

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Pastors: Sonja Kjar, Josh Schunk, Tim Stoa
February 14, 2010 – Transfiguration of Our Lord

Sunday, February 14

No Sunday School

Food Drive

9:00 am Traditional Worship
10:00 am Comm. in Chapel
10:30 am Contemp. Worship
3:00 pm Bell Choir Fundraiser

Wednesday, February 17

Ash Wednesday

6:30 am Lenten Breakfast
6:00 pm Lenten Potluck
7:00 pm Worship Service

Sunday, February 21

Food Drive

9:00 am Traditional Worship
9:00&10:30 Sunday School
10:00 am Comm. in Chapel
10:30 am Contemp. Worship

Wednesday, February 24

6:30 am Lenten Breakfast
Noon Lenten Service in Chapel
6:00 pm Lenten Potluck
7:00 pm Lenten Service

Sunday, February 28

Food Drive

9:00 am Traditional Worship
9:00&10:30 Sunday School
10:00 am Comm. in Chapel
10:30 am Contemp. Worship

Welcome

We extend the hand of Christian fellowship to all who come to worship. May our prayers and the hearing of God's word make our burdens lighter, our hearts encouraged, and our souls refreshed. Visitor information packets are available at the ushers' table located in the back of the Sanctuary. We encourage all visitors to take one.

All are welcome for coffee and doughnuts in Fellowship Hall between services.

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP (9:00 a.m.)

PRELUDE "To God be the Glory" *arr. by Edward Broughton*
WELCOME/SHARING GOD'S PEACE
CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS p. 94-96 ELW

CALL TO WORSHIP

GATHERING HYMN "Oh, Worship the King" #842 ELW
APOSTOLIC GREETING p. 147 ELW
KYRIE
CANTICLE OF PRAISE
PRAYER OF THE DAY
SPECIAL MUSIC "Jesus Loves Me" *Senior Choir*
arr. by Mark Hassell Alex Chubaty, Alto Saxophone

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE HYMN "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" #815 ELW
READING Exod 34:29-35
PSALM 99 (read responsively) Bulletin — Page 2
Gospel Acclamation p. 151 ELW
P: The Gospel according to Luke, Chapter 9
C: **Glory to You, O Lord**
GOSPEL Luke 9:28-36
P: The Gospel of our Lord!
C: **Praise to You, O Christ**
SERMON Pastor Josh Schunk
HYMN OF THE DAY "How Good, Lord, to Be Here!" #315 ELW

RESPONSE

APOSTLES' CREED p. 105 ELW
OFFERING "The Spirit Sings"
OFFERTORY "Create in Me a Clean Heart" Colin Curtis #186 ELW
PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH
LORD'S PRAYER p. 154 ELW

SENDING

BENEDICTION AND "THREE-FOLD AMEN"
HYMN "When Morning Gilds the Skies" #853 ELW
DISMISSAL
P. Go in peace and serve the Lord.
C. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE "Joy in Judea" *Richard Blake*

Bethlehem Lutheran Church is a faith community that gathers to hear, teach and share the gospel.

Friendship Pad Please just set the sheet on the pew by the aisle so the ushers can pick them up.

Winter Weather In case of inclement weather, an announcement will be made on KFGO radio and local television stations. For the most immediate and accurate announcement log on to our website: www.bethlehemplutheranfargo.org.

Bulletin Announcements *If you have information for the Sunday bulletin, please contact the office by 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday.*

In An Effort to Conserve Paper *we ask that after the 9:00 a.m. service you take home only one bulletin per family. Extras can be returned to the ushers' table at the back of the church to be used for the 10:30 a.m. service. Thank you.*

Prayer Concerns: *Kathy Albrecht; Larry Anderson; Laurie Asmus, Ruth Asmus, Wally Backlund, Theresa Coughlin; Cassandra Erickson; Amanda Gronvold; Betty Halverson; Peggy Hoy, John Huhner; Ray Johnson, Kris Kovack; Lori Livingood; Sherry McCabe, Laura Nelson; Marvin Peterson; Rosie Rheault, Bill Schossow, Norvald Skonseng; Kristy Steinbach; Lisa Svaleson; Phyllis Thrall; Maria Winters; Dorothy Zink.*

Bulletins are given by Art and Lillian Kopperud in memory of Roy Mueller, Jr. Children's bulletins are given in honor of Jacob Mueller.

