

The BIG Buzz

~November 2019~

Monthly communication
of events and reports
from
Bethel Lutheran Church



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VOTERS' MEETING & TAILGATE SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH AFTER 10:45 A.M. SERVICE

BETHEL MEMBERS:

Please mark your calendar for our Quarterly Voters Meeting on Sunday, November 10th following the 10:45 a.m. service. The agenda for this meeting will include a report from the council, 2020 budget approval and membership removal.

Since it is a Chicago Bears game day, we will provide a tailgate-themed hot dog lunch for everyone.

It is important that the voice of the congregation is heard at these meetings. Thank you in advance for your attendance!



Daylight Savings Time Ends

Don't forget to set your clocks back
an hour on
Saturday night, **November 2.**

Thanksgiving Eve Service

**Wednesday,
November 27
6:30 p.m.**

In the Sanctuary





Preschool News.....

The month of November at Bethel Preschool is always devoted to thanking God for the changes in fall. We watch the busy squirrels and chipmunks on our playground collecting food for the winter. We hear the honking geese flying in a "v" overhead, heading south for the winter. Special farm toys will make their appearance in the classroom as we talk about farmers, harvest time, and life on the farm. Did you know the 3-Day class can be seen milking a cow?



The 3-Day class always makes a special "Thank You, God" book to help them remember all the things God gives them. They will also prepare food and then celebrate Thanksgiving with a special Feast on Monday November 25. Thank you God for the wonderful world He made for us to share!

The 2-Day class holds Parent Teacher Conferences in the fall. On Friday, November 1, there will be Parent-Teacher Conferences for the 2-Day class in lieu of regular preschool. This conference gives the staff and parents an opportunity to communicate with each other. Thank you God for our wonderful Bethel Preschool Families.

Preschool will be closed from November 27-29 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

We wish you all a Happy Thanksgiving!



Bethel Fall Fest Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who came to our Bethel Fall Fest! The evening was a huge success and fun was had by all! The chili/hot dog dinner was delicious and the fellowship was fantastic. We loved being able to share a meal with our Bethel friends. The children especially enjoyed the excitement of wearing a special costume, playing games, and of course, receiving lots of candy and treats. The concert by Leonardo was a huge success. Everyone enjoyed watching the children sing and dance along with Leonardo! A special thank you to Kathy DeLassus, the Preschool Board, Donna Stutzman, Lisa Schwarz, the Bethel Staff, and all of our fantastic volunteers for all of their hard work!!!



Save the Date:

Bethel Rummage Sale is Saturday, **March 7, 2020**. Donations will be accepted the week before.



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).



F.E.E.T. (Faith Encouraged for Every Tween)

Calling all 4th and 5th graders! Kylie Brazda and Diane Sanders will lead two sessions of FEET this school year. You'll be learning about Parables, doing some journaling, and playing some games in the gym! Please note the December sessions will end with enough time for families to head to Advent worship in the sanctuary at 6:30pm.

Here is the schedule:

Session 1:	6:15-7:15 p.m.	November 13, 20
	No class	November 27
	5:30-6:30 p.m.	December 4, 11, 18
Session 2:	6:15-7:15 p.m.	January 8, 15, 22, 29
		February 5, 12, 19



Poinsettia Orders

Orders for red poinsettia plants will be taken this month 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 on the Hub.

Remember a loved one by purchasing a plant:

- In memory of...
- In appreciation of...
- To the Glory of God

Bernie's Blessing



We will again this year be collecting coats and blankets for Bernie to distribute on the streets of Chicago on Christmas Eve. For over 22 years the people of Bethel have donated many, many coats and blankets that are given to the homeless who are out in the cold and bad weather. He shares the love of Christ with them while providing them warmth. As the weather turns cold and you realize a new coat would be nice, bring the old one for Bernie's blessings. Or, if you see a good deal on a new coat, we would gladly accept it also. Blankets of all kinds will be accepted. You may bring them to Bethel starting December 1 and put them in the fellowship hall.



