

BETHELITE

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Bethel Ushers



Usher Group 1

Thank you to our dedicated Ushers!
Sanctuary, Parking Lot and Sound Technicians

Our volunteer Usher groups provide parking direction, give bulletins to worshipers, collect the offering, assist with Holy Communion, clean the Sanctuary after services, answer questions, provide audio support and are a welcoming Sunday morning presence. Many of our dedicated Ushers have served 10, 20 and 30 years, one Sunday per month!

Usher Group-Week 1

Paul Aspinwall
Arlen Christenson
Kathy Clerkin
Bill Clerkin
Hap Johnson
Ray Kruse
Howard Kulke
Dana Lund Rice
Diane Meredith
Zach Meredith
Jackie Michaelis
Chris Moe
Bill Mowbray
Dan Murray
Sue Murray
Roger Nacker
Albert Ng
Elsbeth Ng
Bob Nicholson
Hank Starkey

Tim Semmann
Jack Theel
Rebecca Lee Theel

Usher Group-Week 2

Lowell Bakken
Cheryl Beecher
Norv Bernhardt
Dave Coe
Chris Gentili
Skip Jackson III
Robert Lindner
Greg Rittman
Robert Robinson
Kim Rohde
Margie Whalen
Mark Zager

Usher Group-Week 3

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Andy Farrell
Vern Forest
Dennis Hahn

Denny Helwig
Bob Hoekenga
Peg Hoekenga
Janet Homburg
Tom Kottraba
Jan Kulcinski
Len Massie
William Munkwitz
Jerry Myrdal
Darlene Olson
Norm Olson
Dave Primus
Don Schmidt
Dick Severn
Joanne Taylor
Larry Veleke
Steve Young

Usher Group-Week 4

Annette Durkin
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Howie Hanold
John Hefte
Chico Hilton
Dale Holmen
Julie Kendall
Roger Kolseth
Nate Marty
Ellen Mast
John Mast
Clayton McKinney
Tina Metcalfe
Ron Meyer
John Nicka
Travis Olson
Karl Peterson
Frank Rudrud
John Thorstad
Steve Underwood
David Wilkerson
Mark Zager

Parking Lot-Week 1

Bob Mertes
Al Schultz
Thom Straus
Harold Cushman
Dan Dettman

Parking Lot-Week 2

Sandy Ripp
Gerry Bernards
Larry Landsness

Parking Lot-Week 3

Tim Miller
Jim Drews
Gary Dalgaard
Kurt Kelling
Frank Rudrud
Scott Williams

Parking Lot-Week 4

None listed for this week.

Sound Tech-Week 1

Phil Dettwiler
Rolf Sharpee
Dave Dies
Tom Pierce
Johnathan Triggs

Sound Tech-Week 2

None listed for this week.

Sound Tech-Week 3

None listed for this week.

Sound Tech-Week 4

None listed for this week.

Ushers needed in
Week 2-
Sanctuary
Week 3-
Parking Lot

Contact Stacy if
you would like to
join an Usher
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FROM THE PASTOR



Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received.

1 Peter 4:10

God asks questions that require an answer. Depending on that answer, someone's future either opens up or closes down. One of God's first questions in the Bible concerns neighbors. "Where is your brother?"

"Am I my brother's keeper?" retorts Cain. His answer charts a course often witnessed in human history. Community unravels.

By contrast, consider the dynamic difference in Jesus' answer: "Love one another as I have loved you."

"Stewardship" flows from this second kind of answer. Stewardship is a congregation putting legs on Jesus' Great Commandment and His Great Commission ("Go therefore into the whole world..."). Stewardship is our privilege because

Stewardship Through God's Grace

it comes through God's grace and pays forward God's abundant love. Each fall about now, Bethel focuses on stewardship in preparation for the coming ministry year. As we anticipate a new chapter in pastoral leadership, we recognize how helpful it will be to make a strong beginning.

Over the next few weeks, you'll be invited to consider how God wants to use your gifts in this coming year. As you do, keep this in mind. All that we have is through the grace of God. Each of us has received different and abundant gifts. Dedicated to God's service, your life and gifts will be a blessing. We can say this confidently because God promises that it will be so.

-- Pastor Peter Strommen



EDUCATION

Getting Ready for Sunday School

Story: Baby Moses **Biblical Text:** Exodus 2:1-10 SPARK Story Bible, pages 66-71

The Rhyme Storybook For Toddlers story "Boy in a Boat" (j 220.9 Sat) from Bethel's Library

Bible Point: God sends surprising people to help and protect us.

Key Bible Verse: *When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying and she took pity on him.* Exodus 2:10b (NRSV)

Prayer: Dear God, thank you for the many ways that you look out for us each day, just as you did for Moses. Watch over us this week and protect us from dangerous situations. Help us to listen to you so that we can help others. In Jesus' name, amen.



