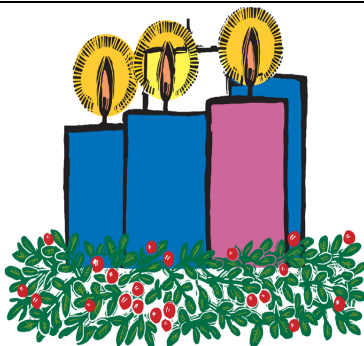


# Welcome to Bethel! We're glad you're here!

3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF AVENT • DECEMBER 13, 2020



Welcome to our online worship gathering. As we gather as the people of God in virtual ways, 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/>

## Mid-Week Advent Gathering

Wednesday at 7:00pm

Join us online for a little Holden, a short message, & time with friends

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88683716700?pwd=RnZmTDBKbTRRSkN3d3lOU0RiOURsZz09>

Meeting ID: 886 8371 6700  
Passcode: 867406

## Adult Forum Topics

Join Pastor Ron after “coffee hour” for a conversation about **Transitions**.

Today we'll finish up with Dr. Alan Chinin's collection of fairy tales from around the world from the book, *In the Ever After*, with the story of “The Sinning Fish”

**Next week**, Spiritual (Ethical) Wills as we continue to think about transitions.

## Call Committee Update

Today and tomorrow we are conducting second interviews of our slate of candidates. We feel a sense of excitement and possibility. It is our hope to be able to invite one or two of these candidates to visit us in Roseville sometime in January. Please keep the call process in your prayers.

Join us next week for our virtual Christmas program!!

Hear the story of Christ's Nativity told anew by actors of all ages! Sing some Christmas carols! Enjoy a few laughs!

A reminder to the actors: Videos will need to be sent to Lisa by tonight for editing.





## Finance Update

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

### Giving in November

12/6	=	\$1875.16
12/13	=	\$
12/20	=	\$
12/27	=	\$

Total for month = **\$1875.16**

**TOTAL for November = \$6054.07**

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

*Thanks for your ongoing support of Bethel's Ministries!*



### Online Giving Option

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

If you prefer to give by traditional check, please mail it into the church office at 1050 Douglas Blvd., Roseville CA 95678

## Thank You to all who help lead worship each week

**Today's Leaders/Readers:** Kristen Blackburn, Andrew Chan, Lisa Kaufman-Chan, and Patrick Gale

**NEXT Sunday's readers:** the cast members of "Be Not Afraid"

Barb Morris is hard at work recruiting and scheduling folks to help out with worship leadership. Be sure to respond to any emails she's sent – or to volunteer if you're interested and have never participated before. Contact Barb at 916-715-4962 or 916-624-0832.

**Thanks again for all your help!**



- December 1 – Lisa Herlocker
- December 1 – Kari 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!*

## Blue Christmas Service

**TODAY at 3:00pm**



All are welcome to attend this online gathering led by Pastor Ron of Bethel and lay pastor Kendra of Incarnation. It is especially for those who find themselves "blue" during a time of year where we are surrounded by sounds of excitement, joy, and celebration. Loss of loved ones, seasonal depression, or life in a pandemic can leave us searching for God's light and love. Come and join us in prayer, scripture, and music that acknowledges God's presence for those that mourn, those that struggle, and those in search of comfort.

Attend using this link:

<http://www.incarnationmission.org/ministries/live-stream>



Give gifts with meaningful impact this Christmas. Check out the ELCA Good Gifts online catalog and give unique gifts that truly change lives!

<https://goodgifts.elca.org/>

## A BETHEL TRADITION

### St. John's "Christmas Store"

This year we will again collect gifts for the children of the St. John's Program for Real Change Shelter in Sacramento to give their moms.

Unlike years past, we won't be able to host a Christmas store – the staff will do that with our donations.

Drop off donations or arrange for pick up by coordinating with Cindi Roxworthy (916-849-6271). Please have donations to Cindi by Dec 20<sup>th</sup>.

## Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship @5:00pm

**Current Plan:** OUTDOORS & ONSITE at Bethel – familiar carols, gospel reading and a brief message – no communion – short, simple, yet meaningful time of worship

Final Decision about location will be made by December 22<sup>nd</sup> – plan B will be to move the worship online due to weather or new COVID restrictions

Those who attend must agree to *wear masks at all times, to maintain at least 6 foot spacing between families, and to not linger when worship is over.* (We will also ask those attending to sign-in with name & email for any potential contract tracing needs.)

You are invited to bring your own battery-operated candles and chairs for seating if needed (none will be provided)

## Christmas Morning @10:00am

Online Festival Worship Gathering

Join us in front of your tree – in your PJs if you like 😊 make it a fun way to put the Birth of Jesus at the center of your Christmas Celebration.

Familiar Carols, Gospel Message, Eucharist