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Our Mission

Bethel Lutheran Church in Wahpeton, ND is a community of believers called by God to:

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Sunday Worship Services

9:00 am Service

10:00 am Sunday School

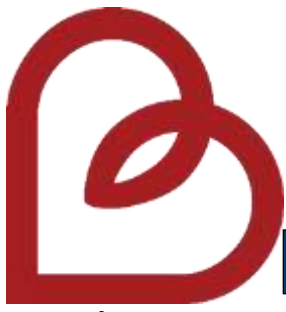
11:00 am Contemporary

Wednesday Services

4:45 Supper Served

5:30 Wednesday School &
Confirmation

6:45 Worship Service



Bethel Beacon

November—December 2023

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Upcoming Events - Check Website for Updates

- Nov 19 Christmas Blessing shopping signup
New Member Sunday
Thanksgiving Service Ecumenical
- Nov 22 No Wednesday Class/Service
- Nov 23 Thanksgiving—Office Closed
- Nov 27 Decorating Church for Christmas
- Dec 2 Pancakes with Santa
- Dec 3 Pancake Breakfast
- Dec 10 Youth Christmas Party
- Dec 17 Christmas Program/Live Nativity
with Potluck to follow
Christmas Bake Sale
- Dec 20 Advent Fair
- Dec 21 Blue Service @ Evergreen Church
- Dec 24 Advent/Christmas Eve Services
10am, 4pm, 6pm, & 10pm
- Dec 25 Christmas Day—Office Closed
- Dec 26 Office & Building Closed
- Dec 27 NO programming
- Dec 31 One Service—10:00 am
- Jan 13 Gymnastics
- Jan 14 Youth Breakfast
- Jan 24 3rd Grade Bible Class
- Jan 28 One Service—10:00 am
Annual Meeting/Potluck
Ice Skating
- Jan 31 3rd Grade Bible Class
- Feb 4 Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast
- Feb 11 Youth Breakfast
- Feb 14 Ash Wednesday
12:10 Worship/Soup Lunch
6:30 Worship



A number of local churches are jointly offering a community Thanksgiving service on Sunday, November 19 at 4pm at Bethel Lutheran Church. The community bell choir will be sharing music, as will members of the community Christmas Cantata choir and Bethel's Men's Quartet. A time of fellowship follows this service in our fellowship hall with coffee & bars. Please come join us. An offering will be taken during the service for the Richland/Wilkin Food Pantry.

Christmas Cantata

Join us on December 17 at the 9:00 and 11:00 services as our choir tells the Christmas story through song as they perform "Emmanuel, Celebrating Heaven's Child"



Christmas Eve Worship schedule

December 24th, 2023
10:00 am Advent Service
4:00, 6:00 & 10:00 Service with Holy Communion

December 31, 2023
One Service at 10:00



Pastor Tom's Table Talk:

Would you agree that this is a special time of year? Thanksgiving, Advent, Christmas and the beginning of a new year—they bring me new life. It is about family, friends and faith in my book.

Memories just flood back—great meals, special faith renewing events, and getting caught up with friends and family. And then there are the great anticipations that come with this holiday season. I am looking so forward to seeing our son, Matt and his family that week before Christmas. Many months go by between visits with them. A lot of you know the feeling. We will, also, though, be greatly missing our former foster daughter Tiffany, who is wonderfully able to reunite with her biological family over Thanksgiving and Christmas. Let me repeat, that for us, this time of year is all about family, friends and faith.

I am so looking forward to celebrating with you some wonderful worship experiences here at Bethel Lutheran Church. You are marvelous people and I have found a “temporary” home here. Let us hope for good weather that we might not have to miss any special events or worship services together.

My prayer for all of us is that this might be a time of renewing, refreshment and new energy for each of us personally and for us as a parish. God is so good. We are so richly blessed. Together, we are united in Christ, diverse in our faith and active in ministry. I rejoice in all of that. It gives this place a vibrant life, hospitable spirit and heart. Whether you come here singing great blessings on your lips or you come here feeling beaten down and battered by life, let us make sure that we each come away knowing that we are wanted and needed. “Encourage one another,” the apostle Paul says. That is good advice for all of us.

