

OCT/NOV 2018



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SUNDAY WORSHIP

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

BETHEL BEACON

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



Consecration Sunday coming up: Oct. 7, 2018.

Bethel has been having 'Consecration Sunday' for several years now. It is because we all have an important part in the financial support of our congregation that we continue to do this. One of the questions a young boy once asked me was: "Why do

you give your money away?" It caused me to wonder: "Good question"! Why *do* we give our money away? I remember a Sunday School song that I learned many years ago, and is still sung today: "We love, because God first loved us". Why do we give? We give because God first gave to us! God has given us ourselves, our time, and our possessions, all signs of His gracious love. But more gracious by far: God has given us His only Son our Lord! Jesus Christ. And Jesus gave his life for us! For us!

So why do we give? We give because it is an act of worship; we give sacrificially, that is we forgo something else in order to give; we give of what we often hold dear; we give as an expression of our faith - that God will provide, even if we give "first fruits", or "off the top"; and we give because God first gave and continues still, to give to us. Thank you for giving and sharing yourselves and your finances with Bethel.

The 85th annual Concordia Christmas Concert "Today, Heaven Sings" will be performed Friday, November 30 at 7 p.m.

Please join us for a bus trip leaving Bethel at 2:00 p.m., eating supper at the dining service at Concordia College (on your own) and then the concert. We will leave for Bemidji after the concert.

Tickets for the motor coach and concert will be \$20.00 each. Please sign up in the office. Pastor Kindem will order the tickets on October 30th when they go on sale.

Pastor Mark Kindem

"GO THE EXTRA MILE"

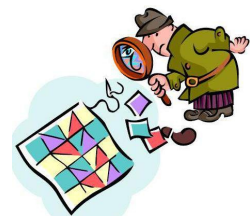
ON THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH BETHEL HAS A "GO THE EXTRA MILE" OFFERING TAKEN UP FOR LOCAL MISSIONS.

COLLECTED OFFERING FOR
AUGUST
NORTHWOODS PREGNANCY
CARE CENTER:

\$ 102.17

THANK YOU!

Looking...



**for a Leader for the
Bethel Quilters!**

The Bethel Quilters are sheep without a shepherd. If you would like to take on this responsibility talk to Sally in the office!



God loveth a cheerful giver.



Consecration Sunday is approaching, and I ask all of you to take a moment and think of what financial stewardship means to you.

As a Christian congregation the Lord expects each of us to be wise with the assets he has given us. Part of that involves our tithing to the church. On consecration Sunday I ask each of you to seriously consider your monetary commitment to our church.

Why do we give?

I am Faithful to God

I am a disciple

I am generous

I have more than I need

I am able

I am called

Giving is not only monetary, it is also your time and talents. What is God calling me to do? We have many opportunities in our church to give.

God loveth a cheerful giver. - 2 Corinthians 9:6-11

But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully. Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work: (As it is written, He hath dispersed abroad; he hath given to the poor: his righteousness remaineth for ever. Now he that ministereth seed to the sower both minister bread for your food, and multiply your seed sown, and increase the fruits of your righteousness;) Being enriched in every thing to all bountifulness, which causeth through us thanksgiving to God.

God's Blessings to each of you,

Samantha Pond

Congregational President





The mission of the Church is to Glorify God

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

Sally McIntyre, Office/Finance Manager:

We need a tech guru to help with updates if the computers need it.

Old Business:

Committee Structures and Functions:

Starting after labor day, one committee will have the bylaw put into the bulletin with a signup sheet available after the service for those who are interested.

Church Picnic --- September 9:

The plan is to start at 11am at Diamond Point Park. Char Espe and Kelly Kindem will help if Lisa is not available. People are encouraged to bring yard games and food. Lisa is looking into doing a door prize for a kid, a man, and a woman.

Sunday School 2018-2019:

Sunday School will be on Sundays, from 10:00am to before 11:00am. Wednesday nights would take place for the Youth Group and they would either have a sign up for dinner or just start later and just have snacks. We would start Sunday School on September 16th, 2018.

