



# BETHELITE

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## Lent Bible Studies BEGIN



*Ash Wednesday  
Dinner and  
Bible Study  
March 9*

Over 100 people participated in the first Wednesday night Bible study. You can still register: Jacqui, 257-3577.

## First Communion-Third Grade March 6



**MARDI GRAS  
MARCH 8**



COMMUNITY CARE  
BIBLE STUDY  
DAILY DEVOTIONAL  
WORSHIP

## Wednesdays During Lent March 16 - April 13

Worship Services  
11:30 am Sanctuary 5:15 pm Pentecost Room  
Lunch and Faith Talk 12:00-1:00 pm  
Dinner 5:00 - 6:30 pm  
Childcare available 5:30 - 8:15 pm  
Kid's Series 5:30 - 7:30 pm  
Bethel Horizons Program 6:00 - 6:25 pm  
Bible Study with Closing Worship  
6:45 - 8:00 pm Pr. Bill White, Borgwardt Hall



## FROM THE PASTOR

The question I am asked most is: What are your plans for the future? It is not an easy question to answer, because I haven't really made plans. Since so many of you have asked, I'll tell you what I know about the days following May 2.

Sally and I plan to live in Madison. It is now our home. As you know, we both graduated from high school and college in Wisconsin, and lived 35 miles west of Madison for the first three years I was a pastor.

In the long run, we hope that Bethel Lutheran Church will remain our church home. Church leaders suggest that there be a period of separation as the new Senior Pastor assumes leadership. How long will that be? We don't know. Pastor Borgwardt, who served Bethel for over 28 years remained a member of the church. I thought it was terrific that he and Joan worshiped here. Pastor Harley Swiggum has remained a member of Bethel after he was no longer on the staff, and for a long time, Pr. Woody Lund remained a member of Bethel. I cherished their participation.

I intend to take the summer off. It will be the first time since I was 11 that I haven't had a job (maybe I can be a paperboy again). We will spend some time at the Lee Cottage (owned by Sally and her sisters) on the Mississippi, and we hope to host our grandsons for two weeks.

I have written a novel and will spend time this summer trying to find an agent and a publisher. Though I have published six non-fiction books, I have discovered that fiction is an entirely different animal. (Anybody know an agent?) I assume that an agent, and if I am fortunate enough to find a publisher and an editor, will ask for re-writes. A summer of reading and writing sounds like great fun.

Some people go through life following a plan. I have



### Future Plans

gone through life taking one step at a time. God has led me from one adventure to another. I have never had to apply for work; work has found me. Will that still be true? We will see.

Both Sally and I belong to Supreme Health and Fitness. Most weeks I play racquetball twice. I hope to use their facilities more often in retirement.

The other night I had a long conversation with Thomas, my ten year old grandson. His basketball team played in a tournament last weekend in Lawrence, Kansas finishing in third place. He told me about his games, his rebounding, how many points he scored and how many shots he had blocked. He concluded with, "Papa, it was pretty cool. You should have been there." I hope that next year I will be there, in person.

So, there are some answers to questions that I've heard lately. Thanks for asking. **- Pastor Bill White**

## Getting Ready for EDUCATION Sunday School

**Biblical Text:** Genesis 12:1-9 SPARK Story Bible, pages 26-29

**Story:** Abram's Call **Bible Point:** God always guides us to good things.

**Key Bible Verse:** *The Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land I will show you."* Genesis 12:1 (NRSV) **Prayer:** Dear God, sometimes you call us to journey into the unknown. Give us strength to listen, obey and follow you. In Jesus' name, amen.

