



## Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran Church

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September 2022

### WORSHIP TIMES

**In-person worship:**

**Wednesdays—6:20 pm**

**Sundays, September 11, 18, and 25—8:20 am**

**In-person and livestreamed worship:**

**September 4—9:00 am**

**September 11, 18, and 25—10:30 am**

with communion on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays and following Wednesdays (not Sept. 7)

### OFFICE HOURS

**The office is open on**

**Mondays—Thursdays from 9:00 am—12:00**

**pm and 1:00—4:00 pm**

**and on Fridays from 9:00 am—12:00 pm.**

### CHURCH STAFF

**Senior Pastor:** Rev. Dr. Mark Skinner

**Children, Youth & Family Pastor:** Rev. Sarah Marshall

**Office Administrator, Worship Team Director and**

**Organist:** Cori Wrobel

**Bell Choir Director:** Stacy Erdal

**Senior Choir Director:** Al Albertson

**Youth Choir Director:** Nancy Albertson

**Financial Administrator:** Shelly Johnson

**Children, Youth & Family Ministry Coordinator:**

Joan Rosenow

**Food Services Coordinators:** Clarence and Kim Spencer

**IT Coordinator:** Scott Pederson

**Custodial Services:** Rob Larson



## From the Senior Pastor



Greetings to you in Christ Jesus,

As we enter September, our annual theme for the 2022-2023 program year at Bethlehem is, “make disciples.” As we hear through the great commission of Christ recorded in Matthew 28, “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey all that I have commanded you.” (NRSV) Notice the language in not *option clause* language, but *command* language. That is probably the best reason the church continues to call this the “great” commission. Making disciples is arguably the most important calling of the church. With that calling we are always bound not only by God’s command, but by God’s promise which we hear proceeding this command, “... and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.” (KJV)

As you receive your discipleship brochure this month in the mail, please take a few moments, and read through the many opportunities to grow deeper in your faith and discipleship, specifically in the areas of “learning the faith” and “being community” in the 2022-2023 year. As you read, you will discover a brief description of each opportunity, information about the event/meeting, and the discipleship emphasis.

This brochure is laid out by age category (including a family category) and by date or *when* the opportunity will be happening. There is also a table of contents page that you may find helpful. Please take a moment to pray, and think about which events you and every member of your family would like to take part in this coming year, and make a pledge to “go deep.”

Here are a few highlights for the year ahead:

All new **Wednesday night worship** format led by our Bethlehem Overdrive Worship (BOW) Team starting on Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:20 pm.

**Wednesday night meals** begin on Wednesday, September 28<sup>th</sup> from 5:15-6:20 pm. Kim and Clarence Spencer will be doing the cooking for us. Punch cards are available to purchase in advance if you don’t want to carry cash around (or have your kids carrying cash). Meals will be \$10 (\$7 for children seven and under; three and under eat free). Cards can be purchased in any amount with a punch card of 10 meals for \$90 (notice the savings!) and can be used for any meals at Bethlehem throughout the year. Cards remain with us, so no need to remember the card either! Cards can be purchased in the office or on our website [www.belcnet.net](http://www.belcnet.net) Please note that a 3% credit card fee will apply if purchased off the website.

**Catechism** begins on Wednesday, September 28<sup>th</sup> from 7:00-8:00 pm – grades 6<sup>th</sup> through 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Confirmation Orientation** meeting with parents and confirmands (10th graders) on Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup> following outdoor worship at 7:00 pm

**Sunday School** begins on Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup> from 9:25 am-10:20 am. Children are broken into three groups: ages 3 and 4, kindergarten and first grade, and 2<sup>nd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grades who participate with their parents in Family Faith Journey with Pr. Sarah and Pr. Mark.

**Jonah Group** begins Thursday, October 6<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-8:30 pm. Contact Pr. Mark for more information.

**Nicodemus Group** begins Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup> from noon until 3:00 pm. Typically participants span from recent retirement to about ten years’ post retirement.

**65+ Lunch Bunch** begins Tuesday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 am.

May God bless us in our endeavor to follow Christ as we learn, serve, and grow in being community together!

