

JUN/JUL 2019



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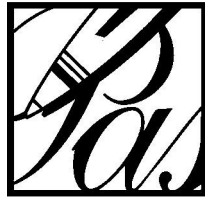
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SUNDAY WORSHIP

9:00 AM
Worship Service
10:00 AM
Fellowship Hour

FROM THE



PASTOR

“For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a hope and a future”

-Jer. 29:11

June is the month that many families begin their vacation travels for the summer. Whenever we traveled over the years, and especially when the kids were smaller, often the questions arising from the back seats were: “When are we going to get there? Are we there yet? How much farther?” Long ago a similar question was asked of Jesus by the disciples: “Lord, is this the time you are going to restore Israel?” Acts 1:6 The disciples didn’t realize that the restoration would be far different from what was popularly imagined. They weren’t going to just sit back and watch God do something for them; they would be at the ‘tip of the spear’ in God’s mission. Jesus reminded them, and all of us who are anxious about what God is up to, that the important thing is that God is not *going* to act in some distant, far off future; rather, God is *already acting* in our lives right now! And that his disciples then and now will be empowered by His very own Spirit: “You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you and you will be my witnesses...” Acts 1:8

Pentecost reminds us that the Holy Spirit is a present reality. God’s power has been given to us all! God’s kingdom has at its center Jesus, and through his spirit we will mature and grow; constantly being shaped to the image of Jesus himself. That is our hope. That is our future.

Thanks be to God!

-Pastor Mark Kindem



The Memorial Garden here at church will need caretakers this summer.

If you can weed, water, plant or tend, please talk to Jerry or Karen Tank.



In the third chapter of Paul's letter to the Colossians, he reminds the congregation that their real life is in heaven with Christ and God. Don't spend your time worrying about things down here. You should have as little desire for this world as a dead person does. We should conduct our lives in an honorable and Christ-like manner.

In this new life one's nationality or race or education or social position is unimportant; such things mean nothing. Whether a person has Christ is what matters and He is equally available to all.

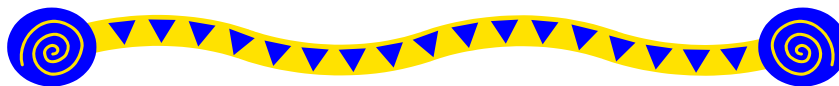
Quoting from the Living Bible, Paul continues,

Since you have been chosen by God who has given you this new kind of life and because of his deep love and concern for you, you should practice tenderhearted mercy and kindness to others. Don't worry about making a good impression on them but be ready to suffer quietly and patiently.

Be gentle and ready to forgive: never hold grudges. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others.

Most of all, let love guide your life, for then the whole church will stay together in perfect harmony. Let the peace of heart which comes from Christ be always present in your hearts and lives, for this is your responsibility and privilege as members of his body. And always be thankful.

Yours in Christ,
Paul McIntyre



Saturday, June 1
Starting at 9:00 a.m.

A chance to clean inside and out. There will be a lift to reach those high spots and coffee and donuts to keep up your strength!

"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
APRIL— **SUPPORT WITHIN REACH:**
\$ 105.00

MAY — **VILLAGE OF HOPE:**
\$ 100.00

Bethel Delivers **Meals-on-Wheels** the weeks of July 1-5, Sept. 16-20, Dec. 2-6

Bethel's Best Bazaar

Saturday, October 12

Set-up Friday, October 11

Lefse Prep: Friday and Saturday, September 27-28.

It will be here before you know it!

Please start thinking about crafts and farmers' market items you can prepare.

There are many other ways to help: cooking, baking, ticket taking, cashiering. If you would like to help on the day, or with lefse making, please talk to Sandy Norrgard.



The mission of the Church is to Glorify God

**Bethel Lutheran Church Council Meeting
Tuesday, April 9, 2019**

Old Business:

Blue Chairs:

Sold 40 to House of Prayer. They would take more. There are 9 in the garage.

Projector Relocation:

Kelly contacted Sam at NLFX and he has everything in stock and has set it aside for as soon as the electrician can come in. When we have the lift, we could set our spring cleaning date for the day after.

Narthex Cross Illumination:

The lights have been ordered and will be delivered to the church.

New Business:

Big Daddy Weave Concert:

Someone has inquired about using our sanctuary for a concert.

M/S Lisa Newhouse and Lisa Vind motion to form a sub-committee to look into and decide if the concert would be an event that we can host.

**Aye: 12 Nay: 0 Abstain: 0
Motion Passed**

Sub-Committee: Kelly Kindem, Lisa Vind, Lisa Newhouse, and Sara Dreyer.

Respectfully submitted by Kelly Kindem.

**Bethel Lutheran Church Council Meeting
Tuesday, May 14, 2019**

Correspondence:

The *SOS Board* has sent out an email explaining that the Servants of Shelter program would “no longer be offering direct housing services”. “SOS has not disbanded... [w]e are open to and exploring opportunities to continue to minister to our homeless neighbors.”

Char Espe and Jessica Powell, representing the BCCC Board, informed the council that the Board

is considering a new idea. Instead of adding onto the church, which would most likely require a sprinkler system be installed for the whole church, they are considering building an entirely new building on the other side of the parking lot. This structure would include classrooms. The square footage would not require a sprinkler system. The Child Care would still use the sanctuary and Fellowship Hall on special occasions and for programs.

Old Business:

Projector Relocation/Narthex Cross Illumination:

Will be done the 30th and 31st of May. Because a lift will have to be rented for this, the council scheduled a Church Cleaning Day on Saturday, June 1.

Big Daddy Weave Concert:

No new information.

New Business:

Church Pictorial:

M/S Samantha Pond/Lisa Newhouse to contact Image Photography and/or Olan Mills to find out about the process of having a church pictorial done. Samantha Pond volunteered to contact the companies.

**Aye: 7 Nay: 0 Abstain: 0
Motion Passed**

Church Picnic:

M/S Lisa Newhouse/Kirt Dreyer to have a Potluck Brunch Picnic on Sunday, August 11 after church service.

**Aye: 7 Nay: 0 Abstain: 0
Motion Passed**

Respectfully submitted by Sally McIntyre



Sunday, June 9, 2019



- 02 June Sand
- 03 Vi Suther
- 07 Yvonne Olson
- 08 Cole Kindem
- 10 Daniel Hoff
- 11 Alice Sadek
- 13 Allen Evans
- Isabelle Hopke (8)
- 14 Laura Rock
- 17 Penny Evans
- Donna Froyd
- Miriam Kindem
- Sandy Norrgard
- 20 Sheila Masters
- 21 Harold Ugelstad
- 25 Jane Boutwell
- 28 Samantha Pond

- 01 Jessica Powell
- 08 Butch Schramm
- 09 Barbara Brown
- Adam Pederson
- 12 Della Cluff
- 13 Jacob Gregory
- 17 Marilyn Zeman
- 18 Riley Copsiskey
- 22 Amity Steffen
- 24 Brody Dreyer
- 28 Katie Jerdee
- Ardella Lindseth

Bruce & Sandy Norrgard

June 1, 1974 (45)

Mark & Miriam Kindem

June 18, 1988 (31)

Bruce & Sara Dreyer

June 19, 1993 (26)

Edgar & Charlotte Espe

June 28, 1975 (44)

Paul and Ione McIntyre

July 12, 1964 (55)

Andrew and Emily Case

July 12, 2014 (5)

Brandon and Samantha Pond

July 15, 2017 (2)

Allen and Penny Evans

July 17, 1973 (46)

Elmer and June Sand

July 21, 1954 (65)



BETHEL FUNERALS



BETTY BERGSGAARD

BIRTH: OCTOBER 6, 1934

DEATH: MAY 16, 2019

FUNERAL: MAY 24, 2019

DONALD KOOSMANN

BIRTH: JULY 29, 1942

DEATH: APRIL 15, 2019

FUNERAL: NO PUBLIC MEMORIAL



*Paul and Ione McIntyre
will celebrate their
55th Wedding
Anniversary*

on Saturday, July 6



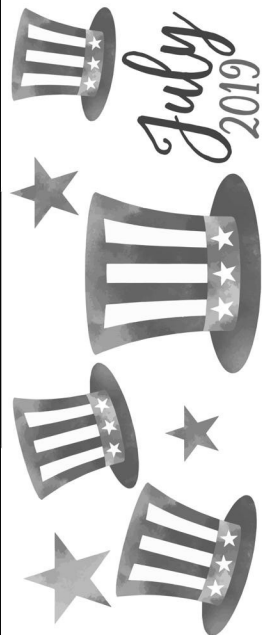
from 1-4 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

All are invited!

There will be nibbles and cake.

