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Bethel Lutheran Mission Statement

Bethel Lutheran Church is a community of believers called by God to invite all people into a living relationship with Jesus Christ, build them up in the faith, and send them out to be witnesses in word and deed to the gospel of Jesus Christ.

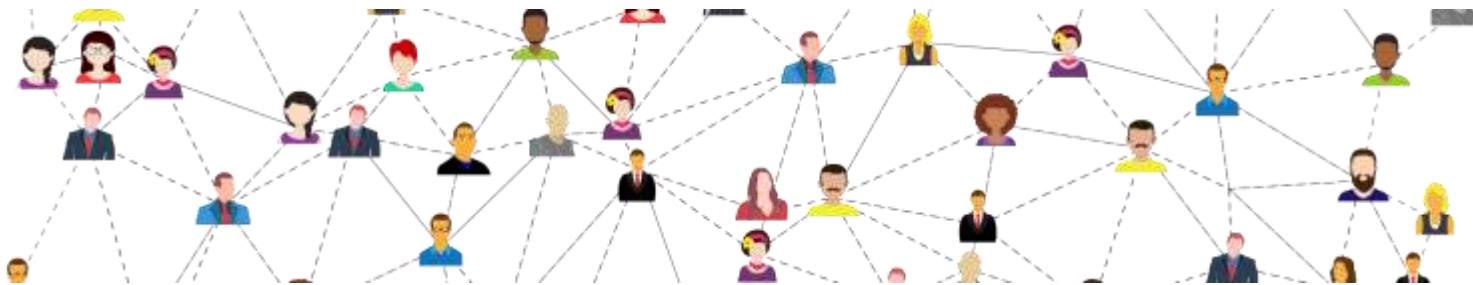
“The Miracles of Jesus”

The Church Season of Lent encompasses the 40 days leading up to Easter, and it is a time when Christ-followers remember the 40 days Jesus spent fasting and praying in the desert. During this time, Jesus resisted the temptation of the devil to misuse his power as God’s Son, and he also contemplated his mission on Earth (to save us). Beginning March 2nd, we will gather this year on Wednesday evenings at 6:45 p.m. to journey with Jesus through these important days of spiritual reflection on what he has done for us. This year as part of Lenten worship we will be focusing on “The Miracles of Jesus”, which tell us much about what he came to do. The miracles of Jesus also bear witness to our hope that Christ the Savior will one day come again to fully usher in the New Heaven and New Earth, where pain and disease, physical limitations, the wiles of the devil and even death itself will be gone once and for all and we will live with God in peace and joy forever.

This year we invite you to come for a meal each week Wednesdays served beginning at 4:45, and then we will be seated at tables in the sanctuary on Wednesday nights to worship at 6:45, following the video series of “Drawn to the Word: Miracles of Jesus” by artist and pastor Paul Oman. Volunteer guides at each table will lead us—adults, youth and children, in discussion around a topic—“The Meaning of Ash Wednesday”, “How does Jesus heal today?” “Does faith make us well?” “Does seeing or hearing lead to believing?” “What does it mean to be filled spiritually by Jesus?” Come expecting something new this year, and come to journey with Jesus as we witness his miracles on the road to Easter Sunday.

In Christ,

Pastor Jake Dyrhaug



BECOME A MEMBER!

Are you interested in learning how to become a member at Bethel Lutheran Church?
Contact our church office at (701)642-4472 or betheloffice@bethelwahpeton.com.

Becoming a member of a church is an important part of your faith journey. It connects you with God while having a “church home” connects you with the people of God on the same path - at whatever place you may be at – just beginning, somewhere in the middle or maybe a seasoned traveler. God’s Word is the map that guides us.

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New Member Sunday will be April 24 when we recognize and welcome new or transfer members at both the 9 AM and 11 AM services. "New to Bethel" members can choose the service they prefer to attend. Don't worry -- we don't make you stand in front of the church or recite a statement -- you might have to put a name tag on though!

"New to Bethel" members will gather for an orientation between worship services at 10 AM on April 24. This is a casual, meet and greet session with Pastor Jake and the Board of Outreach where you can ask questions and learn more about Bethel. Coffee and treats will be provided.

[Questions? Call \(701\)642-4472](tel:7016424472) or betheloffice@bethelwahpeton.com.

ATTENTION!

Adults, Children, Youth

Join us Wednesdays of Lent as we partake in an
Inter-generational format of:

“Drawn to the Word: Miracles of Jesus”

Video series with Artist and Pastor Paul Oman

New Perspectives of Worship Featuring:

Inter-generational tables, Discussion Leaders, “Talking points” on the miracles, and Prayer Stations

Wednesdays, TIME



March 2nd—Ash Wednesday

March 9th—Jesus Heals the Gerasene Demoniac (Mark 5:1-20)

March 16th—**Jesus Raises Jairus' Daughter & Heals the Woman with the Flow of Blood** (Mark 5:21-43)

March 23rd—Jesus Feeds the 5,000 & the 4,000 (Mark 6:30 & Mark 8:1-10)

March 30th—Jesus Heals a Man Born Blind (John 9:1-41)

April 6th—Jesus Raises Lazarus From the Dead (John 11:1-44)



Important Dates in March

March 2, 2022 Ash Wednesday
 Read Across America

March 13, 2022 Daylight Savings Time Starts

March 17, 2022 St. Patrick's Day

March 20, 2022 First Day of Spring



May love and laughter light your days,
 and warm your heart and home.
 May good and faithful friends be yours,
 wherever you may roam.
 May peace and plenty bless your world
 with joy that long endures.
 May all life's passing seasons bring the best to you and yours!
 - Irish blessing



DAYTIME BOOK CLUB

The Daytime Book Club met on February 14 in the Bethel library. The book "Here Lies Daniel Tate" by Christin Taerrell was discussed. Everyone was captured by the contents of this book and strongly recommends all to read.

Our next book to review on March 14 will be "Lightening Strikes" by William Kruger. This is written by a Minnesota author and he uses familiar MN landmarks as the background of the story. Cork is the son of Liam O'Connor, sheriff, in the small town of Aurora. Cork follows in his father's footsteps during an investigation into the death of a man revered by the residents. Some mysteries can be solved and others surpass our understanding.

April 11
May 9

The Music of Bees
Staggerford

Eileen Garvin
Jon Hassler

We meet the 2nd Monday of the month at 10 a.m. in Bethel's Library. Come join us for an hour of fellowship. All are welcome!

"Time flies but books are timeless....." Nanette L Avery

News from the Library

We now have a private section for books with large print. You will find this narrow bookcase at the end of the North bookcase in the northwest corner. In time, we will be adding to the selections!! If you find some books with large print and would like to donate, we would appreciate that, too!

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11

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From the Board of Stewardship

MN Food Share March Campaign:

Thanks to everyone who donated food and money at the *Souper Bowl Food Pantry challenge*. The \$314.25 total raised will be pledged to the March Food Share Campaign. There were 41 food items donated also.



Minnesota FoodShare March Campaign, the largest grassroots food and fund drive in the state, brings together organizations, businesses, faith communities, and individuals to help stock and support the capacity of nearly 300 food shelves.

To date, GMCC's Minnesota FoodShare has distributed over \$18.3 million dollars via the FoodFund. 100% of donations designated to Minnesota Foodshare during the March Campaign go into the FoodFund and are distributed to participating food shelves.

Remember the hungry during our congregation's March Campaign. We will be collecting food



Faith Tool Boxes

In Memory of:

Joyce Suppa (sister to Karen Lutz)

Maxine Torgerson

Given by:

Sonja Christensen

Bob and Ginny Buck

MARCH

These are Bethel members known to have birthdays in March. If you have a birthday in March & your name is not listed, please contact the church office so we may update our church records.

