

PRAYER CONCERNS

Illness/Recuperation: Sylvia Lei Arenas, Irene Beck, Marlene Bergstrom, Howie & Becky Borden, Tyler Brooks, Eleanor Dahle, Alva Drusch, Hannah Eckman, Gordon Franks, Helen Fusaro, Sharon Hanks, Kimberly Hanson, Lauree Highland, Jeff Jung, Tim Knutson, Darrel Lauderbaugh, Tom Leonard, Myra Lindahl, Charlene Loisel, Win Lutze, Peter Martinson, Tammy Melbraaten, Doris Naughton, Betty Olsen, Lorraine Pemberton, Everly Peterson, Reuben Pszwaro, Bob Rittman, Byron Rock, Briana Sanders, Vicky Schulke, Anthony Tamaro, Paul Taylor, Helen Thompson, Jim Walline, Dick and Marilyn Zeman.

Grieving: Family and Friends of Kevin Binkley.

SERVANTS OF GOD

July 2, 2017 9:00 a.m.

<u>Greeters</u>	Alice Sadek
<u>Ushers</u>	Karen & Jerry Tank
<u>Scripture Reader</u>	Paul McIntyre
<u>Altar Guild Assistant</u>	Sandy Norrgard
<u>Fellowship Time</u>	Fellowship Group

July 9, 2017 9:00 a.m.

<u>Greeters</u>	Alice Sadek
<u>Ushers</u>	Don DeLapp and Art Reistad
<u>Scripture Reader</u>	Volunteer Needed
<u>Altar Guild Assistant</u>	Alice Sadek
<u>Fellowship Time</u>	Youth Group

There is a nursery room available to use for children four and younger. It's the first room on the left, in the Sunday School wing.

Hearing Aid Devices are available before each service from the ushers.

If you have an emergency over the weekend and need to reach the pastor please call the church office at 444-4746. The message will indicate how to reach the pastor.

THIS WEEK @ BETHEL

SUNDAY, July 2, 2017

Food Shelf Sunday

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

MONDAY, July 3, 2017

6:30 a.m. to 5:45 p.m. BCCC
5:00 p.m. Weight Watchers

TUESDAY, July 4, 2017

BCCC & Church Office **CLOSED**



Happy 4th of July!

WEDNESDAY, July 5, 2017

6:30 a.m. to 5:45 p.m. BCCC
Bethel's Day at the Food Shelf
7:00 a.m. Men's Group
NO Bible Study
NO Finance Committee Meeting

THURSDAY, July 6, 2017

6:30 a.m. to 5:45 p.m. BCCC
4:30 p.m. Weight Watchers

FRIDAY, July 7, 2017

6:30 a.m. to 5:45 p.m. BCCC

SATURDAY, July 8, 2017

SUNDAY, July 9, 2017

**"Go the Extra Mile" for
Gideons**

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



With Sympathy

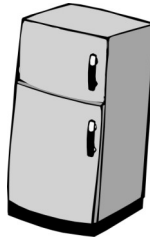
Our sympathy and prayers are extended to the family and friends of Kevin Binkley who died on Sunday, June 25, 2017. His funeral service was held on Friday, June 30, 2017 at Bethel.

"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."



The BCCC is looking for a full-size refrigerator. If you have one you would like to

donate or sell please talk to Jessica Powell at 444-4789.



Donations for the NALC disaster Relief Warehouse

Please have these in by **Sunday, July 30** so the Martinsons have time to pack them in their van!

The Bemidji Area Church Musicians Presents

THE 2017 SUMMER RECITAL SERIES

Wednesdays, noon to 12:30 p.m.

July 5

Scholarship Recipients:

Anna Eriksson, McKayla Carter,

MacKensey Thunem

Evangelical Free, 115 Carr Lake Rd SW



The Quilters are in need of sheets for quilt backings. If you would like to donate any please bring them to the church office.

