

BETHEL NOTES

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Sunday, May 16th **Hymn Sing**

A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD
 ROCK OF AGES, CLEFT FOR ME
 ON EAGLE'S WINGS
 BORNING CRY
 JESUS LOVES ME
 AMAZING GRACE
 MINE EYES HAVE SEEN THE GLORY
 SHALL WE GATHER AT THE RIVER
 LIFT HIGH THE CROSS

**Social for Pastor
 Trina and Dennis
 after worship on
 the Patio at Bethel.**

SERVING THIS EASTER SERVICE

Accompanist	Lynn Ryan, piano; Steve Nelson, guitar
Lay Assistant	Tamy Scholten
Usher	Sue Hesse
Tech	Kaleb Stringer
Counters	Tim Lightbourne and Greg Grosenick

**Join us Sunday at
 9:30 in-person or
 online bethelmt.org**

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- ✦ Prayers for **Faith Crouch**, *granddaughter of Bernice Johnson*, continuing to regain strength from double lung transplant.
- ✦ Prayers of thanks for **Ed Pottratz** as he continues with treatment for cancer.
- ✦ Prayers of healing for **Lee Klette**, son of *Russ & Cheryl*.
- ✦ Prayers for healing and strength for **Katie Madsen**, *niece of Doug Sexe and granddaughter of Arlene Sexe* as she continues treatment for breast cancer and is responding well.
- ✦ Prayers for healing for **Steve Young**, *brother of Sue Hesse* as he continues with back issues.
- ✦ Prayers of support and healing **James Trunkle**, *friend of Dena Wagner-Fossen*, as he continues to manage health issues.
- ✦ Prayers of healing for **Pam Hanson Alfred** *friend of Kris Voorhees* as she continues treatment for cancer.
- ✦ Prayers of healing and support for **Bob Vander Aarde** as he continues cancer treatment.
- ✦ Prayers of support and healing for **Trudy and Earl Terwilliger** as they are managing with progression and changing of Trudy's cognitive health.
- ✦ Prayers of healing for **Arlene Sexe** as she undergoes treatment for cancer.
- ✦ Prayers healing for **Bob Bundi**, *Laura Kupfner's father*, as he is managing multiple health issues. As well as his wife **Linda** after a hospital stay.
- ✦ Prayers of healing for **Dew Elkin** as she continues to heal from a broken foot.
- ✦ Prayers of comfort and support for **Tom and Linda Rosenbaum**, as Tom's health declines that he gets the care he needs as well as love and care to Linda as she cares for him.
- ✦ Prayers of healing for **Leonard Murphy** as he recovers from knee surgery.
- ✦ Prayers of healing for **Shirley Cayko** as she has further testing for her heart.
- ✦ Prayers of thanksgiving and blessings to **Pastor Trina Johnsten** and Dennis Trotter as they conclude their time with us at Bethel. Pastor Trina will be serving at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church in Helena, Montana beginning in August.
- ✦ Prayers of healing for **Paulette Patterson**, *daughter of Dale and Leona Ost*, as she has shoulder surgery today.



We are asking for prayers for Don as we travel to Kalispell on Tuesday for his surgery on Wednesday, the 19th of May. We believe in the power of prayer and want to thank our Bethel family for being so supportive to us on many levels. Our hearts are filled with gratitude and love.