Pastor Mark

# From the Children, Youth and Family Pastor



The 3 year old blessing will take place at 8:20 on September 25.

2nd grade bibles will be handed out at both services on September 25. Parents, contact the office ASAP if you haven't already!

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
For Youth age 3 - Grade 5  
Sunday mornings from 9:25 - 10:20 AM

Schedule:

- September 25
- October 2, 9, 16 and 30
- November 6, 13, 20
- December 4, 11 and 18
- January 8, 22 and 29
- February 5, 12 and 26
- March 5 and 26
- April 2, 16, 23 and 30
- May 7 and 14

"TEACH THEM TO YOUR CHILDREN, TALKING ABOUT THEM WHEN YOU ARE AT HOME AND WHEN YOU ARE AWAY, WHEN YOU LIE DOWN AND WHEN YOU RISE."  
DEUTERONOMY 6:7

**RUMMAGE SALE**

**OCTOBER 1**  
**BELC Mission Trips Fundraiser**

drop off donations  
Thursday, 9/29 from 5 - 8 pm or  
Friday, 9/30 from 9 am - 3 pm  
purchase treasures  
Saturday, 10/1 from 8 am - 3 pm

NO ELECTRONICS, CAR SEATS, CRIBS, VHS TAPES

**YOUTH CHOIR**  
2022-2023  
OPEN TO YOUTH IN 2ND - 8TH GRADES

"MY LIPS WILL SHOUT FOR JOY WHEN I SING PRAISES TO YOU;"  
PSALM 71:23

REHEARSALS ON WEDNESDAYS  
5:45-6:15 PM  
BEGINNING 9/28

YOUTH CHOIR WILL SING APPROXIMATELY ONCE EVERY OTHER MONTH.

TALK TO YOUTH MUSIC DIRECTOR NANCY ALBERTSON IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.

Youth Choir and catechism will begin on Wednesday, September 28.

High School Youth Group will begin on September 28 at 7:00 pm.

**BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**CATECHISM**

6TH-8TH GRADES: APOSTLES' CREED, THE LORD'S PRAYER, AND MORE

9TH GRADE: LIFE APPLICATION OF THE PAST 3 YEARS OF CATECHISM

Wednesday nights from 7:00 - 8:00 PM

Wednesday evening meals will be served at 5:30 on the nights of catechism at a cost of \$10 per meal. Punch cards will be available for purchase.

"MAKE ME TO KNOW YOUR WAYS, O LORD; TEACH ME YOUR PATHS." PSALM 25:4

**Job opening: part-time custodian position**

Clean the building weekly  
Thursday - Saturday.  
5-10 hours per week.  
Starting at \$15 per hour.  
Flexible schedule.  
Contact the office for more information.

We are looking to hire a cook for a variety of church events during the day such as 70s+ Lunch Bunch, special events, and possibly funerals. For more information, please contact the office at 218-829-3330 or office@belcnet.net Thank you to Pat and Sara for all their years of service and delicious meals!

**BELC Women's Circles**

**Martha Circle** meets on the 3rd Wednesday at 1:00 pm

**Mary Circle** meets on the 3rd Thursday at 1:30 pm

**Ruth Circle** meets on the 3rd Monday at 10:00 am

All circles meet at BELC.

**TUESDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

**MEET ON TUESDAYS AT 7:30 AM IN THE LIVING ROOM.**

## September, October, and November Funeral Service Groups

LeRoy and Linda Albertson  
Joyce and Kevin Brick  
Jerome and Margie Streich

### Coordinators:

Cathie and Nick Benson  
Carolyn and Jim Cole

### Assistants:

Brandy and Sam Blum  
Amy Boelter  
Paul and Sue Bremer  
Jackie and Mike Burkey  
Gabe and Tracie Churchill  
Tricia and Wayne Dosh  
Lannell and Mary Farmer  
Mike Finch  
Pam Finch  
David and Luanne Hallgren  
Bernice Johnson

Cheryl Johnson  
Dave and Shelly Johnson  
Jennie and Phil Johnson  
Brenda Jonak  
Al and Joanne Kampf  
Chuck and Gwen Kienholz  
Jean Krueger  
Corky and Lana LeDoux  
Jessica and Nate Macejkovic  
Marc and Sarah Marshall