New Business:

Foundation Grants:

President Kirt Dreyer talked about how all were fully funded except the Northwoods Pregnancy Care Center was awarded \$2000.

Dean Rasmussen Vacancy:

Alice Sadek and Vi Suther both talked to Art Reistad to see if he would be willing to finish Dean's term. It would be for only 2 months.

Missionary Candidates:

Stephen Helweg and his wife Rylie, have accepted the position of Oak Hills Camp Facilities Director and will be responsible for the grounds, development, maintenance, and everything else that would allow the camp to grow. They have a 10 year vision to allow the camp to be an all year facility which would involve renovating the whole camp to be Minnesota winter friendly. Rylie will take care of their son and take part in what she can do with the camp as she is able to. They need to raise about \$4000 a month to be able to function. We discussed possibly putting them in the benevolence for next year. There are 4 months left of this year and we could give them \$100 a month from the general fund. It was also discussed to have them come in for a Second Mile Offering.

Committee Reports:

BCCC Report- See Financial Statements. We are looking for 2 teachers due to some staff members resigning.

President Dreyer has resigned as president but will remain on the council. Samantha Pond will step into role of president for the remainder of the year.

Tuesday, September 11, 2018

Old Business:

Committee Structures and Functions:

Samantha Pond talked about having a Temple Talk once a month during the beginning of the service to talk about the committees that have no functioning committee or have very few members. There was discussion about having someone from the property committee give a Temple Talk around March or April. The temple talks will be the 4th Sunday of each month.

Church Picnic --- Wrap-Up:

There were between 30 and 35 people attended the picnic. There was discussion brought up about doing the church picnic during the summer and try August 11, 2019 on-site, and using the rental fee toward something else for the picnic.

Sunday School 2018-2019:

September 16th is the first Sunday School for the year. Jessica and Sylvia will be teachers and Kelly will be a back-up if they are not available. There was discussion about how Youth group will work and food for them.

Guidelines for donations:

Char Espe came up with a rough draft and showed it to the Paint Ladies to see what they thought. This will be for donations that are dropped off and not needed at this time. Someone needs to approve the donations before they are accepted into the church. M/S Kirt Dreyer and Kelly Kindem motion to accept the document and look at it again in November.

Aye: 11 Nay: 0 Abstain: 0. Motion Passed

New Business:

Vice-President:

Duties for the Vice-President are to fill in when the president can't be there. Sara Dreyer volunteers to fill in for the next 2 months.

M/S Char Espe and Kirt Dreyer motion to accept Sara Dreyer.

Aye: 11 Nay: 0 Abstain: 0. Motion Passed

Volunteering at the Concession Stand at BSU Hockey:

Samantha got an email from a friend that works at the Sanford center. We would need 6-8 volunteers and are guaranteed a minimum \$250 or more. The time frame is from 5-9pm. Saturday, November 24th will be the day that we will work at the concession stand.

NALC 2019 Convocation and Election of Bishop:

The NALC is electing a bishop in 2019. They would really like to have congregational members to come and would also like to have nominations from congregations as well. Paul and Ida Martinson have gone every year since the church changed to the NALC.

M/S Kirt Dreyer and Sara Dreyer motions to add into the budget to allow \$2000 for two congregational members to go to the annual NALC convention.

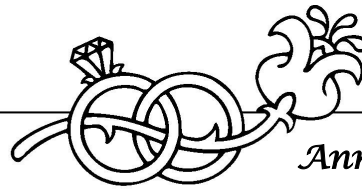
Aye: 11 Nay: 0 Abstain: 0. Motion Passed

Respectfully submitted by Kelly Kindem, Secretary.



