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Bethel Lutheran Church

September 2018

Meet our Supply Pastors!

A supply pastor is someone who fills in for a congregation without a pastor. We have several different supply pastors preaching on different Sundays this summer! We asked them to send us a little bio so we could all get to know them better. This month enjoy Pastor Schoeld's bio .



Jim Schoeld:
the rolling
reverend

"I was ordained in 1962 after graduating from St Olaf

College and Luther Seminary. I then served congregations in Montana, North Dakota, Minnesota, and then Bethel. I began at Bethel in 1987 and retired in 2001. Each parish I served was a delight and different in challenge. The confirmation classes varied in size from 4 to 90 teenagers. The differences between these places varied widely in geography and the occupations of the area. Also worth knowing is that the members in them went from 600 to 4,400.

Rachel and I have four children and nine grandchildren. They are scattered from California to South Dakota and here in the

Seattle area. Over the years our times of vacations have taken us to about 45 states. We made those journeys with a tent topped trailer/camper. National parks and KOA sites were our primary stopping places.

I thoroughly enjoyed my years of active ministry and especially enjoyed the Lutheran emphasis on education based on God's wondrous grace. Baptisms, funerals and sermon preparation occupied my time and energy. And home visitation used to be a normal thing in parishes so that helped me know each family better.

As most of you know, after retirement we had an accident which left me with a SCI (spinal cord injury). So from my wheelchair I have continued to conduct worship services when such services are needed and requested by the resident pastor. I am pleased to be a fill-in pastor while Bethel seeks a new pastor."

Director of Community Engagement News

Jazz Walk at Bethel

On Tuesday, August 14, Bethel participated in the annual North City Jazz Walk. Our sanctuary was host to the Youth Open Mic Jam Sessions where youth were invited to make music with professional jazz musicians. We had several volunteers, some greeting people at the door and others in the kitchen where they served approximately 90 root beer floats, and had to make two runs to Safeway during the event for more supplies! We had a lot of fun participating in this neighborhood event and being an active part of the community. A lot of planning went into this event and we're already looking forward to next year's Jazz Walk and making it even better! If you didn't make it to the North City Jazz Walk this year consider it for next summer!



Email Updates

In the office, I've been working on updating our communication methods. We are transferring over to a new email service which will mean the best way to contact the office via email will be info@bethel4all.org. I can be reached at Siobhan@bethel4all, and the prayer chain will be updated to be prayer@bethel4all.org as well! While these changes occur the old email addresses will continue to be checked!

Update from Tom & Mary Holman

August 15, 2018

Thank you for your faithful prayer partnership. We need your prayers for our proposed three-week trip to Nigeria in September. We are waiting for the final approval of the project Tom will be working with, so the exact dates have not been set. The process of getting our Nigeria visas probably will take over a week. **Please pray** that these things would fall into place, and that we would trust the Lord for His perfect timing.

Also, **pray** that I would finish my preparations for checking Matthew.

We appreciate you so much!

Yours in Christ,

Mary



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News from Sister Le



Bethel Lutheran at the Ridgecrest Neighborhood Association Ice Cream Social

Our neighbors in Ridgecrest held their 20th Annual Ice Cream Social at Paramount School Park on Thursday, August 16, and Bethel Lutheran Church was there! Siobhan and I created a Bethel booth with information about our church and activities. Siobhan brought craft materials and know-how, and we showed kids how to make “God’s Eyes” out of yarn and Popsicle sticks. Our young visitors were so enthused, some stayed to make more than one. Some even brought their friends back to our booth and taught their friends the craft.

We talked to parents about Bethel, highlighting our Wednesday Lunch, Sunday worship, and the possibility of an after-school program on early-dismissal Wednesdays this fall. Several people expressed concern about how they would be dealing with this problem and took our flyers, either for their own information or to share with others.

This happy event was attended by several hundred adults and children. We have had visitors at lunch who have told us they learned about our Wednesday Lunch when they saw us at the RNA Ice Cream Social.

