

# Welcome to Bethel! We're glad you're here!

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Welcome to our online worship gathering. As we explore new ways of gathering as the people of God, you are invited to use this bulletin as a devotional aid. Continue to check your email, the Bethel website, and the Bethel Facebook page for more ways to connect and encourage one another.

[www.bethelroseville.org](http://www.bethelroseville.org)

<https://www.facebook.com/BethelRosevilleCA/>

## Some thoughts from Bethel's Servant Team

There is no doubt about it: this is a Lent like no other. We've had to give up a lot more than chocolate. We've given up hopes, ideas, wishes, and dreams. We've given up freedom of movement, school rituals, and nights in movie theatres.

Today we enter the most embodied, incarnate time of our liturgical calendar. During Holy Week, we wave palms, we bend to wash and touch each other's feet. We eat together, we kneel at the cross, we smell lilies and hyacinths and we come to taste bread and wine. This year, this will change. In order to care for others, we must be apart. This will bring real grief and loss to many of us.

But in the midst of every Lenten journey we remember that after the sorrow of Good Friday comes the joy of Easter. The powerful story of Resurrection ends not with virus and quarantine, but with freedom and joy, and a new and different lens on life.

Last week it was obvious that folks craved connection, so we will continue to create ways to share our joys, sorrows, and needs with each other. It's not the same as a hug, but being in a shared space together – even virtually – goes a long way to ease the strangeness of this new way of life. Continue to check email and Facebook for message regarding ways to connect. If you are a phone tree “lead” make sure to reach out to “your people” this week.

Prayers and blessings to all of you in this coming week. May God grant each of us peaceful hearts, good health, and daily bursts of joy amidst our uncertainties. May God's peace be with each of you in the coming days.



## Finance Update

To meet our **2020** Operating Expenses each month, Bethel needs **\$6986\***

### Giving in March:

3/1 = \$2585.16

3/8 = \$1794.00

3/15 = \$100.00

3/22 = \$1470.00

3/29 = \$1450.16

TOTAL for March. = **\$7399.32**

**TOTAL for February = \$6786.16**

*\*Keep in mind, this total may be adjusted with the final compensation package offered a new pastor*

*Thanks for your ongoing support of*



### Online Giving Option

Sign up for Online Giving at our website, [bethelroseville.org](http://bethelroseville.org)

You can make one-time donations or ongoing donations. No more having to remember your check!

*If you give online but still want to put something in the offering basket, there are slips on the table in the back of the sanctuary.*



April 2 – Maggie Herlocker

April 4 – Iver Villanueva

April 5 – Matt Herlocker

April 9 – Jaelyn Saeger

April 10 – Peter Seiler-Garman

April 12 – Truman Struck

April 15 – Madelynn McBain

April 16 – Alta Winters

April 19 – Olivia D'Antonio

April 21 – Brad Saeger

April 22 – Wendy Gale

April 30 – Bruce Seiler

**Blessings to all of our April Birthdays; please let us know if we accidentally left you off this list!**

### The Tridium Project

3 Days, 60 Hours, 1 Stream  
Starting April 9

Over the course of "The 3 Days" tune into a diverse tableau of clergy and lay folks, musicians and artists, dancers and nerds, worship and reflection, silliness and sincerity.

Contributors include Jonathan Rundman, Rachel Kurtz, the youth of SPSYC, and other creative folks from throughout the ELCA.

## Holy Week & Easter

It is now obvious that we are doing worship ministry in a whole new way and traditions are being adapted. Here are some options for your journey this week.

### Worship Online with Bethel – watch your email for links

Maundy Thursday at 7:00pm

Good Friday at 7:00pm

Easter Sunday at 9:00am

### Creative Art Projects & Interactive Rituals for the Young & Old

Watch your email this week for details!