

Bethelite

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A Storied Season: Making Our Own Memories

Football season is upon us. The Badgers and Packers won their opening games. Spirits are high. Enthusiasm is in the air. Stories are being written. Memories are being made. One of the great football stories of all time involves coaching great Vince Lombardi. In 1958, with 5 future Hall-of-Famers, the Packers ended the season with a record of 1-10-1, the worse season ever for a Packer team. Then, Vince Lombardi became coach. There was an immediate improvement. In 1961, the team played in the championship game. While they led the game through 3 quarters, they lost to the Eagles in a heart-breaking defeat. The following season, players like Bart Starr, Paul Hornung, and Ray Nitschke came to camp expecting Lombardi to unveil some new innovation to take them to the next level.

Author, David Maraniss (When Pride Still Mattered: A Life Of Vince Lombardi), explains what happened instead: *“He [Lombardi] took nothing for granted. He began a tradition of starting from scratch, assuming that the players were blank slates who carried over*

no knowledge from the year before... He began with the most elemental statement of all. ‘Gentlemen,’ he said, holding a pigskin in his right hand, ‘this is a football.’



Lombardi celebrates championship

Lombardi was known as a man of mastering the fundamentals. The Packers went on to win the championship that year, and the next year, and several more after that.

At Bethel, we want to master the fundamentals of Christianity. We all know how challenging and difficult life can be. We all experience our own sets

of disappointing losses. At times, we might wonder what new trick, what new strategy, what latest innovation will lead us to victory. As individuals and as a church, we can wonder and watch for some new wrinkle to help us win the prize. But the answer for us is the same as for Lombardi: the basics. Rather than holding up a football and saying “this is a football,” in September we are holding up a Bible and saying “this is a Bible.” Then, we talk and teach what the Bible is, what it means, and how we can be captured by the raw energy of God through the scriptures. Next month in October, we’re going back to basics, again. We’re going to hold up the offering plate and talk/teach what stewardship is, how we follow Jesus, and how Jesus becomes more and more a part of our lives. Then in November, more basics, we will lift up the church and say this is the church. This is what it means. This is how we live together.

Doing church well isn’t rocket science. It is a matter of understanding the basics and making a commitment to serve

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Jesus. I love football. I grew up playing it. I also love church. I grew up in it. As we master the basics together, we will write new stories and make new memories. As we master the basics of being a Christian in Madison, we will create our own legacy. As we master the basics together, our story will be recounted and remembered years down the road as a source of inspiration and encouragement. Let us begin now the wonderful task of learning and practicing what it means to follow Jesus. 🌈

—Pastor Mike Brown



Come join in some musical camaraderie at Bethel.

Bethel Choir

Rehearsals: Thursdays 7pm-8:30pm

Where: Choir Room (lower level)

Women's Choir

Rehearsals: Tuesdays 5:30pm-6:30pm

Where: Choir Room (lower level)

Contact: Amy Hartsough, Director of Music

amyh@bethel-madison.org

608.257.3577 x424

Creative Worship Singers

Rehearsals: Tuesdays 6:30-7:30pm

Where: Choir Room (lower level)

Contact Katie Gerlach, Director
kathrynczechowicz@yahoo.com

Handbell Choir

Rehearsals: Wednesdays 6-7:15pm

Where: Room 202

Contact Carol Graves, Director
singsingsing@tds.net

608.220.4795

Strategic Planning

Where is Bethel headed? What is its preferred future? How do we get there?

Bethel has embarked on a comprehensive strategic planning effort to develop a roadmap into the future. In July, the Joint Council resolved to engage our Director of Administration, John Bauer, to facilitate this effort. As an independent consultant with expertise in nonprofit strategic planning and the author of a book, *Your Preferred Future. Achieved.*, John will work with a Strategic Planning Task Force to develop a plan which identifies what Bethel desires to look like in the future and the annual initiatives and priorities that will be required to achieve that future.