**Reminder:** 9:15 Sunday School, grades 1-6 meet your class in the Sanctuary during Lent

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# NEWS & EVENTS



## Retirement BANQUET

Please join us Monday, May 2  
Concourse Hotel  
One West Dayton Street  
Celebration honoring

### Pastor Bill White

5:15 Gathering  
6:30 Dinner  
7:45 Program

Complete and return this form with your check for \$22 per person, and your dinner selections marked, using your initials:

Herb Chicken Breast  
 Filet of Salmon  
 Vegetarian, Chef's Choice

Name (s) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Amt. Encl. \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: Bethel Lutheran Church  
312 Wisconsin Ave., Madison, WI 53703

**Reservation deadline-April 10**  
Limited number available

**Donate Pies and Cakes for Lent**  
Sign-up in the Emmaus Room on Sunday.

### Summer Intern Program

Again this summer, Bethel will sponsor an Intern employment program for college students who are Bethel members. Please contact Stacy Gahlman-Schroeder, 257-3577. Applications are available on our web site. Go to *Ministries*, then *Young Adults*, then *Bethel College Student Summer Internship*. Deadline to apply: **May 1**.

### Parenting Group Breakfast

Complimentary Breakfast, 8:30-10:00 am on **March 19** - come with or without the kids. Childcare available.

### Lent 2011 Daily Devotional Books

Written by Bethel members and friends in our faith community, these free books are available at the Reception Desk during the week, or call Jacqui: 257-3577.

### Lent Personal Care Item Collection:

Each Sunday, we will collect a different item to be distributed through Bethel's Food Pantry:

- March 13:** Diapers, Wipes, Baby Shampoo
- March 20:** Toothbrushes, Toothpaste
- March 27:** Shampoo, Combs
- April 3:** Toilet Paper (*single wrapped rolls*)
- April 10:** Kid's Day: Juice boxes, Animal Crackers, Micro popcorn, Fruit Roll-ups, Books
- April 17:** Personal Products: Deodorant, Feminine Products, Bath Soap, Hand Sanitizer.

### XYZ Programs

Pam Jacobs will teach card making on **March 25**. For \$5, you will make four cards. Reservations: 257-3577, Mary.

### Feed and Read Book Group

Meeting **March 21** at noon in the Library for discussion and lunch, *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter & Sweet*, by Jamie Ford.

### April 3 Cup & Art Auction

Opening in the Emmaus Room, running through May 15. In honor of Don Hunt, ceramics by students and friends of Don's. Proceeds to benefit Art Ventures.

### Bethel Book Women

**March 21** at 7:00 pm please join our discussion of *Stones Into Schools* by Greg Mortenson.

### Bakers Needed-Maundy Thursday

Unleavened bread for our Maundy Thursday worship service, April 21. Please contact Stacy, 257-3577, for a recipe.

### Comeau Family Benefit

Bowling, silent auction, bake sale and a raffle are scheduled for **March 26** to help with expenses for the family. Contacts: Jill Werlein-Silent Auction, 203-1418  
Alice Ropella-Bake Sale, 203-1400  
Mary Hesseling-Cash donations, 203-1422  
Penny Armagost-Raffle, 203-1395  
Lyn Passini-Anchor Bank acct, 252-8814

### Bible Studies March 9 - April 13

Sundays 10:30 am - Good Shepherd Chapel  
Wednesdays 6:45 pm - Borgwardt Hall,  
Pr. Bill White, with Closing Worship  
Fridays 9:30 am - Pr. Curt Everson  
Tuesdays 2:00 pm - Oakwood East -  
Pr. Laura Sutherland  
Tuesdays 1:00 pm - Oakwood West -  
Pr. Curt Everson  
Facebook - Pr. Sarah Harrold:  
Faithful-Harvest-Lent-Bible-Study  
Call Jacqui to register: 257-3577



### Nurturing the Seeds

Featured speaker, Pastor Gail Sowell, is a third career pastor at St. John ELCA. **The retreat includes:** One night stay in the Prairie Center, three presentations, Friday night dinner, Saturday breakfast and lunch, *Breakfast with the Birds* presentation with Eric Volden, Crafts, Yoga, Massage, Nature hikes, Worship, Skits, games, food & fun. Friday and Saturday: **\$40**. Saturday only: **\$20**.