Thank you to everyone who donated yarn for this event. We estimate that about 55 crafts were made! P.S. The ice cream was really good, too!

2018-2019 Council



On Sunday August 19 the 201-2019 was installed by Pastor Jim Leistikow. Bethel Council includes:

From left to right: At Large: Phyllis Moll, President : Bruce Smith, At Large: Elia Smith, Secretary: Susan Logen, Treasurer: Marlys Pickrell, Vice President: Lynlee Ritchie.

Not pictured: At Large: David Salmon, At Large: Carol Hovick,

The Spirit

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Bishop Election



By the Rev. Kirby Unti,
Bishop, NWWA Synod

Friends,

Our 2019 Synod Assembly will include a Bishop Election in the Northwest Washington Synod. The Synod Council has appointed David Swartling to shepherd the process. You will be hearing

more soon about the upcoming timeline which runs from November to May.

I want you to know it has been a real joy and a great honor to have served the Office of Bishop for the last five years. It has afforded me a perspective of the whole church that I otherwise would have never had. It has been a term blessed with the opportunity to spend time with so many wonderful people who make up the church. I have been privileged to meet our ecumenical partners and to break bread with our neighbors of faith. I have been gifted with attending two National Youth Gatherings and to witness the work of our synod's Children, Youth and Family Ministries. I count as one of the greatest blessings the wisdom that has been shared by our Native American sisters and brothers who hold the creation in sacred relationship.

Under my leadership I have placed a strong emphasis upon collaboration between congregations and members of the roster. The emphasis includes strengthening our ministry relationship with partners both within the Lutheran community and beyond. I take seriously Presiding Bishop Eaton's teaching that we are church at our best when we are church

together for the sake of the world.

It has also been important to me to see us engage the neighborhood in new ways. All our congregations, in one way or another, serve the local neighborhood through feeding, sheltering, clothing, and providing emergency help. Some of our smallest congregations do so on a scale that is very impressive for their size. I applaud all our congregations for this outreach in Jesus' name.

My emphasis has been on taking the next step in neighborhood engagement - which is not about providing services, but about deep listening to our neighbors for the purpose of joining them in building stronger communities. This next step may seem subtle, but it is a major shift in both how we see our neighbors and relate to them.

I have tried to elevate the place of our specialized ministries as they provide a high level of care where some of the greatest pain exists in the community.

I have also been about the work of our Capital Campaign, Because of You, trying to increase the resources that we have, to form new leaders and to support the work of mission on the territory of our Synod into the future. We set a very ambitious goal of 3 million dollars and the fruit of our efforts need to be realized this next year.

This Synod has been well served through two significant staff changes. The Staff has committed itself to being responsive to the needs of those we serve. Having a good staff has meant I have always looked forward to coming to work and have felt confident when I am away.

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Bishop Election Cont.

This summer I have been in deep discernment as to whether I will allow my name to go forward for a second term. It is a call that is very hard for me

to say no to because of the blessing that it has been to serve you.

I have reached the conclusion that I am not going to consider a second term. I feel my shelf life has expired and the Synod is deserving of a leader more gifted to serve the church in these times. There is no doubt in my mind that God will raise up the right leader who is likely to be both culturally and technically more fluent than I.

I will end my term with deep gratitude to the people of this Synod and with a commitment to set the table well for the person who is to follow. It has been a privilege. Grace, grace, grace!!!

Church Clean Up Day

SEPTEMBER 8
BEGINNING AT 9AM



Everyone is invited to join us in cleaning up Bethel on September 8th. There will be several jobs to do both inside and outside the church. Everyone is encouraged to bring a potluck item to share for a lunch at noon!



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Bethel Outreach

Thank you so much to those who have contributed items for the hygiene bags that we will be packing on September 9th for the homeless. Please keep those donations coming in so we can pack 40 bags or more this year. The dollar store is a great place to shop for these items and any of these items that you may have from hotel rooms work well too.