Participating with John on the Task Force are: Carl Davick, Mike Flint, Jenee Jerome, Jennifer Johnson, Kim Kindschi, Heather Moen-Rainwater, Jon Parker, Kathy Pielage, Scott Staedter, and Cindy Terhune-Melrose. The Task Force is meeting every other Monday to provide advice and counsel and to monitor progress. The goal is to roll out the strategic plan at the Annual Meeting in January and to implement it immediately thereafter.

There are three distinct phases to the work. The first part of the project is to evaluate the impact and sustainability of current programs and services. The second part will involve research into future trends to obtain a best estimate

of what the world around Bethel will look like in five years. This research will examine demographics, funding, human resources, the forms and types of ministry and community service that will be needed, and infrastructure support. The third part of the project will be to determine Bethel's capacity to actually achieve its preferred future. Along the way, we will also develop decision-making tools so that Bethel can readily adapt its plan and adjust to internal and external changes that may occur.

Members will be given opportunity to contribute to the planning process in a number of ways. An initial on-line survey is being constructed that will seek to measure the perceived impact and importance of the major ministry, service and program areas. For those not comfortable taking online surveys, guided on-site opportunities will be available on a number of Sundays in Oct.

Additional member thoughts, opinions and suggestions will be sought at later stages of the process.

For members who would like to know more about the strategic planning process at Bethel, John will be offering an adult forum at 10:15 a.m. on Sunday, September 22nd, in Borgwardt Hall. He will describe the process and provide opportunity for questions and comments. 🌈

—John Bauer
Director of Administration



NAMI Dane County Walk

Bethel members can make a difference Sun, Oct 6, by joining 1000 other people in the local chapter of The National Alliance on Mental Illness WALK. Bethel Member Donna Ulteig is captain of a team called Awesome Advocates and she is looking for team members to walk with her and/or donate to support her in the WALK. The WALK is a 5k and begins at noon at Olin-Turville Park and continues to Monona Terrace and back. It promises to be a perfect fall day!

To register to walk, go to the website, www.namiwalks.org/danecounty and click on register. Be sure to indicate that you would like to be a member of the Awesome Advocates team. If you cannot walk, but would like to donate, you can insert Donna's name in the search spot at the top of the walk page and follow instructions to donate to support her.

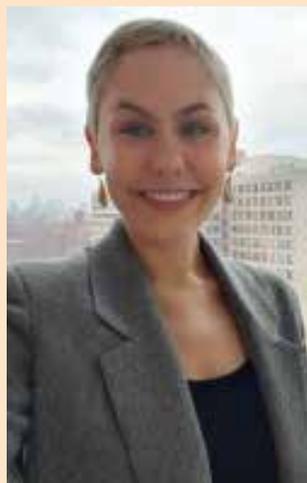
The National Alliance on Mental Illness actually began here in Dane County 40 years ago, and the organization now has chapters in every state. Originally started by a group of mothers of children with a mental illness, NAMI fought to remove stigma and to improve access to treatment. True to its roots, NAMI Dane County, with an office in the United Way building, has focused on education, support and advocacy for persons with a mental illness and their families. It operates support groups, has provided training to law enforcement groups, and takes strong positions on issues affecting this population.

If you prefer, you can contact Donna directly at donna.ulteig@yahoo.com with questions or for assistance. Let's see if Bethel's presence can make a difference! 🌈



—Donna Ulteig

New Director of Youth Ministries



We welcome Rachel Brown to the Bethel team as the new Director of Youth Ministry! Rachel brings so much talent and so many gifts to this position. She holds bachelor's and master's degrees in social work; her education and experience have taken her from New York City, where she worked with children and families who suffered losses related to opioid addictions – to Chicago,

where she counseled individuals with mental illness and also created an empowerment program for young girls in the city's poorest neighborhoods.

