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Bethel Lutheran Church

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Hello all,

My name is Siobhan Flanagan and I'm delighted to be serving as Bethel's Director of Community Engagement.

I thought I would start by introducing myself. I grew up in Spokane, Washington where I attended a Lutheran church with my mother.

After finishing high school, I decided to pursue my love of the arts at Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma, Washington. At PLU I studied theatre and history and I also had the opportunity to study social justice at the University of Oxford in the UK. While at school, I was also

involved in several activities including the theatre and history honor societies, the ultimate frisbee team, and the worship team for our on-campus congregation. Because of my various on-campus involvements I grew to appreciate and love community. I believe communities are important for individual and group success and I'm pleased to continue advocating for communities here at Bethel Lutheran Church!

I'm excited to join the community here at Bethel and work on increasing the church's online and social media presence as well as our presence in the community. I am so thankful for the support I have found through Lutheran communities throughout my life and I'm looking forward to seeing the positive impact this church will have on me, the members here, and the greater Shoreline community.

Over the last several weeks I have been getting acquainted with all the different goings-on here at Bethel. From learning where supplies are located in the office to getting to know all the different groups and organizations that share our space here, I'm learning a lot and enjoying it too! I want to thank everyone who has been so welcoming at council meetings, Wednesday lunches, bible studies, Sunday morning worship, and everywhere else I have encountered members of this congregation. I will be keeping this congregation in my prayers as we work together through this time of transition.

At this time I am in the office, often with Sister Le, Tuesday - Friday and anyone and everyone is welcome to stop by and say hello or even offer suggestions and ideas about what you would like to see for the community here at Bethel.

Blessings and Peace, Siobhan Flanagan



News From Sister Le

Bethel Garden

Pre-School students and a client from Aaron's Place planted seeds indoors during April. The seedlings grew mightily under fluorescent light bulbs and we transplanted them outdoors during May. Peas and beans were planted alongside two wire tunnels and were promptly eaten by the resident bunny. Thanks to a donation from a church member and our Hospitality fund three galvanized stock tanks (one 1-foot tall, two 2-feet tall) were purchased and placed in the lower parking lot. The tanks are filled with vegetable mix (thank you to Cedar Grove Composting for the "church discount")!

Come and see how we've grown. The vegetables are available to share.

What we don't use will be donated to community meals.





Building relationships in the community

This fall, the Shoreline School District will begin releasing students 100 minutes early on Wednesday afternoons. This will be done in order to give teachers opportunities for professional development, another step in the direction of increasing/enhancing student success. It means, however, that families will be looking for safe after-school options for their children. Many are already enrolled in programs that will simply extend the amount of time children spend there. Several schools partner with the YMCA, and programs exist in the schools themselves.

But what about the families who cannot, for one reason or another, enroll their students in these programs? The YMCA offers discounts/scholarships for as many students as possible. But what happens when the money runs out and there are still students to be placed?

We have been exploring some possibilities. We met with the Shoreline School District Children's Center Administrator Charles Brown and have contacted the Dale Turner YMCA Director and hope to meet with him in the near future. We are contacting service providers to learn about the neighborhood: what help is needed, what is already provided, and even what is <u>not</u> needed?

Is this a conversation you would like to be a part of? Whether you would simply like to ask questions, offer ideas, or actually help, we would love to hear from you! Please talk to Sister Le or Siobhan in the office or on Sunday after church.

Other News

WEDNESDAY LUNCH



Join us Wednesdays at noon for a free sandwich lunch served at Bethel Lutheran Church 17529 15th AVE NE

ALL ARE WELCOME



Bethel adds a yard waste bin

Bethel now has a green bin for yard waste and food scraps! Sister Le has been busy working on a garden which is well on its way to producing veggies for our Wednesday lunches. A green bin was added to our recycling and trash in the lower lot to help manage waste from the garden and other areas of the church. Remember things like food scraps, food soiled paper, and weeds can all be composted. Let's work on making a Bethel a more sustainable place!

Wednesday Lunch at Bethel

Join us for lunch and stay for a simple devotion and prayer time. This is an opportunity for midweek fellowship. All are welcome.

We've been gathering on Wednesdays for the past few weeks enjoying a variety of sandwiches such as egg salad, turkey, grilled cheese, and chicken salad. After lunch we've been enjoying a devotional focused on the week's preaching text. Sister Le has been leading a practice called Dwelling in the Word which asks participants to reflect on a text with a partner, put extra care into listening to your partner's ideas and then sharing your partner's thoughts with the group.

