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Director of Community Engagement News



FREE

Open Now!

AFTER SCHOOL CARE ON EARLY RELEASE WEDNESDAYS

For the 2018 - 2019 school year Bethel Lutheran Church (17529 15th AVE NE) is offering a free **drop-in care center** for students in **grades K-8** on early release Wednesdays from 1-5pm
To register your child visit:
<http://www.bethellutheranchurch.org/after-school-program/>

Bethel's Drop in center includes time and materials for:

- Snacks
- Organized games and activities
- Homework and study time



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As you may have heard, Bethel is working on beginning an after school program for the children in our community impacted by changes to their school schedule. This school year we hope to provide children with a safe place to enjoy a snack, play games /participate in activities, and work on homework between 1 and 5pm on early release Wednesdays.

Over the last several weeks I have worked on creating registration forms, organizing and training high school aged volunteers, and creating programming to keep kids busy and entertained. Sister Le has made requests to local businesses asking for their help and support providing snacks and materials for this program and our friends at the Taphouse next door and Safeway have generously offered to assist.

On Wednesday September 19th, I was able to meet five awesome high schoolers who have shown an interest in volunteering their time here at Bethel. They participated in a

90 minute training where we went over our new Children and Youth Policy, learned about Bethel and spaces we will be utilizing on Wednesdays, and also some strategies and practices for working with elementary school aged kids. The following Wednesday, several of them returned as well as two more high schoolers. We didn't have any kids so we were able to hangout and come up with ideas and activities they are interested in doing with kids this school year. Some of the activities they told me they would be interested in included: making butter, decorating cookies, and trying snacks from different cultures. I'm so excited to see where this after school program takes us!

If your interested in helping out particularly on a Wednesday afternoon, a training session will be held on Sunday, October 14th after breakfast. It will take no more then one hour and it will be chance for everyone interested to see our new Children and Youth Policy and also to understand the expectations and rules that children, youth, and adults will be expected to abide by. This training session will also equip anyone interested in volunteering with the preschool that meets downstairs! If you're interested let me know or email the office at info@bethel4all.org.

-Siobhan Flanagan

Baby Blankets/Nursing Pads needed

Ben Edwards, a representative of Care Net Pregnancy and Family Services stopped by the office early in September and we learned about this agency and their work. Ben mentioned the need for baby blankets; we remembered that Bethel member Linda Mears had just asked us to help find a home for baby blankets she had crocheted. When I took Linda’s seven baby blankets to the nearest Care Net office (near the US Post Office in Kenmore), the staff were thrilled to receive them. When asked about what else they need, I was told they could use-

- Baby blankets (receiving blankets), made from flannel or crocheted (sized 36” – 39” square)
- Washable nursing pads, flannel, please see instructions at: <http://diymaternity.com/accessories/how-to-make-nursing-pads-with-free-pattern/>
- Burp cloths/pads

Little Free Library for Bethel

Thanks to my husband, Garry Smith, for building a Little Free Library for Bethel! This library is a double-decker; books on the top are considered for older readers (teens and above). The lower level is reserved for children’s books. Feel free to take a book and leave a different book (if you can). In the months ahead, we are hoping to create a little seating area to encourage folks to stop and rest awhile.

Northwest Child (the parent organization for our Aaron’s Place neighbors) has offered to help with this. Feel free to donate books. Extras will be stored, and as our supply dwindles, we’ll replace books with those you donate. Thank you for supporting your library!



Bethel Outreach

A generous man will prosper; he who refreshes others will himself be refreshed. Proverbs 11:25.

A generous person demonstrates God’s love by giving even the little things and he trusts in God for his own needs.



Thank you for the donations of hygiene products for the hygiene bags. We made a total of 50 bags this year which will be given to those who need them through North Help Line and Shoreline Community care. A few of these bags will also be available at the church office for those who come by who are in need. A tooth brush, tooth paste, soap and so on may seem small but they are a huge blessing to those in need of them.

Thank you for your generosity.

