Bethel Lutheran Church

Making Disciples!

October 15 - November 5, 2026

E-Memo To the Saints

Bethel Ministry Fair
Sunday, October 25, 2026
10:00 am - During the Bible Class Hour

Please plan to attend Bethel's Ministry Fair. Learn more about Bethel's boards, committees and our ministries. Breakfast tacos will be served by our youth, and there will be a raffle drawing.

It 's Never too Late to Fill Out Time & Talent Surveys!

Bethel's Board of Stewardship encourages everyone to complete our Time, Talent and Treasure Survey to have up-to-date information for all our members. You can go online Bethel's website to fill it out. Or there are paper copies of the Survey in the narthex. Please turn in your filled out survey to the church office.
Below are a few examples of service areas. But there are a whole lot more. Come to the Ministry Fair to learn about all of them.

- AV Booth workers—Steve Silber (979)-324-3529 Steve@SKSilber.net
- Altar Guild—Crystal Drager (979-492-0052)
- Ushers -Lance Lindsey ltlindsey@gmail.com
- Lay Readers—Josh Zehnder josh.zehnder@gmail.com
- Altar Flower Delivery— Shay Simpson (979) 571-3137
- Coffee Brewing– Fred Hirt
- Congregational Care Meals—Sally Olson (979) 255-0918 solson92@gmail.com

ATTENTION!

The flower delivery group is in need of people to deliver flowers to our Homebound members that are not able to attend regularly. Also we need small coffee cans or other cans that we can use to deliver them. Please leave the cans in the Sacristy. Contact Shay Simpson for questions about delivering flowers.
979-571-3137
aggirl93@yahoo.com

COME ONE and ALL to CRAFT NIGHT with a MISSION
Friday, October 30 at 6:00pm

at Bethel Lutheran in Room 239
Completed crafts will be donated for fundraising to support The Lutheran Chapel Mobility Van purchase.
Bring a Men's necktie or purchase one from Beth.
All other Supplies will be provided for several crafts.
RSVP to Beth Busseau. Text her at: 573-289-7958.
SNACKS WILL BE PROVIDED





Honoring Our Veterans

This Veterans Day, Bethel's Board of Witness and Outreach would like to do something special to recognize and thank the veterans in our church family. If you have served in the U.S. Armed Forces, we would be honored to include you. Please add your name and branch of service to the sign-up sheet located in the Narthex.

We understand that not everyone is comfortable being recognized publicly, and we completely respect that. Participation is entirely optional.

To all who have served—thank you for your service and sacrifice.

Bethel Facility Requests are now easier than ever!

We have created a form on the facility request website page. Just click the link, fill out the form and submit! Remember we need as much information as possible to complete the request.

Put all the DETAILED information in the description. (Our facilities manager thanks you!)



TRUNK OR TREAT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Bethel's Trunk or Treat is Sunday, October 25, and we need your help to make it a great event for our kids and a wonderful outreach to our community!

We have volunteer opportunities for decorated trunks, games, food, parking, Cake Walk baked goods, and more. There's something for everyone!

A BIG thank you to everyone who has already signed up to help with Trunk or Treat! We still have several volunteer opportunities available, so if you haven't signed up yet, please stop by the bulletin board and see where you can lend a hand.

Thank you for helping make this a fun and welcoming event for our church and community!





New Member Reception
Sunday, November 1st

Join Us as we welcome our newest members to Bethel. They will be received into membership during the worship services that weekend. Then, we will have a reception in the narthex by the parish hall.

from the Bd of

Parish Education

Camp Lone Star's Fall Blast for 5th & 6th Grade Youth November 6th-8th

We will be taking our 5th & 6th Graders to
Join us for Fall Blast and enjoy a 2 night adventure, full of Christ centered experiences. The event will be, filled with skits, songs, camp activities, and Bible Study.
Please sign-up on the bulletin board in the narthex.
Cost for the 2 nights: $100/youth
DCE Jeff will be entering registrations on October 15th.

