



# BETHELITE

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## Baccalaureate 2011

During the 9:15 am service on May 22, we celebrated Bethel's 58 graduating high school seniors. Eighteen were present during the service to share their future plans and receive our congratulations during the reception in the Emmaus Room.



Anita Grue with Anne Wickland



Robbie Hayes and Logan Gehin



Graduating Seniors

Below:  
Children's  
Choir with  
Chelsea  
Laung  
Rasmussen

## Sunday School Teachers and Choir Recognitions

48 Sunday School teachers were thanked on May 22 at a reception in the Emmaus Room, along with members of our 12 choirs. Thank you to all for generously giving of your time and talents to the education and music ministries!



Taylor Wilcox and Jill Derr



Myrna Kay Young with two of the Junior Youth Choir members



## FROM THE PASTOR

If you ask a child about what he or she needs, the answer can be very diverse and include anything from money to video games, or pizza. You probably won't hear, "I need encouragement." But that is precisely one of the things children need the most in order to grow and be healthy.

We tend to forget as adults, how hard it was growing up, and we embellish our memories with happy thoughts of nice moments. The truth is that children have problems and big conflicts. Life can be hard on them, hurting their souls and their self esteem. We are called as people of God, to lift them up.

We read in Hebrews 13, *...encourage one another daily, as long as it is called "Today," so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness.* A healthy self esteem is directly related to responsible behavior. Imagine giving a child a reason to love God, letting them know how much Christ values and loves him or her. What are we doing to encourage our young ones, not just our own children, but those in our church and our community?

**New Feature:** During the summer, the *Bethelite* will feature different staff members each week. We hope this will help you to place faces with names and responsibilities in our Bethel family of members, guests and staff.

## staff SPOTLIGHT

**Penny Duane Bookkeeper** Is in her 22<sup>nd</sup> year, and does bookkeeping for Bethel and Horizons. Duties also include payroll, tax filings, worship offering counting and all donor records. 608-257-3577, ext 229 [penny@bethel-madison.org](mailto:penny@bethel-madison.org)



**Ray Weihofen Asst. Business Administrator**

Ray handles billing review & approvals, monthly books closing, bank statement reconciliation & employee benefits accounting. 608-257-3577, ext 256 [rayw@bethel-madison.org](mailto:rayw@bethel-madison.org)



## Encouragement

How are we helping to build their lives? We could...

- † Let them know in words and deeds that we believe in them
- † Serve as a mirror to them, reflecting back so that they may see their amazing potential
- † Share how proud you are when you notice something good they do
- † Write a little note enumerating the things you admire in them
- † Remind them about how much God loves them
- † Protect them, bless them with pure and holy actions
- † Stay away from negative criticism

*Prayer: Lord, thanks for encouraging me as your child. You have helped me build my life through your Word and the power of your Holy Spirit. Thanks for giving me the privilege of encouraging children. Open the eyes of my heart so I may see the chances I have to help children build their lives in a healthy way. Through Jesus I pray. Amen.*

-Pastor Pedro Suárez

## Pastoral Staff

Curt Everson  
Duane Hanson  
Sarah Harrold  
Pedro Suárez  
Laura Sutherland  
John Swanson

*Visitation & Worship  
Bethel Horizons  
Evangelism & Mission  
Latino Ministries & Managing Pastor  
Care Ministries  
Confirmation, Visitation &  
Women's Ministries*

## Program Staff

Mary Conlin  
Annette Durkin  
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Anita Grue, AIM  
Gary Lewis  
Alice Mowbray

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Director of Communications  
Assistant to the Senior Pastor  
Coordinator of Youth Ministries  
Director of Music - Organist  
Business Administrator &  
Director of Development  
New Member Coordinator - Wedding Secty.  
Director of Parish Education  
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# NEWS & EVENTS



## Congregational Picnic - June 5

Join your church family at Bethel Horizons as we celebrate summer! Latino worship at 10:30 am, followed by BBQ Chicken picnic at noon, \$6 adult, \$3 child. Games, music, fish pond, Bounce Palace, nature hikes, art sale and demos, hay rides, plus much more! Angie: 257-3577.



