



**Bethel  
Lutheran  
Church**

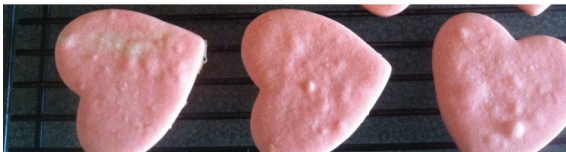
*Making Disciples!*

February 5– 19, 2026

# E-Memo To the Saints



*Goodies for Sale*



***Valentines Bake Sale***

***Feb. 14 & 15***

Bethel's LWML will hold a bake sale before and after worship services with the proceeds going towards Mission projects.

*Stop and get some sweets for your Sweetheart.*

***"Life with God @ Bethel"***

**New Member Series**

**Sundays at 12:30pm**

**It's Not Too Late to Join Us!**

If you are interested in learning more about our congregation or if you are considering becoming a member, Pastor Bard leads us for 8 weeks immediately following the late service (12:30 pm in room 239). We always finish by 1:30 pm and snacks are provided. If you are interested in membership, there is an attendance requirement which Pastor will talk about at the first meeting. We would love to have you come and find out more about Bethel. If you or your family are planning on attending, please contact Randy Moerbe at [dcerandy@blcbcs.org](mailto:dcerandy@blcbcs.org). Childcare is provided upon request.



**All Ladies are Invited  
to LWML's  
Spring Women's Retreat**

**BETHEL LWML  
INVITES YOU TO:**

**SPRING WOMEN'S RETREAT**

**What  
ever...**  
Keeping Your Heart in Tune  
With Whatever Life Brings

**FEBRUARY 28, 2026      COST \$15**

**CHECK-IN & BREAKFAST TREATS 8:30AM**

**PROGRAMING 9AM-3PM**

**LUNCH PROVIDED**

Please join us for a day of bible study and fellowship with other sisters in Christ!

Guest Speaker **Brianne Stahlecker**

**Bethel Lutheran Church      RSVP by 2/22 to Susan**  
4221 Boonville Rd.      [Susan.Neitsch@gmail.com](mailto:Susan.Neitsch@gmail.com)  
Bryan, Texas      Childcare available upon request

***Join Bethel's LWML Monthly***

***Gathering!*** Our next monthly gathering will be Monday, **March 2 at 6:30 PM** in the Parish Hall. We will have time for visiting, a Bible Study, and our local mission project.

## Financial Peace University

February 22, 2026

1:00pm—3:00pm

### Sign Up in the Narthex! Hey Church Family!

If you're like most believers, you wish you could do more for the kingdom of God. Give more. Serve more. You want to honor God more with your finances—but you don't feel like you can. Debt payments. The cost of living. Planning for the future. There's a lot you already have to worry about.

But let me ask you this: What could the people of God do for the kingdom of God if they were debt-free?

Imagine a life with no debt payments. What could God do through you? Through our Church? What ministries could He stir in your heart?

That's the freedom God wants for you.

And that's why Bethel is hosting a *Financial Peace University* class starting on **February 22** at **1:00pm**.

**Bethel's Board of Stewardship has arranged it so that this class is FREE for you!!!** Together, we're going to learn God's ways of handling money—so we can become the financially free, outrageously generous, kingdom-focused Church He has called us to be.



We'd love for you to join us! Get more information and sign up for the class in the narthex on the bulletin board. Please indicate on the sign up sheet if you need childcare.

## Bethel OWLS Potluck Luncheon (Older, Wiser, Lutheran Souls) Thursday, February 19th at Noon In the Parish Hall.

Come have Potluck lunch with the OWLS on February 19th, 2026, the third Thursday of the month. Please bring a dish to share. Join us for fun and fellowship, as we play BINGO. Please remember to enter under the awning.



Join us for a day of crafting, whether you're starting a new project or working on one you started forever ago!