Happy Thanksgiving! Just that statement is a good reminder to me to live out the meaning of that greeting in every day of this holiday season. And...maybe if I am intentional, I will strengthen the habit of always giving thanks to our gracious God—for the promise of eternal life through the work of Jesus and that constant holy presence giving me strength and comfort in the Holy Spirit. Life is simply too short and too precious to live any other way. See you at church.

Enjoy this holiday season.

Sincerely,

Pastor Tom



Memorial Gifts for October

FFS-Debt Reduction

In memory of Cynthia Meyer/Given by Marcia Pederson
In memory of Marlene Miller/Given by Doug & Judy Peterson

General Memorial

In memory of Cynthia Meyer/Given by Keith & Nadine Torgerson
In memory of Cynthia Meyer/Given by Ron & Kathleen McBeth
In memory of Liz Graalum/Given by Naomi Braun
In memory of Marlene Miller/Given by Bob & Ginny Buck

Building

In memory of Bailey Bernstein/Given by Larry Bethel

Faith Toolboxes

In Honor of Sylvia Likness/Given by Sonja Christensen
In memory of Bailey Bernstein/Given by Gail Williams
In memory of Marlene Miller/Given by Gail Williams
In memory of Marlene Miller/Given by Sonja Christensen

Quilting

In memory of Marlene Miller/Given by Sharon Kotnour

Youth

In memory of Bailey Bernstein/Given by Doug & Judy Peterson
In memory of Bailey Bernstein/Given by Phil & Bonnie MacIver

Eternal Candles and Altar Flowers

Sign up on the Volunteer Board




Food pack for Food Backpack program—Friday, December 29 @ 10:00. Bethel is packing the food for the Food Backpack program at the Richland/Wilkin Food Pantry. Come join us!

Last day for donations to count toward your 2023 statement will be Thursday, December 28th.
Donations must be in the Bethel office by 10:00 am.

Bethel - A place of celebrating Psalm 100:4
“Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him, bless his name.”



“Thanksgiving Psalms & Prayers”

November is a wonderful time to express our thankfulness for all our blessings. Check out the prayer station for a list of “Psalms of Thanksgiving” and write on a leaf something that you are thankful for and place it in the space provided.

Bethel Children & Youth Ministries

by Lisa Bassingthwaite

Our Wednesday evening schedule: each week a home cooked meal is served with a \$3 charge per person per meal. The schedule will be 5-5:30 supper served, 5:30-6:30 Christian Education, & 6:45-7:45 Worship.

Lisa's Office Hours

Monday 8:00-5:00

Tuesday 8:00-5:00

Wednesday 8:00-7:00

Thursday 8:00-3:00



NO Wednesday School on November 22 & December 27

NO Sunday School on November 26, December 24 & 31, & January 28



3rd grade Parents—we will be holding 3rd grade Bible classes on January 24 & 31 for all 3rd graders & parents. Class will be held in the Centennial room starting @ 5:30.

Children will be presented with their Bible during worship January 31 & 6:45. When these children were baptized their parents promised to place the Bible in their hands, we are excited to help fulfill that promise with them.

2024 National Youth Gathering meeting information. Meetings will be held @ 6:30 on the following dates: December 3, January 14, February 11, March 10 & April 21.

National Youth Gathering fundraising events:

December 2—9am-12:15pm -breakfast with Santa—bring your Preschool-5th graders. Your child will enjoy breakfast with Santa, crafts, games, a photo with Santa, & more. Cost \$25/child.

December 3—we will be serving potato pancakes from 9:45-11:15 in the Fellowship Hall

December 17—Christmas goodies bake sale from 3:30-5:30

January 14—coffee cake will be served in the Centennial room



Our youth room is always in need of snacks and drinks for our hungry kids arriving on Wednesday evenings. You can donate snacks, money, or gift cards to keep the fridge and shelves full.

9th Grade Confirmation:

December 6, January 3, February 7, March 6 & April 3. Confirmation rehearsal & meal April 28 @ 5:30 & Confirmation is Sunday May 5 during the 11am Worship Service.

