## BETHEL NOTES

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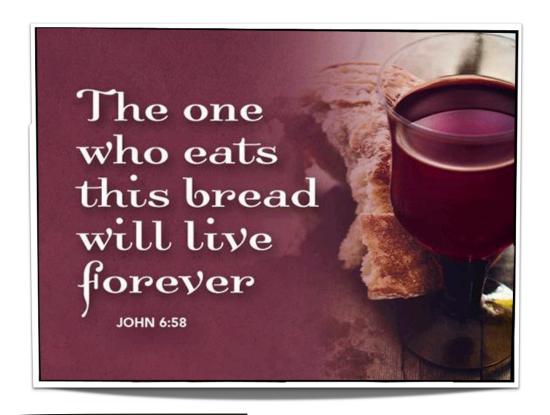
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Sunday, August 15th
12th Sunday After Pentecost

PROVERBS 9:1-6
PSALM 34:9-14
EPHESIANS 5:15-20
JOHN 6:51-58

Wisdom prepares a feast, sets her table, and invites all to come and eat her bread and drink her wine. The first chapter of John's gospel owes much to the biblical tradition that imagined Wisdom as existing before anything was created and having a role in the work of creation. Christ, the wisdom of God (1 Cor. 1:24), today invites us to eat his flesh and drink his blood. John's gospel includes no account of the institution of the Lord's supper, but here we can't help hearing Jesus' words as an invitation to the meal of bread and wine we share.

## SERVING THIS SERVICE

**Accompanist** Lynn Ryan, piano; Pastor Steve Nelson, guitar

Lay Assistant Sue Hesse

**Usher** Donna Vinnedge

**Tech** Adam Elkin

**Counters** Stephanie Cummings and Laurie Turner

Join us Sunday at 9:30 in-person or online <u>bethelmt.org</u>

### **OFFICE HOURS:**

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

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## Prayers Wall

- 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 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 continues treatment for cancer.
- Prayers comfort and support for Bob Bundi, Laura Kupfner's father, in Peace Hospice. As well as his wife Linda and family as they journey with him.
- Prayers of healing for Leonard Murphy as he prepares for knee surgery at the end of August.
- Prayers of comfort, support and healing for **Don Bisgard** as he continues to recover from surgery.

- ◆ Prayers of healing for LaRae Veitch as she recovers from knee surgery.
- ◆ Prayers of healing for **Dick Seim** as he undergoes medical testing.
- Prayers for strength and healing for Eric
   Peterson as he undergoes treatment for cancer.
- ◆ Prayers of healing and strength for **Julie Wolff** as she recovers in the hospital from a stroke.
- Prayers of comfort for the family and friends of Fran Hardesty who passed away on Sunday, August 1st.
- Prayers of love and comfort for the passing of Scott David Elkin, son of Ron and Dew Elkin, brother of Chad Elkin, and all the Elkin family and friends as they grieve their loss.
- Prayers of comfort for Willis Heupel's family and friends, as they mourn his passing. He was a dear friend of Dale Ost.



In honor and memory of the children of the First Nations people and of our Native children who never made it home, and for those still living the nightmare imposed on them as children of Canada and the United States we humbly ask our brothers and sisters of the church to hang an orange banner in the sanctuaries of your churches for 225 days. In remembrance and lament of each child that was thrown into those graves, and those yet to be discovered we honor each of their lives.

## Bethel Trivia

This week's trivia features three members of Bethel. Can you guess who they are? We will see the answers next week!

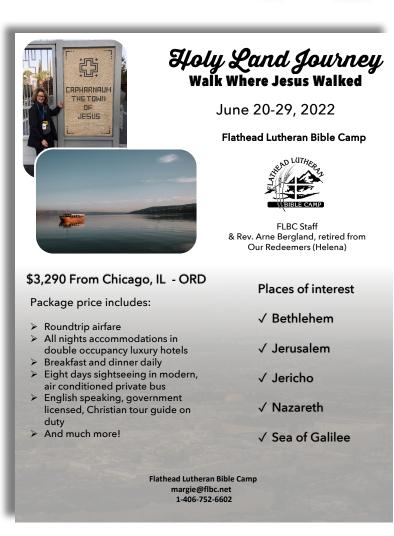
- 1.) This Bethel member took three tries to receive their nursing degree, before serving as a long time nurse in a variety of different nursing disciplines and locations.
- 2.) This Bethel member was a camp counselor at Camp Vermillion in Cook, MN for 2 summers in college, and worked as a volunteer for a summer as well.
- 3.) This Bethel member auditioned for a part in "Unsolved Mysteries"



