

TODAY Voter's Meeting & Tailgate after the 10:45 a.m. service. Voters' Meetings are when the congregation makes decisions to guide our church. Our congregation is made up of members who are the true decision makers. Non-members are encouraged to attend, learn how the congregation works, and share their voice. Since it is a Chicago Bears game day, we will provide a tailgate-themed hot dog lunch for everyone. There will be childcare in the gym.



Pastor's Fall 2020 Sabbatical The congregation agreed to support Pastor Squires in taking a 3-month Sabbatical - Fall of 2020. The congregation will work with Pastor Squires and the Sabbatical Team to secure non-budget funding for this experience, including the costs of Pastor's travel, etc., and an interim pastor. There is a donor that will match up to \$2,500 of what is donated by the end of the year. Donations can be made directly to Bethel, (please clearly mark donation "Sabbatical Fund") and coming soon, we will be offering electronic giving via PayPal Giving. Here is the link from our website to view the sabbatical plan:



<https://www.bethelgurnee.org/sabbatical.html>.

Questions? Please write to the Sabbatical Team (sabbatical@bethelgurnee.org).

Sunday School Lesson for Today This week's lesson comes from *1 Samuel 3*. Having been raised in the tabernacle from the time he was a young child, Samuel continues to serve Eli the priest. One night, Samuel runs to Eli, thinking Eli is calling his name. Eli sends Samuel back to bed, assuring him he had not called. As the pattern repeats, Eli tells Samuel to lie down once again but then next time respond, "Speak, Lord, for Your servant hears" (*1 Samuel 3:9*). When the Lord calls once again, He gives Samuel a vision of how Samuel will succeed Eli, rather than Eli's "worthless" sons. The children's Bible truth is that God calls us to serve him. The week's Bible verse is, "Speak, Lord, for your servant hears." *1 Samuel 3:9*

**Fellowship is OPEN for next Sunday (11/17).
Please sign up outside the kitchen door.**

F.E.E.T. Calling all 4th and 5th graders! Starting **Wednesday**, Kylie Brazda and Diane Sanders will be leading FEET (Faith Encouraged for Every Tween). You'll be learning about Parables, doing some journaling, and playing some games in the gym! Contact Katrina (katrina@bethelgurnee.org) if you have questions.



Meet the Staff!

Name: The Rev. Dr. Benjamin C. Squires
(Pastor Squires, Pastor Ben, P.S., P.B.S.)

Responsibilities at Bethel: As Pastor/writer Eugene Peterson said, "Proclaim and interpret Scripture, represent the mercy and forgiveness of Christ, train people as disciples, guide people in a life of prayer, and encourage faith"

Hobbies: Photography, hiking, woodworking, and collecting bottle caps & CDs

Family: Susan and I have been married for 23 years. She's from Kentucky; I'm from Minnesota. We have 3 boys -- Sam-15, Jude-13, & Owen-12.

Favorite color: purple

Favorite snack: tortilla chips

Favorite holiday: OK, that's no fair, because I feel pressured to answer with a church holiday. So I'm changing the question: "favorite national holiday" - Super Bowl Sunday.

Poinsettia Orders Red poinsettia plant orders are being taken to decorate our worship areas on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. The cost for a plant is \$11, and orders are due in the church office by Monday, **December 2**. Order forms are available on the Hub. Remember a loved one by purchasing a plant: In memory of..., In appreciation of..., To the Glory of God.



Thanksgiving Eve Service
Wednesday, November 27 at 6:30 p.m.
with Communion in the Sanctuary

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Dear Bethel, Thank you for your support in collecting toiletries this past spring for the homeless. With your help we were able to make more than 100 bags. My Girl Scout Troup is now trying to establish this as more of a long term service. I would appreciate if more donations could be made toward this. We need travel size toiletries especially deodorant, toothpaste and toothbrushes. We are hoping to make this collection by the end of November and will stock the shelves here at Bethel for PADS clients. A box will be located in the hallway by the sanctuary. Thank you for your help. - Ellie Kreamer

Transportation Ministry Bethel is looking for people who are interested in providing rides to/ from church & doctor's appointments for members.