Aluminum Can Collection



Aluminum can collection will be suspended over the winter months starting December 1 recommencing March 1. In 2019 proceeds from aluminum recycling have funded purchase of portable benches and coffee supplies for the PADS shower ministry. Thanks to everyone for their support of an important Bethel ministry and for wise use of the resources God has so richly provided.



COOL Chili Supper

St. Mark's Lutheran Church (3350 N. Delany Rd, Waukegan) will sponsor a chili supper on Thursday, **November 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.

LWML NEWS



Kathy Schwartz is looking for Thanksgiving pies again this year. 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 to make 6 homemade pies. There is a sign up sheet on the hub if you would like to help. Call Kathy (224-575-2678) if you have questions.



Annual Aebleskiver Day

Redeemer Lutheran Church is sponsoring its annual Aebleskiver Day Saturday, **November 2** from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Aebleskivers are a Danish delicacy served with maple syrup, jams or jelly, homemade applesauce and pork sausage. Carry-outs available. This event will be held at 620 Grove Avenue, Waukegan.

C.O.O.L. Food of the Month:

Tuna

Place non-perishable items in the box in the sanctuary hallway.



Stamps

Since 1997 Lutheran Women in Mission across the Northern Illinois District have been clipping, sorting and sending in cancelled postage stamps. You can, too. Just put your trimmed cancelled postage stamps in the container on the backside of the hub or bring them to any NID LWML event. Then, we send them to auction in batches for sale by weight to collectors and club auctions. 90% of the money raised goes towards our mission grants. Cut ¼ inch around the stamp and keep the stamp on the envelope. We can use foreign stamps, commemorative stamps, stamp collections, post cards and all U.S.A. stamps.



Eyeglasses

LWML is also collecting prescription eyeglasses, reading glasses and sunglasses. These are donated to most Ministries who take them on mission trips where eye clinics are held. At our zone LWML meetings we have sewn eyeglass cases to send along with these. If you have any glasses or old cases put them in the LWML mailbox in the workroom.

Card Ministry



Our Care Committee sends greeting cards to members in the congregation. You can donate cards or stamps for the cause. Place those in the Care Committee mail box in the work room. If you make cards contact Kathy Schwartz (kathyschwartz123@gmail.com) as there are baptism and confirmation cards that we need help with.