## Area Bishops to Preach at Bethel

During this time of transition, four Wisconsin Bishops will serve as guest preachers during the month of July. We are delighted to welcome to Bethel's pulpit:

### July 10 - Bethel's Bishop

Bishop Bruce Burnside, South Central Synod

### July 17

Bishop Jim Arends, La Crosse Area Synod

### July 24

Bishop Jim Justman, East Central Synod

### July 31

Bishop Jeff Barrow, Greater Milwaukee Synod



## Vacation Bible Camp

Children ages 3 - 12 can register now to take the Bethel Horizons' bus to Dodgeville for this year's Vacation Bible Camp

(VBC). The adventure begins **August 1** and ends with a family picnic on **August 4**. In between, we will use the stories of the first disciples, calming of the sea, Zaccheus, and the road to Emmaus to discover that Jesus chooses people one by one to follow him and weaves them into a community. Jacqui: 257-3577.

## Friendship Club Picnic

Come join the fun on **June 10** at Lakeview Park in Middleton. Hors d'oeuvres at 5:30 pm, picnic dinner at 6:30 pm. Entertainment by New Horizons Swing Band. \$8. Reservations required: Lorna: 819-8007.

## Summer Family Devotions

*Splash in God's Word* - your free copy is available in the Emmaus Room kiosk.

## Prime Timers Events

*Building Friendships through Christian Fellowship and Social Activities*

Our large community of Bethel single adults and married couples are encouraged to attend PrimeTimer social activities. PrimeTimers - the perfect place to meet people. We hope to see you soon!

**June 20** Brewer Game. Bus, ticket and tailgate: \$47. Jack or Sue: 721-2984

**July 22** SC Johnson Company - Bus Trip to Racine. \$50. Harry or Lorna: 819-8007.

## ART AUCTION: ART VENTURES RETREAT

Featuring over 100 original pieces of art, bid on these items online:

[www.bethelhorizons.org/Horizons/Art\\_Ventures/CupAuction/cup\\_auction1.html](http://www.bethelhorizons.org/Horizons/Art_Ventures/CupAuction/cup_auction1.html)

On **June 3**, from 5:00-7:00 pm, attend the Live Auction closing event at Higher Fire Gallery, 2132 Regent St.



## Household-Estate Sales

**July 20-21** Kessel Ct., Madison

**Aug 10-11** Monona

Call Pat Bruden: 246-1813, for details.

## Ride the Drive-June 5

Several streets leading into downtown Madison will be closed for this event.

Please check: [www.cityofmadison/transportation/ridethedrive](http://www.cityofmadison/transportation/ridethedrive)

## Komen Madison-Race for the Cure

Please join and support the *Bethel Bosom Buddies*, **June 4**. Sandy: 837-8882.



**June 16** Noah's Ark \$20

**June 19-24** Brule Canoe Trip \$250

**July 7** Great America Trip \$25

**July 16-24** New Orleans Mission Trip \$375

Anita: 257-3577, ext.344

## Call Committee REPORT

Visits to the congregations of our final six Senior Pastor candidates started on Memorial Day weekend. We anticipate interviews and candidate visits to Bethel will begin mid-July.

## Seeking Early Birds

Needed: three members willing to help at our Reception desk 7:45 - 9:00 am on Sunday mornings. Duties include answering the phone and welcoming members and visitors. Mary for details: 257-3577.

## Confirmation Mission Trip

For Year 2 students, **June 19-25** to Cass Lake, MN. \$350, Gretchann: 257-3577.

## Bilingual Bible Story Classes

### Sail With Us to Sea Odysseys

Children ages 3-11 are invited to join the fun and learning **June 27 - July 1** from 5:00 - 8:00 pm. \$10 includes supper and materials. Yolibeth Rangel: 257-3577.

## Summer Choir

Join us **June 26** at 8:30 am to sing at the 9:15 am service. Summer Choir rehearses just before the service, all ages welcome.