Bethel is giving every member a library card to a massive Christian resource center that is open 24/7 on their phone, tablet, computer, or TV. That is essentially what 'rightnow MEDIA' does. 'RightNow Media' is a streaming platform that equips the people to follow Jesus through on-demand Bible studies and Christian coaching for every stage of life.
Please share the e-mail address you wish to have connected with this account. We will share the e-mail address with 'RightNow Media' who will send you an e-mail to get access. Questions? Contact DCE Jeff.



Fun Family Wednesday (FFW)

Join us each Wednesday Night for Fun for the Whole Family! We start with a meal at 5:15 pm. Cost is $5/person with a max of $20/family.
MENU:
Oct 21st - Jambalaya, Salad, Bread
Oct 28th - Chicken Strips, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Green Beans, Applesauce/Rolls

Activities start at 6:30 pm and the programs include:
KIDS BIBLE CLUB in Room 234 for Kindergarten through 4th grade. Games, Devo, Crafts.

Youth CONFIRMATION in Room 240 for those starting in 5th & 6th Grade.

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.

Bible Study Groups

Monday Evening Men's Bible Study & Fellowship ~ 7:00 pm in Room 240
We are Studying the book of Hebrews. Call George McIlhaney 979-229-0020 if the doors are locked when you get here.

Ladies Tuesday Bible Study
We meet at 10:00 am in Room 239. Pastor Eden will lead us in a study on the book of Exodus.

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

Women in the Word
Ladies' Thursday Bible Study

All women are invited to join us Thursday evenings at 7:00-8:30 pm as we study God's word, growing closer to God and Each other. We are going through LifeLight: 1 Corinthians, led by Madison Murphy in the home of Gennie Busse And it's not too late to join us, we are using GroupMe for communication! For location or more information, please call or email Madison Murphy at 979-446-8689 or email Madisonm3220@gmail.com, or contact DCE Jeff at dcejeff@blcbcs.org or 979-822-2742.

Sunday Breakfast Tacos

Calling All Youth! It's time to sign up and take your turn at serving Breakfast Tacos. The Sign Up Sheet is on the bulletin board.
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.



From the Bd of

Early Childhood Ed

PRESCHOOL NEWS

Growing in God's Love

BETHEL LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL



October is a fun and exciting month in our school!

We were thrilled to host our annual Muffins with "Gals" event last week. Our Parish Hall was full of beautiful women who took time out of their busy schedules to come see their sweet children. This is a special event where the moms, grandmas, or special women of our preschoolers come together to eat breakfast, do a fun activity, and explore their child's classroom. I love these events where our students get to spend a little one on one time with their families!



Next week, we will also have the opportunity for our students to visit our very own pumpkin stand! Farmer Jeff Bellach and Farmer Randy Bard will be "selling" pumpkins to our students so they can decorate them in the classrooms. Our classes will use these pumpkins the following week to help celebrate "Orange You Glad for Jesus Day"!



Be looking for opportunities to volunteer with our preschool as we prepare for our Thanksgiving Feast, on Thursday November 19th! Sign ups will be out soon, or you can call the office to find our more information.

Please continue to pray for our school as we head into the busiest season of the year! Praying for the health of our students and staff as sicknesses tries to creep into to our school.

In Christ, Shelly Schultz

Director, Bethel Lutheran Preschool
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979-446-1578 cell phone
PRESCHOOL - Bethel Lutheran Church (blcbcs.org)
Bethel Lutheran Preschool admits students of any race, color, and national or ethnic origin.











THE BEE COMMUNITY
will be hosting the 4th annual Great Gingerbread Gathering! on Dec. 1st & 2nd

They Need Candy for this event!
You may go online to see their candy wish list - Just pull it up with the QR code to the right. If you have any questions just email volunteer@thebeecommunity.com



Mon.-Fri. 2:00-8:00 pm; Saturdays 10:00 am – 8:00 pm and Sundays 12:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Located at 2301 E. 29th St., Bryan
Come find your perfect pumpkin for the season and help a family build an affordable home.
Volunteers Needed to Work the Pumpkin Patch
Register now to help. 2-hour shifts are available.
https://bcshfh.volunteermatrix.com



Twin City Mission Coat & Blanket Drive Thru November 6

The big box is now in the narthex ready to receive your donations of New or gently used Coats, Blankets, hats, gloves and scarves for all ages. As you are cleaning out that closet please consider giving away what you don't use any more. Your donations will be given to people who need them at the Give Away Event, November 19th, 9 am-4 pm at Twin City Mission, 2505 S. College Ave.