Don and Marci Nelson  
Mollie Nelson  
Jill and Kevin O'Grady  
Jenny and Scott Pederson  
Darbie and Jeff Pulak  
Paul and Sarah Rhoda  
Dale and Jackie Spaulding  
Kim Spencer  
Phyllis Stall  
John and Ruth Unger  
Joyce Wagner



## CREATION CARE

**O** Farms are the foundation of our food system, but, according to John Ikerd, University of Missouri agricultural economics professor, our modern industrial, chemically-driven agriculture production systems "degrade and deplete the natural resources they ultimately must depend on to sustain productivity." Recognizing this problem, some farmers in Minnesota and the Midwest are working with Minnesota-based groups like the Land Stewardship Project to engage in regenerative practices that include no-till, cover cropping, increasing perennial crops, reducing chemical use, and developing environmentally beneficial livestock systems. This change requires time and money in order to make the transition, so urge our leaders to support the Minnesota Legislature's "100% Soil-Healthy Farming Bill," which proposes to have 30% of the state's farmland managed using "soil-smart" systems by 2030, including grass-based livestock production.

Source: <http://www.nemnsynod.org/green-tips.html#5>

## Looking ahead...

October 1 ~ 8:00 am—3:00 pm—Mission Trips rummage sale fundraiser  
October 2 ~ 9:30 am—Itty Bitty Book Bunch  
October 4 ~ 6:00 pm—last Bible Challenge dinner  
October 9 ~ 9:30 am—Visitation Team training  
October 11 at 6:00 pm and October 12 at 9:00 am—Worship Assistant training  
October 18 at 6:00 pm—Prayer Group dinner  
October 25 at 11:30 am—65+ Lunch Bunch  
October 27 at 9:00 am and 6:30 pm—Homebound Communion Team training  
October 30 at 8:20 am—Confirmation



If you have a prayer request for the Prayer Chain, please contact the church office at 829-3330 or [office@belcnet.net](mailto:office@belcnet.net). Prayers will be kept on the chain for 3 weeks. If you'd like it to be kept on for longer, please let the office know. If you would like to be a member of the Prayer Chain, please call the church office at 829-3330.

### Please keep these people in your prayers:

**Ongoing:** Donna Hansmann; Jackie Burkey; Todd K.; Linda Wilcox; Ron; BELC member; Joan Rosenow; Randy and Margie Thiel; Bonnie; Nick Lundgren; for peace in our world; Sheri Olson; all who are grieving; a BELC member; Phyllis Roberts; for all affected by COVID; residents and staff of assisted living/nursing home facilities; healthcare workers; all caregivers; everyone dealing with cancer /other diseases

**Military:** Danny Smith; Nick Schwab in Navy

### Please keep the following Bethlehem households in your thoughts and prayer this month of

**September:** Don and Marci Nelson; Ethel Nelson; Lynn and Mitch Nelson; Mollie Nelson; Patricia Nelson; Jeff and Cheryl Nichols; Marcy Nickel; Curt and Sandy Nielsen; Jackie Nornes; Marie and Tom Numedahl; Kevin and Jill O'Grady and family; Angela Oder; Connie Ogilvie; Carole Olsen; AJ and Annette Olson and family; Andrew Olson; Antje Olson; Doreen Olson; Keith and Kirsten Olson; Luke Olson; Peter and Sheri Olson; Tommy Olson; Steve Olson; Pam and Steve Oslos; Barb Owens; Meriel and Steve Park; Britta Parsons; Nate Parsons; Mary and Scott Parsons; Josh Patrick; Rick Patton and Kathy Dufour; Debbie and Kyle Payne; Bob and Kay Pederson; Jenny and Scott Pederson and family; Todd and Tonya Person and family; Jennifer Peterson; Janis and Jim Peterson and family; Mary Peterson; Norris Peterson; Bruce Praska and family; Charles Praska; Henry Praska; Randy and Tammy Praught and family;

# PICNIC AND OUTDOOR WORSHIP ON SEPTEMBER 7

Hotdogs/hamburgers, buns, condiments, and paper plates will be provided. Please bring a dish to share, your beverage, chairs, and utensils.