# Craft Retreat

Bethel Lutheran Church  
in the Parish Hall

February 21, 2025  
9:00am-4:00pm

There is an intermission for lunch and devotion

Please contact Autumn for a list of items to choose from to bring for lunch and to RSVP  
979-219-1867

## “Living with Grief” a GriefShare Program Sundays at 4:00pm

Living with grief is a biblical based interactive discussion group for those who are coping with the death of a friend, a child, parent, or sibling. This Program is free of charge. Included in the program is a

combination of video testimonials; discussion of the topics with others experiencing a loss; an opportunity to tell your story (if you wish) to people that will listen; fellowship; and a path to healing. Each participant will receive a workbook. Refreshments are provided. If you wish to deal with the pain of your grief, join us as we unpack the emotions and issues that you are facing. Try it out and see if this is for you.



Cast all your anxiety  
**ON HIM**  
because he cares  
**FOR YOU.**  
1 PETER 5:7, NIV



## The Season of Lent is Just Around the Corner

**Bethel offers Lenten Devotional Worship** each Wednesday night starting with **Ash Wednesday Worship and The Lord's Supper on February 18th at Noon and 6:45pm.**

**Ashes** will be offered at the front of our sanctuary at 11:30 am till the noon worship and at 6:00pm till the 6:45pm worship. "Imposition of Ashes" is simply the marking of the forehead with palm ashes. The imposition of ashes on the forehead of the worshipper signifies that a period of prayer, fasting, and "sitting in sackcloth and ashes" has begun.

We especially encourage parents to bring your children as the marking of the ashes offers you a wonderful teachable moment.

## God Bless Our Lenten Time

The Church Season of Lent offers the Christian an opportunity for a special encounter with ourselves and with Jesus. It's purpose is to lead to repentance and renewed trust in Him. This is good, since repentance and renewed faith are vital as we prepare to receive the Good News which Holy Week and Easter will bring us.

Accordingly, we seek this self-examination which comes through the application of the Word of God to our hearts and lives. We allow that Word to show us our sinful condition and need. God's Gospel offers us God's plan to remove our sin: "Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world." John 1:29. It also works to empower us to live our lives for Him and with Him.

It is in the Word that God speaks to us of His gracious forgiveness. It is in the Word He calls us to Himself. It is in His Word we hear most clearly every promise. Listen to the Word, and make this the most blessed Lenten season yet.

**Bethel offers Lenten Devotional Worship** each Wednesday. **Join Us on February 25, March 4, 11, 18 & 25 at Noon or 6:45pm for Lenten Devotional Time.** We will have Nursery care for the Wednesday 6:45pm Devotions.

We will have a meal each Wednesday night starting at 5:15pm. The cost is \$5/person or \$20/family.

## Lenten Devotions from Lutheran Hour Ministries

### *Behold Your King!*

In love, God sent His Son to redeem the world. In hatred, He was rejected. In *Behold Your King!*, we see the Savior stripped of His dignity, led away, and crucified on our behalf. No one could imagine this Man, this condemned and forsaken Man, was God in the flesh sent to liberate us from our sin by His death and resurrection.

That the Son of God joined us in our frail state of humanity is testament to God's overwhelming love and concern for the

world. And not only this, Jesus endured scorn and derision from His creation, His earthly subjects. And yet, as King, as Lord of all, He did the unthinkable: He laid down His life for the sins of the world.

These devotions are available to [read online](#) or to hear as a [podcast](#), receive them as an [e-mail subscription](#) throughout the Lenten season. Just go online to [www.lhm.org/lent](http://www.lhm.org/lent) to sign up. *OR pick up a printed copy in the narthex on the Elders Credenza and Welcome Center.*





Helping Others  
Brazos Church Pantry

## Lend a Helping Hand To Feed the Hungry We Can Do That Here at Bethel!

We're in the midst of our  
February Food Drive for the  
**BRAZOS CHURCH PANTRY**  
Let's Fill UP the Box In the Narthex

### Some items to buy

Tuna, tomato sauce, soup (kid friendly), peanut butter, canned fruit, canned vegetables, boxed cereal, macaroni and cheese, rice (small bag), dried beans, canned meats, small sugar or flour, Spaghetti noodles and sauce.

Thank You

## Online Registration is now open for the Habitat for Humanity, B/CS Faith In Action Committee's Run for the House

on  
**April 11, 2026**

At the Lake Walk Pavilion (4107 Lake Atlas Dr., Bryan, TX)

Check In: 7:00am – 7:30am and Race Starts: 8:00am

\$30 Registration (\$35 Day of the Race)



Bryan/College Station Habitat for Humanity and the Faith in Action Committee invite you to our annual Run for the House at Lake Walk Pavilion!

