

*Celebrating 135 Years of Making Jesus Known*

# THE BETHEL NEWS



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## SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

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|-------|--------------------------------------------------|
| 10:30 | Inside w/communion<br>(and streamed on FaceBook) |
| 9:30  | Sunday School will return in<br>September        |

**August 23, 2026**  
Service at 10 ~ info inside!

# Pastor's Page

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and our Lord Jesus Christ!

This is a continuation of a series by Pastor Dave Daubert that talks about the basics of the Lutheran faith using a stack of cards to explain it. I am going to go through these points each month in our newsletter. The first card is the Ace-There is no way to God (Period) God comes to us. In other words, we are saved by grace alone. The Second card is the King: Jesus reveals God is love. The third card is the Queen: Grace for us includes hope for others. The fourth card is the Jack: Vocation of the baptized. The fifth card is the Ten: Priesthood of all believers. The sixth card is the Nine: Life is sacramental. The seventh card of the deck of the Lutheran cards, and it is the Eighth: Worship is horizontal. The next card was the Seven-Love the Bible without worshipping it. Last month we looked at The Six: perfection is not the point. We do not have to measure up in order to be loved. God has declared us righteous and we know this through faith. God's love is the one thing that makes us worthy. We are not perfect, but we are perfectly loved. This is a gift freely given to us. We do not have to work to be perfect to be loved.

This month we are looking at the Five: Response is Freedom and Gratitude. The Reformation emphasis is always start with Christ's grace as a gift. Lutherans and heirs of the Reformation has been accused of discouraging good works. This could be further from the truth. The point of Justification by grace through faith in Christ alone is we do not have to work or earn God's love and Salvation it is freely offered to us and because of God's grace we will produce good works. It is natural for those in faith to produce good works like a good fruit tree will produce good fruit. God frees us to do good works for our neighbors. How we use this freedom is shaped by gratitude. Gratitude is the natural response to any gift, especially a powerful one as God's love, acceptance, and forgiveness. Gratitude leads to thankfulness and serving God by loving and serving your neighbors. Faith active in love!

**This week think about the freedom that is yours in Christ. How do you exercise that and experience that during a typical week? Next month we will be looking at the next card-The Four: Faith Forms the Church (It's about people) gathered around Word and Sacraments.**

In Christ alone,  
Pastor Richard Kidd



## On Going Prayers including occasional homebound folks

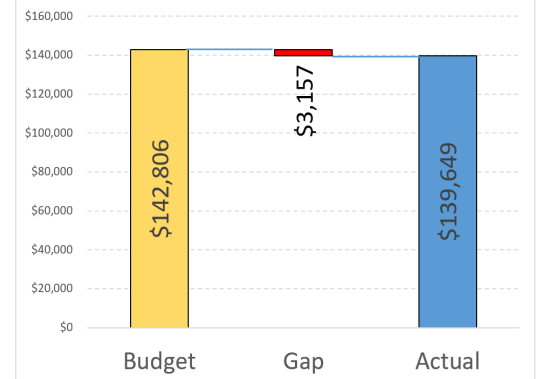
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|----------------------|---------------|
| Deanna Brannigan     | Johnny Conti  |
| Lynn Henry           | Janet Phelps  |
| Linda Martin         | Sharon Chase  |
| Cora Dixon           | Janice John   |
| Arlene McAtee        | Alice Ogden   |
| Ron Kinnick          | Elva Evans    |
| JJ LoSasso           | Rick Swanson  |
| Carl Dahlgren        | Lori Richards |
| Nicole Gettman Wells | Justin Horn   |
| Theresa Krazinski    | Jen Seitz     |
| Mary Ann Fees        | Teddy Conway  |



YTD Adj. Income  
Vs. Expense (Gen'l Fund)



YTD Income Budget  
Vs. Adj. Actual (Gen'l Fund)



Bethel's annual church picnic will be on August 23rd at Boardman Park. Hoffmaster Pavilioin. Come at 9:00a.m. for coffee and donuts. Service begins at 10:00 with praise band and communion. Hamburgers and hotdogs will be provided along with table wear and plates. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

See you there!

