

# THE BETHEL BEACON



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"Our mission is to help people be disciples; lifelong learners and followers of Jesus Christ."

**Bethel is excited to begin our new education year today!** We are looking forward to being together again to learn about God and celebrate his love for us. Rally Day will begin after Fellowship at 10:30am. All kids will meet in the gym for a short meeting where we will welcome them back, tell them about our mission for the year (The Clean Water Fund), and then end with instructions for our Rally Day activities. Regular classes will begin next week, September 15. Come with your thinking caps and your running shoes on. Teamwork, concentration and speed are all needed to succeed!



**Men Reading the Bible....** Men, join in on the "men reading the bible" sessions at Bethel to charge up your spiritual life. Every Tuesday morning, men take turns reading as we follow the bible from Genesis to Revelation. We read, we discuss, and we open ourselves up to what God tells us through His word. We meet every Tuesday morning at 8 am. Check it out, read His word!

**Have you tried yoga?** Please join us if you can for beginning yoga on Mondays from 11:00 to 11:45am in the Fellowship hall. Carla Thompson will lead, talk you through it and even modify poses that may be too difficult. Bring your mat or a beach or large bath towel. (We have a few mats and blocks and straps to borrow.) We promise it will be relaxing and fun. If you have any questions contact the Bethel office or Carla Thompson.



**Have you ever played pickleball?** Every Monday from 1:00 to 3:00pm and Thursday from 6:00 to 8:00pm in the Bethel gym several Bethel members and their friends get together for some friendly pickleball fun! We now have two courts and rotate teams in so that everyone gets plenty of exercise! We are also offering a *beginner pickleball* evening every Tuesday from 6:00 to 8:00pm. If you have any questions contact the Bethel office or Carla Thompson.



## Memory Verse Challenge • The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

It is our great opportunity and joy to read and study God's Word. One beneficial practice is to memorize the Scriptures and, in so doing, to meditate on it. The LCMS invites everyone to memorize a verse together each week. Scan the QR code for this weeks verse.



**A cultural event benefiting ALMASI....** will take place here at Bethel on October 20th from 2-4PM. Join us for an afternoon of culture and conversation and to learn about ALMASI's work among the Maasai in Tanzania. To RSVP for the event scan the QR code on the left. Bethel members who are on the ALMASI board of directors are Lazaro Mathayo, Yassi Moringe, Jeff Eichner, Diane Boehm, Elizabeth Blasko and David Ross.

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Bethel Website

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**DEADLINE** for putting an article in  
the Beacon is 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday.



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Bethel Calendar

# September Service Roster

	Thursday 6:30 pm	Sunday 9:00 am	Sunday 9:00 am	Sunday 9:00 am
	September 8	September 15	September 22	September 29
ELDER	Paul DeLassus			
COMM. ELDER				Scott Gutzke
ACOLYTE	Kateryna Kozlik	Sharon Victor Sam	Lucy White	Ben Gutzke
USHER 1	Paul Werfelmann	Paul Werfelmann	Paul Werfelmann	Paul Werfelmann
USHER 2				
ALTAR GUILD	Sheila Bunnell & Shari Hoppe			
COUNTERS	Monte Stoltzman & Joan Blasko			
Anyone unable to serve, contact Cindy Daluga at <a href="mailto:Cindy@bethelgurnee.org">Cindy@bethelgurnee.org</a>				Updated 9/5/24

## ***WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS***

We are pleased you chose to be with us in worship today, and pray the Lord blesses you as he has blessed us with your presence. Our goal is to help people find the right place for them to hear God's word and serve His mission. We'd love to support you in that spiritual journey. Please take a moment to complete an attendance card and place it in the Offering plate or give to an usher. This card will help us connect with you.

## ***NURSERY***

We have two rooms available for your use. When the service is in the sanctuary, the nursery is down the hall just past the restrooms. If the service is held in the gym, the nursery is in the youth room at the far end of the gym.

### Worship Schedule

Worship Service Sunday 9:00am  
 Fellowship 10:00am - Education Hour 10:30am  
 Communion 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
 Office Hours Mon –Thurs 9am-3pm & Fri 9am -12pm  
 Call ahead because times may change.

### **The Bethel Mission Statement**

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