Everyone is welcome to participate in the lunch and/or devotional and prayer time. We hope to see you there!



Other News Continued

Sunday, September 9, 2018

Once again we will put hygiene bags together for North Helpline, to be shared with those experiencing homelessness. Please start collecting small travel size toiletry items and **bring them to Bethel by August 26**.

We need:

Shampoo

Conditioner

Soap

Lotion

Toothbrush

Toothpaste

Razor

Deodorant



On September 9, we will stay after church to pack the bags together. Thanks in advance for all of your help!

LCN is a nonprofit organization of dedicated professional therapists providing a range of counseling services . Our staff of psychotherapists each possess master's or doctoral degrees and observes a strict ethical code of professional conduct. Because Bethel hosts an LCN office in our

building, fees may be adjusted according to family income. For an appointment, call Rosemary Raynaud, Pastoral Psychotherapist,, at 206-364-1046, Ext. 3.

www.lutherancounseling.net



If you have any news, dates, anniversaries or other information for the newsletter please feel free to email them to bethelshoreline@gmail.com, call the office at (206) 362–2334 or swing by the office and chat with Siobhan or Sister Le or leave us a note! Thanks!



Update from Tom & Mary Holman

May 17, 2018

WE'RE GOING TO GHANA IN JUNE! The dates for our trip to Ghana are June 7-26. We expect our visas to arrive soon, and all the other arrangements are in place.

Please pray for a safe trip and that our time with the Anufo translation team would be fruitful.

Pray also that we would be a blessing to our hosts and to other friends and colleagues we see while we're there.

Thank you for your prayers! We appreciate your faithful partnership in Bible translation. It's so exciting to see what is happening at Bethel these days. We're praying for you, too.

Mary

Mary and Tom Holman

June 14, 2018

Thank you for praying for our trip to Ghana! We're delighted to be here and be able to work with the Anufo team to help them prepare for printing Genesis through Deuteronomy. It so happened that a workshop to upgrade some projects to a more comprehensive version of their translation software program has coincided with our first week here. It's helping the team put in place procedures to be ready for the typesetting of these books.

When we return home in July, Tom and I will be working on preparations for checking with two projects in Nigeria in September. **Pray** that we would make good progress.

Warmly in Christ,

Mary

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The Spirit

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40,000 of My Closest
Friends
Bishop Kirby Unti
NW Washington Synod/
ELCA

I am just coming off a wonderful pre-youth gathering event intended to prepare the 276 young people from the Northwest Washington Synod who will be traveling this summer to Houston, Texas for this ELCA's national youth gathering.

When I meet with the young people of our Synod I am both terrified and inspired. I am terrified because I am so disconnected from the world that they inhabit – apps, language, movies, music, etc. I worry whether I can relate to these remarkable young people. Do I have something of meaning that I can bring to the table?

I am inspired because I am so very impressed by the young people who are formed by this church. They have hearts that care. They exhibit behavior that is fun to be around. Repeatedly my experience has been how respectfully they treat me and others. I love their global awareness and how at-home they seem to be in a world that, at times for me, is overwhelming.

One of the things that our young people have shown me is how they resonate to authenticity and honesty. They will put up with an old goat like me if I strive to live within my own skin and answer their questions honestly. We had a "Stump the Bishop" session at this recent prep event. They asked fun questions - and they asked hard questions. Where was God when the holocaust took place? How can there be different interpretations of the Bible? Who was my first crush? Did I like being a parish pastor more than being a bishop? Which of my daughters do I love the most?"

They wanted honest answers - and I did my best.

The ELCA Youth Gathering will make a real impact on the city of Houston. Unleashing 40,000 students equals a lot of worker bees - and I saw how much good can be done when we were last in Detroit.

The event also has the potential to have a major impact on our young people - helping them to deepen their understanding of their baptism and their vocational call. We will worship together, pray together, play together, and serve together.

One day of the Gathering is set aside as a Synod Day. During that time, I will again have the joy of spending time with our synod youth – and sharing my personal faith journey with them. It is indeed a privilege to have this opportunity.

Research shows that young people who have this kind of religious scaffolding, experience less atrisk behavior and are three to four times more likely to be involved in their community in the following ways: work on community projects, volunteer associations, vote in local elections, attend public meetings, donate time and money

So, June 27-July 1, think of me and 40,000 of my closest friends, as we will experience what it means to be the church together for the sake of the world.