All school age kids are invited to join the fun on **October 27** for a day trip to Bethel Horizons. Bus leaves Bethel's parking lot at 8:45 am and returns at 5:00 pm. Cost for transportation, food and activities is \$20. Registration deadline: **Oct. 22.**

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Bethel Horizons
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Asst. Business Administrator, part-time*

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NEWS & EVENTS



New Member Class - October 8

Are you interested in joining Bethel? The fall class will be held 9:00 am-1:00 pm. The class of new members will be introduced at the 9:15 am worship service on **October 23**. Sandy Ripp, 257-3577 x 231

Don't Sing Songs to a Heavy Heart

A class on how to relate to those who are suffering, providing critical tools, understanding and compassion to help comfort others. 10:30 am, Good Shepherd Chapel.

Oct. 16 Chapters 1-4

Nov. 6 Chapters 5-18

Nov. 20 Chapters 9-12

Book available at the receptionist's desk, \$15. Jacqui to register: 257-3577.

Love and Logic Parents Class

For parents and caregivers of children of all ages. Begins Wednesday, **Nov. 2** for six weeks, through Dec. 7, 6:00 - 7:30 pm, facilitated by Julie Martinelli. The cost is \$25 per person or \$35 per couple, and includes one workbook. Childcare provided. Jacqui 257-3577 x 333.

Christian Men's Fellowship

Men of all ages gather on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 10:30 am in Borgwardt Hall. Program at 11:00 am, with lunch following at noon. **Oct. 18** *Applaud the Apple*, by Gardens of Goodness owners, Jim & Barb Lindemann.

Community Meals-Luke House

Please drop-off donations at Bethel's Salad Kitchen by 10:00 am, **Oct. 10**.

Exploring the Heavens Bethel Horizons

Join us for two evenings of astronomy: **Oct. 8**, the Draconid Meteor Shower and on **Oct. 29**, Jupiter will be at its brightest. Telescopes will be available, and a laser pointer will be used to acquaint viewers with autumn constellations and the night sky. Dress warmly and bring binoculars. Eric: 608-574-1992.



Family Ministry

Tail Gate Party-October 16

Join us for an indoor Tail Gate and watch Packers vs. St. Louis on Bethel's big screen TV! Susan 257-3577, ext 336.

Halloween Party-October 21

Enjoy a spooky dinner, crafts and a costume parade - all indoors! 6:00 pm.

Volunteers needed: Folks to decorate treat stops - dinner included for volunteers. Susan:familyministry@bethel-madison.org

Parenting Group

Meet at 8:30 am for breakfast and programs, **Oct. 15**, and on the second Friday of the month, **Oct. 14** for *Date Night*, 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm. Susan for info, 257-3577 x 336

Current Christian Concerns

Men's fellowship and discussion group meeting Thursdays at 7:00 am in the Library Media Room. *All are welcome!*

Oct 6 Just Who Really is Our Enemy?

Oct. 13 Stagnant Test Scores

Oct. 20 Teachers' Unions

Oct. 27 In God We Trust: Dominionism

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Oct. 5 Potluck at Bethel, 6:30 pm, followed by a bonfire at Picnic Pt.

Oct. 8 Meet at Bethel at 1:30 pm, travel to an Apple Orchard.

Concert Preview

MSOL invites Bethel members to attend a Preview **Oct.13** in Borgwardt Hall at 9:30 am.

Karl Lavine, Principal Cellist with Madison Symphony Orchestra, will prepare attendees for the Oct. 14,15,16 symphony performances featuring cellist, Lynn Harrell. Breakfast items will be served.

Business Christian Fellowship

Join this interdenominational, Word-centered group on **Oct. 13**, 6:00-7:15 am in the Pentecost Room. Purpose: *To encourage active business people to serve Christ in the workplace.* Dave Baskerville: 259-1233.

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 Second

Sundays: **October 9** and **November 13** at 10:30 am in Good Shepherd Chapel.

--Sponsored by Urban Site Committee

Friendship Club - Oct. 14 at 6:15 pm

You're invited to hear Bethel's own Patrick Kenney and Nathan Gerlach! Dinner of pork tenderloin, red potatoes, green beans, salad and dessert. \$8.00 members, \$10.00 non-members. Reservations by Oct. 11, Judi Griffin: 222-9290.



Oct 13 Middle School Ministry, pizza in Youth Room 6:00-7:30 pm, no charge

Oct 21 Haunted Forest at Schuster's Farm, 4:45-9:00 pm for grades 6-12 \$15.

Senior High group meets every Wednesday, 6:30-8:30 pm for "Hot Topics."