Vacation Bible School—it is

not too early to get started planning for summer 2024. If you would like to be part of the planning team, please contact Lisa.

Three Rivers Gymnastics: join us for an afternoon of fun on January 13. Preschool-2nd grade: 1:30-2:30, 3rd-5th grade: 2:30-4:00, 6th grade & up: 4:00-5:30 Snack & fun will be provided!

Youth Christmas party: join us December 10 for food, fun, games, prizes, and fellowship in the youth room. Grades 6th-8th from 6:30-8:30, 9th-12th graders 8:00-10:00. **Bring a friend!**

Facebook: Please contact Lisa @ wschool@bethelwahpeton.com if you would like to share information on our Facebook page.



Ice skating: join us for a night of ice skating, hot chocolate, treats & friendship. January 28 @ 7pm @ the Sterns arena.

Advent Fair: Wednesday December 20, supper 5:00-6:00. Advent booths will be open 5:30-6:30! Join us for crafts, games, prizes and more!
Stay for worship at 6:45!!



for our Wednesday & Sunday school kids will be held December 17 @ 4pm. Cookies, juice, coffee & fellowship to follow.



DAYTIME BOOK CLUB

*"Children are made readers on the laps of their parents."
-Emilie Buchwald-*

The Daytime Book Club met on October 10 to discuss the book "Fox Creek" by William Krueger. Although we have read many of his novels, this one was not one of our favorites. We'll keep him on "the back burner" for a while! We will be meeting on November 13 to discuss the book "Quiet Life" by Ethan Joella

November 13	A Quiet Life	Ethan Joella
December 11	Xmas book of choice	
January 8, 2024	Survive the Night	Riley Sager
February 12	Beyond that, the sea	Laura Spence-Ash
March 11	Wednesday Sisters	Meg Waite Clayton
April 8	Home Front	Kristin Hannah
May 13	The First Ladies	Marie Benedit

On December 11, our book club will meet at 9 am at the *Fryn' Pan* to share a breakfast with our members and to discuss the books we read for Christmas.

The Daytime Book Club meets monthly on the second Monday at 10:00 am in Bethel's Library. We always welcome new members.

EVENING BOOK CLUB

We meet the first Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm at Bethel Lutheran. We read a wide variety of books chosen by members. Following is what is on schedule for the upcoming months:

December 2023	Christmas book of member's choice
January 2024	Fox Creek by William Kent Krueger
February 2024	Beyond That, the Sea by Laura Spence Ash
March 2024	The Women by Kristen Hannah
April 2024	The Extraordinary Life of Same Hill by Robert Dugoni
May 2024	First Ladies by Marie Bennedict

You can follow us on Facebook at **Bethel Lutheran Evening Book Club**. Please consider joining us every month or an occasional drop in, all are welcome.

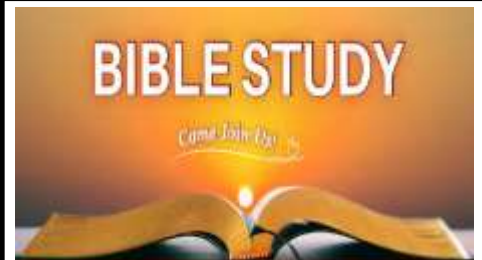


Special "Thank You" from Pastor Tom

The reception on Sunday, October 29, cake and coffee, and the notes and gifts were very touching and very much appreciated. "Pastor Appreciation Month" has always surprised me.

It has been a longer partnership that we have shared than I believe most of us anticipated as

this congregation continues to work towards calling a new pastor to partner in leadership with you for a number of years coming up. I love this congregation and it's been a privilege to serve with you, helping hold things together and empowering you to continue to do the good ministry and outreach Bethel Lutheran is known for. Thanks for your kindness and all the support of staff and members. We will keep moving forward together until that pastor that God intends to be here, responds to the Holy Spirit's nudging. In the meantime, let us power through this vacancy and come out of it unified and stronger on the other side, with all ages actively involved. That will be seen as the character of this place. Blessings.



