, Great Falls,

Room Name: Cafeteria

Date: Wed Apr 17, 2019

Time: 02:30 PM - 06:45 PM

Coordinator Name: Krystal Tweet

To Schedule an appointment go to:

www.redcrossblood.org

1. hover cursor over Give Blood
2. click on Find A Blood Drive
3. enter zip 59404 and click enter
4. scroll down to find Meadow Lark Elementary School and click See Times.

The 19th Annual Loaves & Fishes Dinner

April 12, 2019

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

1326 1st Ave. North

Seatings at 4:30 and 6:00

Please consider donating a silent auction or raffle item.

ALL PROCEEDS ENABLE FISH TO CONTINUE PROVIDING EMERGENCY FOOD TO THE FOLKS IN OUR AREA!!!



If you are interested in going through the volunteer training required to service as dinner host, evening helper or overnight host, there are two upcoming opportunities both at The Hub at Central Christian Church 1025 Central Avenue.

March 13th 5:30 PM

April 17th 5:30 PM

Please contact Dew Elkin or The Hub to reserve your spot or for more information.

The Hub - 453-4317 or Dew - 452-0988

DISASTER RELIEF THROUGH THE ELCA

On March 3, powerful tornadoes hit Alabama, Georgia and Florida, causing widespread destruction. At least 23 people have died in Lee County, Ala., and others are still unaccounted for. More than 1,000 homes have been damaged. Lutheran Disaster Response is working with those in the impacted states, including partnering with congregations in the Southeastern Synod to respond with immediate relief. Gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response designated for "U.S. tornadoes" will be used to help those affected by tornadoes until the response is complete.

Make checks payable to
Lutheran Disaster Response,
Write "U.S. Tornadoes" on your check's memo
line and send to:

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

“CHURCH THROUGH A CHILD'S EYES”

Many people say that children are the future, and I agree that we are the future. When people say that, I think that a lot of them mean jobs, careers. I don't think of it entirely that way. We as children are also the future of christianity and all of the religions out there. It is hard to think that soon we will be the pastors, and the preachers, that we see up at the altar. The young people that you see sitting around you are the future of our religion, and some will be the future of our church. That is why I attend church as much as I can. I go so I can be close to God, then I can help others be close to him also. I go to church so I can help teach the next generation about God, and Jesus, as the people of the church helped me. I find it incredible how much I have learned and grown in faith, and in relation to God.



I am not saying that every Sunday I wake up to the alarm, and jump for joy because I have to go to church. I am going to be frank, sometimes I am only at church because my mom makes me. But, at the end of the day, I am grateful that my mom takes me to church even if I don't feel like going, because it makes me feel good once I leave, it makes me want to do God's work. There are days that I don't want to go to church, but most of the days I want to attend church. I want to grow in faith. I also attend the LOGOS program. That program has also helped lead me through the path of faith. It makes learning about the gospel and the Lord fun but also understandable. Since I am in the seventh grade, I am working with a group of other students in a classroom, along with the pastor. What are we doing in there you may ask, we are going through confirmation class. Every Wednesday we gather and learn about God together, as a community. LOGOS is very important to me and I hope to be a part of it all of my life.

I also attend church because I love to grow in faith with others. Some people like to pray in solitude, but I enjoy praising God with others. I enjoy the community aspect of church. Sitting next to other people who are much more in-tuned with their faith than me, makes me want to grow and understand God further. I really look up to all of the people I see sitting around me in the sanctuary. Being able to partake in communion, and have a community of people is my favorite part of church. I enjoy being around all of the believers of Christ in church.

I go to church for many reasons, those are only a few. I would also encourage you to come to family worship the first night of every month on Wednesday, hosted by the LOGOS kids. We really enjoy taking part of worship and want to get to share it with everyone. That is why I go to church, I thought it would only be right to end this with my favorite psalm. “The Lord takes delight in his people; he crowns the humble with salvation.” Psalm 149:4.

Ava Fossen, 7th grader

THIS WEEK AT BETHEL

Sunday 3/10:

- Daylight Savings Time! Spring forward 1 hour.
- Faith Formation meeting in Fellowship Hall following service.
- Worship Planning will meet in the Gathering Place following service.
- Congregation Vitality Forum will meet in the Sanctuary following service

Monday 3/11:

- Boy Scout Troop 1028 meeting at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall

Tuesday 3/12:

- Bible Study at Electric City Coffee at 6:30 am.
- Men's Breakfast at 7am in the Fellowship Hall.
- Church Council meeting in the Gathering Place 6:30 PM

Wednesday 3/13:

- Bethel Staff Meeting in the Gathering Place 9:15 AM
- LOGOS 5:30 PM

Thursday 3/14:

- Faith Formation in the Fellowship Hall 10:00 AM
- Lenten Soup Supper and service 6:15 PM, supper 7:00 PM for service meet in the Fellowship Hall

Saturday 3/16:

- Close Knit meet in the Fellowship Hall 9:00 AM
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday 3/17:

- Happy St. Patrick's Day!
- Faith Formation meets in the Fellowship Hall following service.

Monday 3/18:

- Boy Scout Troop 1028 meeting at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall

Tuesday 3/19:

- Bible Study at Electric City Coffee at 6:30 am.
- Men's Breakfast at 7am in the Fellowship Hall.
- Childbridge meets in the Gathering Place 5:30 PM
- Hope Circle meets at Korpela's 3025 Delmar Dr. 7:00 pm

Wednesday 3/20:

- LOGOS 5:30 PM

Thursday 3/21:

- Faith Formation in the Fellowship Hall 10:00 AM
- Lenten Soup Supper and service 6:15 PM for supper 7:00 PM for service meet in the Fellowship Hall

Friday 3/22 to 3/29:

- Pastor Steve on vacation.



God Loves Justice

GREAT FALLS RESCUE MISSION 56TH ANNUAL BANQUET

Monday, April 1, 2019
12:00 pm & 6:30 pm
Mansfield Convention Center - 2 Park Drive S

 **SPEAKER: DANIELLE STRICKLAND**
Church Leader, Author, Former
Salvation Army Officer, and
Ambassador for Stop The Traffik