

# BETHELITE

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## Latino Ministry at Bethel



Under the capable leadership of Pr. Jaime Dubon, Einstein Gonzalez, Mayra DeGraff, Yolibeth Rangel-Fitzgibbon, Hellen Ojeda, Ale Vizcarra and Griselda Ortiz, this ministry continues to flourish and grow in many areas. **Worship and Music** offers a Sunday Spanish service attended by 125 at 12:30 pm, with Spanish band and children's choir. **Christian Education** features a bi-lingual Sunday School at 11:00 am, First Communion and Confirmation classes and a leadership training program, *Latino Lutheran Academy*, in conjunction with the ELCA. This two year training is web-based, focusing on the Bible, History, Pastoral Skills and Systematic Theology. Pr. Dubon is one of the teachers, with adult students enrolled from throughout the country. **Prayer Circles and Bible Studies** are held Wednesday nights for adults in four members' homes. **Youth Group** meets weekly and members attend all Bethel youth events. **Fellowship** happens through men's and women's groups and after Sunday worship. **Social Services** include ESL, Spanish and computer classes, an afterschool program three days a week, and the Food Pantry.



Pr. Jaime Dubon with Latino Sunday School Students



Halloween Party at Bethel, October 21



Confirmation

## Latino Ministry EVENTS

- † Day of the Dead Celebration, November 6
- † Couples Retreat at Bethel Horizons November 11-13
- † Latino Youth Conference, December 10, Bethel 11:00 am-4:00 pm
- † Virgin of Guadalupe Day, December 11 at 12:30 pm
- † Christmas Posadas, December 19-23 at 6:30 pm

All are invited to enjoy this traditional celebration of the journey of Mary and Joseph from Nazareth to the Inn (Posada) at Bethlehem. Each day, customs from a different area will be featured, including Mexico, Central and South America and Puerto Rico. On the fifth day, all will enjoy a bi-lingual potluck.

- † Christmas Eve Service, 5:45 pm, December 24
- † Men's Retreat at Bethel Horizons, February 24-26, 2012



Ale



Mayra



# FROM THE PASTOR

## Latinos and the Day of the Dead

The first of November, the universal Christian church, celebrates "All Saints Day." Saint is a word that comes from Hebrew "qadosh," it appears 830 times in the Old Testament, and means "separation and consecration." Separation from what is common or impure, and consecration to what is divine or sacred. In other words "saint or holy" is someone separated from the world and dedicated to God.

Saints are all those who died in God's grace and are in heaven, but the sanctity begins here on Earth. To be holy is to participate in the sanctity of God. It is to move away from evil and look for the good, for God. To be holy does not mean to be immaculate, without spot or sin. Saints who died in the grace of God were also human beings, and therefore they also sinned.

God has called everyone to be holy: *Be holy, because I, the LORD your God, am holy.* (Leviticus 19:2; Matthew 5: 48). Christ came to the world to make our sanctity possible. That is why in the New Testament they call saints, Christians. (1 Corinthians 1:1-2; Romans 1:5-7; 1 Peter 1:15-16). Of course they are holy or saints only if they live out their faith. (Revelation 22:11). For that reason the church is the communion of saints, as we repeat it every time we say the Creed.

We were all created by God to be holy. Sanctity begins on earth and gets its fullness in heaven. Human beings lost the grace because of sin. Jesus Christ reconciled us with the Father by dying for us on the cross. In baptism, we receive the merits of Christ's sacrifice; we are freed from sin and united with Christ to be Children of God and to participate in his sanctity. Saint Paul uses the word "holy" to talk about the faithful who live the new life in the Holy Spirit (Ephesians 1:1)

To persevere in this sanctity is to remain in communion with Christ who saves and gives us eternal life. God wants everybody to be saved (1 Timothy 2:4), but not everyone is open to the grace that sanctifies. In order to be saved it is necessary to resign sin and follow Christ with faith. For that reason Saint Paul exhorts us: *Try to be at peace with everyone, and try to live a holy life, because no one will see the Lord without it.* (Hebrews 12:14). At the end, no other thing will matter, the only true misfortune will be not to be holy.