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 05 Laurie Wood
- 07 Ronald Vietor
Marilyn Workman
- 11 Milo Gille
- 13 Joseph Casper
- 14 Elmer Sand
- 15 Bruce Norrgard
Morgan Powell
- 16 Emily Case



October

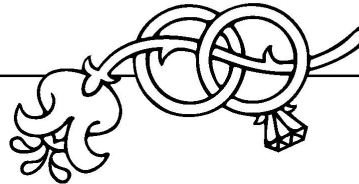
Anniversaries

Clarence and Ardella Lindseth

October 20, 1951 (67)

Jan & Gloria Veiss

October 25, 1978 (40)



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 01 Brianna Gregory
- 02 Carol Haiby
- 06 Susan Copiskey
Ione McIntyre
- 08 Ida Martinson
- 09 Paul Martinson
- 11 Lisa Vind
- 15 Patricia Vind
- 17 Lorrane Thorson
- 18 Matthew Kindem
- 19 Paul McIntyre
- 20 Jemma Copiskey
Marilyn Vietor
- 26 Ruth Stebleton
- 29 Sara Franks

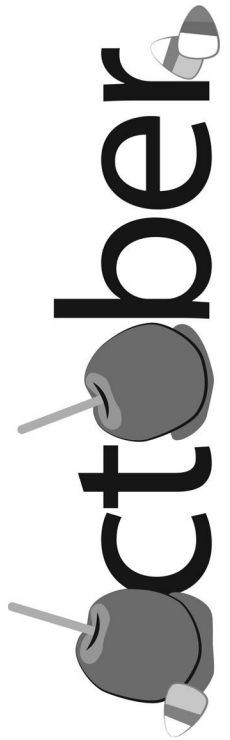
WANTED

Quality Items for the Bazaar Silent Auction!

-See Len Bergstrom

Also...

Crafts,
Baked Goods,
Produce,
Home-canned goods!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2018	1 BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm Staff Development— No Public School 5:00pm Weight Watchers	2 BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm	3 Bethel's Day at Food Shelf 7:00am Men's Group 10:00am Bible Study 11:45am Finance Com. Mtg. 6:30pm Youth Group	4 4:30pm Weight Watchers	5	6
7 Food Shelf Sunday Consecration Sunday 9:00am Worship Service 10:00am Fellowship Hour 10:15am Sunday School	8 5:00pm Weight Watchers	9 BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm 6:30pm Council Meeting	10 7:00am Men's Group 10:00am Bible Study 5:00pm BCCC Advisory Mtg. 6:30pm Youth Group	11 4:30pm Weight Watchers	12 8:00am Bazaar Set-Up	13 8:00am-2:00pm Bethel's Best Bazaar
14 "Go the Extra Mile" for Hospice 9:00am Worship Service 10:00am Fellowship Hour 10:15am Sunday School	15 5:00pm Weight Watchers	16 BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm 5:45pm BCCC Staff Meeting	17 7:00am Men's Group 10:00am Bible Study NO Youth Group	18 4:30pm Weight Watchers	19 MEA—No Public School 6:00pm Brown/Mostoller Wedding Rehearsal	20 Brown/Mostoller Wedding
21 9:00am Worship Service 10:00am Fellowship Hour NO Sunday School	22 5:00pm Weight Watchers	23 BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm	24 7:00am Men's Group 10:00am Bible Study 6:30pm Youth Group	25 4:30pm Weight Watchers	26 6:00pm Young Adult/ Family Game Night	27 Youth Group: Community Clean-Up
28 Reformation Sunday 9:00am Worship Service 10:00am Fellowship Hour 10:15am Sunday School	29 5:00pm Weight Watchers	30 BCCC Open 6:30am - 5:45pm	31 7:00am Men's Group 10:00am Bible Study 6:30pm Youth Group			

Bemidji Community
Food Shelf

Church in Mission

“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.”

Churches United

Mission Statement: Churches United is a nonprofit organization of Bemidji area churches led by the Spirit of Christ to work together to meet the emergency needs of homeless and low-income people in a prayerful way.

“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

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.

