

APR/MAY 2022



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## SUNDAY WORSHIP

9:00 a.m. Worship  
10:00 a.m. Fellowship

# BETHEL BEACON

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



*“Father, into your hands  
I commit my Spirit”*

Reflecting on this verse, the late Gerhard Frost (who had a cabin on Lake Kabekona) wrote, “A little girl held her father’s hand as she skipped along the ramp of the airport gate. ‘Where are we going?’ her father asked. ‘To Grandma’s!’ was her instant reply. She didn’t say: ‘Bozeman’, or ‘Billings’, or ‘Portland’. She saw a face, not a place. ‘Father’, Jesus said. He too saw a face. In dying he found his way home: ‘Into your hands, your future, your presence, I commit my spirit.’ Perhaps heaven isn’t a place but a face.”

Because Jesus suffered death on our behalf, and was raised from death, the kingdom of heaven has been opened to all those who trust in Jesus! Jesus showed us the way to the Father not only in his death, but throughout his life as well. Easter reminds us that because Jesus lives, we too shall live! And we will see the same face that Jesus saw that first Easter morning; the face of his, and our, heavenly Father.

-Pastor Mark Kindem

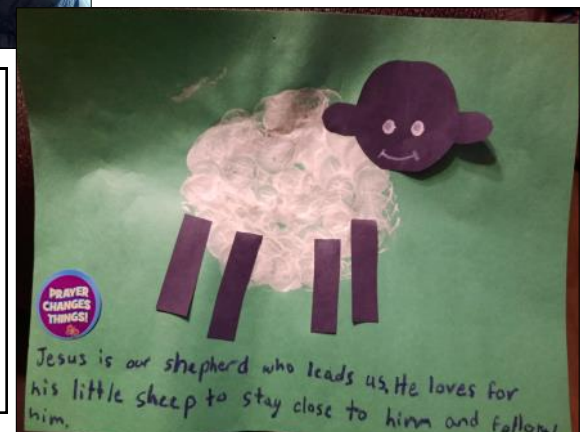


## Sunday School!

Front left and going around the table clockwise:

Nora McKeown, Micah McKeown, Gunner Powell, Bennett Hanson, Aesa Hanson, Millie Thomas, Morgan Powell.

*Thank you  
Jessica Powell for  
being our Sunday  
School teacher!  
(And for the pictures.)*





# APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 08 Caleb Lundeen (14)
- 09 Joyce Rendahl
- 12 Sarah (Kindem) McKeown
- 15 Matthew Copiskey
- 18 Reagan Pond (2)
- 20 Keith Pommerening
- 24 Donald DeLapp
- 25 Andrew Hanson



# MAY BIRTHDAYS

- 03 Lori Jerdee
- 05 Carol Kilian
- 06 Delores Kilian
- Daisy Sadek (14)
- 10 Bruce Dreyer
- 12 Doug Lilleby
- 21 Corrina Copiskey
- 25 Sara Dreyer
- 30 Owen Lundeen (17)

## BETHEL FUNERALS

### ELAINE PHYLLIS (GERHARDSON) CHRISTENSEN

**BIRTH: JANUARY 27, 1936**

**DEATH: MARCH 20, 2022**

**FUNERAL: SATURDAY, MARCH 26**

*"For if we have been united with Him in a death like His, we shall certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His."*



## MAY



### ANNIVERSARIES

**Andy and Jessica  
Powell**  
May 12, 2007 (15)

# Baptism

## COOPER JAMES HOWARD

son of Samuel and Ashley Howard, was welcomed into the family of Christ on Saturday, March 26. His sponsors are Rylee Albertson, Kaylie Albertson and Emily & Reid Vonasek.



**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 for your continued support for the Bemidji Food Shelf and “thank you” to Karen Tank, Carol Winans, and several community volunteers who have served clients during Bethel’s shift.**

**Clients served:** In January 634 households were served (2,052 individuals) with 53,129 pounds of food. In February 607 households were served (2,303 individuals) with 49,904 pounds of food. Statewide the numbers of people seeking food support is increasing. Mike Olson, Director of Bemidji’s Food Shelf, stated that Bemidji’s numbers have doubled over the year as the government support programs (child tax credit, extra SNAP benefits, etc.) are reduced.