November 2019

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 5:00 pm HRK Eagles use of Gym	2 8:30 am Lounge in Use 10:00 am Gym in Use till 5pm
3 8:00 am Communion in Gym 9:00 am Fellowship 9:30 am Bible Study 10:45 am Communion in Sanctuary	5 5:00 pm HRK Eagles Gym 7:30 pm Disciple Basics: What We Believe	6 9:30 am Women's Bible Study 6:15 pm Confirmation 6:15 pm VBS Discussion Night	7 9:00 am Pickleball 4:30 pm Lounge in Use 4:30 pm Lower Level in use 6:00 pm Handbell Choir 6:00 pm Pickleball 7:30 pm Adult Vocal Choir	8 5:00 pm HRK Eagles use of Gym	9 8:30 am Lounge in Use
4 10:30 am Bethel Fundraiser at Panda Express 12:30 pm Staff Meeting 1:00 pm Pickleball 5:30 pm Uline Basketball 6:30 pm BOCE Meeting	12 5:00 pm HRK Eagles Gym 7:30 pm Disciple Basics: What We Believe	13 9:30 am Mom's Club 6:15 pm Confirmation 6:15 pm Equipping Morns 7:30 pm Elders Meeting	14 9:00 am Pickleball 4:30 pm Lounge in Use 4:30 pm Lower Level in use 6:00 pm Handbell Choir 6:00 pm Pickleball 6:30 pm Preschool Board 7:30 pm Adult Vocal Choir	15 5:00 pm HRK Eagles use of Gym	16 8:30 am Lounge in Use 1:00 pm Fellowship Hall in use 1:00 pm Gym in use
10 8:00 am Worship in Gym 9:00 am Fellowship 9:30 am Bible Study 10:45 am Worship in Sanctuary 12:00 pm Voter's Meeting	11 12:30 pm Staff Meeting 1:00 pm Pickleball 5:30 pm Uline Basketball 6:00 pm Boy Scouts in the Building 7:00 pm Care in Community Meeting 7:00 pm Property Board Mtg	20 9:30 am Women's Bible Study 6:15 pm Confirmation 6:15 pm Equipping Morns 7:30 pm Council	21 9:00 am Pickleball 4:30 pm Lounge in Use 4:30 pm Lower Level in use 6:00 pm Girl Scouts Lower Level 6:00 pm Handbell Choir 6:00 pm Pickleball 7:30 pm Adult Vocal Choir	22 5:00 pm HRK Eagles use of Gym	23 8:30 am Lounge in Use
17 8:00 am Communion in Gym 9:00 am Fellowship 9:30 am Bible Study 10:30 am Youth Open Gym 10:45 am Communion in Sanctuary 12:00 pm Youth Open Gym Lunch - Kitchen 12:15 pm Baptism of Cal Kogen	19 11:00 am Gurnee Meadows Worship 5:00 pm HRK Eagles Gym	27 6:30 pm Thanksgiving Eve Communion	28	29	30 8:30 am Lounge in Use
24 8:00 am Worship in Gym 9:00 am Fellowship 9:30 am Bible Study 10:45 am Worship in Sanctuary 6:00 pm Offsite: Mosaic Initiative Prayer Meeting	25 12:30 pm Staff Meeting 1:00 pm Pickleball 5:30 pm Uline Basketball 7:00 pm Indian Guides in Building	26 5:00 pm HRK Eagles Gym	28	29	30 8:30 am Lounge in Use



Service Roster

	NOVEMBER 3	NOVEMBER 10	NOVEMBER 17	NOVEMBER 24
ELDER	JJ Jones	JJ Jones	JJ Jones	JJ Jones
DISCIPLE CARE/COMM. ELDER	Bob Souza	OPEN	Bob Souza	Mike Bandman
ELDER	Jack Warneke	Bob Souza	Jack Warneke	Bob Souza
DISCIPLE CARE/COMM. ELDER	Scott Mundrick	Jack Warneke	Scott Mundrick	Jack Warneke
ACOLYTES	Kelsi Mulvey, Ellie Kreamer Cameron Fleming, Xavier Ramon	Mae Anderson, Brooke Ratzburg Annika Chudy, Jacob Chudy	Ashley Plapp, Jacob Plapp Michaela Rosenthal, Kate Kruse	Dylan Love, Owen Squires Ruth Ziegler, Amanda Adams
LAY READERS	David Lubega Jude Squires Tim Moran Linda Moran	Clint McDonald Sam McDonald Diane Mundrick Deb Pelletiere	Karla Stewart Al Diercks Donna Danielsen Ralph Danielsen	David Ross Cheryl Ross Victor Sundararaj Dave Ziegler
USHER 1 - 8 am	Christie Kozlik	Don Heidlauf	Don Heidlauf	Al Diercks
USHER 2 - 8 am	John Kozlik	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
USHER 1 - 10:45 am	John Schultz	John Schultz	OPEN	OPEN
USHER 2 - 10:45 am	Lee Mundrick	Lee Mundrick	OPEN	Scott Gutzke
GREETERS	The Ames Family	The Best Family	Susan Boardman	The Boivin Family
First name listed for service greets at the front door, last name listed greets back door	The Anderson Family Kay Antonopoulos Norm Balliet	Blasko Family Gene & Ellen Bartelt Sheila & Stephanie Bunnell	Diane Boehm David & Theresa Carlson The Chudy Family	The Brazda Family Ellen Dairymple Ralph & Donna Danielsen
WEDNESDAY GREETER	OPEN (11/6)	Heather Rosenthal (11/13)	OPEN (11/20)	
FELLOWSHIP	OPEN	Erin Friedman & Susan Squires	Sanders	Michelle Berezcky

