

APR/MAY 2021



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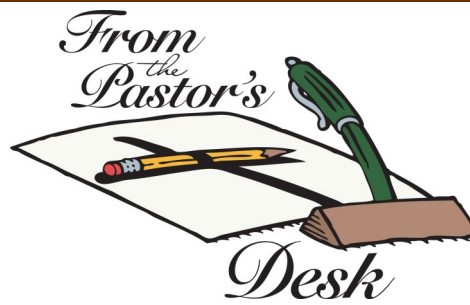
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**SUNDAY
WORSHIP**

9:00 a.m. Worship

BETHEL BEACON

BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH, 5232 Irvine Avenue NW, Bemidji, MN 56601



*“O death, where is thy victory?
O death, where is thy sting?”
-1 Cor. 15:55*

On February 16th, 1943 in Telemark Norway, Norwegian commandos began operation ‘Gunnarside’. Over the next few days, they broke into the Norsk Hydroelectric plant. The plant was producing heavy water, a critical component for nuclear fission experiments. The plant, which was located high in the mountains, and heavily fortified with anti-aircraft batteries, was inaccessible by air. The only way to destroy it was by going inside. This they did. Once inside, they blew open the water tanks containing the water, and the water drained out. As a result, the German effort to create an Atomic Bomb was effectively destroyed: From the inside out! This May as you bring flowers to the Cemetery, remember: Any one of us can open a grave from the outside, all we need is a shovel. But on that first Easter, God opened up the grave from the inside! He raised Jesus from the dead, and in so doing, destroyed to the power of death from the inside out!

“Thine is the Glory, risen conquering son, endless is the victory, thou o’er death hast won!” LBW # 145

-Pastor Mark Kindem



March 31
Study:
Knowing
God—Walking
with God!

April 7
Study:
Christian
Growth—
Ready, Set, Grow!

April 14
Study: Christian Service—Going
Crazy with God!

April 21
Service: Food Shelf

April 28
Fun & Christian Care: Seek &
Pray Activity

May 5
Study: How to make the most of
your summer!

May 12
Service: Adopt-a-Highway

Church in Mission



Mission Statement: “The Bemidji Food Shelf is a faith-based, caring place that listens to those who are experiencing food insecurity. We work with our partners to be inclusive and to provide fresh, nourishing foods for those living in Beltrami County and the Bemidji School District.”

Thank you: Thank you for your continued support for the Food Shelf during this pandemic.

Food Shelf Needs: Personal care items, laundry soap and cleaning products, gently used plastic bags, Our Family products UPC barcodes (must include all the numbers).

March Food Share Campaign: All donation to the Food Shelf received March 1 thru April 11 will receive a partial match through the March FoodShare campaign.

Current Operation: Currently volunteers pack food boxes on Tuesdays and Thursdays and clients come into the Food Shelf on Mondays and Wednesday to pick up their boxes and select items from the produce, dairy, and meat sections. A limited number of clients are allowed in the building at one time and everyone must wear masks and practice social distancing. Shoppers assist clients at a distance.

Food Shelf Goals for 2021: To collect 35,000 pounds of food and \$100,000 in donations.

Volunteering: If you would like to volunteer at the Food Shelf, please call Debbie Johnson, Food Shelf Volunteer Coordinator, at 444-6580 extension 28.

“GO THE EXTRA MILE”

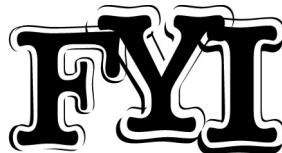
ON THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH BETHEL HAS A

“GO THE EXTRA MILE” OFFERING TAKEN UP FOR LOCAL MISSIONS.

COLLECTED OFFERING FOR FEBRUARY 14TH:
WNALC MISSION BANKS— \$18.57

MARCH 14TH:
BEMIDJI COMMUNITY FOOD SHELF — \$187.00

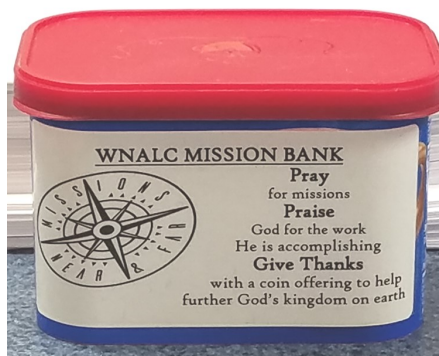
Thank You!



• FOR YOUR INFORMATION •



Bethel will be delivering Meals-on-Wheels May 24-28, August 9-13, and October 25-29.



Grab one from the Narthex Table!

Money goes to Disaster Relief in the USA and to missionaries globally.



Council Highlights

The Mission of the Church is to Glorify God.

Tuesday, February 9, 2021

Old Business:

Roof Repair/Replace: Andy Powell would like to see someone have Christensen Construction Company (CCC) investigate the roof insulation, especially before putting solar panels on. It should also be noted that painting and sheet rock repair are not included in the CCC contract. Sally McIntyre will contact CCC via email about inspecting the insulation.

Solar Panels: Representatives of Todavich Electric and Plains Energy met with church representatives to discuss the enclosed bid. **M/S** Lisa Vind/Cole Kindem to approve bid from Plains Energy to install solar panels on the church roof. 0 nays.
The Motion Passed.

New Business:

Styrofoam:

Sally McIntyre sought permission by the council to give away/dispose of the large Styrofoam boards that were used to darken the sanctuary for the Passion Play. Permission was given.