**Food Shelf Needs:** Personal care items, laundry soap, cleaning products, toilet paper, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, bar soap, laundry detergent, and feminine hygiene products, and Our Family products UPC barcodes (must include all the numbers).

**Bethel’s Day at the Food Shelf:** Bethel is responsible for the first Wednesday afternoon shift from 12:15 to 3:30. **If you are interested in volunteering one afternoon a month, please contact me (586-3424).**

-Anita Spangler, Food Shelf Representative

## “GO THE EXTRA MILE”

ON THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH BETHEL HAS A “GO THE EXTRA MILE” RETIRING OFFERING FOR LOCAL AND GLOBAL MISSIONS. COLLECTED OFFERING FOR

FEBRUARY 13<sup>TH</sup>:  
WNALC MISSION BANKS – \$36.00  
(AND 4 BANKS TAKEN)

MARCH 13<sup>TH</sup>:  
FOOD SHELF – \$70.00

*Thank You!*

## Why does the date of Easter change?

At the beginning of Christianity, Easter was celebrated when Jews held Passover. However, the Hebrew calendar is a lunisolar calendar and has a leap month every 2-3 years. The extra month is in the spring, moving Passover. Also, signs like if the barley was ripe could determine if it was a leap year or not. And sometimes different communities held Passover in different months! In 325 the Council of Nicaea decided to calculate Easter independently of the Jewish communities. At one point the church said spring started March 21, even though astronomically it might start anywhere from March 19-21. In the end, Western churches hold Easter on the Sunday after the first Full Moon after March 21. To add more confusion, full moon refers to the lunar calendar’s full moon, which is the 14th day after the New Moon, not the astronomical Full Moon. Often this corresponds to the Sunday after Passover starts, but sometimes it is a month off. Read more at [en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Easter#Date](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Easter#Date)



## The mission of the Church is to Glorify God.

### Sunday, February 13, 2022

#### Correspondence:

Sally McIntyre reported that an image of the Godhead Window (the round one at the front) would be used in a devotional. They send an email asking for copyright permission. [Post meeting note: The devotional is Give Us This Day. <https://giveusthisday.org/>]

#### Old Business:

#### New Business:

#### Security System:

Sally McIntyre summarized the situation. Four more panic buttons were ordered, but when the technician tried to install them he was unable to access the panel's programming. The only solution now was to replace the panel (which is 20 years old and the only one of this age Arvig still services). The technician sent 2 contracts, a 3 and a 5 year contract for monitoring. **M/S Samantha Pond/Lisa Vind** to accept the 5 year contract. 0 nays. **The Motion Passed.**

### Sunday, March 13, 2022

#### Old Business:

#### Heat Tape:

Paul McIntyre suggested that we put up heat tape on the roof valleys before next winter. There was no objections, just hopes we remember in a few months.

#### Carpet Cleaning:

The idea of shampooing the carpet this year was raised and it was agreed that the narthex, sanctuary and Fellowship Hall should be cleaned, if possible, before Easter on a Thursday.

#### New Business:

#### Easter Advertising:

It was agreed to take up the radio and newspaper offers.

#### Church as a Polling Place?:

Some did not like the idea of so many strangers wondering through the building and possibly day care. Others were for it.

In the end the majority was okay, as long as there was some compensation (say \$150-200) for the extra cleaning, electricity, etc.

#### BCCC renting out romper room:

President Kindem summarized the situation. A gentlemen approached the day care wanting to rent the romper room one Saturday and hire a couple teachers to babysit ~9 kids instead of having those kids attend a wedding being held elsewhere. The daycare hasn't agreed yet and wants to inform the council/get permission first. The council had little issue as long as an agreement was signed and the insurance company was consulted.

#### Other:

#### Communion Rail:

It was decided that kneeling for communion could recommence as soon as the remaining railing was put back in place.

Respectively submitted,  
Sally McIntyre, Council Secretary

## Youth Group Schedule

### March 30

Study: Travel Guide to the Bible (Matthew)

### April 6

Study: Travel Guide to the Bible (Matthew)

### April 13

Service: Food Shelf?

### Saturday, April 16

Service: Bake cinnamon rolls and prep for...