This 5K run/2K walk welcomes all ages and fitness levels—whether you're racing for time or just here to support affordable housing in our community. Proceeds help build safe, decent homes for local families in need.

Go Online to <https://habitatbcs.org/run-for-the-house/>

## Bethel's Board of Community Service supports Family Promise.

If you would like to donate items, Family Promise is requesting the following for their clients in transition housing:

Toilet paper, Paper towels, Kleenex (any brand)  
Dishwashing liquid, Laundry detergent (pods or liquid)  
Thank you for your support!

<https://www.familypromisebcs.org/about-us/>

## Bethel's Helping Hands Mission

**Quilters**—We will meet on February 9 & 23 at 9 am in room 242.

We put Mission quilts together for Lutheran World Relief ([www.lwr.org](http://www.lwr.org)). You don't need to know how to sew or quilt. We just need helping hands to tie the quilts. Join us for Christian Fellowship and Mission work.



## Life Ministry at Bethel March 31, 2026 Meal for Mama's Club

Aggieland Pregnancy Outreach hosts a weekly Mama's Club during the school year where teen moms and dads come with their children to connect, have fun, and learn how to be great parents.

**Bethel will be providing a meal on March 31st, r 5:30-6:30 pm.** We need people to provide sandwiches, chips and dips, veggie trays, fruit trays, and desserts. We also need people to help with serving the meal. Sign-up for this in the narthex. If you have any questions, please contact Joyce Jones (979-575-6060 or [joyce.jones@bryanisd.org](mailto:joyce.jones@bryanisd.org)).



## Devo & Games Afternoon February 15, 2026

We will be having a Devo and Games Afternoon at church on Sunday, February 15th. We will be meeting in the Parish Hall from 3pm – 6pm. Instead of a meal we are asking that you bring your favorite appetizer. If you have some games you would like to bring and share as a group that would also be great. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex or let DCE Jeff know that you will be attending.

**Monday Evening Men's Bible Study & Fellowship ~ 7:00 pm in Room 242**  
**A LifeLight Bible Study: Genesis**

Call George McIlhaney 979-229-0020 if the doors are locked when you get here.

**Ladies Tuesday Bible Study**

Tuesday Women's Bible Class meets at 10:00-11:15AM. Pastor Eden leads this class in room 239. They are currently studying the Book of Romans.

**Friday Men's Bible Study at 6:30 am with Breakfast In Room 239**

**New Study starting December 5th.**  
Concordia Publishing House's

*Embracing Godly Character* by Kenneth Kremer

We live in a godless culture. What are we to do when the faith of the next generation is threatened and challenged? We respond by embracing godly character. Join us on Friday Mornings.

**Sunday Breakfast Tacos**

Thank you to everyone for helping support the youth with our Breakfast Taco fundraiser. We will provide tacos on communion Sundays. This opportunity helps youth raise money for their youth account to attend events. Thank you for supporting our youth in this way.



**Bethel Small Groups**

Some of our Small Groups have started. If you are interested in starting a small group please contact DCE Jeff. We have some training videos online for leaders.



**New Small Group Started**  
**Proverbs 31 Mom's Meet-Up**  
**Thursdays at 9am-11am**  
**Here at Church in Room 240**

The Proverbs 31 small group is for young moms interested in connecting with other moms through regular meet-ups, prayer, and workshops. This semester, we meet Thursdays from 9-11 in Room 240. Childcare is provided. Can't make the time? We would still love to connect with you! It is our hope to match everyone with one or two prayer partners who meet on their own, in person or via text. Contact Ellen Young at 979-676-7694 for more information.

**Small Group for Ladies**  
**Women in the Word**  
**Thursdays at 7:00 pm**

All women are invited to join us on Thursday evenings as we study God's word, growing closer to God + Each other. We will be going through LifeLight: 1 Corinthians. Can't wait to see you there! For location and more information call or email Lauren Smith at 817-229-9907 or [laurenleannsmith12@gmail.com](mailto:laurenleannsmith12@gmail.com) or DCE Jeff at [dcejeff@blcbcs.org](mailto:dcejeff@blcbcs.org), 822-2742.