The outpouring of cards, phone calls and emails has been so uplifting to our broken hearts. The loss of our beloved son Scott has been difficult and yet - our faith in God's promise of eternal life and that our loved one is whole again - gives us much comfort. The thoughtful messages many of you have written will remain with us always. Our Scott is at peace in the loving arms of God and so are we.

Thank you for your love and concern. God has truly blessed us with our family and our Bethel Lutheran Church family.

Ron & Dew Elkin





## Bethel Lutheran Church Council Meeting Highlights August 10, 2021

Bethel Lutheran Church Council met on Tuesday, August 10 in the Fellowship Hall. Here are some highlights from that meeting:

- Pastor Jessie led devotions with a reading from Ecclesiastes, Chapter 3.
- \*Tami reported LOGOS for high school will start August 27 with a lock-in. September 8 will be the registration/kick-off/parent night for Middle School/Confirmation. September 15 will be the registration/kick-off night for Pre-K through 6th grade. Tami shared the tentative schedule, the fee structure, the safety precautions, and a change to Family Worship. The first Sunday of each month will be designated as LOGOS family worship.
- •Fall planning is underway. Because of Covid concerns, the healing service will look different. Rally Sunday is September 12, with a possible ministry fair. Pastor Jessie explained her teaching and Bible study plans.
- The Covid protocols are revisited monthly. The Covid <u>addendum</u> was revised. The altar guild communion adjustments

## Covid Guidelines for Worship as of August 10, 2021

Masks are strongly recommended, but not required.

Continue Physical Distancing

Coffee Hour on hold

If you have a fever or are feeling unwell, please take care of yourself and join us online for worship.

are in place. Masks are strongly recommended but not mandatory.

 Property Management and Maintenance Committee - The six members are as follows: Warren Johnson, Mick Davis, Debbie McCarty, Jerry Kain, Tim Lightbourne, and Jim Carlson.

To view the July minutes in their entirety, please go to <u>July 2021</u> minutes.

## Adult and Family Retreats Upcoming At FLBC This Fall

FLBC is currently hiring for our year-round staff!
We are seeking a Wilderness/Environmental Education Director and Community Staff. Interested in being a part of the ministry of FLBC or know someone who would be a good fit? Visit <a href="https://flbc.net/employment/#yearround">https://flbc.net/employment/#yearround</a> to see the full job descriptions and instructions for applying.



## **Upcoming FLBC Retreats & Events**

Visit https://flbc.net/annual-programming/ to learn more about our year-round programming and find information on registering for each of these retreats.

## Labor Day Weekend Retreat - Register by August 20

September 3-6, 2021

Join FLBC for this \*free\* retreat over Labor Day Weekend! Enjoy good food, fellowship, and fun, while helping camp with some work projects!

https://flbc.net/annual-programming/labor-day-family-camp/

## Grief Retreat - Register by August 27

September 10-12, 2021

This retreat is for any adult (18+) who has lost a loved one such as a partner, friend, parent, or child. You are invited to spend a weekend at Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp; there will be opportunities for learning and fellowship, and time for peace and quiet.CEU credits are available through the NRIT <a href="https://flbc.net/annual-programming/grief-retreat/">https://flbc.net/annual-programming/grief-retreat/</a>

### **Fall Harvest Festival & Auction**

October 9th, 2021

Help FLBC raise funds to ensure no one is turned away due to inability to pay through camperships! This special event also coincides with the FLBC Annual Meeting (taking place at 2:30 pm on Saturday, 10/9).