## Bethel Horizons Camperships

Goal: 350 To Date: 270  
Needed: 80



To donate, contact  
Pr. Duane Hanson, or  
Angie Burnett, 257-3577

## Lutheran World Relief - Baby Kits

Crochet and knit baby sweater patterns are available at the Reception desk, or on Bethel's web site under Women's Ministries. We will assemble kits this fall - please also shop garage sales for gently used baby items.

## Banking on Hope House

Please return your donations bank on Father's Day, **June 19**. Your contributions will support our mothers and children.

**Accounting Did You Know:** How very helpful it is for members to use their pre-printed offering envelopes when giving a contribution in support of our operating budget, or toward any ministry area of Bethel? Without the gift coming via this personalized envelope, the step of verification of envelope # always needs to be done. We have enough similar names and addresses that for our statement records to be kept 100% accurate, much time and care is put into contribution handling. (Thank You Monday morning bank volunteers!) **Did you also know** that giving statements are sent from Bethel after the close of each calendar quarter, plus after November - and the final year-end statement, which is most often helpful for income tax purposes by donors. If ever a recipient finds a posting in error or an omission, we welcome phone calls to help make any corrections necessary. Finally, we all appreciate legible handwriting. *Thanks for your continued generosity!*

--Alice Mowbray



**June 5 Seventh Sunday of Easter**

- 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*)
- 9:30a Bus Leaving for Horizons Picnic (*Parking Lot*)
- 10:15a Summer Treats (*Parking Lot Foyer*)
- Seussical Rehearsal (*Rooms 212, 214, 216*)
- 10:30a **Worship-La Santa Misa** (*Bethel Horizons*)
- ESL Classes (*Rooms 214-216*)
- 10:45a **Worship Service** (*Sanctuary*)
- 12:00p Congregational Picnic (*Bethel Horizons*)
- 4:00p Bus Returning from Horizons Picnic (*Parking Lot*)

**June 6 Monday**

- 8:30a Friendship Pad Volunteers (*Room 104*)
- 12:00p Friendly Visitors (*Library*)
- 5:30p Youth Activity Planning Meeting (*Youth Room*)

**June 7 Tuesday**

- 7:30a Executive Committee Meeting (*Room 201*)
- 8:30a Homeless Book Group (*Good Shepherd Chapel*)
- 9:00a Library Open until 12:00p
- 10:00a Homeless Support Services (*Pentecost Room*)
- 10:30a Homeless Spiritual Support Group (*Pentecost Room*)
- 5:00p Grupo Latino Practica de Musica (*Sanctuary*)
- 5:30p Seussical Rehearsal (*Rooms 212, 214, 216*)
- 6:30p Creative Worship Singers (*Choir Room*)
- Latino Senior High Youth Group (*Youth Room*)
- 6:45p Separated & Divorced Group  
(*Room 101, Good Shepherd Chapel, Library*)

**June 8 Wednesday**

- 9:30a **Worship Service** (*Good Shepherd Chapel*)
- 10:00a Homeless Support Services (*Pentecost Room*)
- 5:30p Seussical Rehearsal (*Rooms 212, 214, 216*)
- 6:30p Hot Topics (*Youth Room*)

**June 9 Thursday**

- 6:00a Business Christian Fellowship (*Pentecost Room*)
- 7:00a Current Christian Concerns (*Library Media Room*)
- 10:00a Homeless Support Services (*Pentecost Room*)
- 5:30p Seussical Rehearsal (*Rooms 212, 214, 216*)
- 6:00p Middle School Ministry (*Fireside, Game Room*)
- Bethel Choir Officers Meeting (*Library Media Room*)

**June 10 Friday**

**June 11 Saturday**

- 7:00a Homeless Breakfast (*Borgwardt Hall*)
- 8:00a Bible Study (*Library*)
- 5:00p **Worship Service** (*Pentecost Room*)



**WORSHIP SCHEDULE**  
**SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**SATURDAY, JUNE 4 5:00 PM**  
**JUNE 5 7:55 AM 9:15 AM 10:45 AM**  
**PASTOR LAURA SUTHERLAND**  
**12:30 PM-SPANISH PASTOR PEDRO SUÁREZ**

Acts 1:6-14 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11 John 17:1-11

**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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