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

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER • MAY 2, 2021



Welcome to our online worship gathering. Your presence is important to us – we are not complete without you. As we gather as the people of God in virtual ways, please continue to connect and encourage one another. Continue to stay on top of Bethel announcements by checking email, our website, and Facebook page.

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

Call Committee Update

We have received the names and ministry profiles for new pastoral candidates and have begun the interview process in the coming weeks. Please continue to keep the members of the committee, the congregation, and the candidates in your prayers as we discern the next called pastor for Bethel.

Rejoice and Be Glad!!

TODAY we return to onsite worship

We ask everyone to please wear a mask and maintain safe distances. Expect a few adaptations to our regular worship routine. Be flexible. We will adapt as needed to changing state guidelines as needed.

For those not ready or able to join us in person, we will live-stream our gathering so they can be "with" us.

For this to work well for everyone, we need a solid crew of volunteers, so if you haven't yet, please contact Susan Woods or Lisa Herlocker for details on how you can help.

Nominating Committee Update

We are working hard to find a nominee for Congregation President. If we ask you to consider this role, please prayerfully consider it. If you wish to find out more about what the role entails, don't hesitate to contact us for more information.

Elections are part of our Spring Semi-Annual Meeting on June 6th and we plan to have all our nominees by mid-May.

Thank you, Loraine Anderson, Allen Dunn, and Lisa Kaufman-Chan

Adult Forum

Today we begin our study of the book of Galatians. Did you ever long for a quick description of the new life in Christ? Join us for a study of St. Paul's letter to the congregation in Galatia to learn more.

In the Coming Week . .

Here are the readings for May 9th – spend some time this week reflecting on them to prepare for next week's worship.

Acts 10:44-48 Psalm 98 1 John 5:1-6 John 15:9-17



To meet our **2021** Operating Expenses each month, Bethel needs **\$6986***

Giving in April

4/4 = \$5464.95

4/11 = \$910.66

4/18 = \$410.00

4/25 = \$830.00

Total for month = \$7615.61

TOTAL for March = \$5581.48

*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!

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

Thank You to all who help lead worship each week

Today: Patrick Gale, reader and Mike & Loraine Anderson, ushers

Next Week: Nancy Garman & Bruce Seiler, readers and Kary Pfennig, usher



May 11 - Tom Selke May 24 - Cindi Roxworthy

May 26 - Eileen Huhtala

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



Introducing the 75th Anniversary Fund!

We are hoping to do some final improvements to our buildings as part of celebrating 75 years of Bethel. We will be upgrading the pastor's office, fixing & painting sanctuary walls, replacing old folding chairs, and more! If you have the space in your budget, please consider an additional donation this year to Bethel. Small donations monthly are just as welcome as one-time gifts.

At the end of the year, 10% of the giving will be donated to one of Bethel's favorite ministry partners, too!



Synod Assembly is coming up this week!

Delegates will be electing a new synod bishop among other important decisions. Please pray for Pastor Ron, Terri Larson, and Paul Larson as they represent Bethel as voting members of the Assembly. If you wish to watch the proceeding, use the link on the Synod's website to follow along via YouTube. http://www.spselca.org/

INCLUSIVITY DISCUSSION GROUP

Explore what it means to live out Bethel's Welcome Statement. What do we really mean when we say, "All are welcome?" Join us as we discuss issues of diversity & inclusion through a faith lens.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 4th at 6:30pm

ZOOM ID = 895 5220 9484

All Ministry Team Leaders – please write up a short report of your activities during the past year – and maybe some goals for the coming months. These reports will be part of our Annual Report given out at the semi-annual meeting on June 6th.

Please get your reports to Lisa Herlocker via email by Friday, May 21st.



Looking forward to July 2022?? Interested in supporting the largest gathering of Lutherans and having a little fun?

Consider joining the Gathering

Volunteer Corps of the ELCA Youth Gathering in Minneapolis.

Applications open May 22nd.

Adult volunteers are needed for a variety of roles and financial stipends are included.

Dates of service July 22 -28, 2022

For more details see www.elca.org/gathering or talk with Lisa Herlocker.

Lutheran Lobby Day Online May 19th

Are you ready to move some mountains? Get on your legislator's agenda to talk policy and justice for Lutheran Lobby Day! We'll be virtually gathered with our neighbors from across the state for a day of advocacy, worship, and prayer. Everyone is welcome, regardless of previous experience of advocacy.

This is a chance for to advocated for bills going through the state legislature concerning food insecurity and housing.

More info at:

http://lutheranpublicpolicyca.org/lobbyday-2021



Tips from Pr. Ron

Buy less "stuff", reuse as long as you can, recycle everything all the time.
Check out Lutherans Restoring
Creation website to see lists of ways individuals and congregations can practice ecology.

https://lutheransrestoringcreation.org/

Here are a few suggestions.

We are coming into a drought. Turn off water while brushing teeth and making dinner. Shower for a shorter time.

There will be many ideas coming from the state shortly. We can use wax paper instead of plastic. We can use mesh bags instead of the plastic ones for veggies in the store and bring our own bag when that is permitted again. Instead of chemicals in the yard substitute eco-friendly solutions. Pick up trash even if it is not yours. Say

something to others we see polluting.