Tuesday Morning Bible Study—10:30

Pastor Tom leads the group in discussion on the bible texts for the upcoming Sunday worship. This is helpful time to think through and reflect upon these Scripture lessons in order that the message might be more meaningful.



Financial Report

Operating Fund Balance

12-31-2022	\$622.00
8-31-2023	\$13,576.00
9-30-2023	\$10,852.00
10-31-2023	\$11,612.58

Mortgage Balance

12-31-2022	\$878,683.50
8-31-2023	\$785,994.43
9-30-2023	\$783,510.35
10-31-2023	\$780,973.05

Capital Improvement Fund (1st Campaign)

1-31-23	\$53,860.00
8-31-23	\$8,535.00
9-30-23	\$3,422.36
10-31-23	\$ 0.00

Capital Campaign (Forward in Faith & Service)

Debt Reduction

7-31-23	\$51,880.00
8-31-23	\$75,835.00
9-30-23	\$86,478.00
10-31-23	\$90,858.04

(We have paid down an extra \$75,000 off the principle)

Outreach Fund

7-31-23	\$21,879.00
8-31-23	\$21,989.00
9-30-23	\$24,811.27
10-31-23	\$23,261.28

Let's finish this year strong!!

As we come to the last couple of months of 2023 here at Bethel Lutheran, you and I are all encouraged to find time for the Lord in our busy lives and remember this congregation's ministry and outreach through the intentional generosity of one's time, talents and treasures. **Pray for Bethel as it is in the process of calling a new lead pastor to partner with us into the next decade.** Come and worship. Worship attendance is down recently. Let's change that situation.

Your financial support is needed as we finish out the year. Thank you for the diligence of many members' regular support to this congregation's work. Humbly, we are all asked, **please make up weekly/monthly offerings missed or, if so inspired, give a special gift; and for our older retired members, remember the benefits of "required minimum distributions" being sent directly to charitable organizations, such as Bethel Lutheran Church.** We have made up a lot of ground in these last 17 months and we have shown the church leadership the commitment and heart of the members to a vibrant and impactful ministry moving into the future. What is important is that everyone decides and takes part; we are a family of faith, working together to the glory of God and the wholistic welfare of His people here and in the larger world. Let's finish this year strong! Be active, pray fervently, give generously. God's Spirit is alive here. As we open the door and let Him in, lives are touched inside these walls and beyond.

Again, thanks everyone.

Pastor Tom

Bethel Lutheran - 2023



No Senior Pastor expenses in July

Bethel Lutheran - History



2019 Spend only had 1/3 of a year with Senior Pastor expenses



DOING THE MOST GOOD

Funds Collected in Richland/Wilkin County.....Stay in Richland/Wilkin County!!

Please volunteer to ring the bells for the Red Kettle campaign— Every hour counts!!

Please contact one of the following to volunteer or scan the QCR code to sign up

* Brett Lambrecht @ 701-899-6452 (Wal-Mart)

Wahpeton Walmart Signup: <https://bit.ly/walmartbells>



* Jean Freden @ 701-640-1641 (Wahpeton Econofoods)

Wahpeton Econofoods Signup: <https://bit.ly/wahpeconobells>



* Shirley Fox-Trydahl @ 701-403-9549 (Breck Econofoods)

Breckenridge Econofoods Signup: <https://bit.ly/breckeconobells>



* Richland country Veterans Service Office @ 701-642-7807



“Pondering: HOPE, PEACE, LOVE, JOY”

December Prayer Station

Take a few minutes to ponder which of these gifts Jesus brings to the world—HOPE, PEACE, LOVE, JOY. Which of these gifts do you need most in your life right now? Which of these gifts do you feel you are most called by God to share with others right now?

As you ponder, offer a prayer to God, asking him to bless you with the gifts you need and those gifts you need to share with others. Then take a card with that gift(s) on it and place it on the tree.