03/01	Mary Braun		Katherine Richels		Breanna Koval		Brian Rempfer
	James Jacobson	03/11	Henry Buller		Gordon Mikesh		Britt Rovig
	Kathleen Olson		Patrick Trappen		Pat Paulson		Nadine Torgerson
	Tori Uhlich	03/12	Ellie Ehlers	03/19	Brady DeVries	03/26	Reeann Enderson
03/02	Jon Koenig		Gwen Finnie		Leah DeVries		Bryant Friskop
	Michael Pausch		Jamie Rezac		Rhapsody Lunsetter	03/27	Shawn Beto
03/03	Donna Callenius		Ardeith Richter		Paul Oehlke		Cheri Formanek
	Bly Hatting	03/13	Bradley Cruff		Frank Ringer		Tawny Irwin
03/04	Adam Brevik		Brandon Due		Mark Sherven		Logan Jepsen
	Abigail Bronson	03/14	Beau Beyer		Richard Truesdell		Jacob Prchal
	Joey Ehlers		Kinsley Davis	03/20	Matthew Anderson		Andrew Schulz
	Jackson Kriel		Ethan Meide		Jean Carlson		Scott Stiller
	Cambri Mauch		Seth Meide		Megan Kraft	03/28	Lila Gedrose
	Abigayle Paulson		Michael Vaneps		Sonia Muller		Jensen Hatting
	Alice Schlotfeldt	03/15	Romel Moen		Blake Peterson	03/29	Mike Bassingthwaite
	James Smith		Vivan Nordick	03/21	Anissa Bermea		Dennis Grandalen
03/05	Remy Cornelius		Alison Probasco		Jessica Munter		Richard Grosz
03/06	Christine Estep		Rodney Romereim		Jennifer Vigen		Bonnie Namtvedt
	Danielle Flack		McCoy Smith	03/22	Cynthia Bredeson		Christin Neiber
	Dale Formanek		Leanna Weight		Brenda Rick		Don Tobin
03/07	Caleb Beto	03/16	Alec Carlson	03/23	Micah Anderson		Jordan Vaneps
	Morgan Czichotzki		Avery Malme		Brittney Close	03/30	Brad Bakken
	Adam Hoefs		Cade Malme		Adyson Hietkamp		Geraldine Coyne
	Colton Luck		Brandi Romereim		Mason Medenwaldt		Reed Kasowski
	Carla Sheeley		Scarlette Rovig		Tatum Pehl		Brenda Romereim
03/08	Yvonne Opoien		Carol Sturdevant		Carol Schmidt	03/31	Mark Korinek
03/09	Ashlyn Kahler	03/17	Josh Beto	03/24	Corey Amos		
	Peyton Miller		Lee Krump		Kim Hansen		
	Sean Owens		Sicily Malme		Jacob Kubela		
	Jenn Plummer		Dale Peppel	03/25	Jane Berndt		
03/10	Leigha Johanson		Shelby Stone		Michael Erlandson		
	Kinzee Miller	03/18	Kenny Knudson		Cayden Hoaby		

Bethel Youth & Families

National Youth Gathering update:

After much prayer, conversation and tears, the gathering team made the difficult decision to cancel the 2022 National Youth Gathering. Due to the ongoing pandemic, the recent COVID-19 surge and public health considerations.

This breaks my heart for all the young people who will not get to experience the Gathering.

This was not an easy decision, and I ask for your prayers and your grace. With God's power at work in and through us, we can do far more than we dare ask or imagine!

I we will be planning an alternate trip for this summer. Please join us March 13 at 7:00 to get all the details for the summer trip.

First communion class:

First communion classes will be help April 10 and 13. Please register will Lisa by April 1. Classes are open to anyone looking to learn more about the gifts we receive through Holy communion.

Vacation Bible School:

Planning has started for VBS if you would like to be part of the fun, please contact Lisa.

Youth room:

We are always in need of snacks, and drinks. You can also give gift cards for us to purchase supplies.

Youth fundraiser:

On March 20 we will be doing Easter Bingo! Watch for more information in the blue sheet and on Facebook.



BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
PLANNING COUNCIL MINUTES

February 10, 2022

CALL TO ORDER (7 PM) – Carter Hansen

Members Present: Ex. Com. - Carter Hansen, Ginny Buck, Dianne Finnie, Mike Bassingthwaite; Bd of Lay – Cyndy Kolle; Bd of Property – Danielle Flack/Paul Oehlke; Bd of Christian Ed – Dana Anderson; Bd of Stewardship – Linda Johnson; Bd of Outreach – Lori Pithey; Pastor Jake Dryhaug

Members Absent: none

Guests: Lisa Bassingthwaite (Dir. of Youth & Family Ministries)

Spiritual Direction – Cyndy Kolle

Approval of January 2022 Minutes: Cyndy moved & Lori seconded to approve with correct to Bd of Ed meeting date. Motion carried.

Board Stories / Vision Sharing: Carter explained the expectations of this section of the agenda (everyone has the minutes so no need to recap, etc.)

Bd of Lay

- Lent theme will be “Drawn to the Word” (5 miracles)
- Easter services will be April 17th at 7, 9, & 11
- Welcome pad process will be renewed

Bd of Property

- Building use policy discussion (\$300 per building use + \$200 for janitorial services for outside groups). Lots of discussion; policy will be finalized at next meeting.

Bd of Christian Ed

- National youth gathering for next summer has been cancelled by churchwide. Planning alternate trip for the youth; more to come.
- Had 24 kids and now 21. Bus is 53 passengers so more are being invited.
- Adult Ed committee to meet soon.
- The Bd will be doing a book study this year.

Bd of Stewardship

- This is Linda’s last meeting as she is helping the Bd transition.
- ICON tutorial will be held Feb. 20th.
- Time and talent process being renewed.
- Holding a Superbowl fundraiser on the 13th.

Bd of Outreach

- Looking for staff workshops
- SV magazine advertising discussion
- Brought forth the use of an alternate Bethel logo – go for it.

