

Bethel Roof Repair/Replacement Fund – Thanks to everyone who has been donating to this fund. We have been able to put aside \$9795.56 so far to go toward working on our roof. Anyone can donate anytime! Simply write *“roof/repair/replacement fund”* in the memo or on the outside of the envelope as a special offering.



Great Plains Food Bank Food Distribution will take place on Thursday, August 1st from 3:30-4:30 pm. Bethel is looking for volunteers to help with the distribution from 2:45-4:30pm. Distribution will take place in the stadium parking lot. Please sign up @ the Volunteer Bulletin Board in the hallway.

Friends of St. Catherine's – will meet July 31st @ 1pm @ door 3. It's easy to be part of this ministry, you just have to like to talk & sit outside! Contact Joyce if you can help.

Thank You! The Ukrainian workers @ ComDel would like to thank the congregation of Bethel for finding bikes for them to ride. Thank you to Jeri & Bob Oscarson, Jean Hoerer & Brianna Walsh for the donation of bikes @ Scott Stiller for fixing them up & getting them ready to ride! The new bike owners were very excited to have a new way to get around town.

Do you want extra resources to expand your knowledge of the bible? We have some great ones for you by our North entrance. You will find *“Christ in our Home”* & *“Our Daily Bread”* devotion books. We also have *“Home Touch”* packets for you to take home & do one sheet a week. There are puzzles, devotion, scripture readings & a prayer for each week. Please grab one on your way out!

Bethel Lutheran Volunteers – if you volunteer any of your free time to the church, we want you to fill out a sheet & place it in the bucket by the Volunteer Bulletin Board. We will be adding up volunteer time through the end of 2024.



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This week at Bethel: July 29 through August 4

Monday-4:30 Worship Planning

Tuesday-**NO Bible Study**, 10:00 Visitation for Ken Lindsey with funeral service @ 11:00am

Wednesday-1:00 Friends @ St. Catherine's, 5:30 Worship Service

Thursday-9:00 Helping Hands, 3:30 Food Distribution

Saturday-Braaten/Gerdes Wedding

Sunday-10:00 Worship Service with communion, 5:00 Boy Scouts

Coffee Bar will be from 9:30-11:30

Healing:

Maddox Snare	Larry Hjelmstad	Steve Listopad
Jan Townsend	Larry Johnson	JoAnn Klein
Esther Krause	Connie Sletten	Arlo & Janice Kilber
Marcia Pederson	Joan Hardie	David Trangsrud
Tarek Aamold	Grace Hunt	

Please keep Jean Lindsey & family in your prayers as they grieve the loss of her husband, Ken Lindsey

Please keep Alice Schlotfeldt & family in your prayers as they grieve the loss of her daughter, Beth Lovcik.

Next Sunday, August 4th is \$ for Jesus Sunday!

New Member Recognition Sunday will be on Sunday, October 27th. Please contact the church office for a membership form or talk to Pastor Rich or Joyce Johnson if you are interested in membership.

Streaming Services will be on hold for a little while. We are working on some of the problems we have had with streaming & will be unable to stream services for right now. We will let you know as soon as we have everything up & running again! Encourage friends to join in person if they are able!

July Noisy Offering will be going towards *Pencil Plus Project*. Pencils Plus helps to secure school supplies for families. The distribution date will be on Thursday, August 8th from 2pm-6pm @ the Wahpeton Community Center. Items needed are listed in the hallway, if you purchase them, please drop them off @ Three Rivers Crisis Center.

We begin **July with a prayer** for the will of God & continue through the month with prayer topics & scripture readings for each topic. Topics are: Freedom, Protection of family, Thankfulness for God's love, Happiness & Joy, & the Storms of Life.



How do you get someone's name on the prayer list? Stop by the Usher Station & complete the prayer form. The ushers will make sure the completed form gets to the office Monday morning. You can also contact the church office. Please make sure you have consent from the person being added before contacting the church.

Any ads that you would like to have in the next Bethel Beacon, please have them into the church office by August 5th. The deadline is that day at 5pm.

Offering Envelope Books – we are halfway through 2024 already! If you are running low on your offering envelopes, please contact the church office. Joyce will have your book ready for you by the following Sunday.

An Outreach Community meeting will be held on Friday, October 11th from 11:30-1:00. This is a time for community leaders & members of Bethel to collaborate on ways we can reach out into the community. Join us for lunch & to share ideas. Please call Bethel office if you would like to attend.

Bethel congregation, I want to express my deepest gratitude for your unwavering support & prayers for me, the chaperones, & the 19 youth from our church that attended the Youth Gathering in New Orleans from July 14-July 21. Without your support we couldn't have traveled over 2900 miles by bus, walked over 35 miles, & had countless experiences that we will remember forever. We would like to invite each & every one of you to join us for a special worship service on *August 15 @ 5:30pm*. Come & celebrate with us. A free will offering supper will follow. We look forward to seeing you.

Are you a youth entering 7th-12th grade this fall? Come join us next summer as we go on a mystery mission trip July 20-24. Our first trip meeting will be on September 25 @ 7:30pm. Questions contact Lisa.

If you are attending Wednesday school, Sunday school or confirmation you must be registered. Please go to the website & get registered today!

It is never too early to start thinking about the ELCA Youth Gathering, Minneapolis, MN: June 28-July 2, 2027. All youth grades 6th – 10th this year are eligible to attend.

Youth in grades 6-9 are invited to attend Castaway Club, September 20-22. More information will be available soon. Mark your calendars now.

Information will be coming soon for our Feed My Starving children & Valley Fair/Valley Scare trip in October.

If you are interested in a Bethel t-shirt, please let Lisa know your size and if you want a blue or hot pink by August 5th.