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**SEPTEMBER 2018 MONTHLY  
VISION NEWSLETTER**

# SEPTEMBER—YOU'RE INVITED!

To join in on...

## 1st Saturday

7:30 am 11th step Prayer & Meditation  
Wedding-Jessica Perry & Jose  
7:30 pm Alcoholics Anonymous

## 2nd Sunday

8:30 am Worship with Pastor Kelli  
Yarn Drop

## 3rd Monday - Labor Day

## 4th Tuesday

9-3:00 pm Office Hours  
4:30 pm Marketing Meeting  
5:30 pm Education Meeting

## 5th Wednesday

9-3:00 pm Office Hours  
7:00 pm Evening Worship

## 8th Saturday

7:30 am 11th step Prayer & Meditation  
Noon-2 pm Faith, Family & Fun  
7:30 pm Alcoholics Anonymous

## 9th Sunday

8:30 am Worship with Pastor Kelli  
Evelyn Wolfe's Baptism  
Yarn Drop  
Grandparents Day  
Noisy Can - Muskego Senior Taxi  
Synod-Lutherdale Service Day

## 10th Monday

Mary Linsmeier School starts back up

6-9:00 pm Girl Scouts

## 11th Tuesday

9-3:00 pm Office Hours  
4:30 pm St. Vincent de Paul Meal-  
"Gods work, Our hands" day

## 12th Wednesday - Cousins Subs Fundraiser Day

9-3:00 pm Office Hours  
7:00 pm Evening Worship

## 15th Saturday

7:30 am 11th step Prayer & Meditation  
Huxley Baptism  
7:30 pm Alcoholics Anonymous

## 16th Sunday

8:30 am Worship with Pastor Kelli  
Confirmation for Julia & Jack  
Yarn Drop

## 18th Tuesday

9-3:00 pm Office Hours  
7:00 pm Council Meeting

## 19th Wednesday

9-3:00 pm Office Hours

7:00 pm Evening Worship

## 20th Thursday

7:00 pm Ginny's Gems at Donna Meitner's home

## 22nd Saturday

7:30 am 11th step Prayer & Meditation  
7:30 pm Alcoholics Anonymous  
Autumn begins

## 23rd Sunday

8:30 am Worship with Pastor Kelli  
Diana Pawlak's Baptism  
Yarn Drop

## 25th Tuesday

9-3:00 pm Office Hours  
7:00 pm Evening Worship

## 26th Wednesday

9-3:00 pm Office Hours  
7:00 pm Evening Worship

## 29th Saturday

7:30 am 11th step Prayer & Meditation  
7:30 pm Alcoholics Anonymous

## 30th Sunday

8:30 am Farewell Worship with Pastor Kelli  
Yarn Drop

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JOIN US FOR WORSHIP ON  
WEDNESDAY EVENINGS,

7:00

Welcome Back  
Mary Linsmeier  
School & Child Care

The Children will come back to school on  
Monday, September 10th.



### **Pastor Kelli's Message**

When I announced my upcoming resignation in July I had 2.5 months before my last Sunday. It was important to me that even though you all knew that I would need to leave at the end of September, that we weren't going to say goodbye yet. I still had quite a bit of time before September 30, and I want to be your pastor. That was 1.5 months ago, and while I hardly feel ready for it, we'll be beginning to transition to goodbye/"see ya later" (I prefer "see ya later"!).

Over the next month, I'll be focusing my time and energy on saying "see ya later" as best I can. I will be passing on any vital information to those who need it, finishing projects, and spending as much quality time with you all as I can. This month we have three more baptisms (9/9, 9/15, & 9/22), a wedding (9/1), and we'll be celebrating Confirmation Sunday on September 16. I'm grateful to be able to celebrate these special days with you all. I am sure that I will tell you all this several more times (possibly several thousand more times), but I am so grateful for the time that I've been given to be here with you all. It is such a blessing to be surrounded by warm, fun, and faithful people. The Holy Spirit has been moving in this place and I can see life and possibility at Bethel. It's been fun to be with people who are open to inviting people to worship, who show intentional hospitality and welcome, and want to try new events just so you all can spend more time with each other.

I have faith God will be with us this next month and throughout all of the transitions to come. May God bless the time we have to spend together, may God bless each of us in all that we need in the days forward, and may we open ourselves up for all that God has in store for us in our future.

Peace,

Pastor Kelli

## CHRISTIAN SYMBOL - Seal

A seal is the mark of God's promises to the believer and of the believer's consecration to God. Old Testament priests wore a piece of gold against their forehead, as a seal, engraved with the words "Holy to the Lord." For Christians, the sign of the cross serves as a seal of salvation. Paul declares, "He anointed us, set his seal of ownership on us, and put his Spirit in our hearts as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come" (2 Corinthians 1:21-22)



## Volunteer Opportunities



### SEPTEMBER SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAYS

	2nd	9th	16th	23rd	30th
<b>Altar:</b>	Barb	Vicki	Julie	Ginny	Ginny
<b>Media:</b>	Jean P	Jeanne K	Jochims	Schalk's	Ken P
<b>Ushers:</b>	Baseler/ Schmidt's	Ken P	Jochims	Conner's	Debbie Z
<b>Communion:</b>	Debbie Z	Sue H	Jean P	Barb O	Sue H
<b>Lector:</b>	Heidi L	Kathy D	Kate/Sara J	Ben/Jake S	Kathy D