### Easter Sunday - April 17

Service: Easter Sunday brunch

### April 20

Fun: Cooking Together and Board Games

### April 27

Study: Travel Guide to the Bible (Matthew)

### May 4



Study: Travel Guide to the Bible (Matthew)

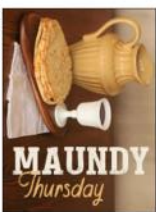
### May 11

Service: Adopt a Highway

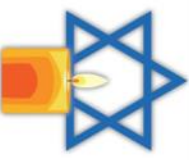
# APRIL

**Sunday**      **Monday**      **Tuesday**      **Wednesday**      **Thursday**      **Friday**      **Saturday**

<p><b>3 Food Shelf Sunday</b> 9:00am Worship Service 10:00am Fellowship Hour No Sunday School</p>	<p><b>4</b> 9:30am Weight Watchers 5:00pm Weight Watchers</p>	<p><b>5</b></p>	<p><b>6</b> 7:00am Men's Group 10:30am Bible Study 12noon Lent Service and Potluck <b>12:15-3:30pm Bethel at Food Shelf</b> 5:15pm BCCC Board Mtg 6:00pm Supper &amp; Youth Group</p>	<p><b>7</b> BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p>	<p><b>8</b> BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p>	<p><b>9</b> </p>
<p><b>10 "2nd Mile" for World Vision</b> 9:00am Worship Service 10:00am Fellowship Hour 10:15am Sunday School 10:15am Council Meeting</p>	<p><b>11</b> 9:30am Weight Watchers 5:00pm Weight Watchers</p>	<p><b>12</b> BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p>	<p><b>13</b> 7:00am Men's Group 10:30am Bible Study</p>	<p><b>14</b>  7:00pm Maundy Thursday Service</p>	<p><b>15</b> BCCC CLOSED</p>	<p><b>16</b> Youth Group preps for Easter Brunch</p>
<p><b>17 Easter Sunday</b> 9:00am Worship Service 10:00am Easter Brunch 10:15am Sunday School</p>	<p><b>18 Office CLOSED</b> 9:30am Weight Watchers</p>	<p><b>19</b></p>	<p><b>20</b> 7:00am Men's Group 10:30am Bible Study 6:00pm Supper &amp; Youth Group</p>	<p><b>21</b> BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p>	<p><b>22</b> 7:00pm Good Friday Service</p>	<p><b>23</b></p>
<p><b>24</b> 9:00am Worship Service 10:00am Fellowship Hour No Sunday School</p>	<p><b>25</b> 9:30am Weight Watchers 5:00pm Weight Watchers</p>	<p><b>26</b></p>	<p><b>27</b> 7:00am Men's Group 10:30am Bible Study 6:00pm Supper &amp; Youth Group</p>	<p><b>28</b> BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p>	<p><b>29</b>  NATIONAL ARBOR DAY</p>	<p><b>30</b> 12:30pm Jimmie Shepard Funeral</p>



HOLYCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>1</b></p> <p><b>Food Shelf Sunday</b></p> <p>9:00am Worship Service 10:00am Fellowship Hour 10:15am Finance Com. Mtg.</p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p>9:30am Weight Watchers</p> <p>5:00pm Weight Watchers</p>	<p><b>3</b></p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p>7:00am Men's Group 10:30am Bible Study</p> <p><b>12:15-3:30pm</b> Bethel at Food Shelf</p> <p>5:15pm BCCC Board Mtg 6:00pm Supper &amp; Youth Group</p>	<p><b>5</b></p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p> 	<p><b>6</b></p>	<p><b>7</b></p> 
<p><b>8</b></p> <p><b>2nd Mile Sunday for Northwoods Caregivers</b></p> <p>9:00am Worship Service 10:00am Fellowship Hour 10:15am Council Meeting</p>  <p><b>MOTHER'S DAY!</b></p>	<p><b>9</b></p> <p>9:30am Weight Watchers</p> <p>5:00pm Weight Watchers</p>	<p><b>10</b></p> 	<p><b>11</b></p> <p>7:00am Men's Group 10:30am Bible Study</p> <p>6:00pm Supper &amp; Youth Group</p>	<p><b>12</b></p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p>	<p><b>13</b></p>	<p><b>14</b></p>
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<p><b>29</b></p> <p>9:00am Worship Service 10:00am Fellowship Hour</p>	<p><b>30</b></p> <p><b>Memorial Day</b> BCCC and Office Closed</p> 	<p><b>31</b></p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p>				