Please come and help them rejoice.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>2</p> <p>Food Shelf Sunday</p> <p>9:00am Worship Service 10:00am Fellowship Hour</p>	<p>3</p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p> <p>5:00pm Weight Watchers</p>	<p>4</p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p> <p>5-7:00pm BCCC Baby-sits for Bi-CAP</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Bethel at Food Shelf 12-3</p> <p>7:00am Men's Group 10:30am Bible Study 12:00pm Finance Com. Mtg.</p>	<p>6</p> <p>4:30pm Weight Watchers</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p>
<p>9</p> <p>"Go the Extra Mile" for Battered Women's Shelter</p> <p>9:00am Worship Service 10:00am Fellowship Hour</p> <p>PENTECOST SUNDAY</p>	<p>10</p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p> <p>5:00pm Weight Watchers</p>	<p>11</p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p> <p>6:30pm Council Meeting</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Bethel at Food Shelf 12-3</p> <p>7:00am Men's Group 10:30am Bible Study</p> <p>5:00pm BCCC Advisory Mtg</p>	<p>13</p> <p>7:30-9:00am BCCC Donuts with Dads</p> <p>4:30pm Weight Watchers</p>	<p>14</p> <p>FLAG DAY</p>	<p>15</p>
<p>16</p> <p>9:00am Worship Service 10:00am Fellowship Hour</p> <p>Father's Day</p>	<p>17</p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p> <p>5:00pm Weight Watchers</p>	<p>18</p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p> <p>5:45pm BCCC Staff Meeting</p>	<p>19</p> <p>7:00am Men's Group 10:30am Bible Study</p>	<p>20</p> <p>4:30pm Weight Watchers</p>	<p>21</p> <p>SUMMER BEGINS</p>	<p>22</p>
<p>23/30</p> <p>9:00am Worship Service 10:00am Fellowship Hour</p>	<p>24</p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p> <p>5:00pm Weight Watchers</p>	<p>25</p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p>	<p>26</p> <p>7:00am Men's Group 10:30am Bible Study</p>	<p>27</p> <p>4:30pm Weight Watchers</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Wright-Black Wedding in F. H.</p>

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<p>Bethel Foundation Grant Applications Due July 1</p>	<p>1</p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p> <p>Bethel Delivers Meals-on-Wheels July 1-3, 5</p> <p>5:00pm Weight Watchers</p>	<p>2</p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Bethel at Food Shelf 12-3 7:00am Men's Group 10:30am Bible Study</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Independence Day BCCC & Church Closed</p>	<p>5</p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p>	<p>6</p>  <p>1:00-4:00pm McIntyre 55th Wedding Anniversary Party in F.H.</p>
<p>7</p> <p>Food Shelf Sunday 9:00am Worship Service 10:00am Fellowship Hour</p>	<p>8</p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p> <p>5:00pm Weight Watchers</p>	<p>9</p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p> <p>NO Council Meeting</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Bethel at Food Shelf 12-3 7:00am Men's Group 10:30am Bible Study</p> <p>5:00pm BCCC Advisory Mtg</p>	<p>11</p> <p>4:30pm Weight Watchers</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Road/Carter Wedding Rehearsal</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Road/Carter Wedding</p> 
<p>14</p> <p>"Go the Extra Mile" for Gideons 9:00am Worship Service 10:00am Fellowship Hour</p>	<p>15</p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p> <p>5:00pm Weight Watchers</p>	<p>16</p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p> <p>5:45pm BCCC Staff Meeting</p>	<p>17</p> <p>7:00am Men's Group 10:30am Bible Study</p>	<p>18</p> <p>4:30pm Weight Watchers</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p>
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<p>28</p> <p>9:00am Worship Service 10:00am Fellowship Hour 2:30 p.m. Worship at Havenwood</p>	<p>29</p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p> <p>5:00pm Weight Watchers</p>	<p>30</p> <p>BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm</p>	<p>31</p> <p>7:00am Men's Group 10:30am Bible Study</p>			

Church in Mission

Bemidji Community Food Shelf

“Mission Statement: The Bemidji Community 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.”

“The person with two tunics should share with the person who has none, and the one who has food should do the same.”

-Luke 3:11

Clients Served:

BCFS served 2,920 individuals during the month of March and distributed 72,242 pounds of food. In April, BCFS served 3,111 individuals with 62,529 pounds of food. During the first four months of 2019, 6,098 individuals were served with 264,251 pounds of food.