Those Who Serve - July 2018

	July 1	July 8	July 15	July 22	July 29				
Altar Guild	Sue & Joanne	Judy & Carol	Marlys & Lillian	Sue & Joanne	Judy & Carol				
Worship Asst.	Sr. Le	Elia Smith	Liz Terrey	Craig Fjarlie	Siobhan Flanagan				
Kids Time	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A				
Communion									
Bread	Siobhan Flanagan	Sr. Le	Carol H.	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed				
Wine	Dorothy Brown	Bruce Smith	Judy Goulet	Nancy Phillips	Dorothy Brown				
Glasses	Lillian Routledge		Phyllis Moll						
Scripture	John 1:29	John 14:15-17	John 15:9-11	Matthew 5:3-9	Luke 6:36-38				
Preaching Text	1 John 1:5-2:2	1 John 4:1-6	1 John 4:7-21	Ruth 1:1-22	Ruth 2:1-23				

If you are interested in helping serve there are sign up sheets on the Bethel bulletin board located in the gathering space. You can also inquire about other ways to get involved by emailing info@bethel4all.org or by calling our office at (206) 362-4334.

Remember in Prayer



July

2-Karen Bauer

4-Roger Hilling

8-Kristi Schwerdtfeger

12—Jeremy DeLap

14-David Salmon

16—Ruth Vollbrecht

23-Irene Olsen

25—Darlene Hilling

Those in Assisted Living or

28-Kari Pickrell

Assisted Living cont.

Donna Sjoquist

Dela Van Hoy

Those Coping with Health Problems

Don Brown

John Johns

Michael Klingensmith

Olive Kohanik

Joan Martinell

Kelly Moll

Shirley Pishaw

Karen Schoeld

Elia Smith

Chris Tracy

Daily Prayer List

Vera Anderson

Nursing Homes

Donnamae Gfeller

Dick Hinea

Irene Olsen

Shirley Pishaw

Dick Scansen

- 1. Vera Anderson
- 2. Rebecca Antoncich
- 3. Judith Bashaw
- 4. Douglas Bauer
- 5. Karen Bauer
- 6. Dorothy Brown
- 7. Scott DeLap
- 8. Starla DeLap

- 9. Craig Fjarlie
- 10. Lila Geiszler
- 11. Donnamae Gfeller
- 12. Judy Goulet
- 13. Norma Grigsby
- 14. Roger Hilling
- 15. Walt Himple
- 16. Mary Himple
- 17. Joe Himple
- 18. Carol Hovick
- 19. John Johns
- 20. Donna Johns
- 21. Leonard Jones
- 22. Tukwila Jones
- 23. Yonsu Kim
- 24. Jung Kim
- 25. Kuwon Kim
- 26. Ethiopian Evangelical
- 27. Reborn Church
- 28. Lutheran Counseling Network
- 29. Shoreline Schools teachers & kids
- 30. Bethel Call Committee
- 31. Pastor Chris Ode & Family

We keep the families of **Audrey Anderson** and **Donna Sowler**, who passed away June 22, 2018, in our prayers.

July 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
=9:30 AM Worship Sermon by Cara Holmquist	2	=9:30 AM Staff Meet- ing	Independence Day Bethel Office Closed	5	6	7
9:30 AM Worship sermon by Pastor Kim	9	=9:30 AM Staff Meet- ing =10:45 AM Member- ship meeting	=12:00 PM Lunch and Devotional	=7:00 PM Council	13	14
15	16			19	20	21
=9:30 AM Worship		=9:30 AM Staff Meet- ing	Sister Le on vacation			
Sermon by Jan/Jim			=12:00 PM Lunch and Devotional	=11:00 AM Memorial Service for Donna Sowler		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Sister Le on vacation						
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Upcoming Events and Important Dates

- July 4: Office Closed Wednesday
- July 11: Wednesday Lunches resume
- July 18-28: Sister Le will be on Vacation
- July 19: A memorial service will be held for Donna Sowler
- August 14: North City Jazz walk (if you'd like to volunteer contact Siobhan or Sister Le.)

For other events and updates be sure to follow the Bethel Lutheran Church facebook page at Facebook.com/BethelShoreline/ or visit our website at Bethel4all.org

And check the weekly worship bulletins!



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Pastor

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Office Hours

Tuesday-Thursday
9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Friday
9:00 AM to Noon

Worship Service

Sunday

9:30 AM

Lunch & Bible Study

Wednesday 12:00 PM

<u>Communion</u>

Every Sunday

Congregation of the

