

July 2010

- Sunday Services
8:00 am (Traditional)
10:15 am (Experiential)
 - Wednesday Evenings Service
6:45 pm (Blended)



**Bethel Lutheran Church
July 2010 Newsletter
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bethelmuskegoelc.org**

Pastor's Note

Let me share with you a fundamental truth: God wants to be in relationship with us! As with any relationship, we find that communication is essential, but as with any relationship, communication can sometimes be difficult. We don't know what to say. How can we nurture this relationship with God? Prayer is the most direct way we communicate. Last July at the all boards meeting, our leadership identified something that we need to focus on: PRAYER. It has been a joy to see how that directive has re-focused our meetings and gatherings, as people pray before, during, and afterward. Every time I think about where we can work to develop our relationship with God, prayer is always the answer. Marcia and I have been reading together these past months, and recently read the book "Fresh Wind, Fresh Fire" by Jim Cymbala. He is the pastor of the Brooklyn Tabernacle. This book is an amazing glance into the transformation God works when His people pray. We all might pray privately, but the power of corporate prayer, prayer circles, and bathing everything with prayer is something we Lutherans have shied away from. Our leadership sensed we needed to move from the scripted, formal relationship we have had as Lutherans into the free, natural conversations we can have with God as His children, as Christians who happen to be Lutheran. Prayer continues to be our emphasis this year, as we center our All Boards meeting this month on the power of prayer, and as we prepare for this fall's sermon series with Atonement on prayer. I encourage you to PRAY – pray about prayer! Pray that God will help you have that conversational relationship that He wants to have with all of us. Pray that Bethel become a praying church, a church in constant conversation with God. Remember, God has promised to answer prayer. Amazing things will happen – believe it!

Pit Stop!

What a hot time of the year July is! Come cool off at this Pit Stop on Wednesday, July 14, when we will celebrate WATER! We will meet at 5:30 for a supper that will include watermelon, and we will "play" water games. Then in worship, we will have guest speakers Christa von Zychlin and Wayne Niimanen (clergy couple) who are missionaries in Hong Kong. Our service project for that evening will be to place the labels on the water bottles for Bethelfest. Join us for a fun-filled re-Fueling!

Scheduling Notes

Pastor Anne will be taking vacation July 8-11, and Marcia Marquardt will be on call. She will also bring the message at both services Sunday, July 11. ALSO...Pastor Anne will be leading 3 members of our congregation to attend the Wisconsin SonRise Via de Cristo weekend July 22-25. There will be a guest preacher on Sunday, July 25. Please pray for the women and men attending weekends in July!

All Boards Meeting

Don't forget, the all boards retreat will be Saturday, July 31, 8:30am – 3pm. Please contact Pastor Anne by July 26th so she can arrange for food and materials.

Bethelfest

Plans are well underway for Bethelfest. The freezer is filled with over 150 brats and 30 hotdogs. Cases of water are stacked in the hallway. The tents and bouncy house have been reserved. The contract is complete with Mike Huffman. Mark your calendar for Sunday August 29th. Cookout before the parade. Concert from Mike at 4pm followed by a chicken dinner with all the trimmings. Please invite your friends and relatives. Anyone wishing to help set up, cook brats & dogs, serve chicken dinner or clean up please let us know. All help is appreciated.

Julie Frahmman & Jean Paape
Evangelism Committee

Muskego Food Pantry

We are already in the throes of the summer slump. We received no donations last Thursday. With school out and churches not as active in the summer months the donations have almost stopped. We have helped the Norway food pantry with canned vegetables and soup which we have tons of. We could use...size 3, 4 & 5 diapers. Laundry detergent, dish soap, canned fruits, canned meats, cake or brownie mixes, cookies, pasta or rice sides and hamburger helper. The support of Bethel is very much appreciated. Any questions or wish to volunteer please contact the food pantry.

Julie Frahmman
Director-Muskego Food Pantry

Prayer requests

Ruth Tkachuk – Annette Worden’s mother – Lung disease
Albert Hoefgen – Jerry & Jeff’s Dad – Stroke
Jim – Kim York’s Dad – Continued healing
Kathy Beale’s mom - Hip surgery
Floyd – Cancer, leg treatments
Janel Francis’ dad – Prostate cancer
Scott – Lori Wargolet’s brother
Lynn Sullivan - Kidney failure
Leanne - Audrey’s neighbor – Stroke
Kerri Packer - Lung surgery on 6/30
Bob McGregor, Sr. – Prostate Cancer radiation
Pastor Anne & Kevin’s friends **Deb & Gary**
Tary – Cancer
Floyd - Sudden leg allergies causing him to almost die
Ken Czaplewski - - Recovering from surgery
Thank God for **Ernie**

Tuesday Bible Study with Marcia Tuesdays at 10:00-11:45am

Mark your calendar and join Marcia Marquardt for a study that moves us from Fear to Faith this summer on Tuesdays, July 6, and July 13 at 10:00-11:45am. Study the children’s Vacation Bible School lessons on Tuesdays, July 20 and July 27 at 10:00-11:45am. It’s a great way to prepare for VBS and to have faith conversations with your children or grandchildren about their lessons. We will meet at Atonement Lutheran Church, S70 W16244 Martin Drive. Members of Bethel and Atonement gather together in this study. Child care is provided. **This study is perfect for those who feel new to Bible.**

