Bethel Lutheran Church

November 18, 2021

BETHEL NOTES

Sunday, November 21st

Christ The King Sunday

Even after Israel had experienced the vagaries of kings, the people still longed for a true king to set things right. He would have the king's title of

Anointed One (Messiah); he would be the "one like a human being" (Son of Man) given dominion in Daniel's vision. Jesus is given these titles, even though he is nothing like an earthly king. His authority comes from the truth to which he bears witness, and those who recognize the truth voluntarily listen to him. We look forward to the day he is given dominion, knowing his victory will be the nonviolent victory of love.



First Readings Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

Psalm Psalm 93

Second Reading Revelation 1:4_B-8

Gospel

John 18:33-37

online at bethelmt.org

Join us Sundays 9:30 AM

in-person or

Adult Education following worship in the Fellowship Hall.

Topic: Guest Speaker Major Jeffrey Simpson, Chaplin at the Montana Air National Guard on Faith in the Military.

SERVING THIS SUNDAY

Accompanists Connie Titcomb, piano; Pastor Steve Nelson, guitar

Lay Assistant Sandy Pepos

Usher(s) Tim and Johnna Lightbourne

Tech Adam Elkin

Children's Church Julia Elkin and Ava Fossen

Counters Tim Lightbourne and Warren Johnson

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

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- Prayers of comfort for the **friends and family of Tracy Rosenow**, cousin of Jo Ann Dullum, as they mourn her passing.
- Prayers of comfort for **Terree** Wozny and her family as they mourn the passing of her brother Bruce.
- Prayers of healing for **Heather Beck** who is undergoing medical testing.
- Prayers of healing for **Dick Seim** as he recovers from surgery last Thursday.
- Prayers of healing as well as thanksgiving for **Kim**, daughter of Dick and Mary Seim, who is a "miracle covid patient" as she continues her recovery and is doing so very well.
- ₱ Prayers of healing for Sharon Bossie as she undergoes medial testing.
- Prayers of healing for Cody Buus, Cindy Considine's nephew, who is undergoing medical treatment.
- Prayers of strength and healing for Arlene Sexe and she continues to undergo treatment for can- ⊕ cer.
- Prayers of strength & leadership for GustavoDriau, Regional Representative of South America
- Prayers of thanks and continued healing for Ed Pottratz as he continues cancer treatment.
- Prayers of continued healing for **Katie Madsen**, niece of Doug Sexe and granddaughter of Arlene Sexe, as she continues cancer treatment and is responding well.
- Prayers of healing for **Steve Young**, brother of Sue Hesse, as he continues to manage back issues.
- Prayers of support and healing for James

- **Trunkle,** *friend of Dena Wagner-Fossen,* as he manages health issues.
- Prayers of healing for Bob and Marj Vander
 Aarde they continue treatments for Bob.
- Prayers of support and strength for Trudy and Earl Terwilliger as they manage Trudy's health.
- Prayers of healing for **Leonard Murphy** as he recovers from complications of knee surgery.
- Prayers of comfort, support and healing for **Don Bisgard** as he continues to manage after medical procedures.
- Prayers of strength and recovery for LaRae Veitch as she rehabs after knee surgery.
- Prayers of healing for **Eric Peterson** as he continues treatment for cancer.
- Prayers of healing for Tony Marcson, brother-inlaw of Jessica Crist, who is undergoing treatment for lung cancer.
- ♣ Prayers of healing for Alex Bostic as he recovers from a recent surgery.
- Prayers of healing for Bob Walker, brother of Colleen Walker-Nelson, who is managing kidney disease.
- Prayers of support for Glenn Vannatta who is going through some medical testing.
- Prayers of healing for **Mathias Pepos** who is recovering from injuries from a car accident.
- Prayers of healing for **John Korpela** as he continues to recover at home from a recent hospitalization.
- Prayers of strength and healing for **Lisa Leland**, niece of Sandy Bechard, as she begins treatment for breast cancer.

Fun At Logos?



Ainsley Kubas, Taylah Jaques and Hailey Marr tell the story of Luther.



Pre-K through 2nd grades being crafty!



Rylee Virts, Austin Kupfner, Jack Pinski and Kian Ryan play their part in the Luther's story..



HS Logos gets in on the parachute action!



Kolton Kupfner,
Kendall Ryan and
Emma Shmirdla
took a basket of
goodies to the fire
station during Logos
thanking them for
all they do and got a
tour of fire trucks,
ambulance, and
Hazmat truck along
with living quarters.



Group Games with Pastor Jessie to kick off a night of Logos!



Pre-K through 2nd grades showing their projects.