Rodents in the Church:

Two shrews came into the church that day by squeezing under the front doors as they were shut. Daycare children were playing in the narthex at the time. Dennis Zeto, Property liaison, will set and monitor more traps.

Property:

Dennis Zeto suggested having a building inspector come and do a full walkthrough of the church to find out problems and help make an action plan for maintenance.

There would be a charge for that but Beltrami Electric will come and do an energy audit for free.

Evangelism:

Byron Rock reported that Evangelism is hoping to do an Easter Egg hand out similar to the Trunk-or-Treat at Halloween.

Tuesday, March 9, 2021

Old Business:

Property: Solar panel contract was reviewed (can be read in the council packet in the office). The contract contains a 10 year warranty against roof leaks through the mounting hardware.

Energy efficiency was reviewed by an outside expert. They suggested making sure all ducts are still properly wrapped.

New Business:

Open Shelves within 16" of Ceiling: The new sprinkler system carries water in it at all times and activates when it gets to a certain temperature (~140°F). To prevent heat build-up near the ceiling, there should be nothing around the heads for 12-16". The worst spot is the storage closet in the fellowship hall. The top shelf will have to be cleared.

Easter Fellowship: There will be donuts to grab and go after Service!

Other:

Service Time: After Easter there will be a survey to see whether the congregation wants to keep Sunday Service at 9am or move it to 9:30am or move it to 10am. The council will discuss the results in May.

Easter Egg Hand Out: Will be on Saturday, March 27 from 11am—1pm.

Respectively submitted by Council Secretary, Sally McIntyre



COVID-19
UPDATES

The end is in sight! Minnesota is opening up. Churches can open at 100% capacity as long as masks are worn and there is 6 feet between households. Restaurants can have 75% capacity. Minnesota has given 1.5 million people at least one dose of a COVID vaccine. There are many options around Bemidji to schedule a vaccine including Sanford, pharmacies and the County Services building.



- 08 Hunter Olson (14)
- Caleb Lundeen (13)
- 09 Joyce Rendahl
- 12 Sarah (Kindem)
- McKeown
- 15 Matthew Copiskey
- 20 Keith Pommerening
- 24 Donald DeLapp

- 02 Eli Olson (10)
- 03 Lori Jerdee
- 05 Carol Kilian
- 06 Delores Kilian
- Daisy Sadek (13)
- Arlene Stratton
- 10 Bruce Dreyer
- 12 Doug Lilleby
- 21 Corrina Copiskey
- 25 Sara Dreyer
- 30 Owen Lundeen (16)

The Youth Group had a family activity this winter of ice fishing. Here are some pictures!

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

Andler and Jessica Powell

May 12, 2007 (14)

Sunday, March 28—Palm Sunday

Worship Service at 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday, March 31

No Noon Service

Thursday, April 1

Maundy Thursday service at 6:30 p.m.

Friday, April 2

Good Friday Service at 6:30 p.m.

Sunday April 4—Easter Sunday

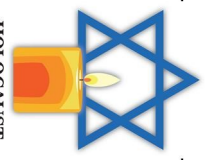

Worship Service at 9:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m. Donut and Coffee To Go

(or socially distanced fellowship)

WORSHIP SCHEDULE
for
HOLY WEEK

APRIL

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>4</p> <p>Food Shelf Sunday</p> <p>9:00am Worship Service 10:00am Donuts & Coffee to Go</p>  <p>EASTER SUNDAY</p>	<p>5</p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p>	<p>6</p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p>	<p>7</p> <p>7:00am Men's Group ?? 10:00am Finance Com. Mtg.</p>	<p>1</p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p> <p>6:30pm Maundy Thursday Service</p>	<p>2</p> <p>BCCC Closed for Good Friday</p> <p>6:30pm Good Friday Service</p>	<p>3</p>
<p>11</p> <p>"Go the Extra Mile" for Ruby's Pantry</p> <p>9:00am Worship Service</p>	<p>12</p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p> <p>8-5 Bi-CAP Training</p>	<p>13</p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p> <p>6:30pm Council Meeting</p>	<p>14</p> <p>7:00am Men's Group ?? 6:30pm Youth Group</p>	<p>15</p> <p>HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY</p> 	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p>
<p>18</p> <p>9:00am Worship Service</p>	<p>19</p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p>	<p>20</p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p> <p>5:45pm BCCC Staff Meeting</p>	<p>21</p> <p>7:00am Men's Group ?? 6:30pm Youth Group</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Earth Day</p> 	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>
<p>25</p> <p>9:00am Worship Service</p>	<p>26</p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p>	<p>27</p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p>	<p>28</p> <p>7:00am Men's Group ?? 6:30pm Youth Group</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p> <p>NATIONAL ARBOR DAY</p> 	<p>2021</p>

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<p>9</p> <p>"Go the Extra Mile" for Gideons</p> <p>9:00am Worship Service</p> <p>10:00am Fellowship Hour ??</p> <p>HAPPY Mother's Day</p>	<p>10</p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p>	<p>11</p> <p>6:30pm Council Meeting</p>	<p>12</p> <p>7:00am Men's Group ??</p> <p>5:00pm BCCC Advisory Mtg.</p> <p>6:30pm Youth Group</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p> 
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<p>30</p> <p>9:00am Worship Service</p> <p>10:00am Fellowship Hour ??</p>  <p>TRINITY SUNDAY</p>	<p>Bethel Delivers Meals-on-Wheels May 24-28</p>					
<p>31</p> <p>BCCC and Church Office Closed</p>  <p>MEMORIAL DAY</p>						