

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

THE DAY OF PENTECOST • MAY 31, 2020



Welcome to our online worship gathering. As we explore new ways of gathering as the people of God, 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/>

We've made it to Pentecost...

... and questions continue to abound. Who would have thought that this would be our 12th Sunday of online worship when we began this adventure back in March?

As a Servant Team, we've spent a significant amount of time researching County, State and Synod Guidelines, thinking about the effect on ourselves and the community, and discussing how to best serve the congregation as we work on the timing of reopening the sanctuary to in-person worship. At this time the Servant Team feels that practicing patience with this decision will give us the time to see how reopening effects Placer County in general and church communities specifically. We feel in the coming weeks will have more clarity on the best practices needed to protect what we most treasure – our community. While we are being patient with resuming in-person worship, we are exploring how streaming options, smaller group gatherings, and outdoor services can be done safely while expanding the communal worship experience Bethel offers.

In the midst of this uncertainty, we are also continuing our call process. The Call Committee is working closely with candidates and look forward to a time to meet them in person in Roseville. As that time approaches, we'll have more specifics to share.

Prayers and blessings to all of you in this coming week.

May the Holy Spirit's presence breathe new life into the coming days.

~Your Servant Team~

Thank You to all of you who have volunteered to be readers in the coming months.

Today's readers are: Jeri Wartena, Lisa or Andrew Chan, Saeger Family, Matt Herlocker, Barb Morris, Ben Fisher, Bruce Seiler, Nancy Garman, Allen & Linda Dunn and some of our Little Lutherans.

Next Sunday's Readers are: Barb Morris, Linda Dunn, and Jeff Dodge



Finance Update

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

Giving in May:

5/4	=	\$1651
5/10	=	\$2420.66
5/17	=	\$1040.00
5/24	=	\$2160.00
5/31	=	

TOTAL for May = **\$7,271.66**

TOTAL for April = \$6762.82

**Keep in mind, this total may be adjusted with the final compensation package offered a new pastor*

Thanks for your ongoing support of



Online Giving Option

Sign up for Online Giving at our website, bethelroseville.org

You can make one-time donations or ongoing donations. No more having to remember your check!

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



With Deep Sadness

We were sad to learn earlier this week of the death of long-time Bethel member, Mary Healy. Over the past few years, Mary had suffered from lung issues making it difficult for her to come to worship, but she continued to be engaged with Bethel, even logging into Zoom worship a couple of times. Mary will be remembered for her years as a volunteer bookkeeper for Bethel, her bright smile, and willingness to try new things. ☺



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 accidentally left you off this list!



celebrate!

It's been an unusual Spring, but let's take a moment to celebrate the end of the school year with our young members.

Andrew Chan and *Joslyn Saeger* both finished 5th grade and will move onto Chilton Middle School in the Fall.

William McBain will move up to 2nd grade.

Jacob Chan, Hadely Gale, and Jaelyn Saeger all finished Kindergarten and are heading to 1st grade in the Fall.

Gwen Boswell will begin Kindergarten

AND

Let's give a huge round of applause to our teachers who had to pivot to online teaching and all that that meant for their lives.

Audrey & Patrick Gale
Lisa Kaufman-Chan
Alison Villanueva
Sofie Svenman
Kristen Blackburn
Lan Dodge

Looking for something to do during your time at home?

How about an archive hunt??

Next year, February 2021 is Bethel's 75th Anniversary!

We will begin planning a celebrate in the coming months, but one thing we know for sure is that we'll need old pictures and documents to share.

Start digging through your files now for those great pictures of you and your family in your younger days! We will especially need photos from pre-2003 and including adults as well as children. For now we are just asking you to collect them at home.

Thanks!!

Be the Change!

Faith in Action!

The **Lutheran Office of Public Policy** invites you to take part in their weekly **Advocacy in Quarantine** meetings.

From their website:

In response to COVID-19, we are hosting live advocacy briefings on **Wednesdays at noon**.

During the half-hour call, we give an update on state and federal legislative priorities and direct a quick advocacy activity.

Please join us via Zoom at 12:00pm every Wednesday:

<https://zoom.us/j/389725625>

Still in the planning stages . . . a **Bethel Virtual Game Night!**

Who's interested in an evening of games via Zoom? We are still working out the details with our resident game master, Rick Mendonsa. If you have ideas or have experienced this fun for yourself, please contact Rick to share your thoughts and insights. ☺



Coming in June!

June 7th – as part of our celebration of Holy Trinity Sunday, we will be blessed with a sermon by Rev. Elizabeth Eaton, the Presiding Bishop of the ELCA

June 14th – we will welcome guest musician and longtime friend of Bethel, Jonathan Rundman, to our worship gathering. Jonathan is looking forward to worshiping with us and is planning to bring along his talented wife and children as well.

June 21st – dig through those albums and boxes for pictures of you and your dad or grandpa or other male mentors! Like we did for Mother's Day we'll create an offering slideshow to celebrate the important men in our lives. *Get your pics to Lisa H. by June 19th*

Additional Tentative Dates

Traditionally we have our **Semi-Annual Meeting** in June. This meeting includes the election of Servant Team members. Due to COVID-19 restrictions we are working through some details regarding voting and will let you know ASAP when the meeting is scheduled.

Leadership Team Retreat – currently this is scheduled for **June 28th from 11:00am – 4:00pm**. We hope to meet socially distanced and in person. More details to come soon as we finalize things and consider member safety.

