

THE BETHEL BEACON



5110 GRAND AVENUE
GURNEE, IL 60031
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"Our mission is to help people be disciples; lifelong learners and followers of Jesus Christ."

Bethel Preschool is starting its 39th year! We have a total of twenty-six students between our two classes, however, there are still openings so please tell your friends and family. All five teachers on our staff are returning. They are Donna Stutzman, Becky Anderson, Nicole Kreamer, Emily Schaefer and Kathy Prehm. We would also like to recognize Preschool Board Members Kathy DeLassus, Karen Kozlik, Sue Fren dreis and Maggie Ranieri. If you are interested in becoming a board member let us know. Special thanks to Monte Stoltzman and Paul Werfelmann for sprucing up the preschool climber and additional wood chips. We are looking forward to a fantastic year!



Bethel's Baby Shower Ministry has had a busy summer! We have packed baby supplies for 7 baby shower deliveries this summer. This week we received 2 more requests for baby showers for Love INC clients and we are in need of supplies to fill those requests. Items we are in need of include:

- ⇒ Size 2 & Size 3 diapers
- ⇒ Baby wipes
- ⇒ Hypoallergenic/"free and clear" laundry detergent

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.



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.

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SCAN ME

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

Service Roster

	Thursday 6:30 pm	Sunday 9:00 am	Sunday 9:00 pm	Sunday 9:00 am
	August 28	August 31	September 7	September 14
ELDER	Scott Gutzke			
COMM. ELDER				
ACOLYTE	OPEN	Sharon Victor Sam	Lucy White	Nosim Kisiongo
USHER 1	Paul Werfelmann		John Schultz	John Schultz
USHER 2			Paul Werfelmann	
FELLOWSHIP			Governing Board	OPEN
ALTAR GUILD	Margie Tatgenhorst & Dawn Werfelmann		Sheila Bunnell	
COUNTERS	Dave & Cheryl Ross		Margie Tatgenhorst & Michelle Chudy	
Anyone unable to serve, contact Cindy Daluga at Cindy@bethelgurnee.org			Updated 9/5/25	



Usher/Elder Sign-up List

Worship Schedule

Worship Service Sunday 9:00am
 Fellowship Sunday 10:00 -10:30am
 Education Hour 10:30 -11:30am
 Communion 1st, 3rd, 5th Sunday
 Office Hours Mon –Thurs 9am-3pm & Fri 9am -12pm
 Call ahead because times may change.

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.



Electronic one time or reoccurring donations
 can now be made using VANCO.
 Just scan the QR code.



We are in need of families to sign up and host upcoming fellowship hours...

The sign up sheet is on the bulletin board near the kitchen. Here at Bethel we have a wonderful tradition of fellowship and hospitality. Coffee hour after morning worship is a special part of that tradition. Coffee hour serves to encourage fellowship, catch up with friends, welcome newcomers, encourage conversation, provide small treats and creates a ministry of hospitality.