Thank you and Bethel's Schedule:

Thank you for your donations to the Food Shelf and also thank you to our volunteers - Char Espe, Karen Tank, Suze Beck and Bob Spangler. Bethel's schedule is the first two Wednesday afternoons of the month from 12 to 3. If you can volunteer on one of these afternoons, please call me at 586-3424.

Article on the Food Shelf:

There will be a comprehensive article about the history of the Food Shelf in the June issue of the "In Bemidji" magazine.

Volunteer Appreciation Ice Cream Social:

The annual Volunteer Appreciation Ice Cream Social will be held August 25th from 2-4 p.m.

Items Needed:

Personal care items, pancake mix, cereal, baking items, and clean plastic bags.

Anita Spangler, Food Shelf Representative



Churches United

Mission Statement: Churches United is a non-profit organization of Bemidji Area Churches, led by the Spirit of Christ, working together to meet the emergency needs of the homeless and low-income people in a prayerful way.

Motto: Welcoming the stranger as Jesus.

Services Include: Basic needs (food, clothing, and assistance with utilities and emergency transportation) plus referrals to area agencies and businesses.

Current Needs: Wet wipes for babies, small size dish soap, toilet tissue

103 intakes were processed for the month of April...that would total 305 individuals - of which 52 were unemployed. Revenue for the month was \$2,512.69 which includes member church obligations, private donations, and private company donations.

Thanks to Bethel for their continued financial support!

Office hours are 12-4 pm Mondays, Tuesday, Thursdays, & Fridays.

Char Espe, Executive Board Secretary

China Service Ventures

We are accepting applications for 2019 Summer Camp Counselors. You can find more information on our website: chinaserviceventures.org. The due date for applications is May 27, 2019.

Our international summer camps are geared for "Stay Behind" children, ages 8-15. Bilingual fluency in Mandarin Chinese and English is not required -- though helpful. A loving and serving attitude is paramount. If you cannot go, please consider sponsoring a child to camp. Go to our website above.

Henan's Department of Education sent an official to investigate our rural school library projects. They confirmed that the books you purchased were "good" and approved by the education department. Evidently there is a Beijing communiqué about being extremely cautious about dealing with Western organizations. Our staff passed the test.

**THE BEMIDJI AREA CHURCH MUSICIANS
PRESENTS**

THE 2019 SUMMER RECITAL SERIES
Our 32nd Season

WEDNESDAYS, NOON TO 12:30 P.M.

June 5	First City Handbell Choir, Carol L. Johnson and Vicki L. Stenerson, Co-directors	St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church 1800 Irvine Avenue NW
June 12	Steve Saari, piano, Philip Hermann, organ	First Presbyterian Church 501 Minnesota Avenue NW
June 19	Sarah Carlson, organ	First Lutheran Church 900 Bemidji Avenue N
June 26	Melanie Hanson, violin, Michael Hanson, alto saxophone	Trinity Lutheran Church 123 29 th Street NE
July 3	Lois Simonson, piano, Kari Miller, flute, Sanna Gustafson, saxophone, Janet Pederson, violin	Evangelical Covenant Church 5405 Hwy 2 W (across from Bemidji Theater)
July 10	John Konecne, saxophone	St. Mark's Lutheran Church 2220 Anne Street NW (West of Paul Bunyan Communications)
July 17	Bemidji Brass Quintet	First Baptist Church 1555 Paul Bunyan Dr. NW
July 24	Free Church Musicians	Evangelical Free Church 115 Carr Lake Rd SW
July 31	Glenn Seibel, euphonium Wayne Hoff, piano	United Methodist Church 9 th and Beltrami Avenue NW
August 7	Jennifer (Paquette) Ellis, piano, folk harp	Calvary Lutheran Church 2508 Washington Avenue SE
August 14	St. Philip's Musicians	St. Philip's Church 702 Beltrami Avenue NW
August 21	Tracy Schanke, soprano Cheryl Durant, piano	New Salem Lutheran Church 7491 Island View Dr. NE (Hwy 71 N at Turtle River)
August 28	Jon Romer, native flute, Mike Tangen, guitar, Evan Byler, tenor, Sarah Carlson, piano	First Lutheran Church 900 Bemidji Avenue N

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Supports our Music Scholarships
and Fellowships

**LUNCH WILL BE AVAILABLE FOLLOWING EACH RECITAL
COSTS TO BE ANNOUNCED**