She has long been involved in the life of the church – creating music camps (she plays the piano and the guitar!) and leading worship. Most recently she worked as a senior counselor out at Bethel Horizons! In all of the spaces and places where she's lived and worked and studied, Rachel has made an impact on the lives of young people. We are thrilled that she has been called to bring her experience and expertise, her strong mind and deep heart, her love for the church and for its people to our community here at Bethel – and we give thanks for the commitment of her beautiful energy to the youth ministry here. Please join us in welcoming Rachel! 🌈

—Pam Shellberg
Director of Lifelong Faith Formation

Grief Support Group

As a follow-up to the **Walking through Grief** sermon series, the pastoral staff at Bethel is offering Grief Support Groups.

Details known at this time include:

- 4 Session Series; Sept 19 & 26; Oct 3 & 10
- Offered twice each Thursday
1-2:30pm and 5:30-7pm
- Materials will be provided
- Pre-registration is requested
- Maximum size of each group: 10 people

Please contact Pastor Margo (margo@bethel-madison.org or 608.843.3245) to register, or with questions.

Please know that we honor grief experiences of all dimensions, whether this is loss of a loved one, loss of job, change in marital status, or any other grief that is part of your life. 🌈



—Pastor Margo R. Martens

You Never Forget Horizons

Campfires glowed and song filled the air. Precious decades of old feelings were rekindled and everyone felt energized. It was the Horizon's 50th Anniversary Staff Reunion held August 31 and September 1. Over 140 former staff members, families and Bethel volunteers attended the weekend events, some traveling from as far away as Washington and California.

A sample of typical camp activities was offered, including tie dying, negotiating the ropes course, and exploring the nature center. An Amazing Race, a scavenger hunt, to find the unthinkable—a lost camper—struck terror in the hearts of these old counselors, who put their best efforts into the search. Another popular activity was the tour of Horizon's five fireplaces, all built with local stones and volunteer labor, lead by designer and project manager Bob Forbess and his original crew of Bill Wiedenbeck, Tom Griffin, Dan Ensrude, Gerry Myrdahl, Dean Selje and Barb Huberty.

Horizons served its traditional "Thursday meals"—grilled cheese sandwiches with tomato soup and barbeque chicken marinade with Horizons' original recipe, which are still favorites with this crowd. Following Saturday lunch, Horizons dedicated its newly installed solar panels on the roofs of the Art Ventures Retreat Center and the Prairie Center. Half of the two buildings electricity will be supplied from the sun. The dedication was picked-up by Madison's TV channel 27 and viewed on the 10pm nightly news.

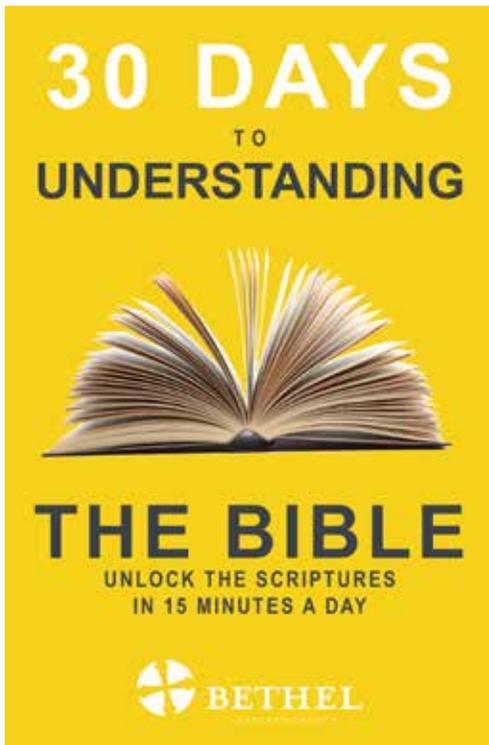
The highlight of the weekend was the Saturday night campfire. Divided into decades, each group sang and performed skits from their era. The group from the 1970's sang, "He is a Rainbow" and "If I were not a Counselor I would be"...an undertaker??? backed up by guitarists: Jack Salzwedel, Jean Salzwedel Voelkel, Charlie Peckham and current staff member Jamie Rotering. Not to be upstaged, Pablo Nelson, Brian Kulcinski, Soren Schoff, Kevin Cushman and others led their 1980's cohorts in a series of Call and Responses—peanut... peanut butter. And so went the evening.