Camp LOL—lots of laughs for 3rd-5th Graders Thursday, August 19 at 10:30am-6:30pm At Bethel

Kick up your heels for a day of fun! Camp LOL will help 3rd through 5th Graders (Completed) to “Keep in Step with the Spirit” through interactive Bible Story, lively songs, active games, craft, and snack. Leaders for the day include a Lutherdale camp counselor. We’ll close the day with a family pool party and potluck supper at the Hunjadi’s home. **Pick up registration forms** on the Family Ministry bulletin board near the restrooms. This event is open to students from Atonement, Bethel, and the community. Invite a friend to join us!

Expense Policy

At the Bethel Church Council meeting of June 15, 2010, it was decided to implement additional controls over spending. Going forward all non supply replacement purchases over \$25.00 and under \$100.00 require pre-approval by the related committee chairman (Georgia Hainer -Education, Kathy Durand -Outreach, Dan Conner -Resource. Kathy Beale - Worship). All expenses of \$100.00 and over will require Church Council pre-approval.

Thank you for your help in administering this policy.

Bethel’s Backpack Project

1st grade-3rd grade

1 backpack..... 1 box of colored pencils
3 color pocket folders 1 ruler (no metal edges)
3-5 8x10 spiral notebooks-wide rule 1 large eraser
1 pair blunt tip scissors . 1 8oz bottle of glue/2 glue sticks
1 box of crayons-24 count 1 plastic school box
6-12 #2 pencils..... 1 box tissue

4th grade & up

1 backpack-solid color only 1 box of colored pencils
1 ruler 1 protractor
1 8oz bottle of glue/2 glue sticks 3 color pocket folders
3 8x10 spiral notebooks-wide rule 1 compass
2 pkgs of wide ruled notebook paper 1-3 pens
1 pkg of dividers-clear tab with inserts 6-12 #2 pencils

Please bring backpack or school supplies to church no later than: Sunday August 7th

The completed backpacks will be given out to families that visit the Muskego Food Pantry. Last year Bethel filled 36 backpacks. Any questions please contact me.

Thank you...Julie Frahmann 679-2038

Vacation Bible School

August 2-6

9:00-11:30am at Bethel for Grades 1-5 (completed)

9:15-11:15am at Atonement for Age 4 through Kindergarten (completed)

Vacation Bible School is a joint venture by members of Atonement and Bethel. Fun faith-nurturing lessons and activities are age-appropriate at each building. This year our theme is Planet Zoom! Where Bold Bee-lievers Zip, Zap, and Zoom for Jesus!

At Planet Zoom, children learn how big is little. Just as every little bee has a job to do to help build up the hive, Planet Zoom teaches kids that they can have a big role in God's Kingdom by sharing His love.

Does your child need transportation to VBS from day care? We'd love to provide rides. Contact Marcia Marquardt for more information. **Invite friends to join us, too! Pick up registration forms** on the Family Ministry bulletin board near the restrooms.

Mark Your Summer Calendars

Set aside time this summer for fun and faith activities.

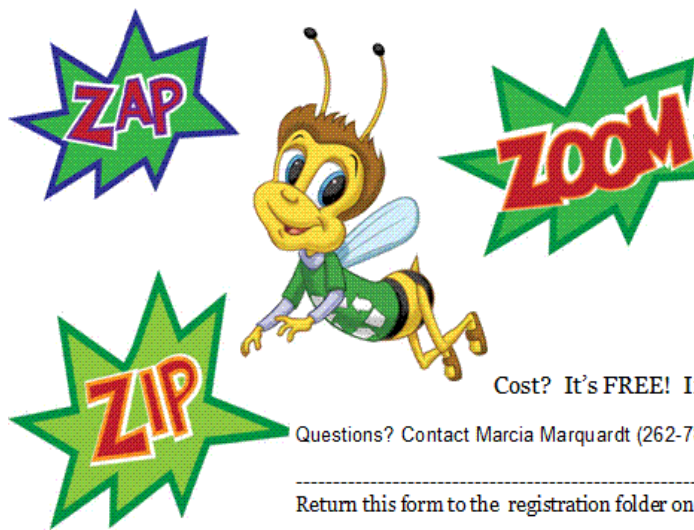
- **Pit Stop** at 5:30PM on July 14, & 18
- **Vacation Bible School** for children Age 4 through completed Grade 5 will be August 2-6, 9:00-11:30AM (for Grades 1-5) and 9:15-11:15AM (for Preschool and Kindergarten).
- **Camp LOL—lots of laughs for 3rd-5th graders!** on Thursday, August 19, 10:30am-6:30pm at Bethel

Interested in volunteering for any of these events? Contact Marcia Marquardt.

Register for
Vacation Bible School
An Exciting Week of Stories, Songs, Crafts, Games, and Snacks
to help the children get to know Jesus!