### OCTOBER SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAYS

	7th	14th	21st	28th
<b>Altar:</b>	Barb	Vicki	Ginny	Julie
<b>Media:</b>	Jean P	Jeanne K	Jochims	Schalk's
<b>Ushers:</b>	Ken P	Baseler/ Schmidt's	Jochims	Conner's
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"PLEASE VOLUNTEER FOR ONE SUNDAY A MONTH, BETHEL NEEDS YOUR TIME AND TALENTS"



**Faith, Family & Fun** is an intergenerational program that brings families and kids together once a month on Saturday. Participants share lunch, learn Bible stories, make crafts (from birdhouses to homemade ice cream), share music and play games. Older kids make it fun by joining in to help everyone – even adults. The program is held on the second Saturday of each month from Noon to 2 pm. The next meeting is on September 8, 2018. RSVP by contacting Debbie Zortman, Heidi Lindhorst, or Julie Frahmman.

Children's Sunday School



### Sunday School Teachers Wanted!

We are starting Sunday School one Sunday a month, on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month during worship. It will begin in October 7th. Anyone wishing to teach or be a teen helper, please contact Debbie Zortman.

### Confirmation Sunday, September 16, 2018

Pastor Kelli has accelerated the confirmation program to allow Julia Zortman and Jack Navarette to complete their studies in September. Cake and corsages will be provided. Please join us at worship to celebrate this special day.

#### MUSKEGO FOOD PANTRY

Open Every Thursday -  
Drop off Donations - 9 am to 5:30 pm  
Pick Up Food - 1 pm to 5:30 pm

**S81 W19150 Apollo Drive -  
Muskego**

**Telephone number: 262-679-6448**  
[muskegofoodpantry@hotmail.com](mailto:muskegofoodpantry@hotmail.com)

#### ?? ? Bible Quiz ? ? ?

Who was Moses' father-in-law, and what was his occupation?

- A. Joshua; shepherd
- B. Miriam; tentmaker
- C. Aaron; farmer
- D. Jethro; priest



Answer: D (See Exodus 3:1.)



When in Church, Prayer requests can be made by filling in a prayer card (found near your seat or on the piano) and putting it in the offering plate or handing it to Pastor. Requests can be submitted confidentially at the church website, [www.bethelmuskegoelc.org](http://www.bethelmuskegoelc.org)

**Please keep these people and situations in your prayers this week:**

Amy, Connor (2yrs old) and parents Tom and Gail as Connor is still going through treatments for cancer. Connie, Corey & Amber, Dale, Haley Rose who was born 9 week premature, James for healing from surgery, Jean, Kathy Fischer, Larry for heart healing, Mike K for AA recovery, Russ Jones, Lela Vern Pickart, Linda Radmer, Matt, Michelle, Michael F. Pat Paprocki, Mary R. dealing with complications of Cancer, Stevie, Taylor & Tony.

**Pray for peace & comfort for the families who have lost loved ones:**

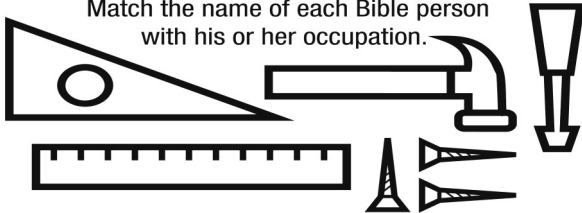
Deno Chartier who passed away on May 9<sup>th</sup> & Christian D. who passed away recently.

**Pray for Protection:** Christians around the world, our Church, our youth & families separated at the border.

**Pray for and Protect and bless our pets who give us companionship and delight.**

# Puzzle!

Match the name of each Bible person with his or her occupation.



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| 1. Nehemiah  | A. soldier       |
| 2. Luke      | B. carpenter     |
| 3. Demetrius | C. cupbearer     |
| 4. Matthew   | D. clothseller   |
| 5. Lydia     | E. fisherman     |
| 6. Joseph    | F. shepherd      |
| 7. Paul      | G. tax collector |
| 8. Cornelius | H. tailor        |
| 9. Tabitha   | I. silversmith   |
| 10. Amos     | J. priest        |
| 11. Eli      | K. tentmaker     |
| 12. Peter    | L. physician     |

Answers: 1. C, 2. L, 3. I, 4. G, 5. D, 6. B, 7. K, 8. A, 9. H, 10. F, 11. J, 12. E



## MUSKEGO FEST

A BIG thank you to everyone who helped, donated, and participated in this year's Bethelfest. It was a great success. This year we had hotdogs, brats, and hamburgers. We raised over \$350.00. We couldn't do it without the combined effort of all of Bethel. Thanks again

# EVENTS & PUBLICITY

## from the Marketing Team:

**VBS** - Pastor Kelli & Anne Farebrother from Atonement would like to thank all the families who came out to participate in this years VBS program. Thank you to any member who also lent a hand in helping out with the running of the program.

