

**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.

**January Noisy Offering** is going to the ELCA Good Gifts program. We will be purchasing animals & hopefully a family farm as well as shares of safe drinking water or possibly a well for our friends across the world. If you wish to write a check for this project, it can be made out to the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America. In the memo write: Bethel Good Gifts Noisy Offering.

**9<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Students Schedule:** February 5, March 5, April 2, April 27 – Confirmation Rehearsal, May 4 – Confirmation

**New Opportunity to Serve!** Pastor Amy is working on forming a **personnel committee** to work on procedures, staff handbook updates, job descriptions, etc. If this committee interests you, please talk to Pastor Amy.

**Ongoing Prayer list:**

Sharon Deichert	Jan Townsend	JoAnn Klein
Ardeith Richter	Esther Krause	Connie Sletten
Arlo & Janice Kilber	Marcia Pederson	Joan Hardie
Peterson Family	Gwenda Carlson	Sawyer Bertelson
Howard Jenson	Roberta Whitehead	Luckie Bethel

**End of the year statements** will not be mailed out. Please contact Joyce @ 701-642-4472 or joyce@bethelwahpeton.com if you would like your statement.

**Itty Bitty Believers Book Club 2025 dates:** February 9<sup>th</sup> & March 9<sup>th</sup>

**Hey kids!** Join Lisa in the nursey on January 26 for our Second Annual Kids' Animal Meeting! While the grown-ups are busy with their annual meeting, we'll have our own fun time talking about all the exciting things you'd like to do @ church. Don't forget to bring your favorite stuffed animal & get ready for some fun activities & games! We can't wait to see you there!



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***This week at Bethel:* January 20 through January 26**

**Monday**-12:00 Staff Meeting, 5:15 Bells Practice, 5:30 Board of Ed

**Tuesday**-9:00 Circle 1, 10:30 Bible Study, Office Closed in the afternoon for Staff Meeting(class)

**Wednesday**-4:45 Supper Served, 5:30 Wednesday School, Confirmation & 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Bible Class, 6:35 Worship & Bible Presentation

**Thursday**-9:00 Quilters, 3:00 Helping Hands

**Sunday**-**ONE SERVICE** @ 10am – Annual Meeting following service, No Sunday School, 11:00 Kid's Animal Meeting, NO POTLUCK

**Prayer list for the week:**

Jay Erickson	Brent Phelps	Peterson Family
John C. Carlson	Phillip Dimmer	

**Please keep Marie Hjelmstad & family** in your prayers as they grieve the loss of Larry.

**Please keep the family of Karen Ostgarden** in your prayers.

**Please keep the Scott (Kayla Rovig) family** in your prayers as they grieve the loss of Tony.

**If you have any prayer requests**, please see an usher & fill out the prayer request form.

**The church office will be closed** on Tuesday January 21<sup>st</sup> in the afternoon for a staff meeting(class).

**Mark your calendars!** Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup> will be the Bethel Annual Meeting. We will have **one** service @ 10:00am with the meeting to follow. NO POTLUCK will be happening this year.

**Prayer station: *Blessing the Home in Epiphany.*** God of light, bless our home. Make it a haven of rest for all in need of your warmth & care. When we go out from this place, may we never lose sight of Christ's light. We mark our door with the symbol of blessing. May all who enter, through the year, find love & light, for Christ has come to dwell in this home & in these hearts. Amen. **20 + C + M + B + 25** (*The numbers represent the year, 2025. The letters represent both the names of the Magi – Caspar, Melchoir & Balthasar & also the phrase “Christus Mansionem Benedicat” which is Latin for “May Christ Bless the House.”*)

**Meeting Notice:** Please take note that a vote will be taken @ the Annual Meeting on January 26<sup>th</sup> @ 10am to decide whether Bethel Lutheran should borrow funds to replace the flat roof sections & upgrade controls on our HVAC system in 2025.

**Check 'em out! Pastor Amy's mom, Marian Eisenmann,** kindly donated her 2 books to our library! *“Grace for Today Hope for Tomorrow”* & *“Discovering the Call to Ministry in Daily Life”* A special thanks for her kindness!

**3<sup>rd</sup> grade Bible class** for 3<sup>rd</sup> graders & parents will be held January 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 5:30 in the Centennial room.

**We need to make a digital file** for our church of all items within the church. This video is for insurance purposes in case something happens. We are looking for volunteers to walk through the church & record the church property. Please contact the church office if you would like to help with this project.

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

**If you would like to take a Poinsettia home,** please pick one up in the atrium area.

**Parent Information Event!** Join us on Wed. Jan 29<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-6:30 in Fellowship Hall. Office Page & Becky DeVries will be presenting information for all adults who want to keep our kids safe. They will present & answer questions you may have regarding things happening in Wahp/Breck & Healthy Relationships. Recent events show that sexual predators do make their way to Wahpeton & surrounding areas. What can we do to protect our children? What are signs of an unhealthy relationship? We can be a village to protect our children! This event is open to the public so invite your family & friends to attend with you.

**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.



## Volunteers Needed

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

**\*\*If you are willing** to go & visit shut-ins with Pastor Amy—sign up!

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

**\*\*January Discussion & Dessert!** We are doing something different for this Discussion & Dessert. We will be meeting on Thursday, January 30<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-6:30. The topic for this month will be ***“The 4 truths about Long Term Care”***. This topic is geared for anyone who is between the ages of 45-70 years of age. This workshop shows attendees how developing a long-term care strategy can help them:

- Preserve Independence
- Protect income & assets
- Reassure family about the future

Thrivent will be providing a meal so please sign up so we can plan accordingly!