Our guest speaker for Adult *Education after Worship* on Sunday, November 21st (rescheduled from November 14th). Join us as we discuss faith in the military.



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

MAJOR JEFFREY S. SIMPSON

Major Jeffrey S. Simpson is Wing Chaplain at the 120th Airlift Wing, Montana ANG. As Wing Chaplain, he oversees all chapel functions for the 120th AW, 219 RHS and Airmen at the JFHQ, to include supervision of four chaplains and three religious affairs airmen. His duties include conducting or providing for liturgy, rites, and ministrations for all faith groups. He makes pastoral visits to various work stations, and he provides pastoral counseling and ministry to the sick, confined, bereaved and dying. He also participates in local civic, patriotic and religious observances.

Chaplain Simpson hails from Marysville, Michigan and entered the Air Force in February 1993, before joining the Montana Air National Guard (MTANG) in June 1995. His first assignment was an active-duty Missile Chef at Malmstrom AFB. He then joined the MTANG where he served as a Chef, Safety NCO, Additional Duty 1st Sergeant, Training Manager, and



Fitness NCOIC. During this time, he also served as an assistant pastor and Christian school principal for 18 years. After becoming a chaplain in 2012, he served again on active duty at Malmstrom AFB (Sep 2017 – Nov 2020). He has deployed in support of operations NOBLE EAGLE, HURRICANE KATRINA RELIEF, IRAQI/ENDURING FREEDOM and HAITI EARTHQUAKE RELIEF.

Evening Bible Study Survey

Are you interested in an evening bible study? Answer these few questions below and email, mail or drop them off in the Bethel Office. You can also click this link for a online form to give us your preference.

SURVEY

- 1. If you are interested in an evening bible study would you prefer on Zoom, in-person or a combination?
- 2. What night of the week works best for you?

Monday Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

3. What time of the night works best for you?

5:00—6:00 pm

6:00—7:00 pm

7:00-8:00 pm

4. Are there any other ideas or comments you would like us to know?

Bethel Art Auction November 18th to 30th.... We are excited to announce our first fundraiser for the ELCA Youth Gathering in Minneapolis November 19-30.

This fundraiser will help raise money for our youth that will be attending the ELCA Youth Gathering in Minneapolis in July, 2022! We have 13 youth that have signed up for this life changing event. However, we will need the help of our church family!

Marty Johnson, a longtime member of Bethel passed away in 2018. He was a large supporter of youth ministries and donated his entire Art collection to Bethel to help raise money for youth ministries.

We will have a Silent Art Auction, where bidders can post their bid on the bid sheet posted on the art. This art will be displayed in the hospitality room. You can bid in person or you can contact Patty Braget 868-7641 or Tami at the church to place your current bid. We will run this auction for 12 days. At the end of the auction, the highest bidder will be the winner. They will be notified by telephone.

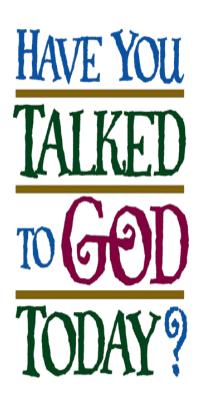
There are nine pieces of art, ranging in sizes from 15" X 18" -30" X 42". The artwork is from a variety of artist like: Gary Holland, James Seward, Lane Kendrick, John Peterson, and Colt Schendel.

MONDAY NIGHT QUILTERS TO MEET

1st Monday Night Quilters will meet Monday, December 6, 2021, 6-8 p.m. at New Hope Lutheran, 3125 5th Ave. So. Again, we will tie the quilts before the last step of binding them is done. Thank you to Leanna for binding the quilts made in November. We made 36 quilts this past year even though we missed two months.

The quilts will be taken to a Lutheran World Relief warehouse in South St. Paul, MN, and then distributed to impoverished families, street children, communities devasted by flooding and to other requests around the world.

If you'd like to help from home, there are many square kits ready to be sewn into tops, and also fabric to be cut into squares. If you have questions, or would like to pick up some square kits to make tops or fabric to cut into squares, call 799-0100.





Great Falls Municipal Band Association



presents two free concerts at the New Hope Lutheran Church corner of 32nd and 5th Ave. South

The Community Jazz Band

7:00 Saturday evening, November 20th
John Gemberling leads the band and the audience through
the ABCs of the swing band era
Vocals by Beth Britton

The Community Concert Band

2:00 Sunday afternoon, November 21st

Hear wind band classics from the Baroque to Broadway

Dennis Granlie directs the band

In Search Of... A Treasurer to Serve on Council

Bethel is looking for a Treasurer to take over for Dena Wagner -Fossen. Dena has one more year of council/ treasurer and would mentor a new council member for an entire year before handing over the reins. This is a three year commitment. If anyone would have an interest in being part of our church's financial ministry please let us know. You can call the church office or anyone on the nominating committee: John Blank, Terry Korpela, Doug Sexe or Donna Vinnedge. We ask that you prayerfully consider what a huge help you would be to your Bethel family. God Bless.

