



# BETHELITE

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## Confirmation: Affirmation of Baptism

*Bethel Youth develop their faith with Benton Harbor Mission Trip and community service.*



Scraping and painting at Christian Light Baptist Church

Photo J. Drews

**More of Jesus, Less of Me**, was the theme in Benton Harbor, Michigan for 18 Bethel Confirmation students and 7 adult leaders. Pr. John Swanson, Anita Grue, James Drews, Alice & Duane Sundt, Rae Carman and Intern, Sarah Czechowicz, led this Youth Works Mission trip for students entering ninth grade this fall.

The Bethel group worked with 77 youth and leaders from three other churches, Baptist, Roman Catholic and Lutheran. The mornings started with devotions, and the theme of the day. Groups packed lunches and worked at the YMCA, Salvation

Army and Christian Light Church from 9:00 am-3:00 pm. In the evening, the Bethel group stayed at the Salvation Army. Night activities included a discussion with the Salvation Army Major, a scavenger hunt, a Wednesday worship service, a foot washing service on the beach, and Friday night in Chicago for sharing of stories, and questions answered by Pr. John Swanson.

### Second Harvest Food Service

At work locally, 15 Bethel Confirmation students, along with 4 adults, packaged 2700 lbs. of wheat cereal on July 19. Second Harvest serves a 16 county area through 400 agencies. This fulfilled a requirement for the *Faith and Society* module, or applied towards service hour credit.



Photo A. Durkin

### Confirmation Student Shares His Mission Trip Experience:

*Thank you for the opportunity to participate in the mission trip experience. This trip gave me a chance to get closer to God, see what he's really about, and see what he does for me and the world. I never knew what God could do for me, my family, and my friends. I learned how much I have for which I need to thank God. At the end of the day, this trip changed my life and was an incredible experience.*

-Nathan Hahn



Working with kids at YMCA

Photos J. Drews



## FROM THE PASTOR

At most churches summer is the slow-down time of the year. Choirs, classes and organizations take the summer off.

There is no slow down period at Bethel. Earlier this summer a children's musical, *Alice In Wonderland*, had dozens of rehearsals and finished with a remarkable production which took place at Oakwood Lutheran Homes, West.

A few weeks ago, 10 children arrived from Ukraine as a part of Circle of Love. Each day the children have an activity: they visit Bethel Horizons, a water park or Farmer's market. They all receive dental treatment and have a doctor perform a check-up. They take English Classes and learn to use the computer. They buzz around the building in a most delightful way.

Forty-nine high schoolers and adults spent a faith-filled week in Puerto Rico under the direction of Anita Grue (Youth Coordinator) and Cory Hamilton (Youth Assistant). Next Sunday, Cory takes a group of high school people on a canoe trip. In between these two trips 18 confirmation students led by Pr. John Swanson and Anita Grue, along with sponsors traveled to Benton Harbor, Michigan for a mission trip.

If we aren't traveling to Puerto Rico, people from Puerto Rico are traveling to Wisconsin. Two weeks ago,



### Energizing Activity

a group of ten returned home after a cultural awareness week at Horizons. This week over 40 people from Puerto Rico, including at least 25 of their choir members, arrive in Madison. At their request, we will take them out to the ball game (Miller Park), visit Bethel Horizons, grill at our house and show them Wisconsin. Most of what they know about the Badger State is that we have snow in the winter.

We are thrilled to welcome another class of interns -12 strong, who each work about 20 hours a week assisting with Youth Events, doing some physical labor, helping with Vacation Bible Camp and learning a bit about work in the church.

No, we don't slow down in the summer. Our plate is full and that is the way we like it.

I hope some of the summer activities will benefit you, and I hope that things do slow down at your house.

**-Pastor Bill White**



### Two More Worship Opportunities: August 1 and 8

Please join us for the last two services of **Connecting in Community**. These will be held in the Sanctuary at 10:45 am. While the Word of God remained the focus and entry into this worship service, you may have noticed the Order of Service was different, and we are so glad you did. Our goal this summer was to blend traditional liturgical components and hymns with new communication technology and contemporary music.

We hope you've enjoyed this summer worship experience. We will continue to innovate as we blend traditional worship with new concepts.

**-Pastor Sarah Harrold**

### Pastoral Staff

Bill White	<i>Senior Pastor</i>
Curt Everson	<i>Visitation &amp; Worship</i>
Duane Hanson	<i>Bethel Horizons</i>
Sarah Harrold	<i>Evangelism &amp; Mission</i>
Pedro Suárez	<i>Latino Ministries</i>
Laura Sutherland	<i>Care Ministry</i>
John Swanson	<i>Confirmation &amp; Visitation</i>

### Program Staff

Mary Conlin	<i>Director XYZ &amp; Volunteers</i>
Annette Durkin	<i>Director of Communication</i>
Stacy Gahlman-Schroeder	<i>Senior Pastor's Assistant</i>
Anita Grue, AIM	<i>Coordinator of Youth Ministries</i>
Gary Lewis	<i>Director of Music &amp; Organist</i>
Alice Mowbray	<i>Business Administrator &amp; Director of Development</i>
Sandy Ripp	<i>New Member Coordinator</i>
Jacqui Shanda	<i>Director of Parish Education</i>
Susan Straus	<i>Family Life Coordinator</i>
Cindi Schwab and Ray Weihofen	<i>Assistant Business Administrator, shared part-time</i>

### Office Information

Monday through Friday, 8:30 am - 5:00 pm, Saturday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm  
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# NEWS & EVENTS



## New Bethel Photo Directory Is Here

One copy free if you had your photo taken for the Directory, \$5 to purchase. Available at the Reception desk, or after the week-end worship services.

## Coming This Fall: Bethel Bible Series

Sunday mornings starting **Sept. 19**, 10:30 am - 11:45 am, and Monday evenings starting **Sept. 20**, 7:00 pm - 8:15 pm. \$40, scholarships are available. Year 2 of the New Testament Bethel Series class, taught by Jane Evans, resumes on **Sept. 16**, 9:00 am - 10:15 am.

## Bethel Horizons Camperships

Goal: 350 Received: 331 Needed: 19

Pre-order your Concert dinner from Bethel.

**Included:** utensils, bottled water, dessert, fruit and parking in Bethel's lot.

**Aug 4** Salmon Wrap or Mediterranean Salad



To place an order: 257-3577, or [susans@bethel-madison.org](mailto:susans@bethel-madison.org) by 3:00 pm Monday.

*Dinners ready rain or shine.*

**\$10**

## Help Wanted - Cup Washers

We need a couple of happy, smiling people to join our cup washers club. Four to five times per year, join us on Sunday morning at 8:45 am until 10:45 am to wash coffee cups. No experience required! Greta: 608-204-9205.



## Summer Choir You're Invited

Summer Worship is a great time to sing in a choir. We meet once on Sunday morning and then sing! Gather in the choir room at 8:30 AM for 30 minutes, take a short break, and then sing at the 9:15 AM Worship service. Summer Sundays for this Choir: **August 1 & 22.**

**No registration required - all ages just show up and sing!**

## Health, School & Layette Kits

Look for the Blessings Circle information table in the Parking Lot Foyer beginning **August 15**, and continuing August 22, 29 and Sept. 12. Lists of needed items will be available. Please choose items without obvious country of origin insignia or logos. Except for the toothbrush and bar soap, please remove plastic and cardboard from items to reduce the bulk and shipping weight. Return all donations by **Sept. 30**.  
Bev Hanson, LWR Coordinator: 274-6122  
[hansonbev@att.net](mailto:hansonbev@att.net)



## Prime Timers Day Trip Saturday, August 21

### Lake Geneva Mail Boat Adventure!

Leave Bethel at 7:45 am, boat trip 10:00-12:30, followed by lunch at Houlihan's. Return to Bethel at 4:30 pm. Tickets: \$60. On sale August 1 and 8, or contact Dave or Jan Primus 221-4374. Purchase tickets by August 8.

## Family Movie Night

Bring blankets or lawn chairs - Movies will be shown in the parking lot at 8:45 pm.

**August 20:** "Monsters vs. Aliens"

## Bethel Household-Estate Sale August 11,12 Monona

## Travel with XYZ-Extra Years of Zest!

- Aug 16** *It's Not Easy Being Green* \$49  
Tour Midwest Renewable Energy Assoc., Hancock Research.
  - Sept 9** *Naval Reminiscing* \$79  
Great Lakes Naval Museum
  - Oct 12** *Mississippi Explorer* \$79  
Cruise on Upper Mississippi River, beginning at Prairie du Chein.
  - Nov 20** *Santa's Express* \$35  
Woodfield Mall in Schaumburg
- Contact Mary Conlin: 257-3577, or Fay Linehan: 251-1265

# BETHEL CARE † Military Service

Bethel Care Ministries is pleased to announce a new program honoring military service men and women who are currently, or in the past 10 years, have been on active duty overseas or stationed in the United States. We will have a display in Bethel's lobby, featuring photos and including information on branch of service, specialty, area of service and any other pertinent details. Please send photos and information to Ken Roeh, 1616 Dewberry Dr., Madison, WI 53719, or send electronic files to: [bethelmilitary@charter.net](mailto:bethelmilitary@charter.net)



Mark Wilson & Pastor Laura

## Here to Help

Every Tuesday and Thursday, volunteer Mark Wilson is staffing Bethel's Homeless Ministry Support Services office, located off the Pentecost Room. This office, open twice weekly since January, provides help with resumés and job searches, applications for social service programs, Porchlight housing referrals and much more. Each week, several homeless people are helped with their journey to self-esteem, and new directions in life. *Thanks Mark!*

## Bethel Horizons Nature and Adventure Camps

- 4-6<sup>th</sup> grade**  
Nature at Night August 8-13
- 6-8<sup>th</sup> grade**  
Outdoor Pursuits August 8-13  
Hike, Bike, Kayak, Create August 15-20
- 8-12 year olds- Tepee** Aug 8-13 Aug 15-20

### Events and Retreats

- August 12 Star Party-Public Event
- Sept 17-19 Latino Women's Retreat
- Nov. 12-14 Latino Couples Retreat
- Dec. 5 Christmas Supper

[www.bethelhorizons.org](http://www.bethelhorizons.org)

## Lutheran Social Services to Help 50 Bhutanese Families Resettle in the Madison Area

Bethel will participate in this Outreach Mission in several ways. Our Young Adult Ministry and Grace Circle will aid as cultural mentors: showing people where to buy groceries, how to use the bus and where to find English classes, governmental services and schools.

