Vibrantly open to the Spirit, Bethel Lutheran Church serves God and its neighbors by joyfully living and sharing the Good News!

BETHEL NEWS for the week of August 13, 2017



This week @ Bethel

Today! 10:15a coffee & fellowship

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Monday 11a-5p office

Wednesday 10a Bible study

11a-5p office open

6:30p book club, 36 Fir St. N

Thursday 11a-5p office open

Saturday 6-8p WMM

Sunday 9:00a outdoor worship

10:15a coffee & fellowship

Events are subject to change. For up-to-date calendar events, see our online calendar: http://www.lpbethel.org

Thank you

Thank you, **Kendrick Hall**, for leading us in worship today!

Directory Update

Bobbi Kadrie:

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11608 Xavis St. NW, Coon Rapids, MN 55433

Become a Red Cross Volunteer

Disaster Action Team (DAT) Training

Saturday, August 26, 10:30-3:00 pm Hutchinson Public Library, 50 Hassan St. SE RSVP by emailing angie.schull@redcross.org or calling 507-387-6664 ext. 1504

August Worship schedule

<u>Sunday, August 20</u>: Outdoor Worship at 9:00 am (bring your chairs)

<u>Wednesday, August 23</u>: Grill Out & Worship beginning at 5:30 pm

<u>Sunday, August 27</u>: Worship at 9:00 am (Kids, bring your school backpack for a blessing during worship!) First Communion class following worship

First Communion class offered Sunday, August 27

Pastor Aaron is offering a **First Communion class** on Sunday, August 27 after worship. We encourage Bethel kids to sign up but the class is open for all ages! Please use the sign-up sheet on the Bethel News Board to let the pastor know your interest.

Bethel Book club: September

How Does it Feel to Be a Problem: Being Young and Arab in America by Moustafa Bayoumi

This book dives into the lives of young Arab Americans in a post 9/11 United States. It looks at the structures of fear, oppression, and racism experienced by these individuals and the stress they face in their daily lives. Two copies are available in Bethel's library.

Discussion date: September 20; 6:30 pm; 36 Fir St. N. LP

Crow River Habitat for Humanity

Crow River Habitat for Humanity is in need of individual or group volunteers to provide simple lunches at our build site located at 429 Grant Avenue in Hutchinson. Build days are on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. If you are able to help please call 320-587-8868 or email deb@crhfh.org. Thanks so much for your support!

Shoe Bus coming to McLeod County!

The Shoe Bus is accepting donations of clean, new, and/or gently used shoes of all sizes, including sport specific shoes. 10% of shoe sales will be distributed to McLeod Emergency Food Shelf as they continue down the path to "shoe away hunger." Questions can be directed to Lennie Albers, Exec. Director, MEFS at 320-864-2088. Cross Point Church, Hutchinson on August 23, 5-8 pm Helen Baker School, Glencoe on August 24, 9-11 am (Children's shoes-\$2, Adult's shoes-\$5) (In conjunction with Back to School Supply Distribution)

Welcome to Bethel!

Worshiping together as the Children of God.

Christ has claimed all of us as children of God, we encourage children of ALL ages to participate in worship, each to their ability.

To our youngest worshipers: we believe children are not the future of the church: they are the church present! We welcome your wiggles, giggles, cries and curious bodies and voices. Parents: encourage your child to sing, clap, wiggle, drop coins in the offering, and receive communion. A [non-staffed] toy room is available just outside the sanctuary.

To our "young at heart": we welcome your enthusiasm and voices, too! If hearing assistance in needed, see an usher for a device.

For all: we strive for worship that is intergenerational and welcoming to the whole body of Christ. <u>Communion</u> is served every Sunday. We invite all persons who seek God's grace through the bread and wine to share this meal, regardless of age or denominational affiliation. <u>You are welcome at Christ's table!</u> Grape juice and gluten-free options are available, too.

<u>Bathrooms</u> are located just outside the sanctuary. <u>Fellowship Hour</u> happens immediately after worship. Join us for coffee, treats and conversation! During the school year, children are invited into the basement for <u>Sunday School</u>. <u>Communication cards</u> are located on the back of the pews, we'd love to hear from you or leave your name and email in our <u>guestbook</u>!

Serving in August

Altar Guild: Judy Angvall Lector: Linda Haller Usher: Jeff Breidenbach

Greeter: Diane Horsman

Lawn Mowing: Lloyd Weisenburger

Next opportunity to serve:

September: Ushers



Committee Chairpersons

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