2018 Offering of Letters:

For Such a Time as This

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

On September 28, the U.S. House of Representatives reauthorized the Global Food Security Act for five more years, thanks in part to the advocacy of faith communities. This Act commits our government to fund agricultural education and the vital work of improving nutrition for women and children throughout the world.

On Sunday, October 21, we will join with thousands of congregations across the nation to bring attention to the needs of millions around the world who suffer from chronic hunger. Bread for the World reports:

“Every day, millions of people in the United States and around the world feed and support their families in part because of lifesaving programs funded by our government. We are making progress toward the end of hunger, but we live in challenging times. Our gains are increasingly vulnerable due to the actions and inactions of governing officials.

Just as Esther in the Old Testament was called to be an advocate with the king of Persia for her threatened people, we are called to speak up with leaders in Congress to protect vital programs for people who struggle with hunger and poverty. The actions that Congress takes have far-reaching impact on the lives of millions of people in the United States and around the world living in hunger. The federal budget is the investment of our tax dollars. This investment must reflect our nation's priorities and values.

You serve God when you put your faith into practice. And just as Esther fasted and prayed as she prepared for advocacy with the king, the people and churches who participate in the Offering of Letters also pray for God's saving presence and direction in our nation's life. Hunger and poverty rates have been cut in half over the last 25 years. But in 2016, for the first time since the turn of the century, the number of people living in hunger increased, and now stands at 815 million.

Funding for international hunger programs is under threat and we must work to get it back on track. In the United States, 1 in 8 Americans lives at risk of hunger, including approximately 13 million children. Hunger rates have been declining since 2011, yet many Americans still struggle to put food on the table. Food assistance programs such as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), the Women, Infant, Children (WIC) nutrition program, and school meals keep hunger at bay for millions of vulnerable Americans. Studies show that they also help children do better in school and in life.” (taken from www.bread.org)



Update from Tom & Mary Holman

September 15, 2018

Change of plans! Our trip to Nigeria has been postponed until the middle of October, which will work out well. The teams will be able to update to the new version of our translation software in September, and our preparations for consultant checking will be done. I may even be able to start checking Matthew by Skype before we leave. Please pray for a productive time of working together.

Also, please pray for travel arrangements to be made in a timely fashion, and for safe travels, good health, and God's protection for all of us. Thanks so much for your prayers!

Yours in Christ,
Mary
Mary and Tom Holman



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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





Come, Lord Jesus

Bishop Kirby Unti NW
Washington Synod / ELCA

The Unti family continues to meet at least once a week for a family meal. It is the rare occasion when we are not all in attendance. The meal always begins with the prayer, "Come, Lord Jesus."

We know not to move a fork until the prayer has been shared. I must confess that we do not always do the prayer with the reverence that it deserves - but we always do the prayer.

It would be so easy, and maybe even more pleasant, if we suspended this practice - but the truth is it is nonnegotiable. Not because of guilt or shame. Not because of our personal piety. The prayer is essential because it helps us as a family to know our rightful place in the world. We are, as Luther might say, beggars. We are dependent upon God. God is the provider. We are the grateful receivers.

Many of you know that Kim finds great delight in preparing meals. It is not only about the culinary challenge - it is about the gift that comes in gathering people around the meal. Kim knows how to turn a meal into an entire evening.

Kim is also the first to sign up to provide meals for others whether it is a friend recovering from surgery or helping at any one of several feeding programs. We often prepare and serve these meals as a family.

Our household has been shaped by meals because we have been shaped by the Biblical narrative. Meals play such a critical role in the story of God's people whether it is the cry for

manna in the wilderness or breaking bread at home with Zacchaeus. Not to mention how central the meals of Passover and The Eucharist are.

Meals are how God is known, faith is formed, forgiveness is experienced and remembrance of what matters most happens. Meals are also what the ELCA is about. We not only gather often as the people of God around meal but we believe deep in our bones the importance of seeing that all people have access to the means of providing and receiving meal. We call this expression of the ELCA World Hunger.