Thank you,
Kathi and Don Bisgard



Confirmation 7th and 8th Grade Year-End Party



Kian Ryan and
Kaison Nebel



Taylah Jaques and
Emmerson Hamma



Ainsley Kubas and
Maya Stringer



Taylah Jaques, Regan
Will and Hailey Marr



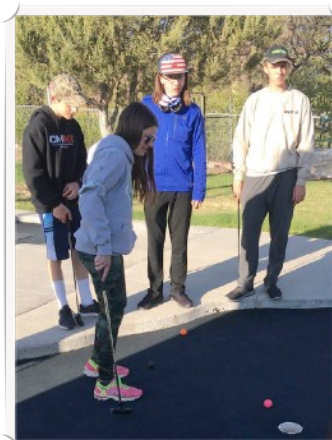
Andrew Dullum and
Leighton Larson



Hailey Marr, Regan
Will, Kaison Nebel,
and Taylah Jaques



Ainsley Kubas,
Taylah Jaques,
Regan Will, Hailey
Marr, and Maya
Stringer



Trevor Shimerdla,
Ainsley Kubas,
Leighton Larson and
Andrew Dullum



Walt and Leone Nuessle enjoy Mother's Day Brunch at FLBC





GRADUATING SENIORS

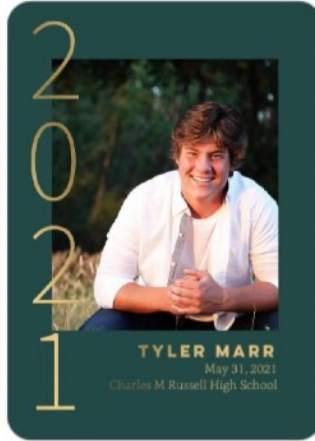
Tyler Marr

Tyler Marr is graduating with honors from CM Russell on May 31, 2021. He will attend Linfield University in McMinnville, Oregon to pursue a degree within health sciences. Baseball has been a huge part of his life, playing little league, several regional

travel clubs and legion ball for the Great Falls Chargers so he is excited to continue his baseball career in college for the Linfield Wildcats.

In addition to baseball, Tyler had a full high school experience. He was a varsity starter and captain for CMR football,

earning All-Conference and All-State awards. He was a student government representative, a member of the National Honor Society and involved in HOSA (Health Occupation Students of America).



Kendal Blades

Kendal Blades will be graduating from CM Russell High School on May 31st. She will be studying pre-med at Montana State University in Bozeman this fall. Kendal was very involved and proud to be a Rustler! She served on student government all 4 years at CMR and this year is the Senior Class Vice President. Kendal played volleyball and softball all 4 years at CMR,



earning 3 Varsity letters in volleyball and 2 Varsity letters in softball (**no season last year due to Covid*). During her time at CMR, she maintained a 3.89 GPA and will be graduating with a STEM Concentration Honors diploma. Kendal has

been active in HOSA (Health Occupations student group), FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes), and volunteering in her community.

Kendal was the Homecoming Queen this year and is a finalist for the Golden Flame which will be announced at Graduation. We are SO proud of Kendal and wish her the best of luck and many blessings in her next adventure!



Opportunities to Serve

~Pruning Shrubs in North and West flower beds.

~Sand and stain benches and picnic table on the patio.

~Clean leaves and debris out of the AC unit on the patio.

~West side benches, sand and stain.

~Bethel Sign, scrape and paint.

~Oil the baptismal font, altar, and pulpit.

~Clean large windows in hospitality room and entry way.

If you would like to help the church or need more information with any of these projects please contact the Bethel Office at 406-761-1543 or bethelgf.church@gmail.com

THANK YOU TO OUR CALL COMMITTEE

On behalf of the Bethel Congregation, the Bethel Council would like to thank the Call Committee for the wonderful job the team did in calling our new pastor. The group worked harmoniously to perform the duties of the committee. The team spent hours developing profiles, preparing documents, researching the needs and wishes of the congregation, and conducting interviews. These individuals deserve our appreciation and gratitude:

- Patty Braget, secretary
- Jim Carlson, co-chair
- Ava Fossen
- Tim Lightbourne, co-chair
- Lynn Ryan
- Earl Terwilleger



The common thread connecting each member of the Call Committee is their passion for Bethel and love of the Lord. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for their willingness to serve!

Job Opening At Bethel Church Custodian

Bethel is hiring a part time (30-hour per week) position to clean the church, do some maintenance, lawn and property care and coordination with vendors and repair services.

For a detailed job description and job application :

- click [here](#)
 - go to our website under About Us/ Job Openings
- For more information call the Bethel Office 761-1543.



The following was sent to us by Alliance for Youth:

It was recently brought to our attention that there is an increase in youth PFMA's (Partner Family Member Assaults) in our community. Anecdotally, the number one reason has to do with a parent/guardian attempting to take away a cell phone from their child and it escalates into a physical altercation.