The bags need to contain 2 shampoos, 2 soaps, 1 toothbrush 1 large or 2 small toothpastes, 1 razor and 1 deodorant. If conditioners are available we will add this item to the bags as well.

Help pack these bags after worship on September 9th!

Thank you for helping with God's Work!

-Lynlee Ritchie





Sherlock Holmes: The Most Popular Fictional Character of All Time

by Josh Krupke

In 2012 the Guinness Book of World Records recognized Sherlock Holmes as the most portrayed literary human character in film and television, besting William Shakespeare's Hamlet by 48 portrayals. The character's popularity has built a worldwide fan base and inspired a whole genre of literature.

The cunning consulting detective from 221B Baker Street first appeared in 1887 in Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's novel *A Study in Scarlet*. Holmes' adventures proved to be such a hit for Conan Doyle that he wrote him into a total of four novels and 56 short stories from 1887 - 1927.

Almost immediately, Sherlock Holmes and his assistant Dr. Watson were among the most popular literary characters ever written. The stories were so popular that Conan Doyle, frustrated by how much his detective stories were distracting from his more serious writing, attempted to kill off Holmes in the short story "The Final Problem," published by *The Strand* magazine in 1893.

In today's Twitter-fueled world, fan outrage is a common phenomenon but in mid-1890s England, the reaction to Holmes' death was unlike anything ever before seen in popular culture.

Subscriptions to *The Strand* dropped by 20,000, nearly bankrupting the magazine.

For eight years the pressure continued until Conan

Doyle finally gave in and, in 1901, published a new Sherlock Holmes novel, *The Hound of the Baskervilles*, which took place prior to Holmes' death. Then, in the 1903 short story "The Adventure of the Empty House," Conan Doyle accepted the wishes of his readers by resurrecting Holmes and revealing that the detective had actually faked his death.

In the 131 years since *A Study in Scarlet* first debuted, the popularity of Sherlock's adventures has not ceased. Through thousands of adaptations and homages in literature, stage, film, television and other media, Holmes and Watson have transcended beyond Conan Doyle's original works. To this day, modern adaptations, such as CBS's *Elementary* and BBC's *Sherlock* television series, continue to thrill fans.

Sherlock Holmes made his Jewell MainStage debut in 2010 with *Sherlock Holmes and the Case of the Christmas Carol*. The production was so popular that it was remounted in 2012. Both stagings still stand among the most successful shows in Taproot Theatre's history.

*Sherlock Holmes is back and searching for clues to explain a mysterious death on a haunted moor. Five fearless actors conjure over 35 characters to deliver laughter and chills in this dizzyingly inventive adaptation of *The Hound of the Baskervilles*. Bite your nails and howl with delight as Holmes and Watson face their most diabolical case ever. (September 12 - October 20, 2018)*

Go to www.taproottheatre.org/baskerville for more information regarding shows, dates and ticket prices.

Those Who Serve - September 2018

	September 2	September 9	September 16	September 23	September 30
Altar Guild	Judy & Carol	Sue & Joanne	Marlys & Lillian	Judy & Carol	Sue & Joanne
Worship Asst.	Liz Terrey	Sister Le	Siobhan	Elia Smith	Chuck Voll-
Supply	Jan/Jim	Jim Schoeld	Sister Le	Jan/Jim	Jan/Jim
Communion					
Bread	Linda	Sue Logen	Carol Hovick		
Wine	Dorothy Brown	Siobhan	Judy Goulet	Bruce Smith	Dorothy Brown
Glasses	Phyllis Moll		Bruce Smith		
Scripture	James 1:17-27	Matt 8:24-27	Matt 28:19-20	TBD	TBD
Preaching Text	Mark 7:1-23	Genesis 6, 8, & 9	Genesis 12:1-9	TBD	TBD

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



September

- 5-Don Brown
- 5-Donna Johns
- 5-Lorna Neumann
- 6-Daniel Schwerdtfeger
- 7-John Johns
- 9-Chuck Vollbrecht
- 10-Donna Sjoquist
- 17-Judith Bashaw
- 30-Michael Vollbrecht