This is not a set commitment. If someone calls in need of a ride we would like a list of people to contact to see if it fits into their schedule. Interested, please contact the church office.

LWML NEWS Kathy Schwartz is looking for Thanksgiving pies. Redeemer Lutheran in Waukegan is hosting Thanksgiving dinner for servicemen and women from Great Lakes. Last year there were 150 people attending. They would like help from each church in our zone, we just need 2 more homemade pies. There is a sign up sheet on the hub if you would like to help. If you have questions call Kathy Schwartz (224-575-2678).



COOL Holiday Food Baskets TODAY is the deadline for Bethel Drop Off for Thanksgiving.

There are two ways to feed our Lake County families this holiday season:



1. Holiday Gift Baskets for \$20. Donations can be placed in the offering with checks made out to Bethel & "C.O.O.L. Holiday Basket" marked in the memo.
2. If you prefer to do your own shopping, there is a list of food items on the Hub. Non-perishable food donations may be dropped in the plastic container near the sanctuary. If you have perishables, contact C.O.O.L. at 847-662-1230 to schedule a drop off. Deadline for Bethel drop off for Christmas is **December 8**.

COOL Chili Supper St. Mark's Lutheran Church (3350 N. Delany Rd, Waukegan) will sponsor a chili supper on Thursday (**Nov. 14**) from 3:30 p.m.—7:00 p.m. to benefit C.O.O.L. Food Pantry. \$10 per person and carry-out orders are available. They will also be accepting canned goods and non-perishable food items.



Youth Open Gym There will be youth open gym Sunday, **November 17** from 10:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided. All middle school and high school students are encouraged to attend.

This Week's Calendar

Monday, November 11

- 1:00 p.m.—Pickleball
- 5:30 p.m.—Uline Basketball
- 6:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts in the Building
- 7:00 p.m.—Care in Community Meeting
- 7:00 p.m.—Property Board Meeting

Tuesday, November 12

- 5:00 p.m.—HRK Eagles use of Gym
- 7:30 p.m.—Disciple Basics: What We Believe

Wednesday, November 13

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

Thursday, November 14

- 9:00 a.m.—Pickleball
- 10:30 a.m.—Preschool Board Meeting
- 3:30 p.m.—Lower Level in Use
- 6:00 p.m.—Pickleball
- 6:00 p.m.—Handbell Choir
- 7:30 p.m.—Adult Vocal Choir

Friday, November 15

- Pastor & Katrina's Day Off**
- 5:00 p.m.—HRK Eagles use of Gym

Saturday, November 16

- Pastor & Katrina's Day Off**
- 1:00—4:30 p.m.—Fellowship Hall & Gym in Use

Sunday, November 17

- 8:00 a.m.—Communion in Gym
- 9:00 a.m.—Fellowship
- 9:30 a.m.—Bible Study
- 10:30 p.m.—Youth Open Gym
- 10:45 a.m.—Communion in Sanctuary
- 12:15 p.m.—Baptism in Sanctuary

Wednesday Night Greeter: Heather Rosenthal (11/13)

Worship Schedule

Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:45 AM

Communion - 1st, 3rd, 5th Sunday

Office Hours

Mon. & Wed. 9AM-3PM,

Tues. & Thurs. 11AM-3PM / Friday 9AM-12PM

Call ahead because times may change.

Last Week's Attendance

8:00 am—142; 10:45 am—72

Sunday School—91

Serving Next Week Sunday 8:00 AM

Elders: JJ Jones
Comm/Asst. Elder: Bob Souza
Acolytes: Ashley Plapp, Jacob Plapp
Lay Readers: Karla Stewart, Al Diercks
Ushers: Don Heidlauf, **OPEN**
Greeters: Susan Boardman, Diane Boehm
Fellowship: **OPEN**
Nov. Altar Guild: Diane Mundrick
Nov. Counters: Margie Tatgenhorst

Sunday 10:45 AM

Jack Warneke
 Scott Mundrick
 Michaela Rosenthal, Kate Kruse
 Donna Danielsen, Ralph Danielsen
OPEN, OPEN
 David & Theresa Carlson,
 The Chudy Family
 Deborah Wuethrick
OPEN