Discussion and Dessert

Join us for an afternoon of education and fellowship from 2:00-4:00 the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

- November 14th**—Mary Vetter—Richland Veterans Services
- December 12**—Sam Hillier—Prevent Child Abuse North Dakota
- January 9**—Rick Abrahamson—The Garden at St. Francis
- February 13**—Brittany Hatting—will talk about Estate Planning



November Birthdays



11/1 - Alivia Cvancara
Karlle Qual
Kendall Rovig
Parker Sirek
Lincoln Thompson

11/2 - Kristy Beto
Lauren Beyer
Brett Goltz

11/3 - Elsey Opatril

11/4 - Holly Bredeson
Jaxson Krump
David Trangsrud

11/5 - Isabelle Miller
Nichole Richels
Anthony Smith

11/7 - Kerry Anderson
Janice Bellmore
Matthew Berndt
Dane Carlson
William McGuire
Samantha Moderow

11/8 - Jackson Burchill
Reagan Cory
Beverly McRoberts
Mary Jo Miller
Jeff Pehl

11/9 - Matt Lovik

11/10 - Jordain Formanek

11/12 - Carolyn Bredeson

11/13 - Jocelyn Fisher
Kaitlin Kraft
Carter Youngquist

11/14 - Dawn Kubela
Jake Pfaff
Mikkol Smith

11/15 - Ronald McBeth
Chase Moderow
Ronald Teschner

11/16 - Guyle Gamble
Rowan Meyer

11/17 - Holly Anderson
Roxann Bergo
VonDa Lee Grandalen
Jaden Hansen
Barb Hoffert
Cyndy Kolle

11/18 - Chase Dimmer
Julia Dohman
Jean Hoerer
Bridger Mohs
Jeffrey Olson
Lukas Vosberg
Brooke Wixo

11/19 - Michael Bernotas
Kelly Finnie
Colton Fliflet
Josie Lingen

11/20 - Cooper Klosterman
Chris Mattis
Jerry Schmidt
Brandon Thiel
Coleen Thoe

11/21 - Carrie Bernstein
Ellie Miller
Paige Palmer
Monica Zentgraf

11/22 - Trevor Gourneau
Sutton Koenig
Jay Malme

11/23 - Pam Broderick
Jason Filbert
Sarah Kratcha
Madeline Miller

11/24 - Brian Bernotas
Vivian Bernotas
Robb Dohman
Brenda Gjesdal
Janelle Johnson

11/25 - Gerald Pulvermacher

11/26 - Diane Finnie
Michael Hoffert
Harrison Mattis
Piper Nelson
Stacy Owens
Adam Prochnow

11/27 - Jennifer Arnhalt
Jana Berndt
Duane Finnie
Brett Gilbertson
Teresa Hallquist
Shane Lee
Gale Tollefson

11/28 - Glen Enderson
Jacob Grueneich
Rylan Gunnarson

11/29 - Kristie Berg
Ryker Berndt
Skyler Bladow
Carol Manock

11/30 - Parker Bertelsen
Jesse Jacobson
Joel Sirek
Reese Wickoren





Noisy Offerings

November's offering will go to the Christmas Blessing Project.

This project helps to make Christmas special to local families. You will have the opportunity to sign up to buy presents on Sunday, November 19th. If you have any questions please contact Julie Carlson or call the church office at 701-642-4472

December's offering will go toward the Meals on Wheels Program.

The noisy offering will help offset the cost of meals for those who cannot afford the meal. These meals go to people 60 years old and over who are home bound or meet the requirements.

Pastor Tom's New Office Days

Pastor Tom will be in the office on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays starting the week of November 13th.
If you need to contact him, his number is: 218-770-9759



Thank You Quilters!!

We are coming to the end of 2023 and we would like to thank the quilters for coming in two days a month & making beautiful quilts that are used to help people in need & to wrap around our newly baptized members. Your work is extraordinary & to say thank you, a lunch will be provided for you on December 14th.

Happy Holidays!

