

Alleluia



APRIL 15 - MAY 5, 2018

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Third Sunday of Easter

April 15
9:15

Worship with Holy Communion

10:15

Fellowship Time

10:40

Education Hour

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 22
9:15

Worship with Holy Communion

10:15

Fellowship Time

10:40

Education Hour

IMPORTANT DATES

Family Promise Week
April 22-29

Music Sunday
May 6

New Member Class
May 15

WORSHIP PRAYER LIST

Dick Arne;
Judy Wetterling;
Pam Terres;
LaRayne Roisum

Bethel will be receiving new members on Sunday, May 20! If you would like to make Bethel your church home and engage the life of this faith community, you are invited to the next New Member Class on Tuesday, May 15, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Heritage Room across from the Sanctuary. Discover the worship, education, and outreach ministry that is Bethel. New members will be received on Sunday, May 20 at worship with a "meet-and-greet" during Fellowship Time. For more information, please contact Pastor Jon or Elizabeth in the church office.

NEW MEMBERS

Adult Ed... Sunday mornings in April, beginning April 8, come and hear Bethelites share about faith in daily life during the education hour in the Heritage Room. Faith becomes faith as it is lived! Hear stories, relate to your own life, and bring questions. Sundays beginning April 8 at 10:40 a.m. in the Heritage Room.

On the 8th, we learned about "Delta Equine Therapy" with the Knicks! Coming up:

April 15 - Pastor Kathy and Pastor Bob, "Life as a Pastor"

April 22 - "Coaching Through the Decades" with high school basketball coaches - Bob Jacobson, Dewey Bock, Dale Becker

The Bethel Undergraduate Scholarship application is now available on our website, bethelinwillmar.org, or in hard copy in the church office. This \$250 scholarship is open to all Bethel members who will be attending a university/college/vocational school in the 2018-2019 academic year. The application will be open through the end of May. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Jon.

In the name of our risen Lord Jesus, we continue to rise as the body of Christ that is Bethel. Thank you for being a part of Bethel as we deepen community and expand God's love in people's lives. It is a venture that requires support and sacrifice, duty and delight. Thank you for the rising up you do!

STEWARDSHIP NUGGET

Financial Update

(Through March 31, 2018)

March General Fund Giving:
\$38,010

YTD General Fund Giving:
\$125,549

Comparison 2017 YTD Giving:
\$112,457

March Noisy Coin Offering
(currently supporting the Red Cross):
\$361

March General Fund Expense:
\$35,285

YTD General Fund Expense:
\$116,549

Comparison 2017 YTD Expense:
\$113,270

2018 YTD General Fund Surplus:
\$9,000

March Worship Attendance Average:
Sundays: 221

Wednesdays: Mornings: 54/Evening: 85

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Serving in God's world.

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BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH



Sunday - April 15
 9:15 a.m. Worship Service - S
 10:15 a.m. Fellowship Time - LH
 10:40 a.m. Education Hour
Monday - April 16
 2:00 p.m. Knitters - Lib
 4:30 p.m. Notes of Praise - S
 6:45 p.m. AAUW - LH
Tuesday - April 17
 9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting - Lib
 5:00 p.m. Yoga - HR
Wednesday - April 18
 10:00 a.m. Matins - Ch
 11:30 a.m. Matins Movie *Wonder* - S
 1:30 p.m. Coloring - Lib
 5:00 p.m. JuBellant Ringers - S
 5:30 p.m. Confirmation - Yth
 7:00 p.m. Cathedral Choir - S
Thursday - April 19
 7:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast - McM's
 9:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study - Lib
 1:30 p.m. Bethel Women - LH
 4:00 p.m. Rice Hospice Mem Service - S
 5:00 p.m. Yoga - HR
Friday - April 20
 12:00 p.m. Box Elders - FR
Saturday - April 21
 8:00 a.m. Yoga - HR
 4:00 p.m. Wedding - S
Sunday - April 22
 9:15 a.m. Worship Service - S
 10:15 a.m. Fellowship Time - LH
 10:40 a.m. Education Hour
 11:30 a.m. Sacred Dance Practice - S
 1:30 p.m. Piano Recital - S
Monday - April 23
 4:30 p.m. Notes of Praise - S
Tuesday - April 24
 9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting - Lib
 5:00 p.m. Yoga - HR
Wednesday - April 25
 10:00 a.m. Matins - Ch
 5:00 p.m. JuBellant Ringers - S
 5:30 p.m. Confirmation w/Parents & Buddies - LH
 7:00 p.m. Cathedral Choir - S
Thursday - April 26
 9:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study - Lib
 12:00 p.m. Over/Under 60s - LH
 5:00 p.m. Yoga - HR
Friday - April 27
Saturday - April 28
 8:00 a.m. Yoga - HR
 1:00 p.m. Hughes Memorial Service - S
Sunday - April 29
 9:15 a.m. Worship Service - S
 10:15 a.m. Fellowship Time - LH
 10:40 a.m. Education Hour
 11:30 a.m. Sacred Dance Practice - S
Monday - April 30
 4:30 p.m. Notes of Praise - S
Tuesday - May 1
 9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting - Lib
 9:30 a.m. Martha Unit - LH
 9:30 a.m. Mary Unit - FR
 12:00 p.m. Eunice Unit - FR
 3:00 p.m. Sarah Unit - FR
 5:00 p.m. Exec Team Meeting - Lib
 5:00 p.m. Yoga - HR
Wednesday - May 2
 10:00 a.m. Matins - Ch
 5:00 p.m. JuBellant Ringers - S
 5:30 p.m. Road Rally - LH
 7:00 p.m. Cathedral Choir - S
Thursday - May 3
 7:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast - McM's
 9:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study - Lib
 2:00 p.m. Honor Unit - LH
 5:00 p.m. Yoga - HR
 6:00 p.m. Property Team Meeting
Friday - May 4
Saturday - May 5
 8:00 a.m. Yoga - HR
 1:30 p.m. Esbjornson Memorial Service - S