August 2-6, 2010

Children Age 4 through Grade 5



Preschool- Kindergarten
 9:15-11:15 am at Atonement
 S70 W16244 Martin Dr
 414-422-0400
Completed Grades 1-5
 9:00-11:30 am at Bethel
 S77 W18426 Janesville Rd
 262-679-1616

Cost? It's FREE! Invite friends to join the fun!

Questions? Contact Marcia Marquardt (262-784-2062, marcia1@wi.rr.com)

Return this form to the registration folder on the Family Ministry bulletin board.

Children's names	Age/ Grade completed	Food allergies
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Parent's Name _____
 Phone/Cell Number _____
 Email Address _____

- ___ I am willing to volunteer to help during VBS.
- ___ I am willing to donate snacks.
- ___ I am willing to donate supplies.
- ___ I require transportation for my child.
- ___ I am willing to provide transportation for another child.

CAMP LOL

**Thursday, August 19
at 10:30am-6:30pm**

**For 3rd through 5th Grade
(completed) students from
Atonement, Bethel, and the
community**

Schedule of Events

August 19, 10:30am
Games and activities

**At Bethel Lutheran Church
577 W18426 Janesville Road**

4:00pm

Students are transported in volunteer's vehicles
to the swimming pool at the home of

Blake & Wendy Hunjadi

W172 S7997 Lannon Dr.

262-679-8300

Families are welcome to join the pool party!

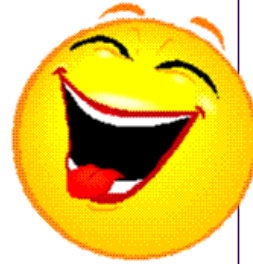
5:30-6:30pm

Family Potluck at the Hunjadi's home



Remember to bring:

- A **sack lunch** with your child's name on it
- A **water bottle** with your child's name on it
- **Swim suit and towel**
- Floating devices if needed (There is a deep end in the Hunjadi's pool)
- A **dish** (main, salad, dessert) to pass for supper



Return the bottom half of this form to the registration file folder on the Family Ministry bulletin board by August 8.

Registration for CAMP LOL: Keep in Step with the Spirit!

Student Name _____ Grade Completed _____

Parent Name _____ Phone Number _____

I give permission for my child _____ to be transported in another person's vehicle on Thursday, August 19, 2010 from Bethel Lutheran Church in Muskego, WI to Wendy Hunjadi's home at in Muskego, WI.

Parent's Signature _____

Cost is \$5 for each church member child. **GUESTS ARE FREE!** Make checks payable to Atonement Lutheran Church and note "CAMP LOL" on the memo line. Financial assistance is available. Just turn in the form with a "0" in the Amount line.

_____ Amount enclosed. (Mark with "x") _____ Check _____ Cash

_____ Number of family members attending potluck supper _____ kind of dish to pass

Bethel's rummage sale was a success!

- Bethel made approximately \$1600.
- The money that was raised will go towards the following:
- A funeral fund which will be maintained by the Out Reach group. Any time there is a funeral at Bethel and a luncheon or dinner needs to be provided the money will be available for food and etc... \$200 will be given for this fund.
- \$1300 will be given to the church to help with some of the church bills.
- \$100 which will be matched by Thrivent will be donated to help buy \$5 gifts for the St. Vincent De Paul meal site Christmas gift giving on Dec 15th.

Thank you to everyone who donated and helped with the rummage!!
We couldn't have done it without you!

Many Blessings to you!
God Bless!
The Out Reach Committee



Merry Christmas????

Bethel will be joining St. Leonard's on Dec 15th at the St. Vincent De Paul meal site. The purpose of the gathering is to let the youth pick a Christmas gift for their parents. Bethel will be collecting new and slightly used items. Each item should cost around \$5. Our goal is to collect 80 gifts. Also, we will be collecting gift bags, Christmas wrap, bows and tape.

If you would like to go to the meal site on Dec 15th and help wrap the gifts please contact Jean Paape at 262-679-4369.

God Bless!, Jean Paape

South Side Food kitchen

Although it was a rainy night when we went to the South Side Food kitchen on June 8th we were able to help serve 371 people.

Mickey and Max Francis who gave up "Study time" to help serve with smiles .Special Thanks guys hope your exams went well!!

Also, Big thanks to Georgia Hainer and for her bringing her friend Marlene. She wants to do it again!

Barb Siebert did a great job of dishing the stew.

The following people were instrumental in putting together delicious stews; Julie Frahmman, Kathy Duran, Kathy Fisher, Kathy Ferguson and Yvonne Hafferman.

Everyone loves the jellos that are made by Barb and Christine Zanolli, Sue Getzel, Lynn Gressle and Barb Hilker.

The meal wouldn't be complete without dessert. Yummy cakes made by Barb Siebert, Cassie Cook, Cathy Pierce and Natalie Paape.

Also, thanks to the man who helped serve the bread - Bryon Paape.

Thank you everyone for making the time to bake, cook and serve. Believe me the people at the meal site really appreciate what you do.

If anyone would like to bake, cook or serve please let me know or sign up on the sheets on the church bulletin board. It's always a great feeling helping others and sharing God's love.

God Bless, Thanks,

Jean Paape, 262-679-4369

