

Bethel Emergency Response Training A team of Bethel members has put together a plan of action in case of emergency and would like to share it with you. There will be two opportunities to take part in this presentation, Thursday, **August 23rd** at 7:30 p.m. or Sunday, **August 26th** at 10:30 a.m. The Sunday presentation includes a light lunch to be provided. (please RSVP to Katrina Johns (Katrina@Bethelgurnee.org) or by signing up by the Hub for Sunday). The plan has been compiled utilizing sources from area police and sheriff's departments and Homeland security. The presentation will give an overview of steps to take for a variety of scenarios. It is strongly encouraged that all those who serve Bethel in anyway come to one of the training sessions. However, any and all who worship here are welcome to attend.



Sunday School News — RALLY DAY!

On **September 9th** the Sunday School year kicks off with fellowship at 9:00 a.m. Students (Preschool through High School) will be given instructions for their activities around 9:40 a.m. There will be Bible Study in the fellowship hall for adults led by Pastor. Students will meet back in the fellowship hall to finish up their Rally Day activities around 10:20 a.m. We'll also roll out info around this year's mission—A Safe Place—where Sunday School & Adult Bible Class offerings will go!



OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE—Interested? Need more info? PLEASE contact Diane Sanders, Kylie Brazda, Carla Thompson or Katrina Johns with ways you can help!

REGISTRATION—Please register your children via the website/email link to help us keep our student lists current! The Board of Christian Education will be emailing parents several times throughout the year and we cannot get the info to you properly unless you register. Children must be 3 years old by 9/1/2018 and be potty trained to enter the preschool class. Children under the age of 3 or who are not potty trained on 9/1/2018 are welcome to attend out weekly Little Lambs class!

DEADLINE for September Big Buzz
Tuesday, August 28 at 9:00 a.m.

SENIOR GAME DAY (for 60 and beyond) – It's happening again. Game Day is Tuesday, **August 28** from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Come have fun and get to know your peers better. Some games will be provided but you can also bring your own games to share. Bring a snack to share if you would like, coffee, and other beverages will be provided. For more information contact Karen Leicht, Disciple Care Coordinator, at karen@bethelgurnee.org or at the church office (847) 244-9647.



Bethel Gift Cards are Back Support the Bethel Youth and order a gift card. Forms are available on the Hub, and can be turned in at the office or placed in the offering plate. Deadline for orders is Sunday, **September 9th**. Questions? Contact Sue Best at snsbest@gmail.com



Bethel Picnic THANK YOU A heartfelt thank you to EVERYONE that helped make the picnic such an enjoyable experience. We had beautiful weather, the food was delicious, and the games were such fun.



Does any of this belong to you? The Bethel kitchen has a growing collection of dishes and serving pieces left behind from the picnic and a couple of funeral dinners. They will be on display after each of the services in the Narthex/back of the gym. Please take a look and see if any of them belong to you.

Fundraiser for Micah James and Jennifer Silasiri are hosting a fundraiser at the new Panera in honor of Micah Silasiri. We feel very blessed to be a part of Bethel and to continue to receive the support of the congregation through our fundraising on Micah's behalf. This year, as you get back into the school year, consider Panera on Friday, **August 31**. Check out the new location and use either their drive-thru, rapid pickup, or dine in (or outside on their patio). **An updated flyer, which has a new code, is available on the hub.** Panera will then donate 20% of your purchase to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society in Micah's name. Thank you again for all of your support!!



Ladies Wednesday Morning Bible Study Beginning on the first Wednesday in September (5th) at 9:30 a.m., the ladies of the Morning Bible Study will begin a new series called "Your Strong Suit". Join us in this study as we learn about the battle, our enemy, our armor, and our place in God's army. Our group meets in the lounge on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Wednesdays. Join us when you can and check with Kathy Schwartz (847-231-4351 or 224-575-2678) if you have any questions or would like to get your copy of the student guide.

Need Volunteers and Donations See the clipboards on the Hub for people and things that are needed on **September 16** at the LWML Zone 1 Fall Workshop here at Bethel. We need people to help with serving the lunch, helping at the craft tables, and to attend! We will be serving a soup and salad lunch (like our Lenten suppers) and we will need donations. If you can't come, we will be collecting granola bars for the PADS sack lunch program or for us to give to those clients that come to Bethel for showers. Choose a protein/healthier type of bar. Thank you for all your help and contact Kathy Schwartz (224-575-2678) if you have any questions.



Northern Illinois District Convention 2018

Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Humility, Gentleness, Self-Control. Against such things there is no law. *Galatians 5:22-23* That is the theme verse for the biennial convention to be held on **September 22-23**. It will be held at the Best Western Hotel and Convention Center in Hillside. Rev. John Nunez will be the keynote speaker and there will be mission speakers from the 2016-2018 LWML NID grants. A Servant event will be held on Friday, **September 21** 1:30 p.m. — 3:30 p.m. with opening worship Friday night at 7:00 p.m. The convention includes Saturday lunch, dinner and entertainment. Closing service and installation of officers will be on Sunday at 9:00 a.m. There are registration forms on the hub. Call Kathy Schwartz (847-231-4351 or 224-575-2678) if you have questions or want a ride!

COOL Family Housing Need

COOL has a family that has a little guy beginning kindergarten. He needs 6/7T pants and shirts. COOL has provided him with a backpack, school supplies, shoes and a winter coat. If you can help, please contact Amanda Williams, Family Housing Manager, at 847-662-1340, ext. 1 or email at awilliams@coolministries.org. Thank you for your support.



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.



Vases Needed The altar guild is missing some tall clear vases from altar flowers. If you have any from the church can you please drop them in the office.

This Week's Calendar

Monday, August 27

10:30 a.m.—Staff Meeting
5:30 p.m.—Basketball

Tuesday, August 28

9:30 a.m.—Senior Game Day
7:00 p.m.—Care in Community
7:00 p.m.—Council Meeting

Thursday, August 30

6:30 p.m.—Communion in Sanctuary

Friday, August 31

Pastor & Katrina's Day Off

Saturday, September 1

Pastor & Katrina's Day Off

Sunday, September 2

9:00 a.m.— Communion in Gym

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

Summer Worship Schedule

Thursday 6:30PM & Sunday 9AM

Communion

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

Summer Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9AM - 12PM

Last Week's Attendance

Thursday 6:30 PM— 57

Sunday 9:00 AM— 108

Serving Next Week

Thursday 6:30PM

Elders:
Comm/Asst. Elder:
Acolytes:
Lay Readers:
Ushers:
Greeters:

Mike Bandman
Dave Ziegler
Griffin Pavletic, Jeremy Leicht
Bill Schwartz
Don Heidlauf, **OPEN**
Kay Antonopoulos,
Elizabeth Blasko
Becky Anderson
Chris Mason

Sunday 9:00AM

Bob Souza
Jack Warneke
Jacob Herstowski, Ellie Kreamer
Nicole Kreamer
John Schultz, Chuck Johnson
The Hoppe Family,
The Faitsch Family
Shari Hoppe
Diane Sanders

Sept. Altar Guild:
Sept. Counters: