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Bethel Lutheran Church

August 2019



Dear Family,

But before I continue, I am grateful for each one of you for your care, prayers, and participation during the caring, the passing and celebrating the life of our brother Bruce Smith. I give thanks to God for every one of you!

We also received a message that our sister A memorial for Bev Barstaad has walked with the saints and her memorial will be held on August 16, 2019 at Zion Lutheran Church, 1007 Washington St., Davenport, WA 99122.

This month there are so many events happening in our community, giving us so many opportunities to meet our neighbors!

Let's begin with the National Night Out on Tuesday evening, August 6, where we are hosting a Dessert Party for our neighbors. Please come between 6-8 pm to welcome our neighbors and to enjoy a variety of dessert options.

The following Tuesday, August 13th is the North City Jazz Walk. I have heard so many stories about this event and I am looking forward to enjoying this event with you especially since we are going to host Greta Matassa. Come and join our community in celebrating music. Greta's performances are at 7, 8, 9 and 10 pm. Tickets are required to enter most venues. They are \$20 in advance or \$25 on Tuesday, August 13. Tickets can be purchased in the office with cash or check.

Following the Jazz Walk is the Ridgecrest Ice Cream Social on Thursday, August 15 from 5:30 pm to dusk at Paramount School Park. I will be there to greet the community at our table. Please come and join me at your convenience. Who knows you might hear some new stories about me that have not made it to my sermons.

Speaking of sermons, do you know that we are going to have guest preachers next month?

I will be taking vacation from August 28 to September 11. In my absence The Rev. Jan Leistikow and The Rev. Paul Benz will be presiding the Eucharist on Sundays, September 1 and 8 respectively. For emergency needs The Rev. John Beck has agreed to fill in for me.

Speaking of pastors, The Rev. Yonsu Kim is bringing worship life in Korean into our sanctuary beginning on Sunday August 11 following our regular Sunday worship time.

Blessings to you.

Bethel News

Gods Work Our Hands 2019

Sunday September 8th is the day for Gods Work Our Hands this year. Bethel will once again assemble hygiene bags for the homeless that are served by North Help Line, Shoreline Community Care and our church. Last year we assembled 50 bags, let's see if we can make 60 this year!

Bring in your sample soaps and shampoos from hotels you visit, or you can go to the Dollar store and purchase a few items. Anytime is the right time to bring them to church where we will collect them until we make the bags.

We need shampoo, conditioner, soaps, toothbrushes, toothpaste, razors and deodorants. Lotions are optional.

The deadline for donations is Sunday August 18th.

Thank you for your generosity and for being God's Hands.

Lynlee



Back To School

We are collecting school supplies for the Back to School event which will take place on August 24, 2019.

This is an event that helps equip Shoreline students to start the school year prepared the supplies they need to be successful inside and outside the classroom.

School supplies like backpacks, pens, pencils, markers, binders, calculators, glue sticks, and notebook paper can be donated in the box outside the office through August along with hygiene products like soap and toothpaste, and new or gently used clothing for kids. These supplies will be collected through August 18th.

Financial donations can also be made through Bethel until Sunday August 4.

It costs a family at least \$25-75 to buy school supplies for a 7th-12th grader and at least \$15 to buy new socks and underwear for the new school year.

For more information visit www.btsc Consortium.org

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TUESDAY AUGUST 13, 2019

GRAB A BITE ON THE STREET STARTING AT 6PM

MUSIC STARTS AT 6:30 PM

ON 15TH AVENUE NE • SHORELINE



Update from Tom & Mary Holman

July 16, 2019

Thank you for your prayers on our behalf. The internet connection to Nigeria has been good, so the Waja team and I are making progress on 1 Corinthians. Tom has almost finished preparing Judges in Anufo (Ghana) for checking. This week we will make reservations for our trip to Nigeria in October. There is still a lot left to do before we leave. The Waja team and I need to finish 1 Corinthians, and we also hope to check the story of the Exodus. Tom has work to do on Matthew in the L language, too. Please pray that God would grant us and the teams good health, wisdom and strength to accomplish these tasks, and good internet connections!

Warmly 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.

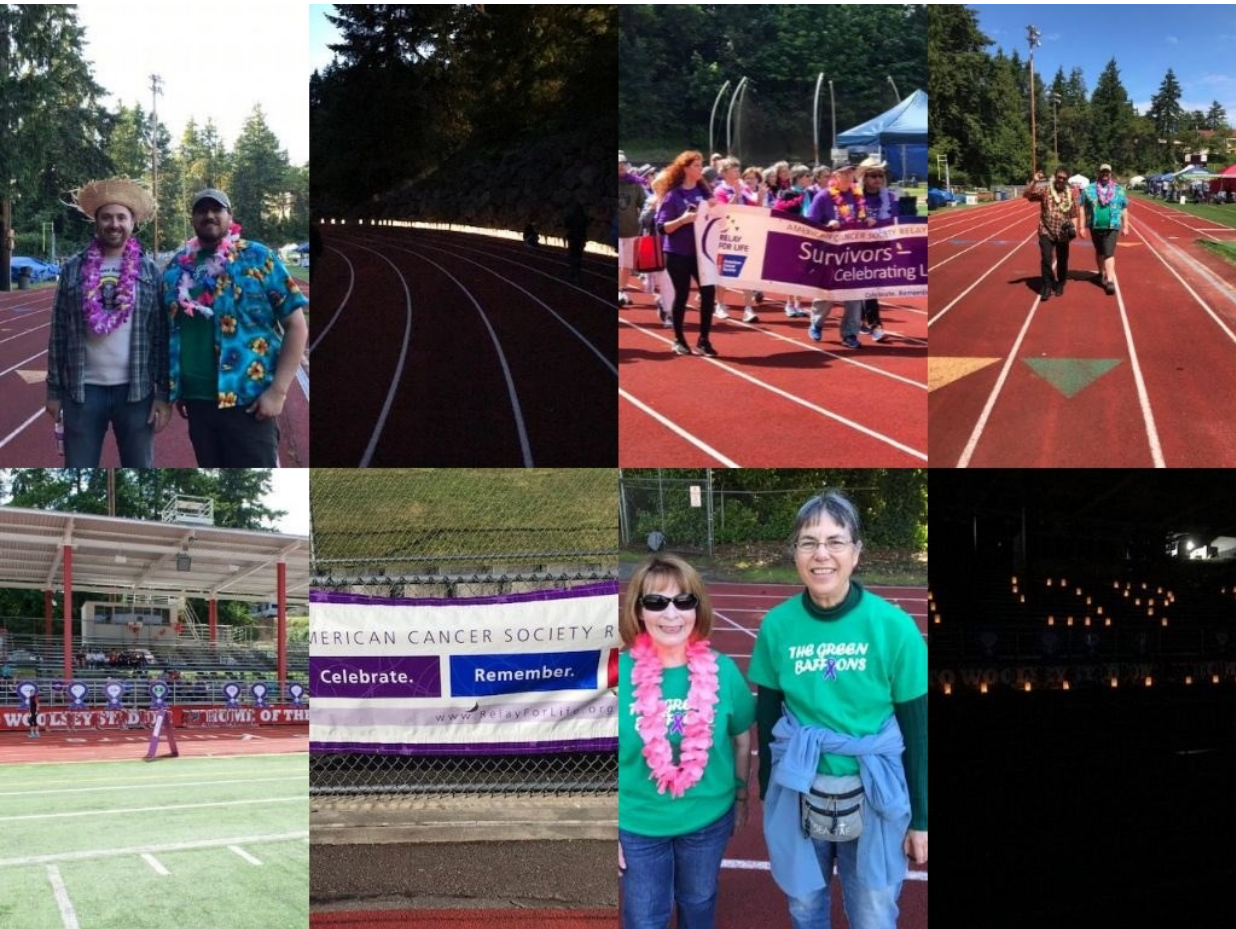


Bethel News Continued

Relay for Life

Hello Bethel! I wanted to take a moment and thank you again for your support and donations to our Relay for Life event this year. It was another successful year for The Green Baffoons as we entered our 8th Relay as a team. This year due to a schedule conflict we decided to check out the Shoreline and North Seattle Relay For Life, which takes place at Kings High School's Woolsey Stadium. We were a smaller team this year, but we still had a good time. Some team members included Joe Himple, Mary Himple, and Karla Loeffler. There were many fun events to check out and the theme was Luau. There was a silent auction, water balloon toss, Polynesian Dance demonstration, watermelon eating contest, and many more! Relay always starts with honoring the survivors and at night, the track is filled with candle lit luminaria bags. Those can either honor the survivors that have beaten cancer or are currently battling it, or remember those we have lost to cancer. The Shoreline Rotary served up a pancake breakfast in the morning as well. The weather was beautiful and special thanks to Pastor D for stopping by and saying hi! Our team raised \$3,652 and Shoreline's whole Relay raised \$187,858, which was incredible! We'll plan on doing Relay again next year, so if anyone is interested in participating, let me know.

Thanks- Joe Himple



Bethel News Continued

Congratulations!

Congrats to Marlys Pickrell who was recognized as office staff of the year for her work at Shorecrest High School. An awards ceremony took place on May 15 and Marlys was one of ten Shoreline Schools Staff of the Year.

Great work Marlys!



Mutual Ministry

Liz Terrey has joined the mutual ministry team!

The mutual ministry team is made up of a few Bethel members who work with the congregation and Pastor Diakonda to help answer questions, receive feedback, and communicate concerns between the congregation and Pastor Diakonda.

Elia Smith and Carol Hovick are also on the mutual ministry team.



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You're Invited!



National Night Out is August 6

Join us Tuesday, August 6, at Bethel Lutheran Church
for dessert, fun, and community!

6:00pm - 8:00pm

All are welcome to join us for this
free neighborhood event.
We look forward to seeing you there!



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Ridgecrest Ice Cream Social

Come say hello at Bethel's table and learn about other organizations and communities at the Ridgecrest Ice Cream social. This neighborhood event is tons of fun and includes an ice cream Sunday. We hope to see you there on the evening of August 15th at the Paramount School Park in the Ridgecrest neighborhood.

Broken Vessels

By Bishop-Elect Shelley Bryan Wee
From the August 2019 Edition of *The Spirit*



Today in the mail I received a surprise gift of pottery. Two vases and a cup. All beautiful. All treasured. But the most beautiful one has a crack on the top. I worried that it had cracked during the shipping process so I

texted my friends who had sent it asking if I should be concerned. One of them replied, "Earthen vessels that we are, with maybe a crack that God can make beautiful."

I confess that I'm feeling a little cracked right now. As excited as I am for this new call as Bishop, and as excited as I am to work with rostered ministers and congregations in this synod and in the wider church, there is a lot to process and learn. I feel the weight of responsibility and expectation.

But today, looking at this cracked vase, ruminating on my friend's words, I am awash in grace.

You see, it is so easy when we look at ourselves or our world, to only concentrate on what seems broken. Sometimes we only see the imperfect and despair. We wonder what is wrong with this world, with society, with church, with ourselves.

But what if it is exactly this brokenness that shows God? What if this crack is where the Spirit

enters in? Maybe it is in this very vulnerability when we can finally catch a glimpse of who God is and who we are.

I know that just as I have some anxiety about beginning a new call and what the future holds, there is anxiety in your lives, too. I understand both the difficulty and anticipation of moving into the future together.

But as I quoted Acts 17 during the synod assembly, I say to you again, "For in God, we live and move and have our being." And this is where we begin and end – in God, with one another, trusting in the love that comes from Jesus. For this is who we are: Cracked earthen vessels open to the calling of the Spirit.