Those in Assisted Living or Nursing Homes

- Vera Anderson
- Donnamae Gfeller
- Dick Hinea
- Irene Olsen
- Shirley Pishaw
- Dick Scansen
- Donna Sjoquist

Those Coping with Health Problems

- Don Brown
- John Johns
- Michael Klingensmith
- Olive Kohanik
- Joan Martinell
- Shirley Pishaw
- Karen Schoeld
- Elia Smith
- Chris Tracy

Daily Prayer List

- 1) Teachers beginning a new school year
- 2) Students beginning a new school year
- 3) Linda Mears
- 4) Karen Schoeld
- 5) Kristi Schwerdtfeger
- 6) Richard Schwerdtfeger
- 7) Anna Sjong
- 8) Donna Sjoquist
- 9) God's Work Our Hands recipients

- 10) Bruce Smith
- 11) Elia Smith
- 12) Carolyn Starrett
- 13) Liz Terrey
- 14) Chuck Vollbrecht
- 15) Ruth Vollbrecht
- 16) John Vollbrecht
- 17) Kathy Carrow
- 18) John Vollbrecht
- 19) Vera Anderson
- 20) Rebecca Antoncich
- 21) Judith Bashaw
- 22) All those who volunteer their time
- 23) The call committee
- 24) Childcare Provider Co-op Preschool
- 25) Aaron's Place
- 26) Iglesia Evangelical
- 27) Ethiopian Evangelical
- 28) Reborn Church
- 29) Lutheran Counseling Network
- 30) Our Government and Country

September 2018

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■ bethelshoreline@gmail.com
 ■ Holidays in United States

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 ■ 9:30 AM Worship	27	28 ■ 9:30 AM Staff Meeting	29 ■ 11:30 AM Lunch and Devotional	30	31	1
2 ■ 9:30 AM Worship	3 Labor Day	4 ■ 9:30 AM Staff Meeting	5 ■ 11:30 AM Lunch and Devotional	6	7	8 ■ 9:00 AM Bethel Clean Up Day
9 ■ 9:30 AM Worship ■ 10:30 AM Bethel Breakfast	10	11 ■ 9:30 AM Staff Meeting	12	13 ■ 11:30 AM Lunch and Devotional ■ 1:00 PM membership meeting ■ 7:00 PM Council	14	15
16 Sister Le preaches ■ 9:30 AM Worship	17	18 ■ 9:30 AM Staff Meeting	19	20 ■ 11:30 AM Lunch and Devotional ■ 7:00 PM Ruth Circle	21	22
23 ■ 9:30 AM Worship	24	25 ■ 9:30 AM Staff Meeting	26 ■ 9:00 AM Quilters	27 ■ 11:30 AM Lunch and Devotional ■ 1:00 PM Black bodies and the Justice of God	28	29
30 ■ 9:30 AM Worship	1 ■ 10:00 AM Jan and Emily	2 ■ 9:30 AM Staff Meeting	3	4 ■ 11:30 AM Lunch and Devotional	5	6

Upcoming Events and Important Dates

- September 8: Church Clean Up Day, help us out beginning at 9am to tidy up Bethel inside and out!
- September 9: God’s Work Our Hands, after worship help bag donated hygiene items.

You can do something about hunger on Sunday, October 21: Bread for the World’s Annual Offering of Letters at Bethel Lutheran Church

What is the Offering of Letters?

“Bread for the World’s annual Offering of Letters campaign engages churches, campuses, and other faith communities in writing letters to Congress. Each year, for the focus of the campaign, we choose specific legislation or a legislative emphasis that can make a real difference to people struggling with hunger and poverty.” --www.bread.org

Join with our Bethel family to write letters to Congress. Our letters and prayers, in unity with tens of thousands of others, will impact decisions made by Congress on behalf of the poor. We are called to this work!



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



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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 & Devotional

Thursday 11:30AM

Communion

Every Sunday

Congregation of the



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God's work. Our hands.