Calling a New Pastor - Call Committee UPDATE

The call committee had 2 in-person interviews scheduled for the end of September/beginning of October. One candidate accepted another call before they were able to come for their interview. The other candidate came to Wahpeton and interviewed with us. We really like this candidate and had voted to present them to the planning council, but before we were able to present them, they withdrew their name and accepted another call. We are at a bit of a standstill right now as we wait to receive more candidate profiles from the synod office. While this can be discouraging, the call committee members remain dedicated to finding the right pastor for Bethel. We know that this is all in God's hands and the right person is out there. Please continue to pray for patience and perseverance for the call committee.



Advent Christmas Story Time

Christmas stories are read each night during the advent season and posted to our Facebook page at 7:30pm each evening. If you are willing to read, please contact Lisa to set up a time to

Families needed to light the advent wreath each Sunday in December.

Contact the church office @ 701-642-4472 or sign up @ the volunteer bulletin board if your family want to take part in our Advent Wreath lighting.

Readers Needed! We need volunteers to ready scripture on Sunday mornings. Are you comfortable speaking in public? Do you want to help spread God's word to people on Sunday morning? Joyce Johnson is compiling a list of volunteer readers. Please call the church office to sign up.

Adult Sunday morning discussion group: join us January 7, 14, 21 and February 4, 11 & 18. We will be watching a short video from Tob Bell & follow with discussion questions.



Church Circles

Circle 1 is meeting on Tuesday November 21st @ 9am in the Centennial Room

Circle 1 & 5 will be meeting on Wednesday December 13th @ 10am for a Christmas Brunch @ the Village Apartments on 4th Street N in the

The Longest Night: Evergreen United Methodist will be hosting the Longest Night service on Thursday, December 21st at noon to support all who are struggling with grief. A soup luncheon or take out soup will be served.

Annual Meeting—January 28, 2024

One worship service at 10:00. the Annual meeting in the Sanctuary with a potluck to follow.

Elves needed to help get the church decorated for Advent!

Please come to Bethel on November 27-28 if you would like to be part of the decorating team! We will be meeting:

Monday November 27 @ 8:30am-7:30pm
(come when you can)