Clients Served by Bethel:

The Food Shelf has been very busy this summer and fall. Bethel volunteers served approximately 100 people on August 1st and September 5th. Thank you to our volunteers Char Espe, Karen Tank, Suze Ann Pearson, Dee Tieglund, Joann Gregory, Alice Sadek and Bob Spangler.

Current Needs: Travel size lotions and conditioners, full size quilts, OFFICE VOLUNTEERS.

Volunteers Needed:

More volunteers are needed to help Bethel serve clients on the first Wednesday of the month. Please call me (586-3424) if you can volunteer on October 3rd or November 7th. You can volunteer for the morning shift (9 to 12:30) or the afternoon shift (12:30 to 3).

It's been a very busy summer at Churches United helping those clients who come through the door. 168 requests were made during the 18 days the office was open in August. \$5539.17 was dispersed in vouchers and other assistance – but the revenue was only \$744.22. Thanks to Bethel for their continued support!

Clients Served:

During the months from January 1st to August 31st, 15,856 individuals and families were served. The food distributed totaled 509,890 pounds of food.

Office hours are 1-4pm Mondays, Tuesday, Thursdays, & Fridays.

Harvest Ball:

The Harvest Ball (a fund raiser for the Farm) was held at the Eagles on September 13th. Approximately 200 people attended. A silent auction was also held with many donated items from local businesses and individuals.

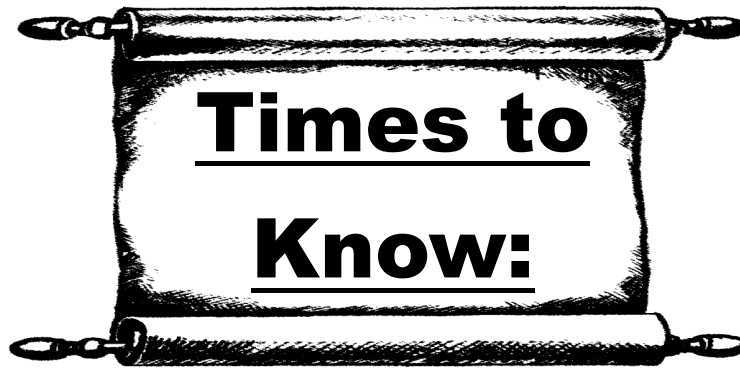
Char Espe
Executive Board Secretary

Farm Report: Many volunteers assisted during the summer months with planting, weeding and harvesting. The goal for the Farm was to harvest 24,684 Pounds of produce.

Do you feel like something is missing from the calendar? Or from the front of the church?
You're not wrong!
The Orthodox Church in America has found a new home for their worship services.
We wish the All Saints of North America Chapel the very Best!

Current Needs: Canned meat, peanut butter, cold cereal, pancake mix, bar soap, shampoo, dish and laundry detergent, toilet paper, tooth paste, deodorant, and facial tissue.

Anita Spangler, Food Shelf Representative



I am planning to 'reset' the prayer concerns list on October 7. If you would like to keep a name on the list for October 7 and later, please talk to me or leave a written message in the office. Thank You!
-Sally McIntyre



Bethel's Best BAZAAR



8:00 a.m. Friday, October 12 : All items due at church. Set-Up and Pricing

7:15-7:30 a.m. Saturday, October 13: Be at Church for Final Prep



Quilt Raffle
Tickets
are
On Sale

from now until the drawing at the Bazaar.
You don't have to be present to win!
Want to sell tickets? Talk to Karen Tank.



Bethel Delivers
Meals-on-Wheels
the week of Nov. 12-16.

This is the official notice to the congregation of a
Congregational Meeting on
Sunday, November 18, 2018
immediately following the worship service,
For the Purpose of Elections to the Church
Council, the Bethel Foundation Board and the
Bethel Child Care Center Advisory Board.

If you are being called to serve in this capacity,
please talk to a member of the Nominating

Committee:
Kelly Kindem
Ione McIntyre
Karen Tank

12 Sunday, November 4

Fall Back

Daylight Savings
Time Ends at
2:00 a.m.

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