As I begin this new call as Bishop of the Northwest Washington Synod, I call on all of us to be trusting, accepting, vulnerable, and hopeful, as we anticipate the dance of God's Holy Spirit – cracked beautiful vessels that we are together.

In God's Peace and Joy,
Bishop-Elect Shelley Bryan Wee

As of August 1, 2019, the Rev. Shelley Bryan Wee will begin serving as the bishop of the Northwest Washington Synod. She will be installed as Bishop of the Northwest Washington Synod on Saturday, November 2 at 2pm at St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral in Seattle. Reception to follow. Interested in helping? Contact susan@lutheransnw.org.



Those Who Serve - August 2019

	August 4	August 11	August 18	August 25
Altar Guild	Maryls & Lillian	Sue	Judy and Carol	Maryls & Lillian
Worship Asst.	Siobhan Flanagan			
Communion				
Bread	Carol Hovick			
Wine	Judy Goulet			
Glasses				

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



August

7— Norma Grigsby

8— Sylvia Oines

14— Lila Geiszler

Those in Assisted Living or Nursing Homes

Vera Anderson

Dick Hinea

Shirley Pishaw

Dick Scansen

Donna Sjoquist

Lindy Bergen

Those Coping with Health Problems

Don Brown

Walt Himple

Michael Klingensmith

Tom Logen

Kelly Moll

Joan Martinell

Shirley Pishaw

Karen Schoeld

Craig Fjarlie

Daily Prayer List

1. Bethel Staff
2. Vera Anderson
3. Ed Anshell
4. Karen Anshell
5. Rebecca Antoncich
6. Karen Bauer
7. Douglas Bauer
8. Joanne Brock
9. Don Brown
10. Dorothy Brown

11. Scott DeLap
12. Starla DeLap
13. Craig Fjarlie
14. Lila Geiszler
15. Judy Goulet
16. Norma Grigsby
17. Darlene Hilling
18. Roger Hilling
19. Walt Himple
20. Mary Himple
21. The Reborn Church
22. Iglesia Evangelica
23. Bethel Lutheran Church
24. The Northwest Washington Synod
25. North City Neighborhood
26. Shoreline
27. King County
28. Emergency Responders
29. Leaders in our Community
30. Teachers and staff returning to school
31. Students starting a new school year

August

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4 Worship 9:30 Last day to give money to Back to School	5	6 National Night Out 6:00pm - 8:00pm	7 11:00 am bible study	8 Lunch 12pm Council Meeting 7pm	9	10
11 Worship 9:30	12 Jazz Walk "5th Set"	13 Jazz Walk 6:00pm - 10:30pm	14 11:00 am bible study	15 Lunch 12pm Ridgecrest Ice Cream Social (Evening)	16	17
18 Worship 9:30 Last day for Back to School donations	19	20	21 11:00 am bible study	22 Lunch 12pm	23	24
25 Worship 9:30	26	27	28 Pastor Diakonda vacation begins	29 Lunch 12pm	30	31

- Also coming up is God's Work Our Hands on September 8th! We will be putting together hygiene bags to distribute to organizations that serve those experiencing homelessness.
- *Council Meetings are the second Thursday of the month and they are open meetings meaning anyone can attend. If you cannot attend you can always read the minutes on the Bethel bulletin board in the gathering space.

For other events and updates be sure to follow the Bethel Lutheran Church facebook page at [Facebook.com/BethelShoreline/](https://www.facebook.com/BethelShoreline/) or visit our website at Bethel4all.org



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Diakonda Gurning

Office Hours

Tuesday-Thursday

9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Friday

9:00 AM to Noon

Worship Service

Sunday

9:30 AM

Bible Study

Wednesday 11:00 AM & 6:00 PM

Community Lunch

Thursday 12:00– 1:00 PM

Communion

Every Sunday

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