

# BETHEL NOTES

## Fifth Sunday in Lent

### Serving This Sunday

**Accompanist:** Connie Titcomb

**Lay Assistant:** Anne Vannata

**Usher(s):** Margie Holland and LaRae Veitch

**Projectionist:** Lisa Carlson

**Counters:** Pam Dougherty and Dave Scholten

### Readings

**Ezekiel 37:1-14**

**John 11:1-45**



In today's gospel Jesus reveals his power over death by raising Lazarus from the dead. The prophet Ezekiel prophesies God breathing new life into dry bones. To those in exile or living in the shadows of death, these stories proclaim God's promise of resurrection. In baptism we die with Christ that we might also be raised with him to new life. At the Easter Vigil we will welcome new sisters and brothers at the baptismal font, as we renew our baptismal promises.

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

## This Sunday At Bethel.

- An additional offering will be received this Sunday in support of ELCA World Hunger. A special thank you to Dave Scholten and Karrie Pepos for lending their voices to "Healing of the Nations".

## Next Week's Events

- Bible Study Tuesday, April 4, at 6:30am at Electric City Coffee.
- Men's Breakfast will meet Tuesday, April 4, in the Fellowship Hall.
- The LOGOS End of Year party will be Wednesday, April 5 from 5:30pm to 7pm.
- Mid-week lenten soup supper at 6:15pm on Thursday, April 6 with worship to follow at 7pm.

## Upcoming Events

- Palm/Passion Sunday Worship - April 9th at 9:30am.
- The next council meeting is on Tuesday, April 11 at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall.
- FLBC Sunday is April 23rd. Margie Fielder will be preaching.
- Hope Circle will meet on Tuesday, April 25 at Laurie Turner's home; 3408 Bison Lane.
- On Sunday, April 30th, we will celebrate 8th grade confirmation during worship.

## Lent 2017

Our theme for the 2017 Lenten Season will be Living Our Baptism...Five Gifts of discipleship. During the five mid-week worship gatherings we will spend time reflecting on the five gifts of discipleship which are rooted in the Baptismal as well as the Affirmation of Baptism liturgies found in the Evangelical Lutheran Worship hymnal. This year we are observing the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation and so it is good, right, and salutary that we would make available to you a devotional book, Free Indeed, which is now available and brings Martin Luther's Small Catechism into your devotional life during Lent. Our mid-week Lenten worship will continue on Thursday evenings, beginning on March 9th with a soup supper served at 6:15pm and followed by worship at 7:00pm. The Lenten mid-week dates and themes are as follows:

**April 6th** – 6:15 pm Soup Supper hosted by Jubilate Choir. Worship at 7:00 pm

Gift of Discipleship: *Strive for justice and peace in all the earth*



## Vacation Bible School 2007 "Just Add Water"

We are excited to start working on this year's vacation bible school with the theme *Just Add Water*. The week of June 26th to the 30th will be a fun, uplifting experience for both campers and staff alike. We are looking for some volunteers this year. If you would like to be a host family to 2 or 3 of our counselors that will be coming to teach the camp or if you would like to teach our Kindergarten group, please email Tami Grosenick at [tamigf@hotmail.com](mailto:tamigf@hotmail.com) or call her at 788-9587.



## Holy Week Schedule

### Maundy Thursday

Liturgy, April 13th at 7:00 pm

\*\*Holy Communion; Jubilate Choir

### Good Friday

Liturgy, April 14th at 7:00 pm

\*\*Jubilate Choir

### Easter Vigil

Liturgy, April 15th at 7:00 pm

\*\*Holy Communion & Feast of Milk & Honey (Ice cream sundaes)

### Easter Sunday

Worship at 10am in the Gathering Place.



## Prayer Concerns

**Bob Veitch** (husband of LaRae) in Hospice

**Marj Vander Aarde** recovering from surgery

**Nominating Committee** & the Call Process for nominees to the Church Council.

**Mission Freedom Task Force** – for campaign plans, focus groups & congregational participation.

**For the family of Fern (and Dik) Myhre** as they grieve the death of Dik. Internment will be at Florence Carlson Cemetery.

**For Shirley Cayko's mother**, Jesse, hospitalized with pneumonia.



## 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering: June 27 - July 1, 2018 in Houston, Texas

The next ELCA Youth Gathering will be held in Houston, TX. Every three years, 30,000 high school youth and their adult leaders gather for a week of faith formation. Days are spent in interactive learning, worship, Bible study, service and fellowship, young people grow in faith and are challenged and inspired to live their faith in their daily lives. All youth in grades 9-12 for the 2018-2019 school year are invited to attend. Registration opens September 15, 2017. Pastor Steve will be convening an interest meeting this spring for those who may be interested in attending. In the meantime, if you are interested, please let Pastor Steve know. [bethelgf.pastor.steve@gmail.com](mailto:bethelgf.pastor.steve@gmail.com)



## FLBC Pottery Barn Build

Do you like getting your hands dirty and enjoy the feeling you get after a hard days work? Help Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp and the FLBC Russell Cluster build a pottery barn. There is a need for a few workers for the week of April 17-21 at FLBC. Thank you for your generous support of \$1000 that has already been raised for the project. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Steph Richardson at 406-579-8897 so she can give you a little more information and to let FLBC know how many volunteers to expect.



## Mission Freedom Meetings

Lunch meeting on 4/20, noon  
 After church 4/23, about 10:45  
 Breakfast meeting 4/26, 7:00 AM

Evening meeting 4/27, 7:00 PM  
 After church 4/30, about 10:45 or so