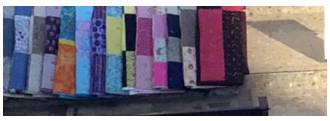
If you Don't Wear It, Share It!
Thank you so much!

Other Items Twin City Mission is in Need Of:
Extra-long twin sheets, Regular twin sheets
White bath towels, Hygiene items



Bethel's Helping Hands Mission Quilters We will meet on October 26 at 9:00 am in room 242

We put Mission quilts together for Lutheran World Relief. (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.



October 24 & 25 we will display the quilts in church and Bless them before shipping them out. We have 89 quilts this year. Come see them.

Scotty's House Wish List Items

Counseling & Coping Supplies
Paint Brushes, Acrylic paint, Board Games, Journals and Pens (variety of colors), and Stickers

Family Support Supplies
Water (small bottles), snacks, sodas, rolled fleece blankets, laundry detergent (pods or small bottles), personal Hygiene items (ex: face wash, body wash, body sprays, nail polish, hair care items (for multiple hair types)

Activities for Kids
Fidgets, colored pencils, crayons, markers, art paper, coloring books, activity books, match box cars, mini white boards & dry erase markers, p0laying cards (ex: Old Maid, go Fish, Uno, etc.), stuffed animals.

Please ensure that all items are NEW and in original, unopened packaging. Thank you!

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Current Needs Include liquid bath soap...any brand... scents women will like. :) Cleaning products for dusting and mopping, and Dishwasher tablets...any brand or off brand.

Bethel Lutheran Women in Mission invites all women in the congregation to join us Monday, November 2nd at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall for a Bible Study, snacks, and conversation as we reflect on the past year and prepare for a new year of serving the Lord.

For our November service project, we are collecting non-perishable food or money for the Brazos Church Pantry.

The next mite collection (coins, cash, checks) is October 24 & 25 at all worship services.

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Featured Mission Grant (National):
2025–2027 MISSION GRANT NO. 17
MOBILIZING AFTER SCHOOL CARE FOR TEENS
OUR PLACE AFTER SCHOOL CARE INC.,
HASTINGS, NE | $69,500
Handicapped Accessible Van for Teens
with Special Needs

Our Place After School Care is a caring, Christian program for teenagers with special needs. This program was started in a church basement as there was a need for after-school care for teens between the ages of thirteen and twenty who have aged out of the area daycares. Programming designed to promote academic, social, and life skills is provided. Our Place is open for these teenagers until their parents can get them after work. It provides a loving and safe environment, education and fellowship, but for the teenagers that are confined to wheelchairs, it is currently extremely difficult to get them from their school to Our Place.

This mission grant will provide funds for a vehicle equipped with a wheelchair lift to solve this transportation problem. This vehicle will be a huge aid in after-school transportation and would also enable possible educational and recreational opportunities within the community. The vehicle will enhance the quality of life for the teenagers and will be a huge asset to the staff. Our prayer is that God will bless the students and staff by the addition of this vehicle with the wheelchair lift.

Lord, we thank You for this day and we ask You to bless the students and the staff at Our Place in Hastings, Nebraska. May the vehicle with the wheelchair lift be an asset for this wonderful place and let it be used to Your glory both now and always. Thank You for all the things that You have created, for the innovations that You have supplied for us and mostly we thank You for sending Jesus to be our Savior. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Proclaim Christ—Support missions
Equip women—Serve others

Living with Grief—

Help for Those Dealing with Grief
Each Sunday at 4 pm, Rm 105

This program is designed to encourage us to look at our loss and its impact on our lives from God's perspective. We will learn that grief is a natural response to the loss of a loved one and that there is relief, purpose, and joy in the future.

