

**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
Howard Jenson	Esther Krause	Connie Sletten
Arlo & Janice Kilber	Marcia Pederson	Joan Hardie
Peterson Family	Gwenda Carlson	Sawyer Bertelson
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 TODAY** - Join Lisa in the nurse's 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. We can't wait to see you there!

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



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***This week at Bethel:* January 27 through February 2**

**Monday**-12:00 Staff Meeting, 5:15 Bells Practice, 5:30 Mutual Ministry, 6:00 Knitting Group

**Tuesday**-10:30 Bible Study

**Wednesday**-10:00 Wahpeton MOM's, 4:45 Supper Served, 5:30 Wednesday School & Confirmation, 5:30 Parent Information Event, 6:35 Worship

**Thursday**-9:00 Helping Hands, 5:30 Discussion & Dessert, 5:30 Befrienders

**Sunday**-8:00 Scout Pancake Feed, 8:00 Choir Practice, 9:00 Traditional Worship w/communion, 10:00 Coffee Hour, 10:00 Praise Band Practice, 10:10 Sunday School, 11:00 Contemporary Service w/communion

**Prayer list for the week:**

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

**Please keep Andrea & Jay Thimjon & family** in your prayers as they grieve the loss of Andrea's mom, Sheryl Ask.

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

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

**TODAY!** will be the Bethel Annual Meeting after service in the sanctuary.

**Congratulations to the following 3<sup>rd</sup> graders.** They completed their Bible classes & received their Bibles during worship on January 22<sup>nd</sup>.

*Addison Nelson*

*Aiden Hildebrand*

*Alec Carlson*

*Ariana Intveld*

*Asher Cherry*

*Avery Mitchell*

*Brynlee Koenig*

*Guyle Gamble*

*Face Rowland*

*Jaxson Collins*

*Jaxson Prochnow*

*Kialie Brevik*

*Kobie Irwin*

*Tristianna Hobbs*

**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 for TODAY:** Please take note that a vote will be taken @ the Annual Meeting 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!

**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.

**Next Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> is \$ for Jesus Sunday!**

**New Member Sunday** will be Sunday, March 30<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in membership, please talk to one of the ushers or Joyce Johnson. We have a New Member Form that needs to be completed. We will have New Member Orientation on Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Parent Information Event!** Join us on Wed. Jan 29<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-6:30 in Fellowship Hall. Officer 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.



## 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!