## Dear Members:



Contact for our e-mail for the **Prayer chain** is Nancy Kuivila. Her email is [nkuivila41@gmail.com](mailto:nkuivila41@gmail.com) If you would like to be a part of the e-mail prayer chain, contact Nancy. ~Thank you Nancy!!~

## NOTES TO THE CONGREGATION:



If you have **Altar Flowers or a Candle**: Please pay when you reserve your flower date. Make checks payable to the church **\$25.00** for flowers and \$8.00 for a candle, and mail to the church or put in the offering plate.

If you have a date you want, let Susan know 330-360-4537

*Thanks, Altar Flower Committee*



### 2026 Church Council

|                        |                         |
|------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>President:</b>      | <b>Tom Peterson</b>     |
| <b>Vice President:</b> | <b>Gary Wollet</b>      |
| <b>Secretary:</b>      | <b>Janie Morckel</b>    |
| <b>Christian Ed:</b>   | <b>Rhonda Klase</b>     |
| <b>Communications:</b> | <b>Shelia Kidd</b>      |
| <b>Finance:</b>        | <b>Ed Rusinowski</b>    |
| <b>Parish Life:</b>    | <b>Candy Rusinowski</b> |
| <b>Property:</b>       | <b>John Smiley</b>      |
| <b>Outreach:</b>       | <b>Karen Protzman</b>   |
| <b>Worship:</b>        | <b>Karen Marchese</b>   |

Our Generosity Campaign for 2026 was well received, w/ Glenn, Bill, Candy, and Elaine giving personal testimonies on how the Bethel congregation has affected them over the years. We had 29 responses for \$102,270, which compares very favorably w/ the 2020 campaign of 23 responses and \$73,004 pledged.

**Thank you for your GENEROSITY!**

If you can't be here in person, remember, Online Giving is a way to stay connected and up to date! Go to our web page [www.bethelboardman.org](http://www.bethelboardman.org) you will find the Online Giving Link there. If you have any questions, please call Beth Applegate at the church.

**All Council Committee Meetings:** If you would like to attend a Committee Meeting, please contact the Chair person of that committee to find out when that committee meets. All committee members and associate members should attend monthly meetings.

**Church Council Meeting** on the 3rd Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. each month unless notified of changes. All council members should attend monthly meetings.

**Mickey Schuster Meeting** will be as meetings are scheduled.

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



- 1 Diane Scacchetti
- 4 Donna Gbur
- 6 Eleanora Applegate
- 7 Daniel Lee, Mary Ann Wollet
- 9 Eric Gustafson
- 10 John Smiley
- 11 Billy Shanabarger
- 15 Elijah Rusinowski, Virginia Mannion, John Monroe
- 17 Michael Applegate
- 18 Mary Kay Karsti
- 23 Kaitlin Conder
- 24 Alice Ogden
- 28 Johnny Conti, Sue Adair
- 29 Daryn Tallman
- 31 Ed Rusinowski



- 3 Michael & Debra Gleydura
- 14 Bob & Tina Dunn
- 21 Christian & Samantha Rusinowski

**MISSION OF THE MONTH  
FOR  
AUGUST IS  
RESCUE MISSION  
TOTAL GIVING FOR JUNE  
MISSION (SALVATION ARMY)  
\$745.00**



Let the office know of any changes,  
corrections or additions,  
or if celebrating a  
“milestone” birthday or anniversary.  
Thank you!



| Sunday                                                                                         | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday                                                                 |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|---------|-----------|----------|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 26<br>St. James Sunday-<br>new members<br>Worship 10:30 with<br>Communion                      | 27     | 28      | 29        | 30       | 31     | 1                                                                        |
| 2<br>Worship 10:30 with<br>Communion                                                           | 3      | 4       | 5         | 6        | 7      | 8<br>9:00am -<br>11:00am<br>MCLC 1CE<br>Meeting @<br>Grace Lu-<br>theran |
| 9<br>Worship 10:30 with<br>Communion                                                           | 10     | 11      | 12        | 13       | 14     | 15                                                                       |
| 16<br>Worship 10:30 with<br>Communion<br>1:00pm - 4:00pm<br>Rose' & Bouquets-<br>Women's Event | 17     | 18      | 19        | 20       | 21     | 22                                                                       |
| 23<br>9:00am - 1:00pm<br>Church Picnic                                                         | 24     | 25      | 26        | 27       | 28     | 29                                                                       |
| 30                                                                                             | 31     | 1       | 2         | 3        | 4      | 5                                                                        |