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

15th Sunday After Pentecost • September 10th, 2023



All Are Welcome

We mean it when we say "all are welcome" – no matter where you are on your faith journey or how you identify. Your presence is important to us – we are not complete without you.

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. If a young child gets antsy during long periods of inaction like the sermon, they are welcome to quietly play in front of the sound table near the door.

Prayer Requests

Paper is available as you enter 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 include it during the Prayers of the People. It is our hope that this will help all those in worship both in the sanctuary and online to hear the prayers.

Some Practical Visitor Info

If you need a restroom, you have two options. In the sanctuary building, you will find the restroom through the side door near the piano. You can also access it by going outside through the main entrance and re-entering the building near the offices by using the door located under the bell tower. 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.



TODAY, September 10th is God's Work Our Hands Sunday, an intentional day for ELCA Congregations to serve in their communities.

This year we are joining forces with Lutheran Church of the Resurrection in Granite Bay to help the hungry in our community.

After worship, please meet at Resurrection at 11:00am for a potluck lunch – please bring whatever you'd like as a dish to share, plus serving utensils. We will begin our work after lunch – there are projects for all ages & abilities Resurrection is located down the road at 6365 Douglas Blvd., in Granite Bay.

Additional projects:

Monday, Sept. 11, bring lunches to Mercy Peddlers in Sacramento. See Pr. Carolyn for details

Thursday, September 21 help at the Food Bank located on the campus of Advent Lutheran, 5901 San Juan Ave in Citrus Heights.
Shift is from 7:00-11:00am
See Kelly for more details

The Food Bank will continue to need donations of folded grocery bags – both paper and plastic. If you would like to donate, just bring collected bags to their office at Advent Lutheran Church.



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

Giving in September

9/3 = \$2299 9/10 = \$ 9/17 = \$ 9/24 = \$

Total for Month = \$2299 TOTAL for August = \$5345

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 e-giving from your phone



"Noisy Offering!"

Encouraging the participation of our youngest members in worship is important to us. When they help collect the offering each week, they may be confused when folks don't drop something in the basket. So, please consider dropping a little spare change into the basket when it comes your way as a "noisy offering." The "noisy offering" will be periodically donated to a local charity. The total collected from January through June was \$156.50. It was donated to St. Vincent de Paul's feeding program here in Roseville. ©

Today's Worship Team

Usher: Terri Larson **Reader:** Barb Morris **Sound:** Rick Mendonsa

Zoom: Jeff Dodge/Scott Larson **Altar Guild:** Loraine Anderson **Kids Message:** Pr. Carolyn Brodt

Musician: Audrey Gale

Next Week's Worship Team

Usher: Mike & Loraine Anderson

Reader: Loraine Anderson **Sound:** Rick Mendonsa

Zoom: Jeff Dodge/Scott Larson Altar Guild: Loraine Anderson Kids Message: Pr. Allen Dunn Musician: Wing and a Prayer

Upcoming Scripture Readings

Next Sunday, September 17th 16th Sunday after Pentecost

• Genesis 50:15-21

• Psalm 103:1-13

• Romans 14:1-12

Matthew 18:21-35

Leadership Team Meeting

Sept. 14th @6:00pm

All Ministry Team Leaders & Servant Team Members should plan to attend this important conversation.

Meeting will be held on Zoom and followed by Servant Team meeting.

Serve @ St. Vincent's

Next Sunday, September 17th

Join Bethel's long-standing tradition and help cook & serve lunch to area folks in need. Chat with Scott Larson for further info or to volunteer.

Contact Pastor Carolyn

Contact Pr. Carolyn first to double-check her office hours. She is available Tuesday – Thursday most weeks.

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



Special Concert & Poetry Night September 30th @6:30pm

Tyra Dennis & Joe Davis – Lyrical Avenue

All Ages Event – Bring Friends! Ice Cream Social to follow

Free Admission thanks to a generous grant from the Lutheran Development Society of Sacramento.