In response, we at Alliance for Youth have researched and designed the attached Summer Family Technology Plan for our families.

FAMILY TECHNOLOGY PLAN

Social Media

- No making fun of, complaining about or being mean to people online.
- No pictures may be posted/sent that parents would not approve of.

Slip-Ups

- Devices surrendered for 24 hours
- Devices surrendered for 48 hours _____
- Add penalty for parent slip-ups here.

Family Goals

- Connect as a family on a networking app.
- Create and maintain a shared family calendar.

Everyday, Everyone

- Devices must be put away by _____ on weeknights & _____ on weekends.
- Our family limits screen time on weekends and holidays to _____ hours/minutes per day.
- All devices charge in _____ at night (no devices in kids' rooms during sleeping hours).
- No devices during family meals, walking or driving.

Parents

- No work contact after _____.
- Pictures of kids posted online must be approved by kids first.
- No devices during sleeping hours.
- No choosing phones over kids.

Kids

- No locked screens.
- No secret accounts. Parents will keep record of all passwords.
- No arguing if a parent asks to see my phone.
- All morning goals must be met before I get my phone for the day.
- Devices/Internet may not be used to hurt people inside or outside of the family.
- Devices are not available after school until homework and chores are completed.
- No screens for children under 18 months. An hour a day or less screen time for children ages 2-5.

Reminders

- Devices are not private. Data plans are limited.
- Calls or texts from parents are answered.
- Not arguing about your phone being taken away will allow you to reduce your penalty time by 50%.

Family

I agree to the family plan:



Confirmation at Bethel

This year we will celebrate the Affirmation of Baptism with our six confirmands in a special worship service,

Sunday May 16th 1:00 pm.

Our confirmands this year are:

Andrew Dullum, Jack Orthman, Brady Pike, Trevor Shimerdla, Maya Stringer and Regan Will.

We are asking that family, sponsors and guests of the confirmands only attend the service, and we will live stream for those Bethel Members who would like to participate virtually in the service.

We thank you for your understanding of the need to keep an attentive eye on the worship numbers during this time.



Upcoming At FLBC

Visit <https://flbc.net/annual-programming/> to learn more about our year-round programming .

Memorial Day Family Retreat & Work Weekend

May 28-31, 2021 FREE! Registration still required :-)) Come have a fun weekend and help FLBC get ready for summer!

5k Fun Run/Walk

Add it to your Memorial Weekend Retreat, or just join us for the event! Run or walk the route at FLBC to help us raise funds for camperships! \$25 per participant includes a Transformation T-Shirt & lunch! Saturday, May 29,

Summer Family Weekends

Spend time on the lake, enjoy Bible Study sessions led by Pastor Barb Gwynn & Pastor Scott Hedegaard (weekend 1) and Pastor John Lund (weekend 2). July 2 - 4 & July 16 - 18

Summer Camp Registration is Open! go to flbc.net for camp dates.

Bethel Camperships available.

Once you register for camp. Send your registration confirmation to

Bethel Lutheran Church

1009 18th Ave SW

Great Falls, MT 59404

or email: bethelgf.church@gmail.com

We will pay \$100 towards your camp fee. If you or someone you know would like to go to camp and finances are an issue, have them call Bethel and we can help 406-761-1543.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL JULY 12TH TO 16TH

MINISTRIES MEETING ONLINE

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 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 via Zoom,

Wednesday mornings at 7:00 am. Contact Dave Scholten at dscholten@dlsconsulting.net for a link to join the meeting.

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 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.

Next Meeting Thursday, May 13th

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday 5/18

- Electric City Bible Study, Zoom meeting 7:00 am

Wednesday 5/19

- Men's Breakfast, via Zoom 7:00 am.

Friday 5/20

- Bethel office is closed.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday 5/23

- Sunday Worship in-person and live stream 9:30 am.
We welcome and thank Dave Scholten for preaching and presiding for us this Sunday.

Tuesday 5/25

- Electric City Bible Study, Zoom meeting 7:00 am

Wednesday 5/26

- Men's Breakfast, via Zoom 7:00 am.

Friday 5/28

- Bethel office is closed.

Interim Pastor Trina Johnsten

Contact information:

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