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.

What's Happening at FLBC

Advent Family Retreat

December 3-5, 2021

Ages 12+ = \$178; 4-11 = \$89; 3 & under = free

Come to camp to prepare for Christmas! Families of all sizes are invited to join us for a cozy winter getaway with crafts, delicious food, and an opportunity to find & take home your perfect Christmas tree!

Holy Land Pilgrimage

June 20-29, 2022

There are still spots available for this long awaited journey to the Holy Land! Join FLBC staff and guide, Elias Nawawieh as we experience the Holy Land in a whole new way. Visit https://www.eliastours.com/tours/flathead-lutheran-bible-camp-holy-land-trip to learn more!

<u>Upcoming Retreats/</u> <u>Important Dates</u>

- December 1: Summer 2022 Staff Application Opens!
- December 3-5, 2021 Advent Retreat –see above
- December 15, 2021 Registration for Youth Camps open
- January 14-16, 2022 Jr. and Sr. High Ski & Snowboard Retreat

For more information on these events go to flbc.net or call the office at 406-752-6602

Just for Youth

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Jesus is with us always

God is called the "Alpha and the Omega." *Alpha* and *omega* are the first and last letters in the Greek alphabet. Use the letters of our alphabet to solve the mystery sentence.

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2 = B	7 = G	12 = L	16 = P	20 = T	24 = X
3 = C	8 = H	13 = M	17 = Q	21 = U	25 = Y
4 = D	9 = I	14 = N	18 = R	22 = V	26 = Z
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Thank you, Lord, for being with us yesterday, today, and tomorrow. Amen

This week

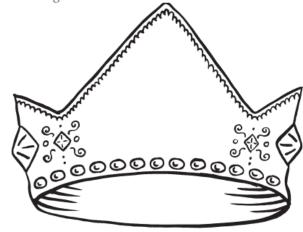
Advent is coming! Find your family's Advent wreath.

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Welcome to worship. The people of Jesus' time were waiting for a king. Jesus was not the king they expected. Jesus was not born in a palace. Jesus didn't have servants or fancy clothes. But Jesus is greater than any king. Today is Christ the King Sunday. Decorate the crown. Jesus is our king. He will be our king forever.





Talk about a time (happy or sad) when you knew Christ was a guide for your family.



Join us for Logos Youth Ministry

Wednesday evenings Pre-K through 8th grades 5:30 to 7:30 pm High School 6:30 to 8:30 pm

To register or for more information call the Bethel Office 406-761-1543 or go to bethelmt.org/youth programs/logos

Calendar of Events

Tuesday 11/23

- Electric City Bible Study, Zoom meeting 7:00 am
- Men's Breakfast Zoom & in the Fellowship Hall 7:00 am

Wednesday 11/24

- No Bible Study
- No Logos

Thursday 11/25

 Happy Thanksgiving, Bethel Office is closed.

Friday 11/26

Bethel office is closed.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday 11/28

- Sunday Worship in-person and live stream 9:30 am.
- Deck the Halls of Bethel after worship, enjoy some cookies and coffee as we spread a little Christmas cheer and decorate!

Tuesday 11/30

- Electric City Bible Study, Zoom meeting 7:00 am
- Men's Breakfast Zoom & in the Fellowship Hall 7:00 am
- Silent Action Art Sale Fundraiser ends.

Wednesday 12/1

- Bible Study with Pastor Jessie on Zoom 10:00 am
- Logos 5:30 pm; HS Logos 6:30 pm

Friday 12/3

- Bethel office is closed.
- Aitz Chaim Friday Shabbat Service 6:00 pm

Saturday 12/4

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

Online Ministries

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 both in person and via Zoom, Tuesday mornings at 7:00 am. Contact Dave Scholten at dscholten@dlsconsulting.net for a link to join the meeting or for more information.

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 groupl email for meetings and prayer requests terry.korpela@gmail.com.

Weekly Text Study with Pastor Jessie

Wednesdays, 10:00 am via Zoom, Pastor Jessie will be leading discussion on the text readings for the upcoming Sunday. Dig deeper in the interpretation of the readings and discuss ways they give us guidance in our daily lives. If you would like to join this meeting, email bethelgf.pastor@gmail.com to be added to the mailing list.

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