

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

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT • DECEMBER 5, 2021

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## 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.

### Can You Help?

The Altar Guild is in need of a few more volunteers. Members of the Altar Guild prepare the sanctuary for worship each week. The ideal group has enough volunteers that no one is responsible for more than a few weeks a year. This is a great way to serve the congregation – consider volunteering as a family. Training will be given. You can contact Loraine Anderson to ask questions or volunteer today. ☺

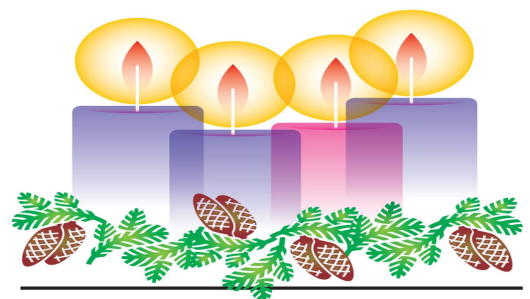
## Bethel & COVID-19

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.



*Advent*

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**Wednesdays, Dec. 8, & 15**

6:00pm Soup Suppers

7:00pm Holden Evening Prayer

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



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

**Giving in November**

11/7	=	\$3512
11/14	=	\$1200
11/21	=	\$430
11/28	=	\$1276
Total for month	=	<b>\$6418</b>

**TOTAL for October = \$7233.92**

Additional gifts collected at 11/7 Installation Service \$360

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



**Consider Online Giving**

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

**Today's Worship Team**

- Usher:** Kary Pfennig
- Reader:** Nancy Garman & Bruce Seiler
- Sound:** Rick Mendonsa
- Zoom:** Scott Larson
- Altar Guild:** Loraine Anderson
- Kids Message:** Lisa Herlocker
- Musician:** A Wing and A Prayer

**Next Sunday'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 Scripture Readings**

Third Sunday of Advent

- Zephaniah 3:14-20
- Isaiah 12:2-6 (instead of a Psalm)
- Philippians 4:4-7
- Luke 3:7-18

**Praying the Directory**

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

- Mike & Meredith Grant + Sarah & Sofie
- Rachel, Kaine, Sawyer & Bennett Gish
- Audrey, Patrick, Hadely & Wendy Gale
- Jeffery Edmonds
- Robert Edmonds

**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  
Instagram: @bethelrosevilleca



- 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!*



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 \$2800



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. During the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of this year alone, we've earned \$30.31!!

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 Dec 19<sup>th</sup>.



**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](http://elca.org/goodgifts)



## Help Decorate

### Sanctuary Decorating

**Friday, Dec 10 at 5:00pm**

All ages welcome

Pizza and drinks provided

(RSVP to Lisa so we can estimate food ☺)



### Christmas Program

**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

(Those volunteers decorating posters should return them to Lisa by December 12<sup>th</sup>)



Little Lutherans Fun! ♥

Hey Kids!

Bring your parents and meet at Ms.

Lisa's in Rocklin

Saturday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm

for Crafts and Singing - plus,

Cookies & Cocoa!!!

Then we'll head out to walk through a local light display together at 5:00pm.



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 so planning can begin. ☺

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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 26<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am – "Lessons & Carols"