**Volunteers Needed** - Bethel is seeking volunteers for Sunday School classroom teachers and aids if you feel the Lord's call to speak Jesus to these children contact DCE Jeff or Connie Bard. 822-2742

**SAVE the DATES**

**VBS, June 21-25**

**Mission Trip, June 28-July 5**

**Fun Family Wednesday only 1 Week Left before Lenten Season**

Join us each Wednesday Night for Fun for the Whole Family! We start with a meal at 5:15p.m. Cost is \$5/person with a max of \$20/family. Menu:

Feb. 11—Chicken Strips, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Green beans, Rolls, Applesauce

Activities start at 6:30 p.m. and the programs include:

KIDS BIBLE CLUB in Room 234 for Kindergarten through 4th grade. Games, Devo, Crafts.

Youth CONFIRMATION in Room 232 for those starting in 5th Grade & 6th Grades.

YOUTH NIGHT— for Grades 7 - 12. Crossroads Devotions/topic, some games, free time. Junior High will be meeting in the 7th and 8th Grade Classroom (237). The Senior High will be meeting in the Senior High classroom (232).

ADULT BIBLE STUDY—led by Pastor Tim Eden in room 239. Childcare available for children younger than K-5.



BETHEL LUTHERAN  
PRESCHOOL

The preschool had “SNOW” much fun celebrating National Lutheran Schools Week! Each day was filled with fun activities for our students as we celebrated as a school being able to teach everyone about Jesus! Day one all classes went on a scavenger hunt throughout the building looking for pieces to a puzzle. Once the

puzzle was completed, it revealed a special message... Make a joyful noise unto the Lord. Day two our students enjoyed bringing someone special to chapel. We all loved seeing all the parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and special friends who came to hear our children learn about Jesus through song and bible time. Day three was our DISCO DANCE PARTY! All our classes enjoyed singing, dancing, and moving their bodies to music. Day four was about the snow! Our students enjoyed pin the nose on the snowman, throwing snowballs through the targets and into the snowman’s pants. This week was so special and fun! Our hope is that everyone that took

part in these special days were blessed by the all the hard work put into the event!

**Registration for the 2026-2027 school year** is still open to current students and church members! We will open registration to our waiting list and the public on Wednesday February 18<sup>th</sup>. Our spots will fill up fast! Registration packets are in the narthex, or you can reach out the preschool office for more assistance.

*In Christ, Shelly Schultz*

Director, Bethel Lutheran Preschool

979-485-9835 office

979-446-1578 cell phone

[PRESCHOOL - Bethel Lutheran Church \(blcbcs.org\)](http://preschoolad@blcbcs.org)

Bethel Lutheran Preschool admits students of any race, color, and national or ethnic origin.

## Volunteers Needed to Help Get Ready for Bethel Preschool’s 3 Week Summer Program

Bethel Lutheran Preschool is looking for volunteers to come help us get ready for our Summer Program! We will need help with getting rooms, supplies, and lessons put together for our three weeks of the program. If you are available, the week of May 26th-29th we would love your help! Please reach out to Emma Schmeling by email [preschoolad@blcbcs.org](mailto:preschoolad@blcbcs.org), call 979-485-9835 or fill out the google form by the QRcode or link.

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# Happy Birthday!! To Our Bethel Family



## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Evan LoBello	1	Michael Buchhorn	6	Erica (Jones) Rebollar	12	Ana Snyder	18
Greg Montgomery	1	Everett Dahmann	6	Julie Maly	12	Shelton Largent	19
Dana Schriever	1	Randy Moerbe	6	Samuel Moravec	12	Bobby Lenz	19
Gwyneth Galow	2	LeeAnn Pali	6	David Fleeger	13	Anastasia Lewis	19
Heath Hausenfluck	2	Gage Goodenow	7	Bennett Jackson	13	Shirley Boone	20
Mike Lenz	2	George McIlhaney	7	Meaghan Anderson	14	Rachel Jungklaus	21
Angela Trant	2	Jim Holste	8	Susan Neitsch	14	Mitchell Dill	22
Shirley Harrison	3	Beckham Kouba	8	Jonathan Bentley	15	Amy Perkins	22
Kyle Schumann	3	Peggy Chase	9	Pastor Tim Eden	15	Bobbie Denmark	23
Theodore Groves	4	Dottie Garrison (93)	10	Sue Hoffart	15	Martha Sue Oliver	23
Kathy Herwald	5	Emma Gilmore	10	Addison Markert	15	Robert Pali	23
Shianne Lenz	5	Isabella Perkins	10	Olivia Massey	15	Rosie Schoenfeld	24
Pierce Young	5	Noah Ramirez	10	Debbie Sadler	15	Genevieve Birdwell	27
David Baumann	6	Jayce Wilder	10	Dustin Samford	15	David Hildebrandt	27
		Spencer Wilder	10	Art Kaspar	16	Jessica Fuller (Pfeffer)	27
		Connie Bard	11	Joalla Shilling	17	Lois Erickson	28
		Sylvia DeAses	11	Sarah Hildebrandt	17	Sally Kaminski	28
		Kira Hoffzimmer	11	Gerry Hartmangruber	18	Serena Barth	29
		Darlene Hold	11	James Hildebrandt	18	Christopher Byer	29
		Claire Groves	12	Tony Rodriguez	18		



# Happy Anniversary!! To Our Bethel Couples

## FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

John & Amy Moravec	29 yrs	Feb. 1	Bobby & Sharon Lenz	54 yrs	Feb. 19
Tim & Elizabeth Donathen	51 yrs	Feb. 14	Louie & Melissa Smith	35 yrs	Feb. 19
George & Mary Ann Luber	34 yrs	Feb. 15	Mike & Debbie Sadler	50 yrs	Feb. 22
Doak & Jennifer Dunkin	9 yrs	Feb. 18	Todd & Melissa McIlhaney	24 yrs	Feb. 23
			Wade & Terressa Douget	31 yrs	Feb. 25
			Tim & Amanda Eden	14 yrs	Feb. 25

**The 2026 Flower Chart** for Altar flowers is in the Information Center by the elevator. The cost is \$50 per sponsorship. You can email the church office at [office@blcbcs.org](mailto:office@blcbcs.org) or call 822-2742 if you have any questions. Thank you.



**THE LUTHERAN HOUR** is on KAGC, 1510 AM on Sundays at 12:30 pm. sponsored by Bethel. If you would like, you can sponsor a week's broadcast for \$25 or a month for \$100. **The 2026 Sign Up Chart is in the Information Center next to the elevator.**  
*The Lutheran Hour for the month of January is sponsored to the Glory of God by David & Rita Baumann.*

## Bethel Financials at a Glance

	Dec 2025	Jan - Dec 2025	% of 2025 Budget
General Fund Income	\$377,967.48*	\$1,620,524.00*	85.9%
General Fund Expenses	\$130,592.46	\$1,620,524.00	90.2%

\*December 2025 Income includes \$123,745.51 from a \$220K Estate Trust Gift in May.



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## Staff:

**Rev. Randall Bard**, Senior Pastor  
**Rev. Tim Eden**, Associate Pastor  
**Mr. Jeff Bellach**, Director of Christian Education  
**Mr. Tetsuya Sugita**, Director of Parish Music  
**Mrs. Shelly Schultz**, Dir., Bethel Lutheran Preschool  
**Miss. Emma Schmeling**, Assistant Director, Preschool  
**Mrs. Joyce Sutherland**, Director of Operations & HR  
**Mrs. Terry Frazier**, CPA, Accountant  
**Mr. Jeremy Shilling**, Facilities Manager  
**Mrs. Ruthann Stroud**, Church Secretary  
**Mrs. Connie Bard**, Children's Ministry Coordinator  
**Mrs. Autumn Helton**, Office Assistant



## February 5th—19th, 2026

### Join us for .....

#### Saturday -

Worship at 4:00 pm & Bible Class at 5:00 pm

#### Sunday Mornings

8:30 am Divine Service (Traditional)  
10:00 am Sunday School & Bible Class  
11:15 am Divine Service (Contemporary)

Feb. 18th—Ash Wednesday Worship & Holy Communion  
Noon & 6:45pm

Wednesday Devotions on Feb. 25, March 4, 11, 18, & 25  
Noon & 6:45pm

### Church Office Hours

Mondays—Thursdays 9:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Fridays 9:00 am - 12:00 pm