

Regular Sunday Worship Schedule

8:00 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. - Worship Service

9:00 a.m.—Fellowship

9:30 a.m.—Adult & Children Education Hour

Celebration of Ministry Join us on Sunday, **September 22** at 9:30 a.m. in the gym for a *Celebration of Ministry*. Games, prizes, fun and best of all you will learn where you can share your gifts with your Bethel family and beyond.

Disciple Basics—Gospel of Mark Bible Study Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study lead by Pastor Squires from 9:30—10:30a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Study beginnings **TODAY** with Rally Day Celebration for all ages.



New Wednesday Morning Bible Study We have started a new Bible Study entitled “Waiting - A Bible Study on Patience, Hope, and Trust” by Sharla Fritz. Kathy Schwartz will be leading this study. Contact her if you have questions or want to order a book (224-575-2678). (Even if you can’t attend in person, there could be an online group! Let me know if you are interested in that option).



Fall Handbell Choir Bethel is looking for members to join the handbell choir this fall. Practices will be held from 6-7 p.m. on Thursday evenings with several performances throughout the fall. A minimum of 11 ringers are needed to re-start the choir and Bethel has enough handbells to accommodate up to 23 players. Ringers should be able to read sheet music and should be at least junior high age. The first practice will be on **September 12** and continue through Christmas. We will re-evaluate and decide if we want to continue in the spring at that time. Please contact David Ziegler with any questions or to sign up. zieglerds@hotmail.com or (847) 878-1482

Meals Needed We have the opportunity to minister to the Freehling family by providing meals. The October, November, and December sign up for meals is available on the Hub.



Welcome to Rally Day! Today we celebrate the start to our Christian Education year! We have activities for all ages, so please plan to attend.



Rally Day Schedule:

9:00 (following early service) - Fellowship time. Come enjoy snacks, coffee, and catching up with friends courtesy of BOCE & Sunday school teachers.

9:30 - EVERYONE (adults and children) should meet in the sanctuary to kick off the official Rally Day activities. New teachers will be introduced and children sent out to their activities.

9:45-10:30 - Children will head off with their new teachers to Rally Day games and music. Adults will meet in the Fellowship Hall for Adult Bible Study with Pastor Squires.

10:30 - Parents can pick up their children in the gym at the end of our education hour.

We look forward to a great year and look forward to seeing you all there!

Board of Christian Education News

- Please take a few minutes to fill out the VBS survey that is being handed out today. BOCE would like to know the congregations opinions on how VBS will continue in the future.

- On Sunday, **September 29**, BOCE will sponsor the first of our Sunday youth, grades 6-12 open gyms for the year. Open gym will start at 10:30 a.m., after Sunday school, and end at 1:00 p.m. This way we can accommodate both early service attendees as well as late service attendees. We would like to provide lunch for the youth and will be asking parents to help us by providing a meal from time to time. We have done this twice and the turn out has been great and the kids are really bonding and having great discussions about faith.

Pickleball - As Fall approaches we are gearing up for indoor Pickleball. We are using the same schedule as last year. We play at 1 p.m. on Mondays and 6 p.m. on Thursdays. The gym is also available Thursday mornings. You can play anytime whenever the office is open. (or if you have a key, just let the office know you will be there.) Questions contact Carla Thompson: carlajothompson@gmail.com.



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Fellowship The sign up to host coffee hour on Sunday mornings is in the back of church on the Hub. Grab a friend and host together. If you have any questions contact Fellowship Chairman, Janet Jones at janetfindshouses@msn.com.



Band Instruments Needed Band teacher Andre Rivera is looking for instrument donations for his music program at North Chicago middle school. If you have anything to donate, Susan Squires (susan@musicspectrum.org) be glad to make sure your donation is delivered to North Chicago.

Brighter Futures Gala at Highland Park Country Club on **September 21** from 6-11:00 p.m. PADS Lake County cordially invites you to attend an evening celebrating the bright futures that we know are possible for our neighbors experiencing homelessness! Pastor Squires will be one of the guest speakers. Is your business, organization, or family interested in supporting PADS and connecting with fellow Lake County residents by sponsoring this event? Check out the Sponsorship Opportunities or contact Jamie Roberts at 847-616-2686 or jroberts@padslakecounty.org.

Moving Supplies Needed A few of our members are in need of moving supplies. If you have sturdy boxes, bubble wrap, or plastic shopping bags you can donate, please contact the church office.



"Does your Company do Matching Funds?" Some companies do! Check with your HR or payroll person to find out if your donations to Bethel could be enhanced by the generosity of your workplace. For more information, contact Joan Blasko (finsecretary@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.



DEADLINE for putting an article in the Buzz is 9:00 a.m. on Thursday.

This Week's Calendar

Note: Office hours will vary this week so please call ahead if you need to get into the building.

Monday, September 9

- 12:30 p.m.—Staff Meeting
- 1:00 p.m.—Pickleball
- 5:30 p.m.—Uline Basketball
- 6:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts in the Building
- 6:30 p.m.—Board of Christian Ed Meeting
- 7:00 p.m.—Property Management

Wednesday, September 11

- 9:00 a.m.—Bethel Landscaping
- 9:30 a.m.—Mom's Club
- 6:15 p.m.—Confirmation
- 6:15 p.m.—Equipping Mom's
- 7:30 p.m.—Elders Meeting

Thursday, September 12

- 9:00 a.m.—Pickleball
- 3:30 p.m.—Lower Level in Use
- 6:00 p.m.—Pickleball
- 6:00 p.m.—Handbell Choir
- 6:30 p.m.—Preschool Board
- 7:30 p.m.—Adult Vocal Choir

Friday, September 13 Pastor & Katrina's Day Off

Saturday, September 14 Pastor & Katrina's Day Off

- 10:00 a.m.—Radio Players in the Building

Sunday, September 15

- 8:00 a.m.—Communion in Gym
- 9:00 a.m.—Fellowship
- 9:30 a.m.—Bible Study
- 10:45 a.m.—Communion in Sanctuary

Regular Worship Schedule

Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:45 AM

Communion

1st, 3rd, 5th Sunday

Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9AM—3PM

Call ahead because times may change.

Last Week's Attendance

Thursday—42, Sunday—86

Serving Next Week

Elders:

Mike Bandman

Comm/Asst. Elder:

Jeremy Little

Acolytes:

Owen Squires/Jacob Plapp

Lay Readers:

Joanne Heidlauf, Diane Boehm

Ushers:

Don Heidlauf, **OPEN**

Greeters:

Megerle Family,
Matt & Kiwol Messmer

Sept. Altar Guild:

Becky Anderson

Sept. Counters:

Monte Stoltzman

Thursday 6:30 PM

Sunday 9:00 AM

JJ Jones

OPEN

Annika Chudy/Jake Chudy

Pat Rasmussen, Ann Souza

Scott Mundrick, Karen Kailer

Pipia Family,

Javier & Michelle Ramon

Shari Hoppe

Bill & Kathy Schwartz

Wednesday Night Greeter: (9/11) Dave Ziegler