

# BETHEL NOTES

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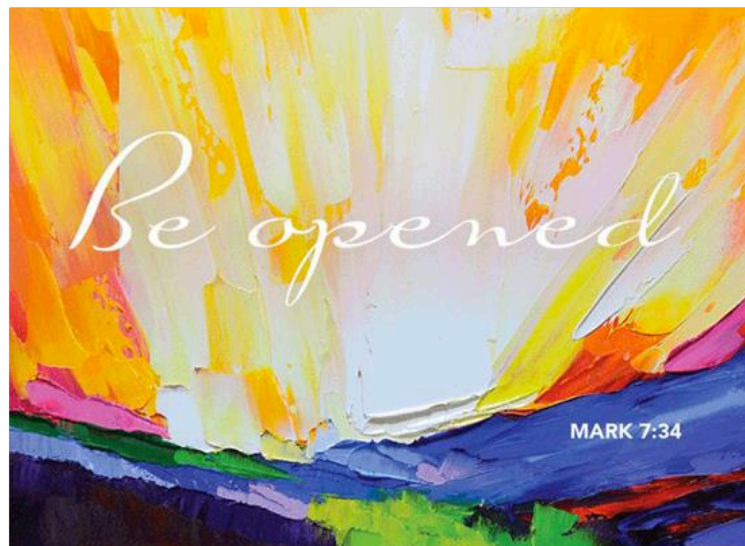
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## WORLD HUNGER SUNDAY



*Sunday, September 5th*

**15th Sunday after Pentecost**

ISAIAH 35:4-7A

PSALM 146

JAMES 2:1-10 [11-13] 14-17

MARK 7:24-37

James tells us to stop showing favoritism in the assembly, treating the rich visitor with more honor than the poor one. Jesus himself seems to show partiality in his first response to the Syrophenician woman in today's gospel. Was he testing her faith in saying Gentiles don't deserve the goods meant for God's children? Or was he speaking out of his human worldview, but transcended those limits when she took him by surprise with her reply? Either way, the story tells us that God shows no partiality. Everyone who brings a need to Jesus is received with equal honor as a child and heir.

## SERVING THIS SERVICE

<b>Accompanist</b>	Lynn Ryan, piano
<b>Lay Assistant</b>	Tamy Scholten
<b>Usher</b>	Sue Hesse
<b>Tech</b>	Colter McCarty
<b>Counters</b>	Stephanie Cummings and Marilyn Carlson

**Join us Sunday at  
9:30 in-person or  
online [bethelmt.org](http://bethelmt.org)**

## OFFICE HOURS:

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

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- ✦ Prayers of strength and leadership for **Gustavo Driau** as he continues as our Regional Representative for our Companion Synods in South America.
- ✦ 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 of healing for **Leonard Murphy** after his second knee surgery.
- ✦ Prayers of comfort, support and healing for **Don Bisgard** as he continues to recover from surgery.
- ✦ Prayers of healing for **LaRae Veitch** as she continues rehab after knee surgery.
- ✦ Prayers of healing for **Dick Seim** as he continues 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 healing for **Tony Marcson**, *brother-in-law of Jessica Crist*, with a new diagnosis of lung cancer.
- ✦ Prayers of healing for **Ron Elkin** as he recovers from surgery on his arm.
- ✦ Prayers of healing and support for **Alex Bostic** as he awaits results of medical tests.
- ✦ Prayers of healing for **Bob Walker**, *brother of Colleen Walker-Nelson*, who is ill with kidney disease.



American Indian  
Alaska Native  
Lutheran Association



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 is all about Bethel. Can you answer these questions about our church?  
Answers in next week's Bethel Notes...



1. In what year was Bethel Lutheran Church officially chartered?
2. Before becoming an officially chartered congregation and having a building, at which school was worship held for those who would become Bethel Lutheran Church?
3. What is the name of the ELCA group that came to help renovate the church in 2015?

## Upcoming Adult Education

### Weekly Text Study with Pastor Jessie

- Wednesdays, 10:00 am via Zoom
- Beginning September 15th.
- Pastor Jessie will be leading discussion on the text readings for the upcoming Sunday. Dig deeper into the interpretation of the readings and discuss ways they give us guidance in our daily lives.

If you would like to join this zoom email [bethelgf.pastor@gmail.com](mailto:bethelgf.pastor@gmail.com) to be added to the mailing list for this Zoom meeting.

### Sunday After Worship Education Hour

- Sundays following worship service in the Fellowship Hall
- Beginning September 26th
- Pastor Jessie and guest speakers will lead this education time. Topics will vary and some will be directed by what the group would like to discuss.

No sign up necessary. Attend whenever you like.

# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We are so very excited to offer Logos Youth Ministry this year! We have some great leaders lined up as well as support volunteers to help with food prep.

We are still in need of two Logos teachers for the 4th grade and 5th grade. We are using the Sparkhouse Digital Whirl curriculum and everything is laid out for us for ease in leading.

If you are interested, would like to volunteer or would like more information contact Tami Grosenick in the Bethel Office [bethelgf.church@gmail.com](mailto:bethelgf.church@gmail.com) or call 406-788-9587.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration for assisting with this ministry.

# MANY THANKS

*Merçi*

Dear Bethel,

Thank you so so much for helping to pay our way to attend FLBC this summer. Our week in July was AMAZING, as always. We LOVE camp and look forward to it every year. We are forever - grateful for our Bethel family.

THANK YOU!

♥ Allison + Hailey

## ALLIANCE *for* Youth

*invites you to an evening celebrating what you helped us build!*

Saturday • September 16  
3220 11<sup>th</sup> Ave. S.

Building Tours • 5:30-6:15 p.m.  
Special Guests Remarks • 6:15-6:30 p.m.  
Refreshments • 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Special Guest Performances by the  
Chinook Winds & Cascade Quartet

Please RSVP Kristy at [kpontet-stroop@allianceforyouth.org](mailto:kpontet-stroop@allianceforyouth.org) or 406.781.9938

*Grazie!*

Bethel Lutheran Church -

Thank you for allowing us to borrow some tables + chairs for my father's memorial. Everything turned out great!

Your generosity doesn't go unnoticed.

Thank you.  
Barley Myers

*Danke!*



## 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 <https://flbc.net/employment/#yearround> 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.

#### 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.

<https://flbc.net/annual-programming/quiltcraft-retreat/>

#### 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. <https://flbc.net/annual-programming/advent-retreat/>

## LPA CLASS THIS OCTOBER!

A new class of LPAs will be starting up this fall in Great Falls. If you have a candidate in mind from your congregation, or would like more information, please call the Synod office 406-453-1461 or email Candi by clicking this [link](#)

[Click here for the LPA Handbook](#)

## FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Copied from a Facebook post.

So, I spent some time at a Food Bank today, and spoke to the people getting food. Here are some things I learned from those in need:

1. Everyone donates Kraft Mac and Cheese in the box. They can rarely use it because it needs milk and butter which is hard to get from regular food banks.
2. Boxed milk is a treasure, as kids need it for cereal which they also get a lot of.
3. Everyone donates pasta sauce and spaghetti noodles.
4. They cannot eat all the awesome canned veggies and soup unless you put a can opener in too or buy pop tops.
5. Oil is a luxury but needed for rice a roni which they also get a lot of.
6. Spices or salt and pepper would be a real Christmas gift.
7. Tea bags and coffee make them feel like you care.
8. Sugar and flour are treats.
9. They fawn over fresh produce donated by farmers and grocery stores.
10. Seeds are cool in spring and summer because growing can be easy for some.
11. They rarely get fresh meat.
12. Tuna and crackers make a good lunch.
13. Hamburger Helper goes nowhere without ground beef.
14. They get lots of peanut butter and jelly but usually not sandwich bread.
15. Butter or margarine is nice too.
16. Eggs are a commodity.
17. Cake mix and frosting makes it possible to make a child's birthday cake.
18. Dishwashing detergent is very expensive and is always appreciated.
19. Feminine hygiene products are a luxury and women will cry over that.
20. Everyone loves Stove Top Stuffing.



