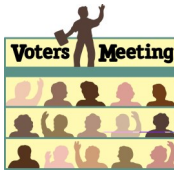


**VOTERS' MEETING** - Mark your calendar for our Quarterly Voter's Meeting on Sunday, **January 19** after the 10:45 a.m. church service. This meeting will focus mainly on the 2019 year end finances, leadership position approvals and looking ahead. Your voice is very important to Bethel and the mission to which God has given us, thank you in advance for your participation!



**Open Gym** Our next open gym will be Sunday **January 19** from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. We are extending a special invitation to all **4th and 5th grade students** as well as all middle school and high school students. We will have basketball, volleyball, kickball, and Pickleball available in the gym. (Students will vote on what sports to play.) We will also have games going on in another room for those who choose not to play in the gym, you can do a little of both. Lunch will be served at about 11:30 a.m. Please come and join us.

**Calling all 4th and 5th graders!!** Diane Sanders and Kylie Brazda would love if you joined them for FEET!! The class will be learning about Parables, doing some journaling, and playing some games in the gym! It's a great opportunity to have some fun, build friendships and encourage each other in our faith! We meet on Wednesdays thru **February 19** from 6:15 p.m.-7:15 p.m. We hope to see you there!

**Sunday School Lesson** This week the students will be learning about Jesus' Baptism and Temptation. The lesson comes from the book of *Luke 3:15-22; 4:1-13*. At Jesus' Baptism in the Jordan by John the Baptist, the heavens open, the Spirit descends, and the Father speaks, "You are My beloved Son." This pivotal moment marks the beginning of Jesus' ministry, and it creates an incredible connection between Jesus' life (and death and resurrection) and our own. Jesus goes from the waters of Baptism to the wilderness, where He faces a series of temptations from the devil. Jesus resists each as He speaks the truth of God's Word against the lies of Satan, remaining the perfect Son of God in our place. The Bible verse this week is [God says,] "I have called you by name, you are Mine." (*Isaiah 43:1*)



**Generosity Expressions Series—January-February**

This sermon and study series will help all of us explore how God has designed us to express generosity. Generosity Expressions helps us to see that there's not just one way to show generosity. Generosity shows up in five different expressions: monetary giving, hospitality, emotional-relational support, volunteering-service and gifts. But each of us has a unique combination of those expressions, so that one person's generosity doesn't look the same as another. But I think you'd agree: the Church, the community, our families, our friends, and ourselves need generosity shown in all five ways.



**The Generosity Expressions™ Profile** We need as many people as possible to complete this by February 2.

As a tool for this series, The Generosity Expressions™ Profile is a short online assessment experience for Christians that provides a broader picture of their own generosity through the five major expressions. This will give you helpful insights about yourself, but it will also help us create an anonymous report about what Bethel's generosity looks like. We need as many of you to complete this brief assessment as possible.

**Go to: [www.bethelgurnee.org/generosity](http://www.bethelgurnee.org/generosity)**

(NOTE: It asks for your name and email ONLY to provide you with your individual results. The congregation will only have access to anonymous data).

**Sunday Series Schedule**

**(Sermons & Sunday AM Adult Bible Study)**

January 19 - Introduction to Series / Encouragement about Online Assessment

January 26 - Volunteering / Service

February 2 - Hospitality

February 9 - Monetary Support

February 16 - Gifts

February 23 - Emotional/Relational Support

**Equipping Moms** If you are a mom of a 'tween or 'teen-aged student, join us every Wednesday evening at 6:15 p.m. while FEET and Confirmation are in-session. Use this time to seek solace with other moms, learn ways to connect with your student during times of teen-angst, and how to keep seeking God's Will for you and your family. Any questions? Please contact Equipping Coordinator, Katrina Johns.

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**Please pick up your 2020 giving envelopes in the back of church.** Recycle your unused 2019 envelopes and then



start using the new 2020 box. Your new envelopes may have a new number, so please put your name and donation amount on the outside of the envelope to help our counters.

**Portillo's Sabbatical Fundraiser**

Great news! You don't have to decide what's for dinner on Monday, **January 20**, just go to Portillo's. This is our second fundraiser for Pastor's sabbatical. You can dine in, go through the drive through, or carry out your dinner from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m., and Bethel will receive 20% of all proceeds to add to the sabbatical fund. Pick up a flyer from the hub and invite your friends to join you.



