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

2ND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS. JANUARY 3, 2021



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. <u>www.bethelroseville.org</u> <u>https://www.facebook.com/BethelRosevilleCA/</u>

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

Thank You to Rachel Kurtz

We are thrilled to welcome Rachel back as our worship leader this morning! Rachel has been sharing her musical gifts with Bethel for years and it's wonderful that we can continue to connect with her.

Thank You Wreath Shoppers!

A special thanks to those Bethel shoppers who bought wreaths and other Christmas greenery through Mickman Brothers. Your purchases earned Bethel \$64 – a simple way to make a difference.

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR SERVANT TEAM

Thank you all 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 following updated synod guidelines.

Adult Forum Topics

Join Pastor Ron after "coffee hour" for the first session of a study of the New Testament book of James. A brief letter describing practical discipleship and insights into daily Christian living. No Bible experience necessary – use this link to preview the Book of James. Join Pastor Ron today and check out the Book of James.

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 10th, the Baptism of our Lord Sunday:

Genesis 1:1-5 Psalm 29 Acts 19:1-7 Mark 1:4-11

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 December

12/6	=	\$1875.16
12/13	=	\$2785.66
12/20	=	\$799.99
12/27	=	\$1075.00
Total for month	=	\$6535.81

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

OPPORTUNITIES TO GIVE TO OTHERS

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

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

Your generosity matters and makes a real difference!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP *Returns*

Join your Bethel friends for a relaxed time to chat and stay connected each Wednesday evening from 7:00-8:00pm

Zoom Meeting ID: 832 4196 6653 Passcode: 759604



January 4 - Allen Dunn

- January 9 Nancy Garman
- January 11 Morgan Pfennig
- January 20 Debra Linn
- January 21 Alison Villanueva
- January 27 Ryan McBain
- January 29 Brianna (Mendonsa) Bradbury

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

Opportunity Coming Next Week!!

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.

75th Anniversary Project

Bethel is celebrating a milestone anniversary in February! While we won't be having the big party we anticipated any time soon, we can still share memories and stories. Please <u>email Lisa Herlocker</u> your favorite photos and written memories of your time at Bethel *by February 15th* for a project to be shared on Sunday, February 21st

Thank You to all who help lead worship each week

Today's readers: Jeff Dodge, Kristen Blackburn, Allen Dunn and Barb Morris

Thanks again for all your help!