Naomi Circle meets Monday, February 15, 9:30 a.m. at the home of Arlene Johnson, 1616 1st Ave S, Fargo. Chairwoman: Arlene Johnson, 232-9483.

Elizabeth Circle meets Tuesday, February 16, 7:00 p.m. at the home of Noreen Halvorson, 1406 S 20th St, Fargo. Chairwoman: Marvis Landburg, 235-7183.

Sarah Circle meets Wednesday, February 17, 1:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Chairwoman: Erma Hendrickson, 284-0451.

From the Office If you have received offering envelopes without your name or envelope number printed on them, please write your name, envelope number (or both) on the envelopes. This will ensure that you receive credit for any offering given.

Join Us for a great afternoon of music and fun. We are holding a fundraiser for handbells and additional organ pipes. Join Master of Ceremonies Dale Lammi *this afternoon* at 3:00 p.m. for an afternoon of music featuring the Bell, Youth, and Senior Choirs; In His Name; and various soloists and ensembles. A free-will offering will be taken, with 10% of the proceeds going to Lutheran Disaster Relief for Haiti. Enjoy dessert following the program.

Lenten Service Reminder We will offer two services during Lent. Beginning Wednesday, February 24, please join us at either noon (in the Chapel) or 7:00 p.m. (in the Sanctuary) *There will be one service only on Ash Wednesday, February 17, at 7:00 p.m.* Potluck suppers begin February 17 at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Lenten breakfast begins February 17 at 6:30 a.m. at One Oak Place, 1709 25th Ave S, Fargo.

7th Grade Food Drive The February 3 edition of The Forum reported that nearly 40% of people utilizing food banks in North Dakota had to choose between buying food and paying for utilities; one-third had to choose between food and paying the rent; 31% had to choose between food and medicine/medical care; 26% had to choose between food and transportation. Also, the percentage of college-educated food shelf users was about the same as the percentage of users who didn't finish high school, which illustrates the changing face of hunger in our state. Bethlehem's 10:30 7th Grade Sunday school class will be collecting donations throughout February. There will be a table in the narthex for donations. Students will be available to collect the items between services throughout the month. The food bank distributes food not just in Fargo-Moorhead, but to a wide area around our community. The need is great. Thank you for any donations you are able to make.

New Life Center Prayer Breakfast and Dessert will be held Thursday, April 22, 2010. Breakfast is at 9:30 a.m. and dessert is at 7:30 p.m. This event is at the Holiday Inn. The featured speaker will be author and Bible study leader Ellie Lofaro. Contact Barb Johnson at 237-9878 by February 21 if you would like tickets.

Would you like to learn how to quilt? Depending on interest, classes could be offered on Saturday mornings or on a weekday morning or evening in Fellowship Hall. Class size is limited to 5 or 6 individuals. Classes may be offered by skill level – beginner, intermediate, etc. Contact Darlene Halvorson at 282-3008. Leave your name, telephone number and a time that would work for you. Darlene will contact interested persons with dates of classes, supplies needed and the fee.

Youth News

Lenten Suppers Sign-up sheets for all Lenten suppers are on the youth bulletin board. Any youth who work earn part of the profit, which will be put in their youth account. Lenten supper themes are: Feb. 17-Scandinavian; Feb. 24-American; Mar. 3-Mexican; Mar. 10-German; Mar. 17-Italian; Mar. 24-Oriental.

W.N.A. Party! Saturday, February 20, from 4:00-6:30 p.m. at the YMCA. This **free event** is open to all 5th-7th graders. You are allowed to bring one friend. Bring your swimsuit and comfortable clothes. We will also have pizza and soda.

Hand in a health form to Jelsa, Sam or Pastor Josh no later than Sunday, February 14. If a health form is not received by this date, you cannot attend. If you are bringing a friend, they also need to complete a health form. Parents must drop their child off and pick them up at the downtown YMCA.