**2020 Altar Flower Sign Up** The new flower sign up sheets

are up for 2020, the latest you can sign up for a date is one week before. The vases of fresh flowers placed on the altar every week are made possible by Bethel Members who sign up on the flower chart calendar (located on the wall to the right of Pastor's office). Church members may share birthdays, anniversaries, or remember loved ones through the gift of altar flowers. We ask a minimum donation of \$25 for each floral arrangement. Please place the donation in the collection plate, and clearly mark the envelope "Altar Flowers" or give your donation to the Office. After 2nd service you may take your flowers home to enjoy or leave them for a shut-ins for their enjoyment.



**Meet the Staff!**

**Name and Job Title:** Becky Anderson, Preschool Teacher. I teach the 2 day class (3 year olds) and Monday Drop off Class.  
**How long have you been with Bethel?** A member since 2005. Teacher since 2013  
**Family:** I have been married to Chad since 2003, we met in College. We have two daughters, Mae (13) and Leah (11). Both Mae and Leah attended Bethel Preschool.  
**What is the best thing about Bethel?** I still remember the first time visiting and being so welcomed. It was such a good feeling. I also love that my girls have made lasting friendships with their Bethel Preschool Friends.  
**Favorite color?** Blue  
**Favorite holiday?** Christmas  
**Favorite snack?** Doritos  
**Favorite store?** Target is always a fun place to go.

**This Week's Calendar**

**Monday, January 13**

- 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
- 7:00 p.m.—Property Board Meeting

**Tuesday, January 14**

- 5:00 p.m.—HRK Eagles use of Gym

**Wednesday, January 15**

- 9:30 a.m.—Mom's Club Lower Level
- 9:30 a.m.—Women's Bible Study
- 6:15 p.m.—Confirmation
- 6:15 p.m.—FEET—Session 2
- 6:15 p.m.—Equipping Moms
- 7:30 p.m.—Council Meeting

**Thursday, January 16**

- 9:00 a.m.—Pickleball
- 9:30 a.m.—Katrina NID DCE meeting Hosts
- 3:30 p.m.—Lower Level in Use
- 6:00 p.m.—Girl Scouts
- 6:00 p.m.—Pickleball
- 7:30 p.m.—Adult Vocal Choir

**Friday, January 17 Pastor & Katrina's Day Off**

- 5:00 p.m.—HRK Eagles use of Gym

**Saturday, January 18 Pastor & Katrina's Day Off**

**Sunday, January 19**

- 8:00 a.m.—Communion in Gym
- 9:00 a.m.—Fellowship
- 9:30 a.m.—Bible Study
- 10:30 a.m.—Open Gym
- 10:45 a.m.—Communion in Sanctuary
- 11:45 a.m.—Voters' Meeting

**Office Hours this Week**

Please call ahead if you need to get into the building, our office hours may vary.

- Monday 9AM—3PM (Lisa & Cindy)
- Tuesday 11AM—3PM (Lisa)
- Wednesday 9AM—Noon (Cindy)
- Thursday 11AM—3PM (Lisa)
- Friday 9AM—Noon (Cindy)

**Wednesday Night Greeter:** (1/22) Erin Friedman

**Worship Schedule**

Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:45 AM

**Communion** - 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> 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—109; 10:45 am—97

Sunday School—68

**Serving Next Week**

**Sunday 8:00 AM**

- Elders:** JJ Jones
- Comm/Asst. Elder:** Mike Bandman
- Acolytes:** Holly Faitsch, Kelsi Mulley
- Lay Readers:** Ben Sanders, Diane Sanders
- Ushers:** Don Heidlauf, Christie Kozlik
- Greeters:** Cindy Offerdahl, Pellettiere Family
- Fellowship:** OPEN
- Jan. Altar Guild:** Diane Sanders
- Jan. Counters:** Mary Kay Ames

**Sunday 10:45 AM**

- Jack Warneke
- Scott Mundrick
- Annika Chudy, Jacob Chudy
- OPEN, OPEN**
- Lance Rasmussen, **OPEN**
- Rosenthal Family,
- Swanson Family
- Sheila Bunnell
- Joan Blasko