An **offering** will be **gathered** for **Lutheran Social Services** and its **Connections program** which provides housing and services to keep formerly homeless young people ages 18-24 from returning to homelessness.

(Tyra & Joe will join us for worship on Sunday October 1st too!)



September 24th following worship Opportunities for all ages!

Our two "Lisas" will have the kids in Lentz Hall and Pastor Carolyn will meet with the adults around the picnic tables or in her office depending on the weather.



Saturday, October 7th at 4:00pm Herlockers' backyard "Biergarten" Fun & Food for all Ages!



A PLACE FOR YOU

Families are invited to a special Sunday School session on October 8th to learn more about our weekly Communion celebration.

Kids and parents will be reminded about why this sacrament is important in Lutheran worship as well as some practical details of how it all comes together during worship.

Also coming in October

Sunday, Oct 8th – *Blessing of the Pets* Outdoor Worship Gathering Bring Fido & Fluffy (or their pictures) to Worship

Congregation Budget Forum & Congregation Meeting – TBD
On 2 different Sundays following worship

Reformation Sunday, Oct 29th, including Affirmation of Baptism (confirmation) for Andrew Chan



September 4 – John D'Antonio September 4 – Kelly Mendonsa September 8 – Gwen Boswell September 12 - Robert Edmonds September 16 – Tessa Boswell September 28 – Jacob Chan

Blessings to all of our Sept Birthdays. Please let us know if we've accidently left anyone off this list!

Today's music from All Creation Sings, the newest hymn collection from the ELCA.

Making Their Way

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939 Music: A. Valerius, Nederlandtsch Gedenckclank, 1626; arr. Adrian Engels, 1906-2003

This beautiful text by Sister Delores Dufner makes it clear that everyone—from all times and places and all facets of society—is called to gather and hear God's word, offer thanks, and share in the eucharistic feast. Dufner, a prolific hymnwriter, was born and raised on a farm in the Red River Valley of North Dakota and is now a member of St. Benedict's Monastery in St. Joseph, Minnesota. The text is set to a sturdy Dutch tune that many have learned in Evangelical Lutheran Worship with the text "What is this place" (ELW 524).

God's Work, Our Hands

Text: Wayne L. Wold, b. 1954 Music: David N. Johnson, 1922-1987

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America held a contest inviting hymnwriters to submit a new hymn for "God's Work. Our Hands" Sunday, September 13, 2019. Wayne Wold wrote the winning hymn, developing the denomination's tagline with other parts of the person God uses, listing concrete ways of manifesting God's presence for the world, confessing God's activity beyond the church's work, and inviting blessing on the church's work on behalf of the gospel.

Sierra Pacific Synod Assembly "Broken Yet Whole"

September 15 - 17 -- Burlingame

This is the annual business meeting of our synod where important decisions are made on your behalf as members of a synod congregation.

This year our voting delegates are Terri Larson, Kary Pfennig, and Pastor Carolyn. Please keep them in your prayer as this year not only will they be voting on budget matters, and new Synod Council members, but also a new Synod Bishop. Learn about the bishop pre-nominees here!

You can also learn more about the bishop election process here.

(https://www.spselca.net/2023-sps-synodassembly/2023bishopprenominees)

Lisa Herlocker, Maggie Vergara, and Pr. Paul Larson will also be attending as part of their role as Adult Leaders of the Sierra Pacific Synod Youth Committee (SPSYC). They will be guiding 14 members of SPSYC attending as voting members. So Bethel's spirit will be well represented for the weekend.



FICA YOUTH GATHERING IN NEW ORLEANS JULY 16-20, 2024

Would you like to volunteer at the Gathering and help our young people grow in faith and encounter Christ? Serving the youth of this church is a vocational calling that requires careful discernment.

Serving as a volunteer requires no application fee, but applicants offered a volunteer role will be asked to pay a \$50 processing fee to cover the cost of running a background check and ensuring your attendance at the Gathering.

Applications close October 4th

Applications and more info available here: https://www.elca.church/gathering/attend/volunteers