Former Program Director, Pastor Joanne Richmond who serves in Lacrosse, WI conducted the Sunday morning worship service. Before leaving Horizons, Eric Volden gave a slide presentation, The Four Seasons of Horizons. Everyone attached a small meaningful piece of memorabilia to the outside of a large commemorative pot that will be fired and kept in the newly proposed Adamah gallery, which will be included in the addition to the Art Ventures Retreat Center, one of the 50th Anniversary building projects.

Promises of staying in touch and returning were made because, You Never Forget Horizons! 🌈

Campaign & Project Development Co-Chairs: Dale Mathwich & Jack Salzwedel. Committee Members: Eric Knueve, Executive Director; Sigrid Knuti, Dave Lombardo, Alice Mowbray, & Phil Pielage





The Bible. It's in thousands of hotel rooms. It gets sworn on in courts of law. We read it each week in worship. There is probably a copy or two in your home. But, how well do we really understand it. A majority of Christians in this country answer "not very well" to that question. Martin Luther's life was changed by what he learned in the Bible. But he spent his life studying it. What if you don't have all day every day to try to figure it out? What then? For all who want to understand the Bible better but do not have all day to do it, Pastor Mike is preaching a series of sermons just for you. Join us Sept 22, & 29 for **30 Days to Understanding the Bible: Unlock the Scriptures in 15 Minutes a Day**. You will walk away with new appreciation, new interest, and new tools for understanding this book that is the foundation of our hope.

New Sermon Series

Sept 21/22: What is true in the Bible?
Sept 28/29: What to do with the Bible

Living in Harmony with Nature and with Others

Caring for Creation (C4C) - With a series of forums over four years, C4C has lifted up environmental concerns as central to our Christian responsibility to care for God's creation. In the shadow of an ominous future if we fail to protect and preserve our planet, educating ourselves about how to do so becomes not only our civic duty but also an imperative of faith.

C4C's fifth year at Bethel will continue to present environmental issues of local, state and national importance. Authoritative voices with professional expertise will rely on scientific facts to address their assigned topics. To date, C4C has offered forums on transportation, various aspects of climate change, water issues (including two on Madison lakes), sustainability questions related to energy and to the food supply chain and others on defining a healthy ecosystem and the intersectionality of healthy food, land and water for Wisconsin's future.

In the coming year, we will hear about the relationship between extreme weather and climate change, the potential for nuclear power in our energy mix, land preservation, DNR's forward focus, and Wisconsin's increasingly salty fresh water.

In addition, C4C efforts have propelled Bethel's (and Horizon's) interest in solar energy for our campuses. Led by David Knuti and supported unanimously by the C4C team, three years of commitment have resulted in operational solar at Horizons in March 2019. This includes connections to solar installation and solar program development professionals, and enlightenment and encouragement of the Horizons Board and executive staff, led by Executive Director Eric Kneuve.

Efforts continue to explore in depth solar options for the flat roofs section of Bethel's building. In addition to the environmental education the C4C forums provide, facilitating solar installation at Bethel represents concrete action that benefits Bethel's energy costs, carbon reduction and public image as a responsible member of the Madison community. It also demonstrates how we live out our faithfulness to the Four Harmonies: with God, Self, Others and the Environment.

Caring for Social Justice (C4SJ) - This year, C4SJ has invited Dr. Karen Reece, VP of the Nehemiah Center, to offer in three sessions a six-hour public education workshop on Racial Disparities in the Criminal Justice System. Each session is two consecutive hours, delivered on Oct 13 and 20 and Nov 3 beginning at 10:15am. Participants can choose to attend either hour or both, depending on their church attendance preferences. In any case, they will learn a lot.