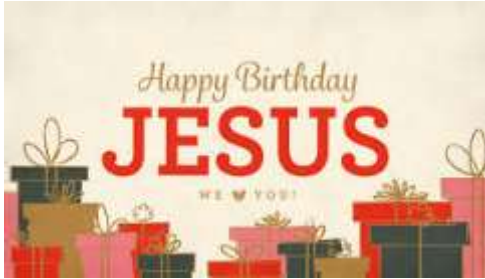
Tuesday, November 28 @ 8:30am-Noon



November 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 All Saints Day 9:30am Bethel Coffee at the Fryn' Pan 9:30am - 11:00am Wahpeton MOM's 1:30pm Library Committee 4:45pm - 5:30pm Supper Served 5:30pm - 6:30pm Wednesday School & Confirmation 6:45pm - 7:30pm Worship Service	2	3	4
5 All Saints Sunday Daylight-Saving Time Ends 8:00am Choir Practice 9:00am Worship Service w/Communion 10:00am - 12:30pm Breakfast 10:00am Praise Band Practice 10:00am - 11:00am Sunday School 11:00am Contemporary Worship w/ Communion 5:00pm - 7:00pm Boy Scouts	6 Beacon Articles Due 5:15pm - 6:15pm Bells Practice 6:00pm - 7:45pm Wellness Class	7 10:30am - 11:30am Tuesday Adult Study 1:15pm - 2:15pm Staff Meeting 6:30pm - 8:00pm Cub Scouts 7:00pm - 8:30pm Evening Book Club	8 5:00pm - 6:00pm Exec Board Meeting	9 9:00am - 4:00pm Quilting 1:30pm Mary Vetter (Practice) 3:00pm Great Plains Food Bank 5:00pm Nominating Committee - Ginny	10	11 Veterans Day
12 9:00am Worship Service w/Baptism 10:00am Praise Band Practice 11:00am Contemporary Worship w/ Baptism 4:30pm - 5:30pm New Member Sunday Orientation	13 10:00am Book Club 5:15pm - 6:15pm Bells Practice 6:00pm - 8:00pm Cub Scouts	14 10:30am - 11:30am Tuesday Adult Study 2:00pm - 4:00pm Discussion and Dessert 5:15pm - 6:15pm Board of Lay Meeting 5:15pm Board of Outreach 5:30pm - 6:30pm Board of Education Meeting	15 9:30am Circle 5 9:30am - 11:00am Wahpeton MOM's 10:30am - 11:30am Staff Meeting 4:45pm - 6:30pm Supper Served 7:00pm - 8:00pm Soul Shop Presentation	16 12:00pm Conference Meeting 5:30pm - 6:30pm Planning Council 7:00pm - 8:00pm Board of Stewardship	17	18
19 Christmas Kids Project New Member Sunday 8:00am Choir Practice 9:00am Worship Service w/Communion 10:00am Brunch/Potluck 10:00am Praise Band Practice 10:00am - 11:00am Sunday School 11:00am Contemporary Worship w/ Communion & Baptism 4:00pm - 5:00pm Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service 5:00pm - 7:00pm Boy Scouts 6:30pm National Youth Gathering	20 5:15pm - 6:15pm Bells Practice 6:00pm - 7:45pm Wellness Class 6:30pm Christmas Cantata Practice	21 9:00am Circle 1 10:30am - 11:30am Tuesday Adult Study 1:15pm - 2:15pm Staff Meeting	22 2:00pm Baptism - Theodore Lindquist	23 Office and Building Closed Thanksgiving Day	24	25
26 Christ the King 8:00am Choir Practice 9:00am Worship Service w/Communion 10:00am Praise Band Practice 11:00am Contemporary Worship w/ Communion 2:00pm - 4:00pm Cub Scouts	27 8:30am - 7:30pm Decorating for Christmas 5:15pm - 6:15pm Bells Practice	28 8:30am - 12:00pm Decorating for Christmas 10:30am - 11:30am Tuesday Adult Study 1:15pm - 2:15pm Staff Meeting	29 4:45pm - 5:30pm Supper Served 5:30pm - 6:30pm Wednesday School & Confirmation 6:30pm Christmas Cantata Practice 6:45pm - 7:30pm Advent Worship Service	30		

December Birthdays



12/1 - Carson Bassingthwaite
Zachery Bellmore
Kailee Bernstein
Aiden Bontjes
Bonnie MacIver
Alexis Moderow
12/2 - Adonica Good
Judith McDaniel
Draisey Wilson
Darin Zaun
12/4 - Tracy Carlson
Knox Gourneau
Robert Hoffert
Rhonda Thiel
12/5 - Jackie Munter
Tucker Rezac
John Richman
12/6 - Zachary Gunnarson
McKenzie Spiekermeier
12/7 - Bryce Awender
Larissa Gilbertson
Trent Johnson
Geraldine Oscarson
Darin Prochnow
Alan Redman
12/8 - Jacob Arnhalt
Kay Berger
Holly Close
Kimberly Crandall
Elizabeth Mattis
Samantha Munter

12/9 - Angela Cruff
James Dahlman
Zachary Hatting
Lola Lovik
Ashley Mitchell
12/10 - Rick Fatland
Drew Goltz
Jacob Hoefs
Joann Klein
Nicholas Prchal
Brian Steeves
12/11 - Jody Friskop
Amy Schulz
12/12 - Kennedy Beto
Courtney Dimmer
Joseph Olson
Rudy Opatril
Michael Withuski
12/13 - Kyson Johnson
Jason Stone
Kelly Torgerson
12/14 - Kenidy Barth
Harper Lee
Michelle Meyer
Molly Nettum
12/15 - Preslee Adolf
Mary Ann Look
Erin Palmer
Kaitlyn Prochnow
12/16 - Isaac Anderson
Kristin Brevik
Payton Kahler
Luther Sannes
12/17 - Bailee Gregor
Macy Kraft
Bailee Mohs
12/18 - Allan Amundsen
Mariah Mumm
Jaylyn Romereim
12/19 - Ashley Berndt

