

Gift Card Orders are due next Sunday, June 3.

There will be no order in July or August. The program will resume in September. Thank-you for your continued support. Happy Summer :) Sue Best



Vacation Bible School—July 16-20



We are still in need of adult volunteers, so please consider helping out. Students & volunteers can register at www.bethelgurnee.org. Contact Kylie Brazda, Jeremy or Andrea Little if you have any questions (vbs@bethelgurnee.org).

Bethel Community Garden Great gardening weather is finally here! See the Hub for plot rental forms for the Bethel Community Garden. Contact Alicia regarding any questions about the Bethel Garden at Alicia.Kazarian@gmail.com.



Dear Bethel, Thank you so much for all the books and support I received for my Girl Scout project. I far exceeded my goal and got almost 400 books. These books will definitely help my Girl Scout troop reach our goal of one thousand books for Bernie's Book Bank. I am grateful that Bethel was there to help us. All of these books will help to make a positive impact on the community around Lake County and surrounding areas. - Katie Kreamer



Traffic Cones

Periodically you may find cones up in the Bethel Parking Lot. These are meant to slow down people who turn around in our parking lot. If you arrive at church (at non-worship or other event times) and find cones up, please feel free to drive through them into the parking lot.



Installation Service

You are invited, Sunday, June 3 at 3:00 p.m., in the Chapel of Our Lord, Concordia University Chicago, when President elect Rev. Allan R. Buss will be installed as LCMS Northern Illinois District President.

Landscaping Day Like gardening? Have a little free time? Bethel will have landscaping day each Wednesday from 9 - 11 AM. Everything is flexible so if Wednesday doesn't work you can help on your schedule and according to your abilities. If you're interested, contact Monte (stoltzman@comcast.net).



Tech/Web-minded people! Katrina Johns (Equipping Coordinator) has a small project concerning databases that she is working on and could use your help. Please contact her at Katrina@Bethelgurnee.org.

Snail Mail Station One way in which to encourage others in our "Life Together" in Christ is to send them a handwritten note. We've supplied the cards and envelopes. You write the note, and then the Bethel staff will make sure to address it and get it in the mail. The station is located outside the church office.



Help out Love INC Love Inc is in great need of pots and pans that are in good condition or new. To make a donation email donations@loveinclakecounty.org or call 847-782-8630 x212 to make arrangement for drop off.



Verbal announcements for services need to be submitted to Pastor Squires by Thursday morning.

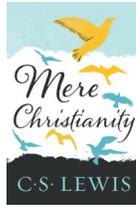


BETHEL RESOURCE SHELVES



Featured Books:

Mere Christianity is a collection of radio broadcasts that Lewis gave on the BBC in 1941-42 and 1944—when England was under constant bombing by the Germans. There, in the midst of World War II, Lewis spoke into the homes of his fellow countrymen, talking on the topic: “The Christian Faith as I See It—by a Layman.” This is a classic defense of the Christian faith, pulling apart only to build it back up again. While some of the steps in the argument may seem out of date in today’s post-Christian culture, it’s amazing how often Lewis still draws us right into facing the truth of God. This book is important to Bethel because Pastor Squires has often said, “This is the book that greatly influenced my faith and led me to think about going into ministry.”



When Helping Hurts: How to Alleviate Poverty without Hurting the Poor & Yourself

is a key book for Bethel’s focus on justice, mercy, and serving the under-resourced. Susan Squires has been leading this movement with workshops on this book and others, and we recommend this book as a place to begin considering how to “love well”. From the publisher, the Chalmers Institute: “Poverty is much more than simply a lack of material resources, and it takes much more than donations and handouts to solve it. *When Helping Hurts* shows how some alleviation efforts, failing to consider the complexities of poverty, have actually (and unintentionally) done more harm than good. “But it also looks ahead. It encourages us to see the dignity in everyone, to empower the materially poor, and to know that we are all uniquely needy – and that God in the gospel is reconciling all things to himself. Focusing on both North American and the Majority World, *When Helping Hurts* is a catalyst for seeing that sustainable change comes from the inside out – not from the outside in.”



Summer Office Hours

Beginning Monday, June 4

Hours are Monday—Friday ~ 9:00 a.m. to Noon

Note: Please call ahead just to verify that someone is in the office because our schedules may change.

This Week’s Calendar

Monday, May 28 Memorial Day

Church Office Closed

5:30 p.m.—Basketball

Thursday, May 31

6:30 p.m.—Communion in Sanctuary

Friday, June 1 Pastor and Katrina’s day off

Saturday, June 2 Pastor and Katrina’s day off

Sunday, June 3

9:00 a.m.— Communion in Gym

Summer Worship Schedule

Thursday 6:30PM & Sunday 9AM

Communion

1st, 3rd, 5th Sunday & Thursday prior

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 9AM - 3PM

Friday 9AM - 12PM

Last Week’s Attendance

Sunday 8AM—89 & 10:45AM—166

Sunday School— 92

Serving Next Week

Elders:

Mike Bandman

Comm/Asst. Elder:

OPEN

Acolytes:

OPEN, OPEN

Lay Readers:

Mike Bandman,

Michelle Ramon

Ushers:

Scott Mundrick, OPEN

Greeters:

Javier & Michelle Ramon,

The Bob Souza Family

June Altar Guild:

Sheila Bunnell

June Counters:

Monte Stoltzman

8:00 a.m.

10:45 a.m.

OPEN

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Dylan Love, Brooke Ratzburg

Ted Tatgenhorst,

Margie Tatgenhorst

John Schultz, OPEN

Aaron Ratzburg Family,

Mulley Family

Margie Tatgenhorst

Bill and Kathy Schwartz