FOOD SERVED AT 5:30 PM  
OUTDOOR WORSHIP AT 6:20 PM  
BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH  
418 8TH AVENUE NE IN BRAINERD

ALL STUDENTS AND EDUCATORS IN 2022 - 2023

# BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING



All students and educators are invited to bring their backpacks to receive a special blessing on Sunday, September 11 at either the 8:20 or 10:30 am in-person service.

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"And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them." Mark 10:16

CONTACT THE OFFICE AT 829-3330 OR OFFICE@BELCNET.NET IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.

To view our online services at 9:00 am on September 4 or 10:30 am service the rest of the month, go to <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCKGd23TW4V1mlqCsktOho3g>  
The service will also be posted on our website at [www.belcnet.net](http://www.belcnet.net) upon completion of the service.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
13 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost 4	Labor Day 5	6
9:00 am – In-person and livestreamed worship service with communion	Office closed 	7:30 am – Men's bible study 5:00 pm – Board of Worship and Music meeting
14 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost; back to school blessing at both services 11	12	13
8:20 am – In-person worship service 9:30 am – Adult Forum: Concordia College honors Casey Stengel with Call to Service award 10:30 am – In-person and livestreamed worship service 11:30 am – God's work. Our Hands. Sunday blessing in BELC parking lot	4:00 pm – BELC at Sharing Bread Soup Kitchen	7:30 am – Men's bible study 5:30 pm – Board of Congregational Care and Community meeting
15 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost 18	Newsletter deadline 19	20
8:20 am – In-person worship service with communion 9:30 am – Adult Forum: Pr. Mark 10:30 am – In-person and livestreamed worship service with communion	10:00 am – Ruth Circle	7:30 am – Men's bible study 5:30 pm – Directors' Retreat
16 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost 25	26	27
8:20 am – In-person worship service with 3-year-old blessing 9:30 am – Sunday School 9:30 am – Adult Forum: TBD 10:30 am – In-person and livestreamed worship service 11:30 am – High School mission trip meeting	6:00 pm – Creation Care Team meeting 	7:30 am – Men's bible study 10:00 am – Stephen Ministry meeting 11:30 am – 70s+ Lunch Bunch

## God's work. Our hands.

Brainerd Lakes Area ELCA churches are invited to participate in "God's work. Our hands." Sunday on September 11 from 12:30 to 3:30 pm. This year's sites include Camp Knutson, Confidence Learning Center, Northland Arboretum, Relationship Safety Alliance (FKA Mid MN Women's Center), Salem West, and The Shop. Sign up at [www.tinyurl.com/blagwoh22](http://www.tinyurl.com/blagwoh22)  
Registration closes on September 5.



BETHLEHEM BOOK CLUB WILL RESUME MEETING THE 2ND AND 4TH THURSDAYS OF THE MONTH AT 10:30. BOOKS WILL BE CHOSEN AT THE SEPTEMBER 8 MEETING.

CONTACT MARGARET STEBLAY FOR MORE INFORMATION.



The office is open from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm and 1:00 – 4:00 pm on Mondays – Thursdays. On Fridays, it is open from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm.

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7	8	9	10
pm – Woodland worship service pm – Picnic pm - Outdoor worship pm – Senior Choir rehearsal pm – Confirmation Orientation	9:00 am – Executive Team meeting 10:30 am – Bethlehem Book Club	4:30 pm – Skinner/Overland wedding rehearsal	3:30 pm – Skinner/Overland wedding
14	15	16	17
pm – BOW Team rehearsal pm – BOW (Bethlehem Overdrive ship) service pm – Senior Choir rehearsal	9:00 am – Edgewood Brainerd worship 9:00 am – Quilting Group 10:00 am – LSS PTSD Group 10:15 am – Edgewood Baxter worship 1:30 pm – Mary Circle		
21	22	23	24
pm – Martha Circle pm – Woodland worship service pm – BOW Team rehearsal pm – Worker Bees pm – BOW (Bethlehem Overdrive ship) service pm – Senior Choir rehearsal	10:30 am – Bethlehem Book Club 5:30 pm – Board of Stewardship and Properties meeting		
28	29	30	1
pm – Wednesday night meal: \$10 pm – BOW Team rehearsal pm – Youth Choir rehearsal pm – BOW (Bethlehem Overdrive ship) service pm – Senior Choir rehearsal pm – Catechism pm – High School Youth Group	5:00-8:00 pm – drop off donations for rummage sale	9:00 am-3:00 pm – drop off donations for rummage sale	8:00 am-3:00 pm – Mission Trip Fundraiser Rummage Sale



## Immediate Needs

Want to help our community partners?