Questions and registration:  
Pr. John Swanson, 357-2577.

### Women's Ministry Donations-2010

*Blessed to be a Blessing* gave away \$472 collected from Bible study circles and small groups to Domestic Abuse & Intervention Center and The Road Home.

## DINNER MENUS

LENT 2011

### March 16 Mad Dog's Eatery

Italian Beef or Chili Cheese Dogs

### March 23 Friends of Bethel Horizons

Pork Tenderloin with Roasted Vegetables

### March 30 Wah Kee Chinese Restaurant

Sesame Chicken or Veg. Fried Rice

### April 6 Mad Dog's Eatery

Barbecue Pork or Chicago Dog, beans

### April 13 Milio's Sandwiches

Ham or Turkey Sub Sandwiches

### Borgwardt Hall 5:00-6:30 pm

Entrée: \$4.50 Pizza: \$3.00 Drink: \$.50

Salad: \$2.25 Pie: \$1.75 Cake: \$.75

### Lenten Lunch and Faith Talk

Borgwardt Hall Wednesdays in Lent

12:00 - 1:00 pm

March 16 Tim Bloom

March 23 Dan Stein

March 30 Aura Suárez

April 6 Mark Wilson

April 13 Annette Durkin



## March 20 Sunday-Second Sunday in Lent

- 7:45a Coffee Fellowship (*Fireside Gallery*)
- 7:55a **Worship Service** (*Sanctuary*)
- 8:30a Childcare available until 2:00p (*Nursery*)
- Genesis Café Open (*Borgwardt Hall*)
- 8:45a Library Open until 11:45a
- 9:15a **Worship Service** (*Sanctuary*)
- Sunday School
- 10:15a Cherub Choir (*Room 202*)
- Children's Choir (*Room 216*)
- Junior Youth Choir (*Pentecost Room*)
- 10:30a Bethel Bible Series-Old Testament (*Library Media Room*)
- ESL Classes (*Rooms 214-216*)
- Lent Bible Study (*Good Shepherd Chapel*)
- 10:45a **Worship Service** (*Sanctuary*)
- Bhutanese Bible Study (*Pentecost Room*)
- Sunday School (*Rooms 204, 210, 211, 212*)
- 11:00a Latino Children's Choir (*Room 202*)
- 11:45a Latino Children's Choir (*Room 202*)
- 12:30p **Worship-La Santa Misa** (*Sanctuary*)
- 1:30p Refrigerio (*Borgwardt Hall*)
- 6:00p **Worship** (*Pentecost Room*)

## March 21 Monday

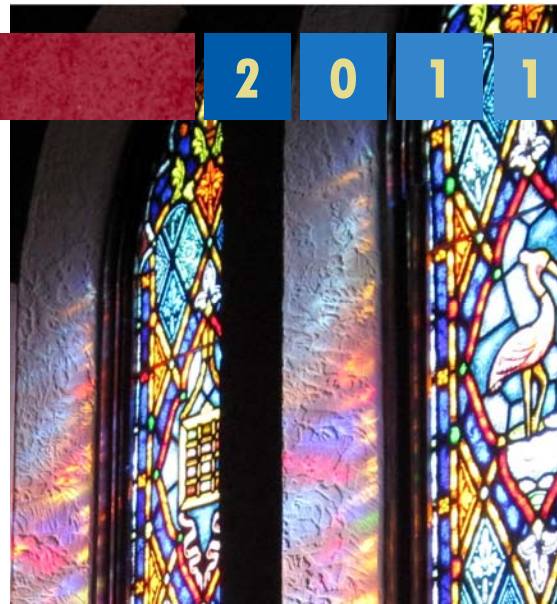
- 8:30a Friendship Pad Volunteers (*Room 104*)
- 9:00a XYZ Board Meeting (*Salad Kitchen*)
- 12:00p Feed & Read (*Library*)
- 1:00p *Bethelite* Stuffers (*Fireside Gallery*)
- 3:00p Refugee Synod Meeting (*Room 200*)
- 6:30p Latino Senior High Youth (*Youth Room*)
- 7:00p Bethel Bible Series-Old Testament (*Good Shepherd Chapel*)
- Bethel Book Women (*Library Media Room*)

