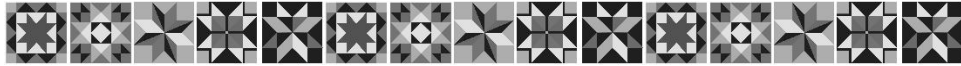




Welcome to Our New Pastor

A note from Pastor Amy...thank you, thank you for the warm welcome you have given to Adalee & me. From gift cards to pantry items, to kind words & warm hugs, you have surely made our transition one of joy & gratitude. Thank you!

Would you like to get to know Pastor Amy better? She has a sign-up on the bulletin board for some chances to grab coffee or lunch together. Sign up with your name, phone number & email. She looks forward to getting to know ALL of you better!



Quilting Date Changes: Quilters will meet December 12th & 19th.



Youth Mission Trip

Are you in 7th-12th grade this fall? Come join us next summer as we go on a mystery mission trip July 20-24. Registration for the trip is available online along with a \$100 deposit. **Deadline** to register is January 3rd. You will be put on our list for monthly meetings & fundraising. Questions, contact Lisa. *January 29th meeting @ 7:15pm.*

Facebook post reminder: Please have any items you would like to have posted on Facebook for the next week to Lisa by 5pm on Wednesday.

End of Year Giving - Monday, December 30th by 9:30am is the last day to donate for 2024. Donations need to be turned into the office so it can be counted & included in the last deposit of 2024.

We need cupcakes for our advent fair. If you are willing to make some, please let the church office know. We will be needing 7 dozen.

December Noisy Offering will go to Bethel's Technology Fund.

Itty Bitty Believers Book Club 2025 dates: January 12th, February 9th & March 9th.



9th Grade Confirmation Students Schedule

January 8, February 5, March 5, April 2,
April 27 - Confirmation Rehearsal, May 4 - Confirmation



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This week at Bethel: December 9 through December 15

Monday-10:00 Book Club @ Fryn Pan, 5:00 Board of Lay Meeting, 5:15 Bells Practice, 5:30 Board of Ed (@ Lisa's), 6:00 Cub Scouts
Tuesday-10:30 Bible Study, 12:00 Ministerial, 1:00 & 5:00 Christmas Blessing Gift Distribution, 1:15 Staff Meeting, 5:30 Exec Meeting
Wednesday- 1:00 Friends of St. Catherine's, 4:45 supper served, 5:30 Wednesday School & Confirmation, 6:35 Worship service
Thursday-9:00 Quilting, 3:00 Helping Hands, 5:30 Planning Council
Sunday-8:00 Choir Practice, 9:00 Worship Service w/Communion, 10:00 Congregation Information Meeting, 10:00 Praise Band Practice, 10:10 Sunday School, 11:00 Contemporary Worship w/Communion, 2:00 Cub Scouts, 3:45 Live Nativity, 4:30 Kids Christmas Program

Prayer list for healing:

Larry Hjelmstad	Jay Erickson	Jan Townsend
Doug Peterson	JoAnn Klein	Ardeith Richter
Esther Krause	Connie Sletten	Arlo & Janice Kilber
Marcia Pederson	Joan Hardie	Peterson Family
Gwenda Carlson	Sharon Deichert	John C. Carlson
Sawyer Bertelson	Adonica Good	Howard Jenson
Roberta Whitehead		

Going south for the winter? Please make sure the office has the best address for you.

Circles 1 & 5 will be meeting on **Wednesday, December 18th** @ 10:30am @ the Fryn' Pan for their Christmas Brunch.



December Prayer Station – Take a few minutes to ponder these gifts Jesus brings to the world – *HOPE, PEACE, LOVE, JOY*. Which of these gifts do you feel you are most called by God to share with others? As you ponder, offer a prayer to God, asking him to bless you with the gifts you need & those gifts you need to share with others. Then take a card with that gift(s) on it & place it on the tree.

A Congregational Information Meeting will be held on December 15th between services to discuss the building repairs here @ Bethel.

Advent Fair – December 18th. Supper will be who hash (taco in a bag). There will be crafts, games, a photo booth & the Grinch will be in the building. Stay for worship @ 6:35 to hear the Grinch gospel!

When dropping kids off on Wednesday night please remember we don't have people to watch your kids before Wednesday school & confirmation starts. We start serving supper @ 4:45, no one should be dropped off before that time.

The Morning Book Club will meet @ Fryn' Pan on December 9th @ 9:00am.

The Communion Committee needs your help! Two of our communion bread makers will be gone for the winter. It is easy to do & Kathy Johnson will work with you. Please contact the church office if you are interested.

Join Bethel's team to help deliver Meals-on-Wheels! Joyce will call members on the list when Bethel fills in to help deliver meals. It is one hour of your time & it is greatly appreciated by the recipients! Talk to Joyce if you are interested.

Bethel water bottles (\$20) & Bethel t-shirts (\$15) are available, t-shirts are variety colors/sizes. Contact Lisa for one or both items!

All are invited - join us on December 15th starting @ 3:45pm for the *Live Nativity* & our *Children's Christmas Program* @ 4:30pm. Parents please have your kids to the fellowship hall by 4:10pm.

Volunteers Needed

****Please sign up on the Volunteer Bulletin Board**

****Advent Wreath Lighters** are needed for December 22nd & 24th. Be part of this great tradition.

****Bell Ringers Needed!** The Salvation Army is in need of bell ringers this holiday season @ Walmart. YOU WILL NOT BE STANDING OUTSIDE! Walmart allows the bell ringers to stand inside of the front doors. If you are interested in helping out with this wonderful cause, sign up. Confirmation students, this is a great service activity!

****Volunteers are needed for the Live Nativity** on Sunday, December 15th from 3:30-4:30.

****We still need** ushers, readers, communion helpers & coffee servers.

****Join us to spread Christmas Cheer @ St. Catherine's!** We will be helping residents send out Christmas cards. Please join us during the weeks of December 2 to the 13th, from 1-2pm. If we have enough volunteers, we may get it done in one week. Questions contact Joyce.

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Baptism 12/1/2024: Quinn Clarice Kjesbo

Parents: Colin & Paige Kjesbo
Sponsors: Britt Linder & Elsie Linder
Prayer Parents: Lauren & Zach Maas

Baptism today: Kallie Jean Koenig

Parents: Meghan & Jon Koenig
Sponsors: Justin Mitchell, Haley Doeden,
Justin Koenig & Anna Noyes
Prayer Parents: Angie & Brad Cruff



Cocoa, Cookies & Carols is TODAY, from 1-4pm. Meet here @ Bethel to decorate cookies & get to know Pastor Amy before caroling @ area nursing homes & in the Bethel neighborhood. We will end with cookies & warm cocoa @ Bethel.