Habitat for Humanity  
\*volunteers for build in Brainerd 7/28 - 8/12

Operation Sandwich  
\*monetary donations, peanut butter (no larger than 40 ozs), jelly (no larger than 19 ozs)

Relationship Safety Alliance (formerly Mid Minnesota Women's Center)  
\*gas cards  
\*paper towels  
\*feminine hygiene products

Salvation Army  
\*school supplies by mid-August

Contact these organizations for more information. Please keep them in your prayers.



## FALL CLEAN-UP

### SEPTEMBER 21 5:30 PM

Help the Board of Stewardship and Properties clean up our grounds before winter. Bring gloves, rakes, leaf blowers, etc. Sign up on the opportunity sheet, online, or call the office. For more information, contact Al Gardner.



## HIGH SCHOOL MISSION TRIP

TRAVEL TO IDAHO FROM JULY 13-23 FOR AN EXPERIENCE OF A LIFETIME! COST IS \$845. SIGN UP WITH PR. SARAH BY NOVEMBER 1. THERE'S AN INFORMATION MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 25 AT 11:30 AM.



## 65+ Lunch Bunch

Tuesday, September 27 at 11:30 am; cost is \$10. RSVP to the office at 218-829-3330 or sign up on the yellow opportunity sheet by September 23 to ensure there's enough food. Speaker: TBD

# RUMMAGE SALE

**OCTOBER 1**  
**BELC Mission Trips Fundraiser**  
 drop off donations  
 Thursday, 9/29 from 5 - 8 pm or  
 Friday, 9/30 from 9 am - 3 pm  
 purchase treasures  
 Saturday, 10/1 from 8 am - 3 pm

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# Itty Bitty Book Club

Listen to a story (take home the book),  
 do an activity, and play!

Designed for children (with an adult)  
 from birth to age 3 that are too young  
 for Sunday School or anyone who'd like  
 to participate.

**October 2 at 9:30 am**

1st Sunday of the month in the nursery  
 at 9:30 am from October - May

ALL CHURCH

MISSION

TRIP

June 18-23  
 Location TBD  
 Cost TBD  
 Information meeting  
 on  
 October 9 at 11:30 am

"The greatest among you will be your servant." Matthew 23:11

# HELP NEEDED

Looking for people to  
 run sound and video  
 equipment for all  
 services (Sundays at  
 8:20 and 10:30 am and  
 Wednesdays at 6:20  
 pm). It's quite easy.  
 Training available.

Contact the office for  
 more information.

## Job opening: part-time custodian position



Clean the building weekly  
 Thursday - Saturday.  
 5-10 hours per week.  
 Starting at \$15 per hour.  
 Flexible schedule.  
 Contact the office for more  
 information.

We are looking to hire  
 a cook for a variety of  
 church events during  
 the day such as 70s+  
 Lunch Bunch, special  
 events, and possibly  
 funerals. For more  
 information, please  
 contact the office at  
**218-829-3330** or  
**office@belcnet.net**  
 Thank you to Pat and  
 Sara for all their years  
 of service and  
 delicious meals!

## QUILTING GROUP



Our quilters  
 are at it again!



They meet on  
 the 1st and 3rd  
 Thursdays of  
 the month  
 from 9:00 am -  
 12:00 pm.

Feel free to join  
 them. Contact  
 Yvonne Kalahar for  
 more information.

## Jonah Group

This new group will be limited to about fifteen people of varying ages in their twenties through forties that have some emerging traits and gifts that God has been already at work cultivating for greater callings in their family life, God's church and world. If you think you might be ready for this type of experience, contact Pr. Mark.