Thanksgiving Eve Worship - 6:30pm
NOVEMBER 27

ELDER	Bob Souza
DISCIPLE CARE/COMM. ELDER	OPEN
ACOLYTES	Jude Squires, Kaylee Leicht
LAY READERS	Diane Boehm Joanne Heidlauf
USHER 1 -	Don Heidlauf
USHER 2 -	OPEN
GREETERS	The Daluga Family Al Diercks
First name listed for service greets at the front door, last name listed greets back door	
WEDNESDAY GREETER	
FELLOWSHIP	
ALTAR GUILD	Diane Mundrick & Deb Wuethrick
COUNTERS	Margie Tatgenhorst & OPEN



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Celebrations & Membership Updates

Birthdays

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|---|--|----|--|----|--|
| 1 | Sabrina Herstowski
Kimberly Messmer
James Silasiri | 8 | Katie Jakolat | 19 | Tiffany Wuethrick
Victoria Wuethrick |
| 2 | Jason Adams | 9 | Jon Kreamer | 20 | Jack Warneke |
| 3 | Patty Livingston
Emma Megerle
Nate Zilligen | 12 | Karen Kozlik | 21 | Gene Bartelt |
| 4 | Christie Kozlik
Griffin Pavletic
Abigail Plapp
Heather Rosenthal
Barb Unhold | 14 | Bill Schwartz | 23 | Dan Novacek |
| 7 | Shannon Swanson | 13 | Karen Austin | 25 | Mike Hautzinger
Mark Hipsher
Lana Ramirez
Nathan Stutzman |
| 8 | Karen Arnold | 15 | Alyce Coleman
Alysha Francis
Anita Johanson-Maddox | 26 | Mike Edge |
| | | 16 | Anna Hagberg
Diane Swanson | 28 | Marilyn Schill |
| | | | | 29 | Marc Redman
Lucy White |
| | | | | 30 | George Bruszer |



Wedding Anniversaries

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|-----------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| Paul & Sheila Bunnell | November 6, 1976 | Daniel & Becky Lanzito | November 12, 2011 |
| Brent & Karla Stewart | November 6, 2009 | John & Deb Pelletiere | November 25, 1994 |
| Eric & Alyse Kowalke | November 10, 2012 | Thor & Roxanne Peplow | November 27, 1999 |

***Please let the church office know if you have a change of address, phone number or email address or it can be marked on the attendance cards. Also, if you see an error or omission in the celebration information, please contact the church office (office@BethelGurnee.org) so that we can correct our records. Thank you!

Church office hours

Monday & Wednesday
9AM—3PM,

Tuesday & Thursday
11AM—3PM

Friday
9AM—Noon

Pastor & Katrina's
weekly hours
are posted outside
their office door.

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*Worship
Schedule*

**Sundays at 8:00 a.m.
and 10:45 a.m.**

**Holy Communion:
1st, 3rd, & 5th
Sundays**



Holiday Food Baskets

The C.O.O.L. Food Pantries are getting ready for the thousands of people in Lake County who will come to the pantries seeking food assistance for the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.

This holiday season we are offering two ways to feed our families:

1. Holiday Gift Baskets are available for a low price of \$20. Donations can be placed in the offering with checks made out to Bethel and "C.O.O.L. Holiday Basket" marked in the memo.
2. For those of you who prefer to do your own shopping, here is a list of holiday food items that are needed:
 - Turkey or Gift Card
 - Canned Corn
 - Canned Cranberry or Applesauce
 - Stuffing
 - Dessert Mix
 - Powdered Milk
 - Turkey Gravy
 - Corn Bread Mix
 - Yams and Marshmallows

Non-perishable food donations may be dropped in the plastic container under the sanctuary coat rack. If you have perishables, contact C.O.O.L. at 847-662-1230 to schedule a drop off. The C.O.O.L. Food Pantries have plenty of refrigerator and freezer space to store frozen meat.

Deadline for Bethel drop off: Thanksgiving is **November 10**, Christmas is **December 8**