## March 22 Tuesday

- 8:00a Homeless Book Club Movie (*Borgwardt Hall*)
- 9:00a Library Open until 12:00p
- 10:00a Homeless Support Services (*Pentecost Room*)
- 10:30a Homeless Spiritual Support Group (*Pentecost Room*)
- 1:30p Beth Keyes Circle (*Library*)
- 3:30p Southdale After School Program (*lower level*)
- 5:00p Grupo Latino Practica de Musica (*Sanctuary*)
- Hope House Board Meeting (*Room 100*)
- 5:15p Women's Choir (*Choir Room*)
- 5:30p Bethel Outreach Board Meeting (*Room 105*)
- Call Committee (*Room 200*)
- 6:00p Spanish Class (*Room 216*)
- 6:30p Creative Worship Singers (*Choir Room*)
- 6:45p Separated & Divorced Group (*Rm 101, GS Chapel, Library*)
- 7:00p Conversational Norwegian (*Library Media Room*)

## March 23 Wednesday

- 10:00a Homeless Support Services (*Pentecost Room*)
- 11:30a **Worship** (*Sanctuary*)
- 12:00p Lunch and Faith Talk (*Borgwardt Hall*)
- 5:00p Lent Dinner (*Borgwardt Hall*)
- 5:15p **Worship** (*Pentecost Room*)
- 5:30p Bethel Ringers (*Room 202*)
- Kid's Lenten Series (*Game Room*)
- 6:00p Bethel Horizon's Program (*Fireside Gallery*)
- 6:30p Hot Topics (*Youth Room*)
- 6:45p Bible Study and Closing **Worship** (*Borgwardt Hall*)



## March 24 Thursday

- 7:00a Current Christian Concerns (*Library Media Room*)
- 9:00a Bethel Series-New Testament (*Good Shepherd Chapel*)
- Blanket Workshop (*Borgwardt Hall*)
- 10:00a Homeless Support Services (*Pentecost Room*)
- 3:30p Southdale After School Program (*lower level*)
- 6:00p Bethel Choir Officers Meeting (*Library Media Rm*)
- 7:00p Bethel Choir Rehearsal (*Choir Room*)

## March 25 Friday

- 7:00a Men's Book Study (*Borgwardt Hall*)
- 9:30a Bible Study (*Pentecost Room*)
- 9:30a XYZ (*Various locations*)

## March 26 Saturday

- 8:00a Bible Study (*Library*)
- 5:00p **Worship** (*Pentecost Room*)

### WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

SATURDAY, MARCH 19 5:00 PM  
 SUNDAY, MARCH 20 7:55 AM 9:15 AM 10:45 AM  
 PASTOR BILL WHITE

12:30 PM-SPANISH PASTOR PEDRO SUÁREZ  
 6:00 PM PASTOR SARAH HARROLD

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23: 11:30 AM 5:15 PM 7:45 PM

Genesis 12:1-4a Romans 4:1-5, 13-17 John 3:1-17

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### TELECAST INFORMATION

<u>Madison</u>	<u>Green Bay*</u>
10:00 am WKOW-TV 27	8:30 am WACY-TV 32
<u>Eau Claire</u>	<u>Milwaukee-Cable 15*</u>
10:00 am WQOW-TV 18	9:30 am WPXE-PAX 55
<u>La Crosse</u>	<u>Wausau*</u>
10:00 am WXOW-TV 19	9:00 am WFXS-FOX 55
<u>Dubuque*</u> 9:30 am & 9:00 pm KFXB-TV 43	

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