

VBS is Calling You!

The BOCE has a few more details and information regarding VBS for you. First, we have finalized the dates for VBS as **June 22- June 25**. We hope that by setting the dates, more of you will be able to check your schedules and commit to helping plan and execute VBS. Of the *14 lead positions* we have advertised that need to be filled, *3 have currently been filled*. We need your help! Secondly, the BOCE is inviting all congregation members to an **Open House on Feb. 19 from 6-7:30pm**. We will use this time to present the remaining lead positions and to answer any questions or concerns you may have. We hope this can be a time to help volunteers find an area where they can feel confident and maybe pair people up to fulfill a need as a team. Attendance at this meeting is really vital for any adult who feels called to help with VBS.



We cannot sponsor a Vacation Bible School without your creativity, dedication, and support. We ask that you prayerfully consider volunteering your time and spiritual gifts, and we would be happy to support you in any way we can. Thank you! In the meantime, if you have any questions, or would like to volunteer for a position, you can contact:

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- Emily Schaefer gemteach@aol.com
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Sunday School Lesson This week the children will learn about Jesus calming a storm from the book of Mark 4:35-41. "Peace! Be still!" (v. 39). With this simple command, Jesus proclaims His power over a storm strong enough to shake even these experienced fishermen. With the disciples, we must ask, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey Him?" (v. 41). Jesus is making it clear that He, who was present at creation, is Lord over all, including the wind and the waves. The Bible truth for the week is the our God Jesus has power over creation. The Bible verse is, "Fear not, for I am with you." Isaiah 41:10



Meet the Council!

Name Elizabeth Blasko

What are your responsibilities at Bethel? President of Bethel's Church Council and Sunday School teacher for 1st & 2nd grade.

How long have you been with Bethel? Since I was baptized in 1994

Family: I have two incredible parents and a (not so little) brother, Johnny. Johnny and I are Bethel Preschool alumni!

What are a couple of your hobbies? Watching NASCAR races, traveling, exercising and reading.

What is the best thing about Bethel? The authentic community built around our shared love for Jesus.

Favorite color? Purple

Favorite holiday? Christmas

Preschool Rummage Sale We will be taking donations starting on March 1 *after* 10:30am and would like help bringing up items from the basement and setting up tables at that time. On Monday, March 2—Friday, March 6, we will be pricing, sorting, folding, and organizing rummage. **Saturday, March 7 is Rummage Sale Day!** The sale starts at 8:30 a.m. Lunch will be provided for helpers. Please sign up online at: www.tinyurl.com/preschoolrummage2020 or on the sign-up sheet on display in the preschool hallway. The preschool greatly appreciates your donations and all you do to make this rummage sale a success.



Farewell to Bethel *It is difficult for me to say "goodbye" to my Bethel family and close this chapter. My life has been touched by so many of you in friendship and kindness. Thank you for being a blessing in my life.*

- Lisa Schwarz

**C.O.O.L. food of the month:
Breakfast Items**

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The Lutheran Witness Deadline is Sunday, **Feb. 16** to subscribe to the monthly news and feature color magazine of The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. It will help you to be inspired, see what makes us Lutheran, and hear from church leaders. Get a yearly subscription (11 issues) for \$15.96 per year beginning in May. Registration forms are on the Hub.



Lutheran Women's Quarterly

If you would like to receive the Lutheran Woman's QUARTERLY please sign up on the clipboard at the Hub. This magazine is printed 4 times a year and each issue includes articles about LWML (Lutheran Women's Missionary League) women and projects around the world, 3 Bible studies, new items in the LWML store, and listings of how the mite box monies are being used. The cost is \$5 and should be given to Kathy Schwartz or put in the LWML mailbox in the workroom. The deadline to send in our order is **March 1**. The mite boxes are also available on the Hub. In them we collect coins (and bills!) to fund mission projects in our district and around the world.



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). We ask a minimum donation of \$25 for each floral arrangement.

It's St Baldrick's Time Again!

Help raise funds to cure children's cancer by putting a pledge on a head to get it shaved! Team Bethel will be represented at The Brat Stop in Kenosha, WI on **Saturday, March 7th**. Funds from all St Baldrick's events go to the St Baldrick's Foundation to help fund research to find a cure for children's cancer. A donation box



will be available by the hub through **Sunday, March 8th** to drop donations or you can donate online - just ask us how. Please make checks out to: St Baldrick's Foundation. If you would like to be part of the team or volunteer at the event, please contact us at patjolly@sbcglobal.net or 847-219-4064. We thank you for your continued support! - Lance and Pat Rasmussen

This Week's Calendar

Monday, February 10

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

Tuesday, February 11

- 5:00 p.m.—HRK Eagles use of Gym

Wednesday, February 12

- 9:30 a.m.—Mom's Club lower level
- 9:30 a.m.—Quilt Tying
- 6:15 p.m.—Confirmation
- 6:15 p.m.—FEET—Session 2
- 6:15 p.m.—Equipping Moms
- 7:30 p.m.—Elders Meeting

Thursday, February 13

- 9:00 a.m.—Pickleball
- 10:00 a.m.—Preschool Board
- 4:30 p.m.—Lounge in Use
- 4:30 p.m.—Lower Level in Use
- 6:00 p.m.—Bell Choir
- 6:00 p.m.—Pickleball
- 7:30 p.m.—Adult Vocal Choir

Friday, February 14

Pastor & Katrina's Day Off

- 5:00 p.m.—HRK Eagles use of Gym

Saturday, February 15

Pastor & Katrina's Day Off

- 9:30 a.m.—Lounge in Use

Sunday, February 16

- 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

Office Hours this Week

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

Monday—Friday 9 AM— Noon (Cindy)

Wednesday Night Greeter: (2/19) OPEN

Worship Schedule

Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:45 AM

Communion - 1st, 3rd, 5th Sunday

Office Hours Mon. 9AM-3PM,

Tues. & Thurs. 11AM-3PM

Wed. & Fri. 9AM-12PM

Call ahead because times may change.

Last Week's Attendance

8:00 am—98; 10:45 am—78

Sunday School—81

Serving Next Week

Elders:

Comm/Asst. Elder:

Acolytes:

Lay Readers:

Ushers:

Greeters:

Fellowship:

Feb. Altar Guild:

Feb. Counters:

Sunday 8:00 AM

Mike Bandman

OPEN

Kaylee Leicht, Mae Anderson

Madeline Adams, Diane Boehm

Christie Kozlik, John Kozlik

Schaefer Family

Marilyn Schill

Mulleys, Ratzburgs, Leichts

Margie Tatgenhorst

Monte Stoltzman

Sunday 10:45 AM

Jack Warneke

Bob Souza

Annika Chudy, Jacob Chudy

Suzanne Fowler, Lori Hoornstra

Scott Gutzke, Jay Souza

Gene & Ellen Bartelt

Sheila & Stephanie Bunnell

Dawn Werfelmann

Bill & Kathy Schwartz