Anita: 257-3577, ext.344



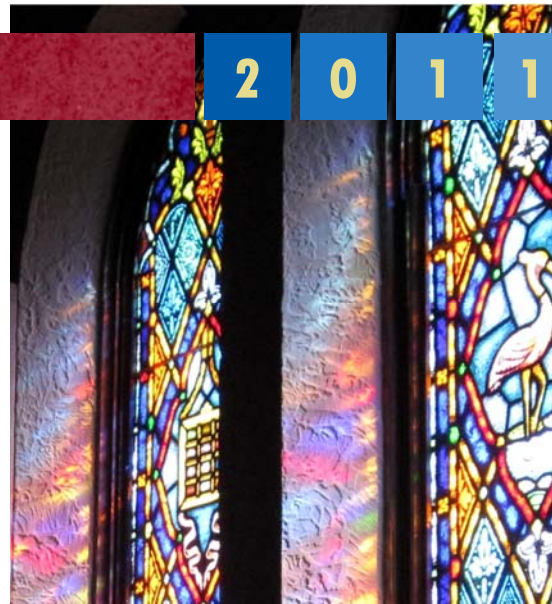
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Usher Group 3



Usher Group 4



Oct 9 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

- 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
- Third Grade Family Meeting (*Pentecost Rm*)
- 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*)
- Idea Session sponsored by Urban Site Committee (*GS Chapel*)
- PrimeTimers Meeting (*Rm 101*)
- Bhutanese Support Group Meeting (*Youth Rm*)
- 10:45a **Worship Service** with Third Grade Bible Presentation (*Sanctuary*)
- 11:00a Sunday School, bi-lingual (*Rms 204, 210, 212*)
- 11:45a Latino Children's Choir (*Rm 202*)
- 12:00p Bunting 25th Anniversary (*Fireside Gallery*)
- 12:30p **Worship-La Santa Misa** (*Sanctuary*)
- 1:30p Refrigerio (*Borgwardt Hall*)

Oct 10 Monday

- 8:30a Friendship Pad Volunteers (*Rm 104*)
- 10:00a Community Meals (*Salad Kitchen*)
- 12:00p BLCEF Investment Committee (*Rm 200*)
- 5:30p Refugee Support Group Meeting (*Rm 201*)
- 6:30p Seekers Circle (*Library Media Rm*)
- 7:00p Bethel Series-New Testament (*Rm 200*)

Oct 11 Tuesday

- 8:30a Homeless Book Group (*Rm 216*)
- 9:00a Library Open until 12:00p
- Statement Stuffers (*Library Media Rm*)
- 10:00a Homeless Support Services (*Pentecost Rm*)
- 10:30a Homeless Spiritual Support Group (*Pentecost Rm*)
- 12:00p Women's Coordinating Council (*Emmaus Rm*)
- MALC Meeting (*Rm 201*)
- 2:00p Homeless Ministry Board (*Rm 201*)
- 3:30p Southdale 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*)
- 6:45p Separated & Divorced Group (*Rm 101, GS Chapel, Library*)
- 7:00p Conversational Norwegian (*Library Media Rm*)
- 7:15p Bethel Horizon's Board Meeting (*Rm 201*)

Oct 12 Wednesday

- 9:30a **Worship Service** (*Good Shepherd Chapel*)
- 10:00a Homeless Support Services (*Pentecost Rm*)
- 3:30p Southdale After School (*Pentecost, Fireside*)
- 5:30p Bethel Ringers (*Rm 202*)
- 6:30p Hot Topics (*Youth Rm*)

Oct 13 Thursday

- 6:00a Business Christian Fellowship (*Pentecost Rm*)
- 7:00a Current Christian Concerns (*Library Media Rm*)
- 8:00a Grace Episcopal Church Meeting (*Rm 100*)
- 9:30a MSOL Concert Preview (*Borgwardt Hall*)
- 10:00a Homeless Support Services (*Pentecost Rm*)
- 12:00p Grief Support Group (*Rm 100*)
- 3:30p Southdale After School (*Pentecost, Fireside*)
- 4:30p Media Ministry Board Meeting (*Library Media Rm*)

- 5:00p New Member Class (*Library*)
- 6:00p Bible Study Dinner (*Borgwardt Hall*)
- Middle School Ministry (*Fireside, Game Rm*)
- 6:45p Bible Study Class (*Borgwardt Hall*)
- 7:00p Bethel Choir (*Choir Room*)
- Renew Circle (*Rm 100*)

Oct 14 Friday

- 7:00a Men's Book Study (*Borgwardt Hall*)
- 9:30a XYZ (*Fireside Gallery, Pentecost Rm*)
- 5:00p Luttrop/Rogney Wedding Rehearsal (*Sanctuary*)
- 5:30p Parenting Group-Date Night (*Fireside Gallery*)
- 6:15p Friendship Club (*Borgwardt Hall*)

Oct 15 Saturday

- 8:00a Bible Study (*Library*)
- 8:30a Parenting Group (*Fireside Gallery, Kitchen*)
- 1:00p Luttrop/Rogney Wedding (*Sanctuary*)
- 5:00p **Worship Service** (*Pentecost Room*)

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 8 5:00 PM
OCTOBER 9 7:55 AM 9:15 AM 10:45 AM

PASTOR PETER STROMMEN

12:30 PM-SPANISH PASTOR JAIME DUBON

Isaiah 25:1-9 Philippians 4:1-9 Matthew 22:1-14

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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