The Church recognizes the sanctity of all those who lived a life full of faith and hope, a life dedicated to devotion, service and charity. In this sense, saints are models of Christian life, examples to follow, and for that reason we celebrate the first of November as the day to honor and recognize the sanctity of all these Christians who have died.

In addition, on the second of November Latinos celebrate the *Day of the Dead*. It is a day to remember all our beloved ones who have gone before us. The only difference between All Saints Day, and the Day of the Dead, is that the first one is dedicated to Christian believers who passed away, while the second one is a day to remember all the dead, believers and non-believers. At Bethel we will celebrate both days this Sunday, Nov. 6. Latinos are invited to bring pictures of their dead and flowers to remember them during the holy mass. Afterwards, we will have fellowship and share *pan de muerto*, bread of the dead, hot chocolate, and other traditional things from the Latino traditions. *All are welcome!*

-Pastor Jaime Dubon

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## Getting Ready for EDUCATION Sunday School

**Story:** Naaman is Healed **Biblical Text:** 2 Kings 5:1-19 SPARK Story Bible, pages 148-151

**Bible Point:** God's love changes people in surprising ways.  
**Key Bible Verse:** *Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except Israel.* 2 Kings 5:15b

**Prayer:** Dear God, thank you for surprising Naaman by healing him. Thank you for your surprising love that always takes care of us. Help us to pay attention to all of your surprises. In Jesus' name, amen.

### Office Information

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## NEWS & EVENTS



### Women's Ministry

**Nov. 6** is Women's Ministry Sunday, featuring exhibits in the Emmaus Room. Learn about Blanket Workshop, Lutheran World Relief, Lydia's House, Hope House, Women of the ELCA, book clubs and so much more! Finish by joining one of the 19 Circles of Bethel. Jo Thomley: 838-8091.

### Friendship Club

Dr. Gayle Reed will speak on *The Gift of Forgiveness* on **Nov. 11** at 6:15 pm. She is with the UW and International Forgiveness Institute. Turkey, trimmings and pumpkin pie will be served, \$10. Reservations due Nov. 8. Judi Griffin: 222-9290.

### Family Ministry

#### Parenting Breakfast-November 5

Start your Saturday at 8:30 am with breakfast and fellowship at Bethel. Child care provided and the Game Room will be open.

#### Fairy Party-November 12

Movies, makeovers and fairy inspired food, 9:30-11:30 am.

#### Monday Night Football-November 14

Watch the Packers take on the Vikings - Dinner available at 7:00 pm, 7:30 pm kick-off. Child care provided.

#### Cowboy Party-November 19

Rustle up some great grub, get your face painted and watch a movie. Susan 257-3577, ext 336, or: familyministry@bethel-madison.org

#### Wreath Sales - Youth Group



Order: **Nov. 6** and **13**  
Pick-up at Bethel **Nov. 20** and **27**

#### XYZ-PrimeTimers Day Trip

Sign-ups in the Emmaus Room for this *White Christmas Fantasy* day trip, **Dec. 10**. Start the day at Ethnic Heritage Museum, travel to Theatre in the Pines, Sycamore, IL for lunch and play.



### Wednesday, December 7

Tickets on sale Nov. 13. Enjoy fellowship, food, holiday tables, and be inspired for the coming season. Pr. Scot Sorensen, our new Senior Pastor, will be the featured speaker. *This event sold out last year.*

### Art and Faith Trip

Join Pr. Duane Hanson **August 3-17, 2012** and travel to Germany, Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia & Austria, 257-3577.

### Household-Estate Sales

Nov 9-10 Far West  
Address Info: Pat Bruden: 246-1813

### Rebuilding at Bethel

Previously known as Bethel's Divorced and Separated Group, there are now three distinct groups available:

**Genesis Group** 10 week group for those recently experiencing an end to a relationship, and are working through grief, loss and pain. Facilitated by John Neupert, 608-204-6076. There is no fee.

**Rebuilding** Based on the book by Dr. Bruce Fisher, class meets on Tuesday nights for 10 weeks. Taught by Margaret Lambert, class fee of \$275. Register: 608-204-6076 x 1.

