

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

1ST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS • DECEMBER 27, 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 <https://www.facebook.com/BethelRosevilleCA/>

For any pastoral care needs, contact Pastor Ron (530)417-4951 or ronzielske@gmail.com

Thank You to Tangled Blue (Joel & Aimee Pakan)

We are thrilled to welcome them back as our worship leaders this morning! Joel & Aimee have been sharing their musical gifts with Bethel for years and it's wonderful that we can continue to connect with them.

Next Week –

We will welcome another longtime friend, **Rachel Kurtz**, who will bring her laugh, stories, and musical gifts to our worship gathering. You won't want to miss her!

The Season of Christmas

We celebrate the Twelve Days of Christmas until Epiphany, the coming of the magi on January 6th.

In the Coming Week . . .

A great way to prepare for weekly worship is to spend some time reading the upcoming Sunday's scripture lessons. For January 3rd, we will be reading the lessons for the Feast Day of Epiphany.

Isaiah 60:1-6

Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14

Ephesians 3:1-12

Matthew 2:1-12

Adult Forum Topics

Join Pastor Ron after "coffee hour" for a conversation about *Caregiving* (caring for others, receiving care, and self-care)

CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE

After much time in prayer and meeting with Pr. Bill Wong, our new synod consultant, we have decided to await a new list of candidates to interview. This is not where we'd hoped to be at this time, but we feel that this is the best decision for the future life of Bethel. If you have concerns, please feel free to contact one of us. As always, we ask for your prayers as the process continues.



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

Giving in November

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| 12/6 | = | \$1875.16 |
| 12/13 | = | \$2785.66 |
| 12/20 | = | \$799.99 |
| 12/27 | = | \$ |

Total for month = **\$5460.81**

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

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

A Message from the Servant Team

A final "thank you" for your steady giving over the past year – especially in the midst of a global pandemic. You've given the congregation your time, talents, and treasures, and for that we are grateful.

Just a gentle reminder as you consider your 2021 Bethel giving to consider increasing it just a little if you are able. As several Servant Team members have shared, if each family gave just \$5 more a week that would increase our income by about \$5000. This would help stabilize our finances and impact several ministry opportunities in positive ways, including compensation of a new pastor.



December 1 – Lisa Herlocker
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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!

Opportunity Coming in January

Inclusivity Discussion Group

Let's explore what it means to live out Bethel's Welcome Statement. What do we really mean when we say, "All are welcome?" Using a curriculum written by David Scherer & Joe Davis – and adapted by Lisa Herlocker for Bethel – we'll explore issues of inclusivity through a faith lens.

Meetings will be every other Tuesday from 6:30-8:00pm beginning January 12, 2021.

Be sure to let Lisa know if you're interested so you receive future emails regarding readings and the Zoom link.

OPPORTUNITIES TO GIVE TO OTHERS

ELCA Good Gifts helps globally
<http://goodgifts.elca.org/>

Lutheran Social Services helps locally
<https://www.lssnorcal.org/>

Your generosity matters and makes a real difference!

Thank You to all who help lead worship each week

Today's readers: Barb Morris, Allen & Linda Dunn, Nancy Garman, Bruce Seiler, Terri Larson, and Kary Pfennig

Thanks again for all your help!