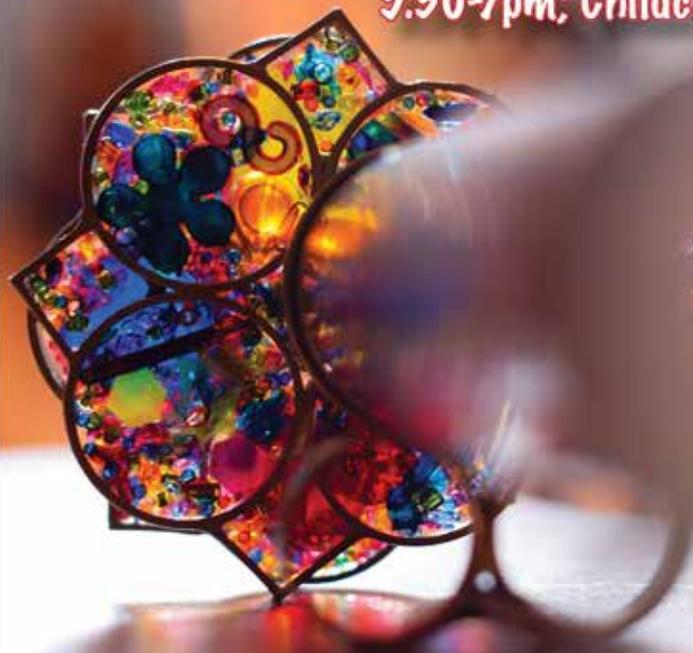
Workshop content focuses on the issues associated with mass incarceration, including its many race related consequences in the criminal justice system; purpose and programming in the prison system; and complexity in "community corrections" (life after prison under extended supervision).

C4SJ will also continue its Book Discussion group. Readings will enhance our understanding of social justice issues in our communities and inform our efforts on how to initiate or collaborate with other groups to address specific needs. Previously explored titles have demonstrated how the firmly acculturated beliefs that have built and entrenched systemic racism in our country developed from the very beginning. These beliefs and practices have made it so difficult for us to recognize, accept and resist racism – even in spite of our best intentions. This discovery process will continue to inform how we might address local issues.

You can share in these learning and growing experiences with C4C and C4SJ in Borgwardt Hall throughout the year. 🌈

Seeing the Bible Again for the Very First Time

5:30-7pm; Childcare and Dinner Provided



Led by Pam Shellberg

SEPT 18: How the Bible Came to Be (or, Scrapbooking Our Misty-Watercolored Memories)

SEPT 25: Old and New Testaments (God's Text Messages: OMG, ILY, BFF, and <3)

OCT 9: Thinking about Reading before Thinking about Reading the Bible

OCT 16: Mind the Gap / Form Follows Function

OCT 23: T/truth and Spiritual Imagination

Women's Retreat - A Joy to Behold

Please join us as we explore how to cultivate Joy. Will it be through *The Life-Changing Magic of Tidying Up* by Marie Kondo or *The Book Of Joy* by the Dalai Lama and Desmond Tutu? What does the Bible have to teach us about Joy? We will gather on Friday night for a light supper and great discussion.

Saturday morning, Pam Shellberg, Bethel's Director of Lifelong Faith Formation, will invite us to better understand JOY and help us identify ways to experience more joy and more happiness. Douglas Abrams, in his introduction to *The Book of Joy*, wrote, "Lasting happiness cannot be found in pursuit of any goal or achievement. It does not reside in fortune or fame. It resides only in the human mind and heart and it is here that we hope you will find it."

This invitation to Joy is open to all women. We will gather at Bethel Horizons at the Art Venture Center where we can have access to the art studio to create greeting cards. There will be time Saturday afternoon to create, hike, journal and explore. Bring your yoga mat. There will be an opportunity to learn about Reiki. Worship before dinner on Saturday, however, you are welcome to stay another evening. We invite you to come!

Psalm 46: 10 " Be Still and Know that I am God"

Our prayer is that you will use this time to be with the Creator in the beautiful surrounding at Bethel Horizons and that you will leave with a renewed spirit.

There are options to be at Horizons Friday through Sunday, or just one night or just for the day on Saturday. The prices are adjusted accordingly. Registration will close on October 3.