Bethel Women will meet Thursday, April 19, at 1:30 p.m. for the program *Samaritans and Immigration* by Barbara Little from Woodland Centers. Hosted by the Martha Unit. All women are welcome!

Lakeland Conference Church Women Spring Gathering will be Saturday, April 21, at 9 a.m. at Calvary Church in Willmar. The program is by Rev Larry Strenge from the SW MN Synod office. Cost is \$10. Sign up outside the Bethel office by April 15.

Family Promise... Family Promise of Kandiyohi County is a church-led organization where area churches take turns weekly hosting family units who find themselves to be currently homeless. The organization employs one full-time social worker to help these family units with job skills/stable housing opportunities. Just recently, another family unit "graduated" the program and has entered into their own housing arrangement. With this news we rejoice! The work we do is to help families along as best we can. Our next week of hosting is April 22-29. Please check the sign up in the north entrance area to volunteer with a meal/evening hosting/overnight hosting/driving the van. Stop in at the church office if you have any questions about helping or volunteering. Thank you!

Your Final Chance to Purchase a Pen Pal is May 13th... Do you want to know what is happening at the ELCA Youth Gathering 2018 in Houston? What are the youth learning? How are they serving? Are they having fun? They can tell you! To Purchase a Pan Pal all you need to do is pick an envelope off of the board in the atrium. Choose the dollar amount you would like to donate to support the youth on the 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering Trip. Put the funds in the envelope and fill out the enclosed information slip then turn the envelope into the office or to Jenni. Your address will be given to the youth and they will send you a post card from Houston to share the experience as it happens. We thank Bethel for love, encouragement & support!
 ~Anna, Beth, Ethan, McKena, Aly, Carly, Hunter, Payton, Averi, Caroline, Marisa, Jenni, Kelly & Pastor Jon

Thank you to all my friends at Bethel for making my 98th birthday so special. You are in my prayers!



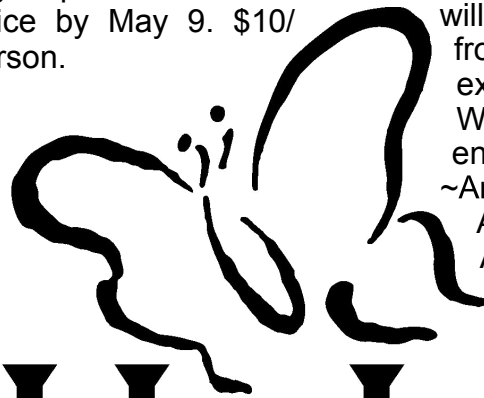
~Irene Whitmyre

THANKS

Over/Under 60s will meet for a noon potluck meal and program on Thursday, April 26. The program will be *Aging Wisely: Finding 'New' Confidence and Purpose* by Carrie Van Epps, RN. All are welcome!

Save the Date... Saturday morning, May 12, 10:30 a.m., *Celebrate Women Spring Tea Party*. Watch the Beam for further details coming soon.

Wacky Water Friday... 3rd-5th graders and friends are invited for swimming, food, and wacky games at the Willmar Middle School, Friday, May 18, 5:30-8:30 p.m. Sign up outside of Jenni's office by May 9. \$10/person.



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