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

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY • FEBRUARY 12, 2023



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.

Families with young children are encouraged to sit near the front of the sanctuary so children can see what is happening. Parents and other near-by 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. Small gestures can go a long way.

Some Practical Visitor Info

If you need a restroom, all of our options are single-stall and non-gendered. In the sanctuary building, you will find the restroom through the side door to your left (near the piano) if you are facing the altar. You can also access it by going outside through the main entrance and re-entering the sanctuary building near the offices by using the door located under the bell tower on the left-hand side of the building. The restroom will be to your left.

If you need an accessible restroom or a baby changing table, you can find that in our back building. Go through the iron gate at the rear of our patio on the left of the sanctuary. As you enter that back building the restroom is immediately to your left.

"Noisy Offering!"

Encouraging the participation of our youngest members in worship is important to us. When they help collect the offering each week, they are disappointed or confused when folks don't drop something in the basket.

The Worship & Music Team asks that you consider dropping a little spare change into the basket when it comes your way. The change will be kept in the safe and counted after a few months. When the total amount has grown enough, this "noisy offering" will be donated to a local charity.

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HUNGER

Today, we will once again participate in the Souper Bowl of Caring. This is a nationwide, youth led movement to help end hunger in the United States. All donations remain local and help folks right here in Roseville. Come prepared to donate generously when our Little Lutherans meet you with their soup pots ©

Prayer Requests

Paper is available on the table as you enter the sanctuary for you to write prayer requests on. Return the paper to an usher no later than during the Hymn of the Day. The reader will read all of the prayer requests for the day during the Prayers of the People. It is our hope that this will help all those in worship hear the prayer requests.

Contact Pastor Carolyn



To meet our **2023** Operating Expenses each month, Bethel needs \$6968

Giving in February

1/5 = \$1968.00 1/12 = \$ 1/19 = \$ 1/26 = \$

Total for Month = \$1968.00 TOTAL for January = \$7,109.69

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 during worship.

Use the QR code below to access egiving from your phone





Amazon has announced the ending of their "Amazon Smile" program as of February 20th. Thank you for supporting Bethel in this way. Your shopping through the years has earned Bethel close to \$700. Thanks!

Sunday School Options

Immediately following worship, children of all ages will gather in Lentz
Hall with the "Lisas"

Adults will gather with Pr. Carolyn in her office

Today's Worship Team

Usher:

Reader: Linda Dunn

Sound: Rick Mendonsa/ Vince Neill **Zoom:** Jeff Dodge/Scott Larson **Altar Guild:** Loraine Anderson **Kids Message:** Lisa Herlocker

Musician: Audrey Gale

Next Week's Worship Team

Usher: Mike & Loraine Anderson

Reader: Loraine Anderson

Sound: Rick Mendonsa/ Vince Neill Zoom: Jeff Dodge/Scott Larson Altar Guild: Loraine Anderson Kids Message: Pr. Carolyn Brodt Musician: Wing and A Prayer

Upcoming Scripture Readings

Next Sunday, February 19th Transfiguration Sunday.

- Exodus 24:12-18
- Psalm 2
- 2 Peter 1:16-21
- Matthew 17:1-9



Last Chance!

Be sure to help us out by verifying that your contact information is up to date in our church directory. Look over, edit, and initial your information on either of the two lists on the wire rack in the back of the sanctuary.

Thanks!

LIVE COMEDY EVENT

March 12th at 7:00pm Faith Community Church in Acampo

Enjoy a night of laughter with Chonda Pierce Live! The Emmy-nominated and best-selling comedian channels her life experiences into positive, hilarious stories that are sure to leave you laughing and inspired. It will be a unique evening blended of music and comedy – join us for the fun! *For ticketing info contact Kelly Mendonsa.*



February 5 - Rikelle Mendonsa February 18 - Barbara Morris February 27 - Emily Roxworthy February 29 - Diane Swanson

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

February Song of the Month

God, Bless the Hands

In 2017 the Atlantic hurricane season was one of the most deadly and costly on record—evidence of the increasing severity of storms resulting from climate change.

Marty Haugen wrote this prayer to the tune MELITA by John B. Dykes, connecting it to the affirmation "On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand" ("My hope is built on nothing less," ELW 597) and to another prayer: "for those in peril on the sea" ("Eternal Father, strong to save," ELW 756).

The three stanzas pray for rescue and relief workers, for victims of storms, and for wisdom to work to end climate change.