There are 13-weekly sessions based on video, bible study, and discussion in which we learn to accept and manage our feelings, emotions, and change in our lives. You are invited to attend as many sessions as you like and are under no obligation to attend all sessions. Please join us for an upbeat and refreshing understanding of what God has done for us and his plan for our lives.

If you are interested, contact the church at 979-822-2742 There are no fees or long term commitment. Refreshments will be served and each participant will receive a participant guide. Other resource materials are available. We look forward to meeting you.

Bethel OWLS Potluck Luncheon (Older, Wiser, Lutheran Souls) Thursday, November 12th at Noon In the Parish Hall.



Please bring a dish to share. Join us for a Thanksgiving Feast See you Nov. 12th. Remember to enter through the main doors by the covered drive way.

OCTOBER Birthdays & Anniversaries

Happy Birthday to Our Bethel Family

Linda Dalchau	15
Patti Ellis	15
Melissa McIlhaney	15
Madison Kelley	16
Trish Nipps	16
Aliya Bellach	17
Mark Deike	17
Amber Fattig	21
Danielle Lustick	21
Maggie Schumann	21
Bonna Williamson	21
Steven Klose	22
Annette Kissman	23
Becky Sisco	23
Katrina Whitten	23
Haley Clark	24
Debra Shepherd	24
Zac Zemanek	24
Jackson Jungklaus	26
Amanda Anderson	27
Archer Castro	29
Esther Castro	29
Mike Sadler	29
Kristi Addison	30
Katelyn Medina	31
Dave Dinwoodie	31
Frances Duchmasclo	31

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Jean Anderson	1
Noah Pratt	1
Saige Favors	2
Glenn Frazier	2
MacKenna Goodenow	2
Drew Huggins	2
Bowen Kouba	2
Alli Lewis	2
Jeff Martini	3
Autumn Helton	4
Wesley Bissett Sr	6
Irwin Carroll (92)	6
Lovelia Lawrenz	6
Vivian Peacock	8
Rob Clark	9
Doak A. Dunkin	9
Karen Theiss	10
Rebekah Zehnder	11
Glenda Duncan	12
Wilson Wendler	13
Amy Marino	14
Tetsuya Sugita	14
Kirk Grimes	15
Gabriel Pratt	15
Julie Sugita	15

Happy Anniversary

Ryan & Kelli Bedford	6 yrs	Oct. 17
Malcolm & Martha Delovio	17 yrs	Oct. 17
JT & Jennifer Boyd	1yr	Oct. 18
Dennis & Tammy Webb	41 yrs	Oct. 18
Nathan & Heather Segrest	21 yrs	Oct. 22
David & Rita Baumann	61 yrs	Oct. 23
Kenneth & Bobbie Denmark	67 yrs	Oct. 24
Charles & Karen Sanders	39 yrs	Oct. 24

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Will & Jessica Schlottman	5 yrs	Nov. 1
Brandon & Julie Smith	25 yrs	Nov. 8
Dustin & Brittney Samford	14 yrs	Nov. 10
Dennis & Cathy Davidson	61 yrs	Nov. 12
John & Dana Schriever	32 yrs	Nov. 12
Jim & Debbie Smith	34 yrs	Nov. 14

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 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 October is sponsored to the Glory of God by David & Rita Baumann.

Bethel Financials	Sept 2026 Actuals	Jan - Sept 2026 Actuals	% of Jan - Sept Budget
General Fund Income	$134,656.64	$1,234,352.86	83.1%
General Fund Expenses	$139,657.42	$1,264,652.59	90.4%

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Mr. Tetsuya Sugita, Director of Parish Music
Mrs. Joyce Sutherland, Director of Operations & Hr
Mrs. Shelly Schultz, Dir., Bethel Lutheran Preschool
Miss. Emma Schmeling, Assistant Director, Preschool
Mr. Jess Junek, Bookkeeper
Mr. Jeremy Shilling, Facilities Manager
Mrs. Ruthann Stroud, Church Secretary
Mrs. Connie Bard, Children's Ministry Coordinator
Mrs. Autumn Helton, Office Assistant



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Join us for . . .
Worship & Bible Class

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)

Church Office Hours

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