12/20 - Megan Brejcha
Paulette Ness
12/21 - Mandy Finke
Melissa Gedrose
Aiden Hajek
Liam Intveld
Matt Prchal
12/22 - Alexis Bell
Brianna Bell
Carlie Bell
Joan Hardie
12/23 - Jacob Fenske
12/25 - Kathryn Hoaby
Florene Johnson
12/26 - Leslie Bredeson
Steven Krause
Sandy Thiele
12/27 - Brylee Thorstenson
12/28 - Trudi Bellmore
Harrison Hruby
Maria Prochnow
12/29 - Jane Krump
Brett Lambrecht
12/30 - Jeff Beyer
Joseph Lampl Hagen
Travis Miller
Michael Prochnow
Donna Schumacher
12/31 - Nicole Davis
Jacelynn Jorschumb



December 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 9:00am - 12:00pm Pancake w/Santa
3 Advent 8:00am Choir Practice 9:00am Worship Service w/Communion 10:00am Praise Band Practice 10:00am - 11:00am Sunday School 11:00am Contemporary Worship w/ Communion 5:00pm - 7:00pm Boy Scouts 6:30pm National Youth Gathering	4 5:15pm - 6:15pm Bells Practice 6:00pm - 7:45pm Wellness Class	5 10:30am - 11:30am Tuesday Adult Study 1:15pm - 2:15pm Staff Meeting 6:30pm - 8:00pm Cub Scouts 7:00pm - 8:30pm Evening Book Club	6 Exec Board - Budget Meeting 9:30am Bethel Coffee at the Fryn' Pan 9:30am - 11:00am Wahpeton MOM's 1:30pm Library Committee 4:45pm - 5:30pm Supper Served 5:30pm - 6:30pm Wednesday School & 9th grade Confirmation 6:45pm - 7:30pm Worship Service	7	8	9
10 9:00am Worship Service 10:00am Praise Band Practice 10:00am - 11:00am Sunday School 11:00am Contemporary Worship 6:30pm - 8:30pm Youth Christmas Party 6-8 8:00pm - 10:00pm Youth Christmas Party 9-12	11 10:00am Book Club 5:15pm - 6:15pm Bells Practice 6:00pm - 8:00pm Cub Scouts	12 10:30am - 11:30am Tuesday Adult Study 1:15pm - 2:15pm Staff Meeting 5:15pm - 6:15pm Board of Lay Meeting 6:00pm - 7:00pm Exec Board Meeting	13 4:45pm - 5:30pm Supper Served 5:30pm - 6:30pm Wednesday School & Confirmation 6:30pm Christmas Cantata Practice 6:45pm - 7:30pm Worship Service	14 9:00am - 4:00pm Quilting 5:30pm - 6:30pm Planning Council 7:00pm - 8:00pm Board of Stewardship	15 Beacon Articles Due	16
17 Live Nativity 8:00am Choir Practice 9:00am Worship Service w/Cantata 10:00am Praise Band Practice 10:00am - 11:00am Sunday School 11:00am Contemporary Worship w/ Cantata 4:00pm Christmas Program/Live Nativity with Potluck to follow 5:00pm - 7:00pm Boy Scouts	18 5:15pm - 6:15pm Bells Practice	19 9:00am Circle 1 10:30am - 11:30am Nursing Home Service 10:30am - 11:30am Tuesday Adult Study 1:15pm - 2:15pm Staff Meeting	20 9:30am Circle 5 9:30am - 1:30pm Nursing Home Service 9:30am - 11:00am Wahpeton MOM's 4:45pm - 5:30pm Supper Served 5:30pm - 6:30pm ADVENT FAIR 6:45pm - 7:30pm Worship Service	21 First Day of Winter 12:00pm - 1:00pm Blue Service @ Evergreen 12:00pm Conference Meeting	22	23
24 10:00am Advent/Christmas Eve Service w/ communion 4:00pm Christmas Eve Service w/ communion 6:00pm Christmas Eve Service w/ communion 10:00pm Christmas Eve Service w/ communion	25 Christmas Day Office and Building Closed	26 Office and Building Closed	27	28	29 Back Pack Program - food packing	30
31 10:00am - 11:00am Worship Service w/ Communion						