Blanket Making

Help us make fleece blankets to benefit the Placer SPCA – and honor the memory of Debra Linn

Sunday, February 26th following Sunday School

If you'd like to donate fabric for this project, bring at least 1 yard of fleece. Other fabric will be provided. Also, bring any fabric scissors, rotary cutters, cutting mats, or safety pins you might have to use on the day of the event.

Questions? Contact Kelly Mendonsa



February 15th at noon

(continues each Wed.)
"Advocacy in Quarantine" via Zoom
Lutheran Office of Public Policy
Ask Lisa Herlocker for the link

February 17th - Roller Skating

Friday evening from 4:30-6:30pm Roller King in Roseville

February 22nd - Ash Wednesday

6:00pm Soup Supper 7:00pm Worship Gathering

February 26th after Sunday School Blanket Making Event

February 28th at 6:00pm

Worship and Music Committee

Wednesdays in Lent

Mar. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 6:00pm Soup Supper 7:00pm Worship Gathering



All Ages Roller Skating!

Friday, February 17th 4:30-6:30
Roller King in Roseville
\$10 each + \$5 for skate rental
Come join the fun!!



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

Our website includes a digital copy of the bulletin & announcements each week under "News"

Facebook: BethelRosevilleCA -- Instagram: @bethelrosevilleca Web: www.bethelroseville.org

GIVE NOW: EARTHQUAKE RELIEF

The situation:

On Feb. 6 two powerful earthquakes hit Turkey and significantly impacted neighboring Syria. The first magnitude 7.8 earthquake, was followed hours later by a magnitude 7.5 quake in the southeastern part of the country. The two quakes have devastated Turkey and Syria, collapsing thousands of buildings and damaging infrastructure. Over 22,000 people have been killed and thousands more have been injured. Cold weather complicates response efforts.

Our response:

Lutheran Disaster Response is committed to supporting ACT Alliance and other partners in responding to these earthquakes. Mere hours after the earthquakes hit, ACT Alliance member organizations began distributing emergency supplies, including medicines, bedding and other relief items. A comprehensive response will be coordinated as the full extent of the impact becomes clearer.

Lutheran Disaster Response has been active in this region for several years, partnering with ACT Alliance, the Lutheran World Federation and the Middle East Council of Churches to accompany Syrian refugees with food, water, shelter, health services and sanitation support. The epicenter of one earthquake lies near Turkish provinces that host hundreds of thousands of Syrian refugees, which will only exacerbate the refugee crisis in the region.

What you can do:

Pray

Please pray for people in Turkey and Syria who have been impacted by the earthquakes. May God's healing presence give them peace and hope in their time of need.

Give

Your gifts designated for "Middle East Crisis" will be used entirely (100%) to provide long-lasting support for those whose lives have been impacted by disasters in the region.

Make checks payable to Lutheran Disaster Response. Write "Middle East Crisis" on your check's memo line and send to:

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America P.O. Box 1809 Merrifield, VA 22116-8009

OR

Give directly online at elca.org/disaster

SOMETHING TO CONSIDER

As we update our Congregation Directory, some folks have suggested that as an RIC (Reconciling in Christ congregation) we include people's pronouns. What does this mean? Why should we do this?

Intentional welcome to all people and families matters. As Lutherans, we believe every human being reflects the Divine image. Each of us is a beloved child of God, wonderfully made, just as we are. Our confidence in Christ Jesus calls us to work with all God's people to transform our communities, so welcome can be a lived experience in our congregations and in the world.

PERSONAL PRONOUNS

Personal pronouns are the set of pronouns a person wants others to use when talking to or about them. Understanding there is a difference between a person's sex, gender identity, and gender expressions makes the use of pronouns important. Asking someone "What pronouns do you use?" is a great way to hospitably see, name, and care for LGBTQIA+ people.

Here are a few helpful ways to use pronouns

- 1. Ask people what their pronouns are when you meet them. "I want to make sure I am using the proper pronouns for you, which pronoun do you use?"
- 2. Add them to the signature of your emails.
- 3. Make space for people to add their pronouns to name tags for events and gatherings.
- 4. If you make a mistake and someone corrects you, thank them for teaching you their personal pronouns.

If you would like Lisa to add your personal pronouns to your Directory information, please add it to the drafts in the back of the sanctuary or email her directly.

If you have further questions, please speak with Pastor Carolyn, Kary Pfennig, or Lisa Herlocker.