## Crazy About Quilting & Crafting Retreat - Register by October 21, 2021

November 4-7, 2021

Bring your quilt and craft projects and work alongside friends old and new on the west shore of Flathead Lake. <a href="https://flbc.net/annual-programming/quiltcraft-retreat/">https://flbc.net/annual-programming/quiltcraft-retreat/</a>

## Advent "Preparing for Christmas" Retreat - Register by November 19, 2021

December 3-5, 2021

Prepare for the Christmas season by taking intentional time to slow down and enjoy the season. Make awesome crafts, cut your own Christmas tree, and soak in time for worship and prayer this Advent. <a href="https://flbc.net/annual-programming/advent-retreat/">https://flbc.net/annual-programming/advent-retreat/</a>

## 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 <u>here</u>
- go to our website under About Us/ Job Openings

For more information call the Bethel Office 761-1543.



FISH! is low on boxed cereal. For the month of August, we will be holding a box cereal drive to fill their shelves. Bring cereal of your choice to Bethel and we will deliver to FISH!



• #2 Pencils

- · Mechanical Pencils
- · Black and Blue Pens
- · Pencil Pouches/Boxes
- Wide/College Rule Loose Leaf Paper
- Wide/College Rule Notebooks
- Folders
- · 2" and 3" Binders
- Dividers
- Pink Erasers
- Pencil Top Erasers
- · Colored Pencils
- · Paper Towels
- Backpacks
- Crayons

Alliance for Youth is hosting a back to school event that will offer free haircuts, school supplies and more!

We are seeking donations towards this event.

- Markers
- Dry Erase Markers
- Highlighters
- •Rulers
- •Glue Sticks
- •Bottle Glue
- Scissors
- Pencil Sharpener
- Notecards
- Headphones/earphones
- •Kleenex
- •Walmart Gift Cards
- Backpacks
- Crayons

## Friday, August 20th Noon-6pm

3220 11th Ave. S.

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## IT'S ALMOST TIME FOR LOGOS!!!!

Our Logos Youth Ministry will be starting soon.

Important dates!

**August 27th** High School Logos (9th - 12th grades) Lock In 7pm Friday to 9 am Saturday. This night we will register for HS Logos and get information regarding the 2022 ELCA Youth Gathering in Minneapolis, MN. Email <u>Colter McCarty</u> for more information or to RSVP for your student.



**September 8th** Middle School/Confirmation Parent Night - at Bethel, a BBQ night to register for Middle School/Confirmation 7th and 8th graders and their parents.

**September 15th** Logos/Parent Night for Pre-K through 6th grade - this will be located off site and will be announced later. We will register and have a short meeting for parents and youth will meet their teachers for this year.

First Night of Logos for ALL youth Wednesday, September 22nd 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm Pre-K through 8th Grade

High School Logos will be determined by group on Lock In Night August 27th.

## **Health and Safety**

Following the direction of our Church Council and the GFPS, we are strongly recommending that masks be worn by Logos Youth and volunteers over the age of 5. They are not required.

We will be keeping youth within their cohort group for all activities including meals. It is our hope we will be able to move to open seating once positive infection numbers decline.

If your child is not feeling well, we would ask you give them the rest they need and keep them home.

We feel so very blessed to be able to offer Logos this and looking forward to a great year! For Full Details, copy of the handbook, fees, and online registration go to our <u>LOGOS</u> <u>Webpage</u>

## 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 <a href="mailto:lolli51gus@icloud.com">lolli51gus@icloud.com</a> 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.

Men's Breakfast is taking the summer off and will resume this fall.

## **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 <a href="mailto:lolli51gus@icloud.com">lolli51gus@icloud.com</a> for a link to join the meeting and Terry Korpela to be on the group email for meetings and prayer requests <a href="mailto:terry.korpela@gmail.com">terry.korpela@gmail.com</a>.

Hope Circle is taking the summer off and will resume this fall.

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

## Tuesday 8/17

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

## Friday 8/20

• Bethel office is closed.

## Saturday 8/21

 Close Knit meets in the Fellowship Hall at 9:00 am

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

## Sunday 8/22

• Sunday Worship in-person and live stream 9:30 am.

## Tuesday 8/24

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

## Friday 8/27

- Bethel office is closed.
- High School Logos Lock-In

## **Pastor Jessie Obrecht**

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