- **The Water Carnival Grand Parade** will be today, **Sunday, July 2** starting at **1:00 p.m.**
- **The Red, White & Boom Firework Spectacular** will be **Tuesday, July 4** at **dusk**. Fireworks will be shot from a barge on Lake Bemidji and the best viewing spots will be near Paul and Babe.
- The **Alzheimer's Memory Loss Support Group** will meet on **Tuesday, July 11** from **1:00-2:30 p.m.** and also **6:30-8:00 p.m.** at the Neilson Center.
- **Heart Beat**, a support group for suicide loss survivors will meet on **Tuesday, July 11** at **7:00 p.m.** at Evergreen Youth and Family Services, 610 Patriot Dr.
- **Bemidji Christian Women** will have an **Evening Out** on **Monday, July 17** at **6:00 p.m.** at the Eagles Club. Meal is \$11. There will be music by Patty Blackstad-Parker. Diane Jones will talk about Healthy Foot Care and Patty Blackstad-Parker will talk on "How the wreckage of Her Life was Restored." R.S.V.P. with Elaine 333-3544 or Alverna 335-7838.
- Hope Lutheran Church in Walker is holding a **Christmas in July** on **Tuesday, July 18** from **10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.** There will be a quilt raffle, plant sale, bake sale, silent auction and plenty of crafts! Salad luncheon (with lefse!) is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children under 10. Proceeds will go to a variety of domestic and international programs. Hope Lutheran Church is located at 305 10th St. S, Walker, (turn south at Jimmy's Restaurant).
- Neilson Family Council will hold their monthly **Roll Sale** on **Tuesday, July 18** from 8:30-10:30 a.m. For \$2 you get a Homemade Roll and Coffee, and all proceeds go to projects for residents and families of Neilson Place.
- **REACH**, is a free support group open to any family member or friend of someone with mental illness. Reach will meet **Tuesday, July 18**, from **7-8:30 p.m.** at Hope House, 2014 7th St. SE.
- **Farm By The Lake** is holding a Free Event on **Sunday, August 13** from **4-7 p.m.** Speaker Ben Hylden will talk about his book "Finding Faith in the Field" and there will be music by Kent Dudley & Bended Knee. More information can be found on the poster on the bulletin board and at farmbythelake@gvtel.com.

Income for a Typical Month in 2017	
Offerings	\$10,692
BCCC	\$1,096
Rental of Building	\$1,130
Total	\$12,918

Patti VanCamp, our Finance Manager prepares detailed reports every month that are available to congregation in the Council Packet Binder in the Narthex. However, there can be such a thing as too detailed. I have broken down the major income and expenses for the church in a typical month.

As you can see, the BCCC is working in the black and is paying the church every month to reimburse for Patti's salary when she works on their finances, for electricity and for other supplies they use.

Expenses for a Typical Month in 2017	
Salaries	\$3,441
Benefits	\$3,498
Mortgage	\$1,440
Church Insurance	\$819
Electricity	\$550
Office Supplies	\$406
FICA/MEDI Taxes	\$298
Telephone	\$268
Storm Water Fee	\$203
Custodial Supplies	\$129
Gas	\$103
Maintenance	\$69
Total	\$11,229

The main source of rent for the building comes from the Weight Watchers who meet here twice a week. The American Orthodox Church who meet here after our service on some Sundays also give us money as they can afford.

The main expenses are salaries and benefits. Benefits include health insurance, retirement contributions and the Pastor's Housing Allowance. This is with Pastor and Patti at 1/2 time. I have NOT included the cost of a Custodian. We have not had one since Abe retired April 30. Members of the church have been filling in.

The cost of electricity has gone down thanks to the new LED lights. The \$550 is based on our last bill. The Storm Water Fee is a new expense starting last year. In 2015 the church was annexed into the city of Bemidji. Every year in June we get a bill for \$2,438.52. When storm drains reach out this far the bill will double. I have divided it out over a year.

The debt of 2016 came about because to pay for Full-Time Pastor and Patti, money had to be borrowed. This was done through a \$10,000 Line-of-Credit at Security Bank (since paid back), a \$10,000 short term loan from the Bethel Foundation and from \$30,000 taken from our Savings Account. This Savings Account is for Designated Funds. There are 25 Designated Funds, the most notable are; Bazaar, Kitchen/Funeral Fund, Quilters, Worship and Music, Youth, Men's Group, Wednesday Night Suppers, and Parking Lot Project. People gave money or

funds were raised specifically for these groups. The total money given to these funds was \$ 36, 265.92 as of May 31. The total amount in the Savings Account is only \$14,961.43. The Council voted on June 13 to have the Parking Lot fixed. A project that has been in the works for years. The Parking Lot Fund raised \$ 13,229.01 (with another \$2500 grant application submitted to the Paulson Fund) through designated giving and grants. To have the cracks fixed, the lot sealed and restriped will cost ~ \$14, 700.

Another point of confusion is the Bethel Foundation. The Bethel Foundation is mostly made up of the Paulson Fund. These monies are not church monies. They are a trust we are charged with managing. Only the interest may be distributed in maximum \$2500 grants. Church groups need to submit an application just like community groups. The church may not apply for grants to pay for daily operating expenses like salaries and utilities.