T.I.T.A.N.S. & God Squad Ski Trip Saturday, February 27, at Buena Vista Ski Area in Bemidji. Check out the youth bulletin board for rental costs. If you are a member of the youth program, the Youth Board will pay \$20 of the cost (which is the price of a lift ticket). Any money you have in your youth account may be used to pay for this trip. We need a minimum of 5 Bethlehem youth to take this trip or the trip will be cancelled.

Community Announcements

Bethany on 42nd is open and residents are moving in. That means that activities and programs are being scheduled and volunteers are needed. Regardless of your area of interest or skill level, volunteers are needed as resident companions, to transport residents to events, to assist with worship services and countless other ways to help take care of the residents. For more information on volunteering at Bethany on 42nd, contact Emily Gunderson, Director of Community Life, 701-478-8904, or egunderson@bethanynd.org.

The ARC Attic Treasures is in need of gently used furniture, clothing, household items and books. Donations are tax deductible. You may drop off at one of their two locations: 255 N University or 3201 43rd St S or call for free pick up at 701-232-6641.

Focus on Marriage seminar will be held Saturday, February 27, 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at Atonement Lutheran Church, 4601 University Drive S, Fargo. This seminar will be telecast live via satellite and features several speakers. Tickets may be purchased at Atonement's church office and are \$60/couple (cash only). Call Atonement at 237-9651 for more information.

Give Your Family Some Peace of Mind by making some decisions so they don't have to. It's difficult to talk about death and dying, but the reality is, death is a part of life for people of all ages. By making some of your final wishes known, even if only in writing, you will help your family manage the reality of death/loss by honoring your decisions. If you are interested in coming to a 3-week class, facilitated by Pastor Sonja Kjar, about **funeral planning**, please return this interest form. I am currently looking at a three-week period after Easter and/or possibly in the fall. This is open to people of any age.

_____ Yes, I am interested in attending a class on funeral planning/end of life wishes.

Time of day that would work best:

_____ Wednesdays 12:00-1:00 **April 7, 14, 21**

_____ Sunday mornings 10:15-11:15 **April 11, 18, 25**

_____ Evenings _____ day/time that would work for you.

_____ I am not interested at this time, but I might be in the future. (When _____)

Name (please print) _____

Phone _____

Thank you for your feedback. Please place this in the offering plate or drop off in the office.

This Week at Bethlehem

SUNDAY

9:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m.
10:30 a.m.
3:00 p.m.

No Sunday School

Traditional Worship
Communion in the Chapel
Contemporary Worship
Music Fundraiser

MONDAY

9:30 a.m.
6:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m.

Pastor Tim's Day Off

Tidings Articles Due

Naomi Circle
Contemporary Worship Practice
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TUESDAY

9:00 a.m.
7:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m.

Staff Meeting
Elizabeth Circle
Bible Study
Al Anon

WEDNESDAY

6:30 a.m.

Lenten Breakfast at

One Oak Place, 1709 25th Ave S, Fargo

9:00 a.m.
1:30 p.m.
6:00 p.m.
6:30 p.m.
7:00 p.m.
7:45 p.m.

Quilting

Sarah Circle

Lenten Potluck—Scandinavian

Youth/Bell Choirs

Ash Wednesday Service

Senior Choir

THURSDAY

Noon
7:00 p.m.

Bible Study

Prepare Marriage

FRIDAY

7:30 a.m.

Pastor Josh's Day Off

M.E.A.T.T.

Pinewood Derby Set Up

SATURDAY

1:00-4:00 p.m.

Boy Scout Pinewood Derby

SUNDAY

9:00 a.m.
9:00 & 10:30 a.m.
10:00 a.m.
10:30 a.m.

Traditional Worship

Sunday School

Communion in the Chapel

Contemporary Worship

Bethlehem Staff

Office Manager, Elaine Scheer

Assistant Secretary, Sonja Lougheed

Organist, Judy Coughlin

Custodians, Deb and Jim Belcourt

Youth Director, Jelsa Flatland

Asst. Youth Director, Sam Livingston

Music Coordinator, Sonja Myhre

Senior Choir Director, Dale Lammi

Youth Choir Director, Lexy Steinle

Bell Choir Director, Alex Chubaty

Senior Choir Accompanist, Nora Hyde

Junior Choir Accompanist, Alvina Deyle

Missionaries, Phil and June Nelson

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