TLC Center is looking for full and part-time Teacher Assistants who can help to create a positive and fun environment for children and incorporate educational programs that assist in our children's development. A love of children is a must, and the right applicant will also be professional, patient and be a team-player. The job responsibilities include monitoring and teaching children in our program, developing or implementing a curriculum, and partnering with team members to enhance the learning environment at our school among other tasks. Previous experience in an early learning environment is preferred but not required. We are willing to train. Applicants must be willing to attend First Aid and CPR certification, attend trainings in person & online and must be available to work during our business hours. Pay DOE and position applying for. If you love working with kids, PLEASE APPLY IN PERSON at 1009 18th AVE SW in the Bethel Lutheran Church (WEST ENTRANCE). We are open Monday-Friday 7:00 AM- 6:00 PM.

**BETHEL  
MINISTRY FAIR**  
**Sunday, September  
12th following  
worship at 11:00 am**  
**Bring a friend and  
find out about all the  
Fellowship  
Opportunities at  
Bethel!**

## 1st Monday Night Quilters

: 1<sup>st</sup> Monday Night Quilters will meet Monday, September 13, 2021, 6-8 p.m. at New Hope Lutheran, 3125 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. So. Again, we will tie the quilts before the last step of binding them is done. Thank you to Peggy for binding the quilts made in August.

Come and see all the tops ready to be made into quilts.

Reminder – park in the alley. If you have questions, call 799-0100.



## TOWN PUMP CHALLENGE

Town Pump has again selected FISH to be part of the 2021 campaign--"MONTANANS HELPING MONTANANS". This is the 20th year for Town Pump's support of food banks.

From September 1 through November 30, Town Pump will match each dollar collected by FISH up to \$25,000.

If you wish to help reach the FISH goal, please send your donation to:  
FISH  
Box 662  
Great Falls, MT  
59403





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

Our Logos Youth Ministry will be starting soon.

Important dates!

**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 6:30 to 8:30 pm**

### 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 and we are looking forward to a great year!

For Full Details, copy of the handbook, fees, and online registration go to our [LOGOS Webpage](#)

## 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  
[loli51gus@icloud.com](mailto:loli51gus@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 both in person and  
via Zoom, Tuesday mornings at 7:00 am.  
Contact Dave Scholten at  
[dscholten@dlsconsulting.net](mailto:dscholten@dlsconsulting.net) for a link to join the  
meeting or for more information.

**Men's Breakfast will resume  
September 14th. .**

### 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 [loli51gus@icloud.com](mailto:loli51gus@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](mailto:terry.korpela@gmail.com).

**Hope Circle will resume in September  
on Zoom. Date to be announced**

## 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.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Monday 9/6

- Labor Day, Bethel Office Closed
- Aitz Chaim celebrates Rosh Hashanah 6:00 pm

### Tuesday 9/7

- Electric City Bible Study, Zoom meeting 7:00 am
- Aitz Chaim celebrates Rosh Hashanah in the  
sanctuary 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

### Wednesday 9/8

- Logos Middle School/Confirmation Parent Night  
5:30 pm; ELCA Youth Gathering Info 7:00 pm

### Thursday 9/9

- Exec Board Zoom meeting 5:30 pm
- FLBC training in the Fellowship Hall 6:00 pm

### Friday 9/10

- Bethel office is closed.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Sunday 9/12

- Sunday Worship in-person/live stream 9:30 am.
- Ministry Fair in the Fellowship Hall 11:00 am

### Monday 9/13

- Property Management committee meets in the  
Fellowship Hall 6:30 pm

### Tuesday 9/14

- Electric City Bible Study, Zoom meeting 7:00 am
- Men's Breakfast combined Zoom and in the  
Fellowship Hall 7:00 am
- Council Meeting in the Fellowship Hall 6:30 pm
- Nominating Committee meets in the Sunshine  
room 7:00 pm

### Wednesday 9/15

- Bible Study with Pastor Jessie in Fellowship Hall  
and on Zoom 10:00 am
- Yom Kippur in the sanctuary 6:00 pm
- Logos Kick Off Night, off site TBD 5:30 pm

### Thursday 9/16

- Yom Kippur in the sanctuary all day

### Friday 9/17

- Bethel office is closed.

### Saturday 9/18

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

## Pastor Jessie Obrecht

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