Here are some of the highlights and projected outcomes:

- Meet once a month on the first Thursday evening for about 2 1/2 hours in October through April (not in January) for a meal and shared time of learning, reflecting, and growing in the faith of the triune God
- Learning together will involve biblical studies, other books and articles, in-depth conversations, journaling, and personal reflection
- You will be encouraged to grow spiritually through simple daily faith rituals that will hopefully be beneficial and meaningful to you.

## Nicodemus Group

This group will meet once a month on the second Thursday from October - May from noon until 3:00 pm. You will share a meal together then continue with good, thought-provoking conversation regarding God's continual guidance and provision in our lives and throughout God's world.

Participants in this group typically span from recent retirement to about ten years' post-retirement age. You will have the opportunity to cover a wide-span of materials (scripture, books, exercises) to include personal devotion and reflection, timeline and life-marker reflections, growing in God's grace and mercy as we delve into the last third of life.

If you are interested in joining, contact the church office at 218-829-3330 or office@belcnet.net or go to our website www.belcnet.net to sign up online.

# Thank you!

January—July update  
**Income \$239,326**  
**Expenses \$243,069**  
**Shortfall -\$3,734**

Thank you for your continued generosity!

## *Designated Fund*

\$100 in memory of Ed Sargent from family and friends

Thank you for your gift of \$50 to Lutheran Disaster Response. As a church, we believe that God's grace is freely given to us. This brings us peace and hope. It makes a difference in our lives. Through your gift, you are sharing this amazing grace with others. You are helping people near and far feel the transformational power of God's love. ~Rev. Daniel Rift, Director, Mission Funding, ELCA World Hunger and Lutheran Disaster Response

Staff and volunteers have been busy with weekly preparation of Operation Sandwich. On behalf of Bridges of Hope, we continue to feel incredibly blessed by our community and we thank you for your support! Your generous donation of \$870 supports Operation Sandwich and helps to feed children in our community when free and reduced meals are not accessible at school. Lunch kits are available for weekly pick-up at multiple locations. Each kit contains enough food to make healthy lunches for a week, adjusted according to household size. On behalf of Bridges of Hope and of the many families who utilize this service in the community, we thank you! Sincerely, Jana Shogren, Executive Director



Giving electronically eliminates check writing, can save postage, and allows you to give to Bethlehem even on those Sundays when you can't come to worship. You pick the amount and the frequency. If you donate through First Western, there are no additional fees so 100% of your donation comes to Bethlehem. Sign up today! If you would like to give electronically, please contact the office at [office@belcnet.net](mailto:office@belcnet.net) or 218-829-



Please keep these people in your prayers on their birthdays.

- 1 ~ Allison Moyer-Taylor, Sheri Olson
- 2 ~ Deb McCarthy, Scott Stall
- 3 ~ Eric Burgstaler, Bethany Doucette, Michael Finch, Nate Macejkovic, Eric Wisneski
- 4 ~ Kathy Dufour
- 5 ~ Ellie Forsberg, Amanda Hanson
- 6 ~ Amy Vleck
- 8 ~ Delanie Dosh, Pam Finch, Ron Holloway, Tyler Lundgren
- 10 ~ Wendy Gindorff, Sara Larson, Linda Soderman
- 11 ~ Barry Adams, Sue Johnson, Joe Lindholm
- 12 ~ Josh Mienert, Ruth Unger
- 13 ~ Amy Hendrickson, Cindy Hendrickson, Elizabeth Spigarelli
- 14 ~ Auggie Lang
- 15 ~ James Brown, Bev Emery

- 16 ~ Janee Burgoyne, Bob Hendrickson, Thor Johnson, Liz Larson, Ava Marshall
- 17 ~ Wanda Lundeby
- 18 ~ Ellie Knold
- 19 ~ Adam Carlson
- 21 ~ Eli Christiansen, Alex Garding
- 22 ~ Teresa Christiansen, Jason Grimm, Jamie Stall
- 23 ~ Nayden Blum
- 24 ~ Tim Bogenschutz, Linda Ekstrum, Laurie Levig, Patrick Slough
- 25 ~ Emily Hollingsworth, Amanda Unger, David Zelenka
- 27 ~ Cheryl Bailey, Lee Ann Hollingsworth
- 28 ~ Eric Eidenshink
- 29 ~ Luke Meyer, Noah Meyer
- 30 ~ Jeremy Anderson, Conner Burgstaler

We continue to update our contact information. If your birthday is missing or incorrect, please let the office know at 829-3330 or [office@belcnet.net](mailto:office@belcnet.net).

