

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

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT • DECEMBER 12, 2021

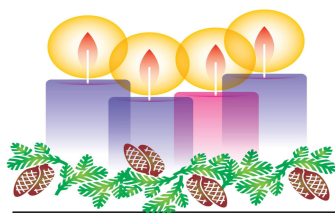


All Are Welcome!

Your presence is important to us – we are not complete without you. We mean it when we say “all are welcome” – no matter where you are on your faith journey or how you identify.

We firmly believe that there is no age limit in GOD's house. Young or old, you are an essential part of our worship community.

We encourage families with young children to sit near the front of the sanctuary so children can see what is happening. Parents and other neighboring adults can help developing readers follow along with the congregation and the printed Order of Worship. Be patient with our children as they learn to participate in the rituals of worship. Celebrate as they learn to help with various aspects of worship leadership. An encouraging smile can go a long way to helping parents feel comfortable as their kids learn.



Advent

Wednesday, Dec. 15

6:00pm Soup Suppers
7:00pm Holden Evening Prayer

Sign-up Sheet in back of Sanctuary – share a favorite soup, bread, or dessert!

Bethel & COVID-19

We encourage you to get **both** a flu and a Covid vaccine or booster as we enter the cold weather season.

We strongly encourage all in-person worshippers to mask regardless of vaccination status. This small act helps protect our children and vulnerable people.

We continue to stream our worship gatherings via Zoom and have made other adaptations to our “normal” liturgical flow.

We look forward to a time with less risk of infection and a return to sung liturgy, hugs, and full communion tables.



Christmas Program

NEXT Sunday,

Dec 19 at 9:00am

Worship led by our Little Lutherans!
Come hear a familiar story through the words of our congregation's youngest members.

(IF your family worked on a poster and you haven't returned it, please talk to Lisa TODAY)



To meet our **2021** Operating Expenses each month, Bethel needs **\$6968**


Giving in December

12/5	=	\$2353.16
12/12	=	\$
12/19	=	\$
12/26	=	\$

Total for month = **\$2353.16**

TOTAL for November = \$6418.00

Thanks for your ongoing support of Bethel's Ministries!



Consider Online Giving
 Sign up for Online Giving at our website, bethelroseville.org
If you prefer to give by traditional check, please mail it into the church office at 1050 Douglas Blvd., Roseville CA 95678 or drop it into the basket near the main door as you leave worship.

Use the QR code below to access e-giving from your phone



Contact Pastor Carolyn

Office Hours this Week
 Tues, Wed, Thurs afternoon – call to confirm

pastor@bethelroseville.org
 916-781-3333 (office)

Today's Worship Team

- Usher:** Terri Larson
- Reader:** Patrick Gale
- Sound:** Rick Mendonsa
- Zoom:** Scott Larson
- Altar Guild:** Loraine Anderson
- Kids Message:** Jeri Wartena
- Musician:** Audrey Gale

Next Sunday's Worship Team

- Usher:** Susan Woods + children
- Reader:** Jeri Wartena, Erin Blackburn + children
- Sound:** Rick Mendonsa
- Zoom:** Scott Larson
- Altar Guild:** Kelly Mendonsa
- Kids Message:** N/A – children leading worship
- Musician:** Audrey Gale

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings
 Fourth Sunday of Advent

- Micah 5:2-5a
- Psalm 80:1-7
- Hebrews 10:5-10
- Luke 1:39-55

Praying the Directory

This week you are invited to remember a few Bethel members in your daily prayers.

- Allen & Linda Dunn
- Jeff & Lan Dodge
- John & Olivia D'Antonio
- Emily, Jimmy, Gwen & Tessa Boswell

Prayer Chain
 If you'd like to be involved in our prayer chain, so you can pray more directly for people's current needs, contact Kelly Mendonsa. There is both an email and a text version.



Follow us on Social Media for pictures of activities, connections to the synod & the ELCA, and other up-to-date information.



Facebook: [BethelRosevilleCA](https://www.facebook.com/BethelRosevilleCA)
 Instagram: [@bethelrosevilleca](https://www.instagram.com/bethelrosevilleca)



- December 1 – Lisa Herlocker
- December 1 – Kary Pfennig
- December 3 – Jason Hetland
- December 5 – Tyler Linn
- December 11 – Emily Boswell
- December 19 – Sawyer Linn Gish
- December 27 – Vincent Villanueva
- December 30 – Katelyn Swanson

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



Please consider contributing to fund upgrades in technology and Pastor Carolyn's office, as well as, making repairs to the church building – including stucco and interior wall repairs.

Currently gifts total \$2875



Amazon shoppers: don't forget to link your Amazon account to Bethel through the Amazon Smile Program.

Starting your shopping at Amazon Smile is an easy way to donate to Bethel.

Over the past few years, we've earned over \$500 with just this easy step.

If you're not signed up yet, it's easy to do. There are directions available in the back of the sanctuary OR talk with Lisa Herlocker.

Annual

St. John's Christmas "Store"

We are once again collecting donations for the women at the shelter run by St. John's Program for Real Change in Sacramento. Our donations are used by their staff to set up a "store" for the children living there to "shop" for a gift for their mother.

The best donations are things like cozy socks, gloves, journals, lotions, and other small items that don't need electricity or batteries. We may also need donations of gift bags and tissue paper.

Questions? Ask Kelly Mendonsa

Donations may be left in the back of the sanctuary through **NEXT SUNDAY, Dec 19th.**



Check out the ELCA Good Gifts catalogs in the back of the sanctuary and shop for Christmas gifts that make a real difference!

Choose your gifts from projects with direct impact in people's lives. Items are chosen after listening to community partners, companion churches, and other partners in ministry so that communities get exactly the help they need. Your generosity allows for flexibility and adaptable projects in order the help in ways that make the most difference in people's lives.

Order gifts through the catalog with a check or online at elca.org/goodgifts

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PLAN AHEAD – CHRISTMAS WORSHIP OPTIONS

Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship Gathering at 5:00pm and 11:00pm

Christmas Morning Festival Worship Gathering at 10:00am

Sunday, December 26th at 9:00am – “Lessons & Carols”

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THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

The Worship & Music Team wishes to thank the volunteers who helped decorate the sanctuary this past week. As always, “many hands make light work” – and it looks great too! **Special thanks to Audrey Gale** for designing and creating new ornaments to supplement our aging collection.

Sunday School UPDATE

Beginning next week, December 19th through January 9th, there will be no Sunday School for children or adults due to Holiday activities and other “conflicts” – instead watch your bulletin for announcements of other activities and options. Learning opportunities will return, Sunday, January 16, 2022.



Curious about what our favorite Lutheran Camp has in store for 2022? Head over to mtcross.org to find details of several upcoming opportunities.

- January 7-9 – Work Weekend – do you have time to help?
- Summer Camp Registration opens January 31st – opportunities for kids as young as Kindergarten or consider Family Camp – is there interest in organizing a Bethel group?
- Capital Campaign Update – New Restrooms in Lower Jensen are on the way! Final bids are being considered by the Board this month with a goal to begin construction in January



The Congregational Life Team is considering an all-ages New Year's Eve Celebration if there are folks interested in attending. Details aren't set yet, but the event would include games, food, and ringing in the new year in various time zones! If you would like to attend, please let Terri Larson know TODAY so planning can begin. 😊