**Movin' On** Designed for graduates of *Rebuilding*. Social network group to help build friendships and connect with community. There is no fee.

*Each group is offered four times annually.*

## theBethelidea

This on-going discussion of planned expansion for Bethel's downtown campus will focus on *Idea Sessions* for Bethel members this fall. Please join the thought process and share your ideas and questions on **November 13** at 10:30 am in Good Shepherd Chapel. --Sponsored by Urban Site Committee

### Puerto Rico Mission Trip

Information on Sundays in Emmaus Room. Lindsey Scheid: 608-574-3993  
Lindsey@bethelhorizons.org

### Bethel Book Women

Reading *Half Broke Horses* by Jeannette Walls. **Nov. 21** at 7:00 pm.

### Feed and Read

*The Secret Life of Anne Boleyn* by Robin Maxwell will be discussed on **Nov. 21**.

### Camera Club - November 21

Open to all ages and abilities - 7:00 pm.

### Bethel's Faithful Future

*Faith, Young People and the Church Today*  
Youth ministry has changed. Children's ministry has changed. The culture has changed. And the church is called to foster a faith that matters within our young people. What does this calling mean for us at Bethel?

Professors Terri Elton and Tim Coltvet from Luther Seminary will lead a workshop **Nov. 19** to lay out key findings of the Exemplary Youth Ministry study, explore what this means for Bethel, and begin mapping Bethel's assets for moving into the future. Main workshop from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm with lunch. Strategy session from 1:00 - 2:30 pm. Jacqui to register, by Nov. 15: 257-3577

### Bethel Horizons Requests

In need of black and white newspapers, bubble wrap and plastic dry cleaning bags. Angie will collect: 257-3577.

### Lefse makers needed!

**Nov. 14** and **15** at Bethel Horizons. Meals and transportation provided. Pr. Duane Hanson or Angie: 257-3577

### Thank you from Hope House

The recently completed Hope-A-Thon raised \$5,261 for this Bethel-affiliated program that transitions homeless mothers and their children to independent living.

### Christian Men's Fellowship

Join us at 10:30 am for *Pakistan's Federally Administered Tribal Areas*, presented by Prof. Joe Elder. Borgwardt Hall, **Nov. 15**.

## LATINO CONFIRMANDS

Confirmed on July 17, 2011:

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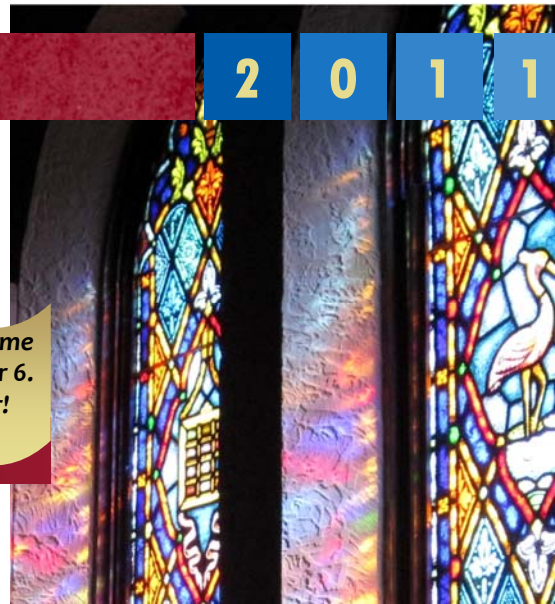
María Fernanda Vizcarra Becerra



**Nov 6 All Saints Sunday**

- 7:45a Coffee Fellowship (*Fireside Gallery*)
- 7:55a **Worship Service** (*Sanctuary*)
- 8:30a Childcare available until 2:00p (*Nursery*)
- Genesis Café Open (*Borgwardt Hall*)
- Women's Ministry (*Emmaus Room*)
- 8:45a Library Open until 11:45a
- 9:15a **Worship Service** (*Sanctuary*)
- Sunday School
- 9:45a Worship Rehearsal for 10:45 (*Choir Rm*)
- 10:15a Cherub Choir (*Rm 202*)
- Children's Choir (*Rm 216A*)
- Junior Youth Choir (*Pentecost Rm*)
- 10:30a ESL Class (*Rm 216B*)
- Bethel Series-New Testament (*Library Media Room*)
- What Do You Do After You Say Hello?* Class (*GS Chapel*)
- 10:45a **Worship Service** (*Sanctuary*)
- 11:00a Sunday School, bi-lingual (*Rms 204, 210, 212*)
- 11:45a Latino Children's Choir (*Rm 202*)
- 12:30p **Worship-La Santa Misa** (*Sanctuary*)
- 1:30p Refrigerio (*Borgwardt Hall*)