"Working with and through our congregations in the United States, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands, Lutheran churches overseas, and other partners, ELCA World Hunger is uniquely positioned to reach communities in need. From health clinics to microloans, water wells to animal husbandry, community meals to advocacy, your gifts to ELCA World Hunger make it possible for the ELCA to respond, supporting sustainable solutions that get at the root causes of hunger and poverty." (ELCA Website: www.elca.org/OurWork/Relief-and-Development/ELCA-WorldHunger)

Our Synod Hunger Team is ready for some new members to lead us in our local efforts. If you are interested in helping to shape this group, please contact the synod office. Additionally, on the flipside of this edition of The Spirit, you will find hunger facts and resources.

COME, LORD JESUS!

Those Who Serve - September 2018

	October 7	October 14	October 21	October 28
Altar Guild	Marlys & Lillian	Sue & Joanne	Judy & Carol	Marlys & Lillian
Worship Asst.	Joe Himple	Craig F.	Chuch V.	Sister Le
Supply	Jan/Jim	Pastor Kim	Sister Le	Jan/Jim
Communion				
Bread	Bruce	Siobhan	Carol H.	
Wine	Dorothy Brown	Bruce S.	Judy Goulet	Bruce Smith
Glasses	Siobhan			
Scripture	TBD	TBD	Matt 21:33-41	TBD
Preaching Text	Mark 10:2-16	TBD	2 Samuel 11-12	Mark 10:46-52

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



October

12—Elizabeth Pickrell

16—Rick Rudnick

23—Judy Goulet

29—Carol Haas

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

Tom Logen

Kelly Moll

Joan Martinell

Shirley Pishaw

Karen Schoeld

Elia Smith

Chris Tracy

Daily Prayer List

1) Karen Bauer

2) Douglas Bauer

3) Joanne Brock

4) Don Brown

5) Dorothy Brown

6) Starla DeLap

7) Scott DeLap

8) Craig Fjarlie

9) Lila Geiszler

10) Donnamae Gfeller

11) Judy Goulet

12) Norma Grigsby

13) Darlene Hilling

14) Roger Hilling

15) Mary Himple

16) Walt Himple

17) Joe Himple

18) Richard Hinea

19) Carol Hovick

20) Donna Johns

21) John Johns

22) Yonsu Kim

23) Jung Kim

24) Kuwon Kim

25) The Call Committee

26) The Northwest Washington Synod

27) Those who volunteer at Bethel

28) North City and our neighbors here

29) Our Country

30) Those experiencing homelessness or displacement in our community

31) For the safety of children and families celebrating Halloween tonight.

October 2018

■ bethelshoreline@gmail.com

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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 ■ 11:30 AM Lunch and Devotional	5	6
7 ■ 9:30 AM Worship	8	9 ■ 9:30 AM Staff Meeting ■ 10:45 AM Membership meeting	10	11 ■ 11:30 AM Lunch and Devotional ■ 7:00 PM Council	12	13 ■ 8:00 AM Le in Moses Lake
14 ■ ... Le in Moses Lake ■ 9:30 AM Worship ■ 10:30 AM Bethel Breakfast	15 ■ ... Le in Moses Lake	16 ■ 9:30 AM Staff Meeting	17	18 ■ 8:30 AM Le: Bishop's Convo ■ 11:30 AM Lunch and Devotional ■ 7:00 PM Ruth Circle	19	20
21 Sister Le preaches ■ 9:30 AM Worship ■ 10:30 AM Bread for the World	22	23 ■ 9:30 AM Staff Meeting	24 ■ 9:00 AM Quilters	25 ■ 11:30 AM Lunch and Devotional	26	27
28 ■ 9:00 AM Siobhan OoT ■ 9:30 AM Worship	29	30 ■ 9:30 AM Staff Meeting	31	1 ■ 11:30 AM Lunch and Devotional	2	3

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Upcoming Events and Important Dates

Oct 14: Bethel Breakfast after service

Oct 21: Bread for the World

Oct 14: optional Afterschool Care training

Nov 18: Congretional Meeting

And in the community:

Saturday October 6 at Shoreline Community College.

6X6NW is a unique community-based art exhibition. The show will feature over 700 works of art, all sized 6 x 6 inches.

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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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 & Devotional

Thursday 11:30AM

Communion

Every Sunday

Congregation of the



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God's work. Our hands.