### Sundays in September, 2018

It's Yarn Drop Month to support Bethel's Prayer Shawl Ministries. Drop off your donation any Sunday in September. Red Heart yarn from Wal Mart works well. It takes 2 1/2 skeins to make one shawl. Pick out colors from your team or any favorite colors, or leftovers you have—any amount is welcome. Polyester is fine, all weights of yarn are accepted. You may drop off your yarn in the basket in the narthex.



### Beer & Hymns

**When:** Saturday October 6th, 2018, 7 pm until 10 pm

**Where:** Mug-Z's Pub & Grill - W194S7060 Hillendale Dr.

**Why:** To sing & socialize.

Lutheran's are great multi-taskers.

Sign up will be in narthex. Come have some Saturday night fun with your Sunday morning pew mates.



**Pumpkin Pzazz** - On Sunday, October 28th, there will be a pancake breakfast following the Worship Service. There will also be Pumpkin-Carving. Bring a friend and join the fun!

Bring your own carving tools.

# Make some noise!

Below are Bethel's 2018 recipients of the Noisy Can Offerings. The Noisy Can Offering is collected on the second Sunday of each month.

January - Pastor's Discretion	July - The Guest House of Milwaukee, Shelter
February - St Vincent de Paul meal-site	August - Lutheran Campus Corner
March - Hope Center, Waukesha	<b><u>September - Muskego Senior Taxi</u></b>
April - Lutherdale Bible Camp	October - Outreach for Hope, Inc.
May - Flowers for Bethel	November - Gifts for Friends of Jesus
June - Safe Babies, Healthy Families	December - Salvation Army, Red Kettle Donation



The noisy can for September goes to Muskego Senior Taxi. The Muskego Senior Taxi is a not-for-profit charitable service organization supported by Waukesha County, the City of Muskego, the Muskego Regency Senior Community & charitable donations. All drivers are volunteers. This community program provides low cost transportation to seniors who live in Muskego. Reservations are required.

When the second Tuesday rolls around think of the St. Vincent de Paul meal program. We have designated Tuesday, September 11th, our "Gods Work, Our Hands" day to coordinate with the synod service day. We will go as a group to the meal site, and I encourage all to come and lift up this important ministry.

## Prayer Shawls Ministry

Ginny's Gems woman's group meets the third Thursday of each month. The group meets for devotion and fellowship; they crochet and sew prayer shawls and lap blankets. Prayer shawls and blankets are then donated to local hospitals, nursing homes and rehab centers. If you would like to join this group or contribute to this ministry, please contact Julie Frahmman at 262-679-2038. The next meeting will be on Thursday, September 20th, at 7:00 pm at Donna Meitner's home. Bring a friend! Thank you for your support.





# CHURCH STAFF

**Pastor** - Kelli Weiss, 805-405-9930, pastorkelliweiss@gmail.com

**Secretary** - Dawn Vretenar, 262-835-1042, bethelmuskegoelc@gmail.com

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**Office Hours:** Tuesday & Wednesday 9:00-3:00 pm

## CHURCH COUNCIL

**President** - Debbie Zortman 262-662-0535

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## Council Update & Message

Bless everyone as we celebrate the beginning of the school year and the end of our time with Pastor Kelli.

~**A Full Month**~ Pastor Kelli's final month is upon us, and still with so much to do. We have an exciting and event filled September. There is a wedding, baptisms and Confirmation. Perhaps you'll have the opportunity to be at one of the five baptisms Bethel is having. It's such a joy to see new little members of Bethel join in our faith journey.

*"Let the children come to me and do not stop them, because the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14*

On September 8<sup>th</sup> plan to attend Faith Family Fun with Pastor Kelli sharing the story of Moses and the Ten Commandments. We'll lunch, we'll laugh, and we'll craft! It's the second Saturday of each month from 12-2 pm and we would enjoy your company!

For the entire month of September think knitting and crocheting as the nights get cooler; think prayer shawls and afghans for comforting others with gentle blessings; think - how can I be part of this awesome ministry? It's easy, donate yarn! Collection baskets will be out all month. Ginny's Gems thanks you!

*"You make me glad by your deeds, O Lord; I sing for joy at the works of your hands." Psalm 92:4*

~**Council Calendar**~ The council is working on the pastoral transition. We'll be working with the synod to make this transition smooth and efficient. I will keep the congregation informed as the process roles along. We are not going to rush the process; we are not going to let it lag. Here is a broad overview of how things will work:

- Council has formed a group who will update our Mission Site Profile.
- We will prepare for Pastor Kelli's last Sunday, September 30<sup>th</sup>.
- We will prepare to get an interim Pastor and /or supply pastors for the upcoming months for Sunday and Wednesday services. Then we will form a Call Committee.

*Those who trust in the Lord for help will find their strength renewed.  
They will soar on the wings like eagles." Isaiah 40:31a*

Have you noticed a few bumps along the way - it's just the carpet. We are looking to get it stre-t-c-h-e-d!

Peace, Debbie Zortman, Council President

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**DONATION DAY**  
• ALL DAY  
Wednesday September 12th

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