

Special Voters' Meeting TODAY 8:55AM



The Church Council is calling a Special Voters' Meeting **TODAY** at 8:55 a.m. (end of the 8:00 a.m. Worship Service). This meeting will have only one agenda item: nominating the Rev. Dr. Reed Lessing for President of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis. Concordia Seminary's current President, Dale Meyer, is retiring at the end of the school year. The Board of Regents has issued a call for nominations which may come from congregations.

Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Servers

Make your Christmas extra special by participating in our worship services. Sign up on the clipboard on the front side of the Hub for the services you plan to attend.



Mother and Child Drawings by Luke McFadden



Deadline to vote is TODAY. Bethel's Church Council has approved using General Memorial funds to purchase one of Pastor Luke's drawings. Everyone is encouraged to vote, only one vote per person. The voting ballots are located by the drawings which are on display by the main entrance.

Sunday School Lesson for Today

There will be no lesson for Sunday school this week. The children will be using the education hour as practice time for the Christmas program. The kids have been practicing and preparing for weeks. Come and enjoy the show!



TODAY Sunday School Program in Gym



Our Bethel Sunday School children will lead worship **TODAY** at 4:00 p.m. They will present "Voices of Christmas." Come here the children share the story of Christmas through the voices of those who witnessed it.

Elders: Bob Souza, **Asst. Elder:** OPEN,
Ushers: Don Heidlauf, OPEN

FEET Classes We have been having a blast with the 4th and 5th graders! If you haven't joined us yet, please consider it - it's so much fun to build this community and friendships! Classes in December (12/11, 12/18) are at an earlier time 5:30 p.m.—6:30 p.m.! Hope to see you there!

~ Diane Sanders and Kylie Brazda

COOL Holiday Food Baskets

TODAY is the deadline to purchase your Holiday Gift basket for COOL 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. If you have done your own shopping, it is also the last day to put your items in the bin here at Bethel. If you have perishables, contact C.O.O.L. at 847-662-1230 to schedule a drop off.



Bernie's Blessings Bethel is collecting winter coats, boots, hats, gloves, and blankets for Bernie Phillips to distribute in Chicago on Christmas. Please bring items to Bethel at anytime and put in the fellowship hall on the table before Thursday, **December 19.**



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



Christmas Worship Services

Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship

6:00 p.m. & 10:00 p.m. (New time)

Christmas Day Worship

with Communion 10:00 a.m.



**C.O.O.L. food of the month:
Side Dishes**

Love INC letter from Patrick Schwartz

... The church partners and supporters of Love INC have the opportunity to provide the location for such personal care within the Love INC offices. We were generously gifted the title to our building this year (thank you Lord!) However, we have about \$50,000 in repairs and improvements to develop it into a long-term place of ministry where church servants can pour into our neighbors more personally. The great news is that through the generosity of those at our Annual Dinner & Auction, we are already at 28% of our goal. ...



From Love INC Newsletter...

Thank you for supporting Love Inc of Lake County! *"If your gift is serving others, serve them well. If you are a teacher, teach well. If your gift is to encourage others, be encouraging. If it is giving, give generously...and if you have a gift for showing kindness to others, do it gladly."* Romans 12:7-8 (NTL)

Everyday at Love INC, we get to help lots of different churches—different denominations, that meet in different locations, at different times, with different worship styles—unite in purpose as ONE Church to show and share the love of Christ by caring for and serving our neighbors. May God continue to bless you as we serve Him together!

Meet the Staff!

Name: Lisa Schwarz **Position:** Office Manager

Responsibilities at Bethel: Day to day office duties, Worship Bulletins, Weekly Buzz, Monthly Big Buzz, Service Roster & Celebrations

Hobbies: Family, yoga, boating, decorating, gardening, volleyball, baking, snow skiing, Pinterest ;)

Family: Matt and I have been married for 24 years. Children: Julia-21, Collin-19, & Lydia-16 Dogs: Cody-6, & Lily-2

Favorite color: Bright Colors

Favorite holiday: Christmas

Serving Wednesday Advent Worship - 6:30 pm

Elders: David Ziegler
Comm/Asst. Elder: JJ Jones
Acolytes: Brooke Ratzburg, Kate Kruse
Lay Readers: Margie Tatgenhorst, Ted Tatgenhorst, OPEN
Ushers: OPEN, OPEN
Greeters: The Hautzinger Family, Marie Hupp

This Week's Calendar

Monday, December 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 Building
6:30 p.m.—Christmas Elders & Council Meeting

Tuesday, December 10

5:00 p.m.—HRK Eagles use of Gym

Wednesday, December 11

9:30 a.m.—Mom's Club
5:30 p.m.—FEET
6:30 p.m.—Confirmation Students Attend Advent Service with Parent(s) & Lay Coaches
6:30 p.m.—Midweek Advent Service

Thursday, December 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
7:30 p.m.—Adult Vocal Choir

Friday, December 13 Pastor & Katrina's Day Off

5:00 p.m.—HRK Eagles use of Gym

Saturday, December 14 Pastor & Katrina's Day Off

Sunday, December 15

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

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

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—127; 10:45 am—65
Sunday School—74

Serving Next Week

Elders: Mike Bandman
Comm/Asst. Elder: JJ Jones
Acolytes: Ashley Plapp, Jacob Plapp
Lay Readers: Nicole Kreamer, Claudine Rayos
Ushers: OPEN, OPEN
Greeters: Don & Joanne Heidlauf, The Hessel Family
Fellowship: Pipia, Erwin, Swanson
Dec. Altar Guild: Kathy Schwartz
Dec. Counters: Chris Mason

Sunday 8:00 AM

Mike Bandman
JJ Jones
Ashley Plapp, Jacob Plapp
Nicole Kreamer, Claudine Rayos
OPEN, OPEN
Don & Joanne Heidlauf,
The Hessel Family
Pipia, Erwin, Swanson
Kathy Schwartz
Chris Mason

Sunday 10:45 AM

Bob Souza
Scott Mundrick
Amanda Adams, Jake Chudy
Shari Hoppe, OPEN
Karen Kailer, OPEN
The Jaronik Family,
Karen Kailer
Sheila Bunnell
Diane Sanders