**We need your help with donations of household items:** furniture, dishes, bedding, small appliances and toiletries. Please contact Anita Grue, 257-3577, ext 344, or: [agrue@bethel-madison.org](mailto:agrue@bethel-madison.org).



# BETHEL CALENDAR ■ AUGUST 1-7



## Aug 1 Sunday-10 Pentecost

- 7:45a Coffee Fellowship (*Fireside Gallery*)
- 7:55a Worship Service (*Sanctuary*)
- 8:30a Childcare available until 2:00p (*Nursery*)
- 8:45a Library Open until 11:45a
- 9:15a Worship Service (*Sanctuary*)
- 10:00a Summer Treats (*Parking Lot Foyer*)
- 10:15a VBC Staff Meeting (*Borgwardt Hall*)
- 10:30a ESL Classes (*Room 216*)
- 10:45a Worship Service (*Sanctuary*)
- 12:30p Worship-La Santa Misa (*Sanctuary*)
- 1:30p Refrigerio (*Borgwardt Hall*)
- 2:45p Bus Leaves for Camp (*Parking Lot*)

## Aug 2 Monday

- 8:00a VBC bus leaves for Bethel Horizons Camp (*Parking Lot*)
- 8:30a Friendship Pad Volunteers (*Room 104*)
- 12:00p Friendly Visitors (*Room 200*)
- 12:30p VBC van returns to Bethel (*Parking Lot*)
- 5:30p VBC bus returns to Bethel (*Parking Lot*)

## Aug 3 Tuesday

- 7:30a Executive Committee Meeting (*Room 201*)
- 8:00a VBC bus leaves for Bethel Horizons Camp (*Parking Lot*)
- 9:00a Library Open until 12:00p
- 10:30a Homeless Spiritual Support Group  
(*Good Shepherd Chapel*)
- 12:00p Homeless Book Group (*Library Media Room*)  
Homeless Support Services (*Pentecost-Computer Rm*)
- 12:30p VBC van returns to Bethel (*Parking Lot*)
- 5:00p Grupo Latino Practica de Musica (*Sanctuary, Balcony*)
- 5:30p VBC bus returns to Bethel (*Parking Lot*)
- 6:00p Spanish Class (*Room 216*)
- 6:30p Latino Senior High Youth (*Youth Room*)  
Senior Summer Choir (*Pentecost*)
- 6:45p Separated & Divorced Group  
(*Rm 101, Good Shep. Chapel, Library*)

## Aug 4 Wednesday

- 8:00a VBC bus leaves for Bethel Horizons Camp (*Parking Lot*)
- 9:30a Midweek Chapel (*Good Shepherd Chapel*)
- 12:30p VBC van returns to Bethel (*Parking Lot*)
- 5:00p Concerts on the Square Meals (*Parking Lot Foyer*)

- 5:30p VBC bus returns to Bethel (*Parking Lot*)
- 6:30p Hot Topics (*Youth Room*)

## Aug 5 Thursday

- 7:00a Current Christian Concerns (*Library Media Room*)
- 8:00a VBC bus leaves for Bethel Horizons Camp (*Parking Lot*)
- 10:00a Homeless Support Services (*Pentecost-Computer Rm*)
- 12:30p VBC van returns to Bethel (*Parking Lot*)
- 6:00p Latino Confirmation Class (*Room 216*)
- 6:30p Stephen Minister Continuing Education (*Rms 200-201*)
- 7:30p Bethel Choir Officers Meeting (*Room 101*)
- 8:30p VBC bus returns to Bethel (*Parking Lot*)

## Aug 6 Friday

- 1:15p Bus arrives from Camp (*Parking Lot*)

## Aug 7 Saturday

- 8:00a Bible Study Group (*Library*)
- 9:00a Latino Yoga Class (*Emmaus Room*)
- 5:00p Worship Service (*Pentecost Room*)



**WORSHIP SCHEDULE**  
THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SATURDAY, JULY 31 5:00 PM  
SUNDAY, AUGUST 1 7:55 AM & 9:15 AM  
Pastor John Swanson

SUNDAY, AUGUST 1 10:45 AM Pastor Sarah Harrold  
SUNDAY 12:30 PM-SPANISH Pastor Pedro Suárez

Ecclesiastes 1:2,12-14; 2:18-23 Colossians 3:1-11 Luke 12:13-21

**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> *Telecast delayed one week.
9:30 am & 9:00 pm KFXB-TV 43	

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