**Daylight Saving Time ends on November 6. Fall back one hour!**



- 6:00p Middle School Ministry (*Fireside, Game Room*)
- 7:00p Bethel Choir (*Choir Room*)
- Renew Circle (*Rm 100*)

**Nov 7 Monday**

- 8:30a Friendship Pad Volunteers (*Rm 104*)
- 1:00p Bethelite Stuffers
- 7:00p Bethel Series-New Testament (*Rm 200*)

**Nov 8 Tuesday**

- 8:30a Homeless Book Group (*Rm 216*)
- 9:00a Library Open until 12:00p
- 10:00a Homeless Support Services (*Pentecost Rm*)
- 10:30a Homeless Spiritual Support Group (*Pentecost Rm*)
- 12:00p MALC Meeting (*Rm 201*)
- 2:00p Homeless Ministry Board Meeting (*Rm 201*)
- 3:30p Eagle's Wings After School (*Pentecost, Fireside*)
- 5:00p Grupo Latino Practica de Musica (*Sanctuary*)
- 5:15p Women's Choir (*Choir Room*)
- 6:00p Latino Computer Class (*Pentecost Rm*)
- 6:30p Creative Worship Singers (*Choir Rm*)
- Latino Senior High Youth Group (*Youth Rm*)
- Spanish Class (*Room 216*)
- Rebuilding at Bethel (*Rm 101, Good Shepherd Chapel, Library*)
- 7:00p Conversational Norwegian (*Library Media Rm*)
- 7:15p Bethel Horizons Board Meeting (*Rm 201*)

**Nov 9 Wednesday**

- 9:30a **Worship Service** (*Good Shepherd Chapel*)
- 10:00a Homeless Support Services (*Pentecost Rm*)
- 3:30p Eagle's Wings After School (*Pentecost, Fireside*)
- 5:30p Bethel Ringers (*Rm 202*)
- 6:00p Love and Logic Class (*Pentecost Rm*)
- 6:30p Hot Topics (*Youth Rm*)

**Nov 10 Thursday**

- 6:00a Business Christian Fellowship (*Pentecost Rm*)
- 7:00a Current Christian Concerns (*Library Media Rm*)
- 8:00a ACA Annual Meeting (*Rm 216, Borgwardt Hall, Emmaus Rm*)
- 10:00a Homeless Support Services (*Pentecost Rm*)
- 3:30p Eagle's Wings After School (*Pentecost, Fireside*)

**Nov 11 Friday**

- 7:00a Men's Book Study (*Borgwardt Hall*)
- 9:30a XYZ (*Fireside Gallery, Pentecost Rm*)
- 5:30p Parenting Group (*Fireside Gallery*)
- 6:15p Friendship Club (*Borgwardt Hall, Pentecost Rm*)

**Nov 12 Saturday**

- 7:00a Homeless Breakfast (*Borgwardt Hall*)
- 8:00a Bible Study (*Library*)
- 9:30a Family Ministry-Fairy Brunch (*Fireside*)
- 12:00p Wilson Wedding (*Rm 100, Good Shepherd Chapel*)
- 3:00p Wedding Reception (*Borgwardt Hall*)
- 5:00p **Worship Service** (*Pentecost Room*)

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**WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

**ALL SAINTS SUNDAY**

NOV 5 5:00 PM NOV 6 7:55 AM 9:15 AM 10:45 AM  
PASTOR PETER STROMMEN

12:30 PM-SPANISH PASTOR JAIME DUBON

1 John 3:1-3 Matthew 5:1-12

**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>
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<u>Dubuque*</u>	9:30 am & 9:00 pm KFXB-TV 43

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