

# THE BETHEL BEACON



5110 GRAND AVENUE  
GURNEE, IL 60031  
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*"Our mission is to help people be disciples; lifelong learners and followers of Jesus Christ."*

**It's almost time for Bethel's Annual Church Picnic....**Join us this Sunday, August 20th 11:00 a.m. at the Viking Park Summer Kitchen in Gurnee. Bring your family, bring your friends, no need to be a member! We will enjoy a few hours with our Bethel Family. There will be games, painted chair sponsoring and activities for all ages. Bethel will provide the meat, cups, plates, napkins, utensils, and drinks! You can still volunteer to bring a side dish, organize games, set up, clean up or help out in various other areas. Check your email to sign up or contact the office!



**Have you ever played pickleball?** Every Monday from 1:00 to 3:00pm and Thursday from 6:00 to 8:00pm in the Bethel gym several Bethel members and their friends get together for some friendly pickleball fun! We now have two courts and rotate teams in so that everyone gets plenty of exercise! If you have any questions contact the Bethel office or Carla Thompson.



**Wednesday Morning Landscaping....**It's that time again! Every Wednesday morning will be landscape morning at Bethel for approximately 3 hours. Projects will include landscape planning, shrub and plant maintenance, transplanting, erosion fighting, flower bed prep/cleanup and anything else we might decide to do. You don't need a green thumb! Everything is flexible so be here when you can. Materials and tools that we have will be supplied, if you have a favorite tool bring it along. For further info contact the property management team at [property@bethelgurnee.org](mailto:property@bethelgurnee.org).

**Bethel Families....**Summer is quickly coming to an end, and that means the start of the Christian Education year is upon us. We look forward to welcoming all children back to Sunday school on September 10. Please use the link on the right to register your children for Sunday school. This helps us tremendously as our teachers begin to plan lessons. We are excited to be able to meet again each week, catch up on summer happenings, and learn about God's love.



## Memory Verse Challenge • The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod



It is our great opportunity and joy to read and study God's Word. One beneficial practice is to memorize the Scriptures and, in so doing, to meditate on it. The LCMS invites everyone to memorize a verse together each week. Scan the QR code on the left for this weeks verse.



See all the information shared here and more by signing up for our email list or following us on our Facebook page.



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# August Service Roster

	Thursday 6:30 pm	Sunday 9:00 am	Thursday 6:30 pm	Sunday 9:00 am
	August 17	August 20	August 24	August 27
ELDER	Mike Bandman		Mike Bandman	
COMM. ELDER				
ACOLYTES	Tanna Megerle	Sharon Victor Sam	Ben Gutzke	OPEN
USHER 1		Paul Werfelmann	Scott Gutzke	
USHER 2		John Schultz		
FELLOWSHIP				
ALTAR GUILD	Margie Tatgenhorst and Dawn Werfelmann			
COUNTERS	Margie Tatgenhorst and Michelle Chudy			
Anyone unable to serve, contact Cindy Daluga at <a href="mailto:Cindy@bethelgurnee.org">Cindy@bethelgurnee.org</a>				Updated 8/17/23

## ***WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS***

We are pleased you chose to be with us in worship today, and pray the Lord blesses you as he has blessed us with your presence. Our goal is to help people find the right place for them to hear God's word and serve His mission. We'd love to support you in that spiritual journey. Please take a moment to complete an attendance card and place it in the Offering plate or give to an usher. This card will help us connect with you.

## ***NURSERY***

We have two rooms available for your use. When the service is in the sanctuary, the nursery is down the hall just past the restrooms. If the service is held in the gym, the nursery is in the youth room at the far end of the gym.

## Summer Worship Schedule

Worship Service Thursday 6:30pm

Worship Service Sunday 9:00am

Communion 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday & the Thursday prior

Office Hours Mon –Thurs 9am-3pm & Fri 9am -12pm

Call ahead because times may change.

## **VERBAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**for Worship Service need to be submitted to the Bethel Office by Thursday morning.**

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