GET YOUR LOOSE CHANGE READY!

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## NOISY OFFERING

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IN AUGUST, YOU DONATED \$294.29 TO OUR NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL GARFIELD ELEMENTARY. IN SEPTEMBER, MONEY WILL BE COLLECTED FOR HOLY COMMUNION SUPPLIES FOR OUR CARE FACILITIES AND HOMEBOUND MEMBERS.

# September Worship Assistants

	8:20 am	10:00 am
<b>Greeters:</b>	9/4 at 9:00 am: Carolyn and Jim Cole 9/11: Jean Anhalt 9/18: Larry and Natalie Embertson 9/25: Bev Gotti	Pam and Steve Oslos Gloria and Harvey Munsch Beth Larson
<b>Ushers:</b>	9/4 at 9:00 am: Becky and Dave Meyer 9/11: Kathy Dufour 9/18: Janis and Jim Peterson 9/25: Janis and Jim Peterson	Jen and Joe Lindholm Becky and Dave Meyer the Lindholm family
<b>Readers:</b>	9/4 at 9:00 am: Bev Rempel 9/11: <b>STILL NEEDED</b> 9/18: Cheryl Severson-Nichols 9/25: Bev Gotti	Rebecca Timmins Solvejg Seamon Jackie Nornes
<b>Communion Preparation:</b>	9/4 at 9:00 am: Shelly Birchem, Jackie Nornes 9/18: Jeff and Cheryl Nichols	Karen and Steve Rosenow
<b>Communion Servers:</b>	9/4 at 9:00 am: Jackie Nornes, Karen and Steve Rosenow 9/18: <b>3 STILL NEEDED</b>	Carl and Solvejg Seamon, <b>1 STILL NEEDED</b>
<b>Sound:</b>	9/4 at 9:00 am: Jerry DeChaine 9/11: Jerry DeChaine 9/18: Jerry DeChaine 9/25: Jerry DeChaine	Todd Person Todd Person Scott Pederson
<b>Video:</b>	9/4 at 9:00 am: Krystal DeChaine 9/11: none 9/18: none 9/25: none	Tonya Person Tonya Person Scott Pederson
<b>Flowers:</b>	9/4: <b>STILL NEEDED</b> 9/11: in celebration of Sara Larson's birthday from Pat True 9/18: <b>STILL NEEDED</b> 9/25: <b>STILL NEEDED</b>	
<b>Treats:</b>	9/4 at 9:00 am: Pam Stock and Al Gardner 9/11: in honor of Casey Stengel 9/18: Stacy Erdal 9/25: the Lindholm family	
<b>Wednesday ushers</b>	9/7: Mike and Wendy Gindorff 9/14: Mike and Wendy Gindorff 9/21: Mike and Wendy Gindorff 9/28 Mike and Wendy Gindorff	<b>Wednesday communion</b> 9/21: Jackie Nornes
<b>Wednesday sound</b>	9/7: Jerry DeChaine 9/21: <b>STILL NEEDED</b>	9/14: Scott Pederson 9/28: <b>STILL NEEDED</b>

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Brainerd, MN 56401

**CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED**



If you would rather receive this newsletter by email or would like to stop receiving it, please let us know.

Please let the church office know if you will be stopping your mail service for an extended period of time so we do not send you any publications. Thank you.



Get updates, share pictures and RSVP for events on our Facebook page...  
[www.facebook.com/bethlehem.brainerd](http://www.facebook.com/bethlehem.brainerd)

### Our Mission Statement

We are called into compassionate community by the Holy Spirit through the confession of the Gospel of Jesus Christ to publicly confess the faith of the Triune God in, under, and with our daily callings in the community of God's world.