Old Business:

1. Annual meeting follow-up:

- No discussion items.

2. Board member status:

- All boards have full slate of membership.
- Board meetings will continue to be the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 5:30 pm.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Pastor Phil's role at Bethel:

- Carter explained that Phil is serving 1 "weekend" a month (Sun-Weds) plus as requested. Not intended to serve as an interim pastor; he is here for special purposes.
- Additional explanation will be put in the upcoming blue sheets

2. Future dates and times for PC meetings:

- 2nd Thursday of the month at 6:30 will be the new established time. This will help provide more info. for financials to be ready to be discussed and works better for some than Tuesday does.

3. Leadership retreat:

- Will be held on February 27th from noon to 3 with lunch served. An invite will be going out to all leadership groups and staff; board chairs were ask to encourage all members to attend. This will be lead by Pastor Phil and will be a totally different agenda than in the past.

4. Other business:

- The \$100,000 set aside for Outreach from the capital campaign will need to be discussed at future meetings as the campaign comes to a close this next spring.
- Cyndy Kolle – Get your pictures taken/in for the directory!

TREASURERS REPORT: Mike provided some misc. numbers for January. Some cleanup and organization of date is needed thus a more comprehensive report will be provided next month and going forward.

- Consensus was to request Missy to start paying benevolences to the synod again for the year including for January.
- Consensus to continue to pay the mortgage and interest from the dedicated campaign funds until the general budget finances improve or until decided otherwise in the future.

Dates and notables:

February 18, 2022 – Beacon Articles Due

February 20, 2022 – ICON training 10-12

February 27, 2022 – Leadership retreat 12-3

Closing with the Lord's Prayer

Spiritual Direction for March – Dana Anderson

Next meeting March 10, 2022 at 6:30

Respectfully Submitted: Mike Bassingthwaite, Secretary/Treasurer

March 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 Transfiguration Sunday 8:00 AM Choir Practice 9:00 AM Worship Service 10:00 AM Coffee Hour 10:00 AM Praise Band Practice 11:00 AM Contemporary Worship 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM Leadership Retreat 3:00 PM Executive Committee Meeting	28 10:30 AM Bible Study 5:15 PM Bells Practice	1 11:00 AM Staff Meeting 1:00 PM Exec Board Meeting 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Evening Book Club	2 Ash Wednesday Blue Sheet Ad Deadline 9:30 AM Bethel Coffee at the Fryn' Pan 1:30 PM Library Committee 4:45 PM Supper Served 5:30 PM Wed. School & Confirmation 6:45 PM Worship Service	3 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Quilting	4 World Day of Prayer	5
6 8:00 AM Choir Practice 9:00 AM Worship Service w/ Communion 10:00 AM Coffee Hour 10:00 AM Praise Band Practice 11:00 AM Contemporary Worship w/Communion 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	7 10:30 AM Bible Study 5:15 PM Bells Practice	8 7:00 AM - 8:30 AM TBC Meeting 11:00 AM Staff Meeting	9 Blue Sheet Ad Deadline MENTOR EVENT 4:45 PM Supper Served 5:30 PM Wed. School & Confirmation 6:45 PM Worship	10 6:30 PM Planning Council	11	12
13 Daylight-Saving Time Begins 9:00 AM Worship Service 10:00 AM Coffee Hour 10:00 AM Praise Band Practice 11:00 AM Contemporary Worship 7:00 PM Nat'l Youth Gathering Mtg 8:00 PM Youth Night	14 10:00 AM Book Club 10:30 AM Bible Study 5:15 PM Bells Practice 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Chapter J P.E.O.	15 9:30 AM Circle 1 11:00 AM Staff Meeting 5:30 PM Boards Meet	16 Blue Sheet Ad Deadline MENTOR EVENT 9:30 AM Circle 5 4:45 PM Supper Served 5:30 PM Wed. School & Confirmation 6:45 PM Worship Service	17 St. Patrick's Day 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Quilting 12:00 PM Conference Meeting	18 Beacon Articles Due	19
20 First Day of Spring 8:00 AM Choir Practice 9:00 AM Worship Service w/ Communion 10:00 AM Coffee Hour 10:00 AM Praise Band Practice 11:00 AM Contemporary Worship w/Communion 3:00 PM Car Bingo	21 10:30 AM Bible Study 5:15 PM Bells Practice	22 7:00 AM - 8:30 AM TBC Meeting 11:00 AM Staff Meeting	23 Blue Sheet Ad Deadline MENTOR EVENT 4:45 PM Supper Served 5:30 PM Wed. School & Confirmation 6:45 PM Worship	24	25	26
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