

BETHEL NOTES

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Serving This Sunday

Accompanist: Connie Titcomb

Lay Assistant: Vann Arvanetes

Usher(s): The Lightbourne Family

Projectionist: Dina Davis

Counters: Pam Dougherty and Vann Arvanetes

Readings

Micah 6:1-8

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

Matthew 5:1-12



Who are the blessed ones of God? For Micah, they are those who do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God. For Paul, they are the ones who find wisdom in the weakness of the cross. For Jesus, they are the poor, mourners, the meek, those who hunger for righteousness, the merciful, the pure in heart, the peacemakers. In baptism we find our blessed identity and calling in this countercultural way of living and serving.

Source: Sunday's and Seasons, Augsburg Fortress, 2017 Year A

2017 Annual Congregational Meeting

Annual Congregational Meeting (10:45am) All are welcomed and encouraged to stay for the meeting at which we will present, discuss and vote to accept the 2017 Mission Funding Plan; hold the election of Council members, and other congregational representatives; and present a report about the Mission Freedom (debt reduction) plans.



This Sunday At Bethel.

- 2017 Annual Congregational Meeting at 10:45am.

Next Week's Events

- Bible Study Tuesday, Jan 31, at 6:30am at Electric City Coffee.
- Men's Breakfast will meet Tuesday, Jan 31 in the Fellowship Hall.
- LOGOS begins at 5:30pm

Upcoming Events.

- Boy Scout Sunday Feb 5,
- The Boy Scouts will hold their annual Blue and Gold Banquet in the Gathering Place on Saturday, Feb 11 from 5-9pm.
- The church council will hold a meeting and retreat on Sunday, Feb 12 from 11am - 2:30pm.
- Hope Circle meets at 7:30pm on Thursday, Feb 16, at Patti Godtel's; 2925 Delmar Dr.
- MT Rural Water will conduct their annual training seminar in the Fellowship Hall beginning Wednesday, Feb 22, and concluding Friday, Feb 24.



\$\$\$ Financial Statements \$\$\$

The year end giving statements will be available on Sunday during worship. Those not picked up on Sunday will be mailed next week.



Family Promise Fundraiser

The second annual Comfort Food Classic is being held again this year. This is the event where congregations prepare a favorite comfort food for approximately 300 people. The particulars about attending the event are displayed on the flyer below.

This year Bethel is offering Spaghetti Bolognese compliments of Chef Arvanetes' old family recipe. We will be setting up our booth as an "authentic" Italian Bistro and Chef Vann will be cooking and serving his special dish.

We could use some assistance in assembling the ingredients needed for this dish. To server 300 people we will need the following:

- 15 pounds of ground beef
- 5 pounds of spaghetti-Chef Vann prefers angel hair pasta for his dish.
- 5-6 red peppers
- 5-6 large sweet onions
- 3-4 heads of garlic
- 5-6 8 ounce cans of tomato sauce
- 3-4 16 ounce packages of regular mushrooms

If you are able to donate any of these ingredients please contact Vann Arvanets, Dew Elkin or Terree Wozny

Comfort Food Classic

Benefitting:

February 11, 2017 -- 5:00-8:00 PM

Moose Lodge

401 21st, Black Eagle, MT

Tickets: \$25/single, \$5/children (3-12 yrs)

The Comfort Food Classic is a fundraiser for Family Promise of Great Falls, an interfaith organization serving homeless children and their families. Volunteers form teams to create delicious "Comfort Food" Main Dishes for everyone to sample.

Each team is competing for the People's Choice Award. Individual dessert servings will be sold, and we will have fantastic Valentine's Day themed silent auction items to bid on – so don't forget to bring your credit card or checkbook! Most of all, this casual, family-friendly, fun event will raise funds for

[Family Promise of Great Falls.](#)

**EVERY Child Deserves a Home.
EVERY Family Has Promise.**

**Please call Dee (899-1495)
for more information**





Ordnation Announcement

You are invited in presence and prayer to joyfully celebrate the ordination of Sylvia C. Bull to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Friday, February 17, 2017

7:00 PM

First English Evangelical Lutheran Church

726 2nd Ave N

Great Falls, MT 59401

Clergy are invited to vest and process.

The color of the day is red.

Reception to follow in the fellowship hall.



Other Installation News

All are invited to attend the installation of Pastor Scott Hedegaard,

Redeemer Lutheran Church

Sunday February 12, 2017

5:00 pm

Reception to follow with meal provided by Thrivent

All are invited to attend the installation of the Rev. Lynne Spencer-Smith

First Congregational United Church of Christ

Sunday February 12, 2017

3:00 pm

Following the service there will be a lasagna supper



Canstruction Night at LOGOS: Wednesday, February 1st

A reminder to all LOGOS participants that this coming Wednesday, February 1st, we will once again have Canstruction Night. Youth are encouraged to bring canned foods, non perishable foods, toiletries (i.e. toilet paper, shampoo, tooth paste & tooth brushes) that will be used by the youth to “canstruct” their favorite Bible Story. All the collected items will be donated to FISH.

2017 FLBC Summer Camp

The 2017 FLBC Summer Camp brochures are now available in the Narthex. Pick up one of these brochures now and invite a friend(s) to join you. Pastor Steve plans to be at camp Sunday, July 23 through Wednesday, July 26th. *Please note the early registration discounts will save you money ! You save \$50 by registering with your (\$75.) deposit by April 1st and you save \$25. by registering with your deposit by May 1st. Bethel does have limited scholarship monies available to help defray the cost on a first come, first served basis. Please contact Pastor Steve if you desire a camp scholarship. Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp Executive Director, Margie Fiedler, will be at Bethel on FLBC Sunday, April 23rd, to give the message and to promote the camp. You can register online: www.flbc.net and/or call 406-752-6602.



2017 Daily Texts

The 2017 Daily Texts: Bible Verses and Prayers for each day of the year are available (No charge to you !) If you wish to make a donation write a check, make it payable to Bethel and footnote Daily Text in the memo line.