Register here: www.bethel-madison.org/womens-retreat 🌈

—Kathy Pielage, Retreat Volunteer Coordinator



Be included in the Bethel Lutheran directory

Lifetouch will be photographing all of our families for a new church directory.



What to expect

- A professional photography session, no session fees.
- View your images after your session and make your selections.
- Please allow for up to an hour from your appointment time to be photographed and view your portraits.
- You will receive one FREE 8x10 standard print and church directory plus other special offers.

Photography dates

Wednesday, Nov. 13th - Saturday, Nov. 16th
Tuesday, Nov. 19th

Tuesday, Nov. 26th & Wednesday, Nov. 27th
Saturday, Nov. 30th

Wednesday, Dec. 4th - Saturday, Dec. 7th

Wednesday, Jan. 29th - Saturday, Feb. 1st

PHOTOGRAPHY HOURS:

Weekdays: 2pm-9pm & Saturdays: 9am-4pm

Sign up for your photography session

- Go to www.bethel-madison.org/directory
- Visit sign up tables before or after upcoming services.
- Call Lifetouch at 1-866-756-0281, Monday - Friday 8 am - 4 pm

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Brat Fest Results - Over Memorial Day Weekend 25 Bethel Members worked 103 hours and earned \$827.92 for Bethel Horizons. A special thanks to all who worked in the rain and mud and to those who had their shift shortened by the weather. We really appreciate everyone who showed up and worked as long as they could. This year Metcalfe's introduced a new system for volunteer sign-up. If anyone has a comment you would like to make about that please let us know and we will pass it on to the organizers. Thanks again for your participation on behalf of Bethel Horizons and we will keep you posted regarding next year's event. Tom & Mary Anne Smith, matws@aol.com

Men's Current Christian Concerns (7am; Community Room)

Sept 19 - Mueller's Report Revisited

Sept 26 - The Electoral College

XYZ Activities: Sept 20: Chapel (9:30am) - Lois Seymour; **(10:30am)** - QiGong, Euchre, or learning/playing Bridge; **Lunch (11:45am)** - Chef's Choice, Dessert; **Program (after lunch)** - The Sound Billies - old tunes, bluegrass folk and blues music. **Sept 27: Chapel (9:30am)** - Ruth Hanson; **Book Discussion (10:30am)** - Leaving cold Sassy Tree by Olive Ann Burns, QiGong, Euchre, or learning/playing Bridge; **Lunch (11:45am)** - Build Your Own Taco Bar, Dessert; **Program (after lunch)** - Mission Friday: Packing laundry detergent for Bethel's Food Pantry & addressing cards.

Men's Friday Book Study (Sept; 7am; Rm 110) - we will begin discussing *Irresistible: The Rise of Addictive Technology and the Business of Keeping Us Hooked* by Adam Alter. Please join us!

Bethel Confirmation

- Suns, beginning with Sept 22 at 10:15am - Confirmation Module Offerings (modules are in-depth confirmation classes that will be offered on many Sun mornings from Sept-May and will focus on issues like "faith and life," "why confirmation," and other relevant issues. There will also be opportunities to participate in book clubs, Bible studies, and many other multi-learning styled activities.)
- Fri, Sept 27 thru Sat, Sept 28 - Confirmation Fall Retreat at Bethel Horizons
- Sun, Oct 27 at 9am - Affirmation of Baptism Service



Friday, December 6 | 1pm | Palace Theater in WI Dells

Back by popular demand! "Together Again" starring Wendy T and Dave Karl recreates the magic of Dolly Parton and Kenny Rogers, as these two seasoned professionals deliver the incredible songs and the onstage playfulness of Kenny & Dolly's "Real Love" tour. Dolly Parton and Kenny Rogers are each legends in the entertainment world with singing and acting careers that have spanned over 5 decades! In 1983 Kenny and Dolly toured together performing their show "Real Love" also known as "Together". With a long list of individual hits plus their exciting duets, including their #1 duet "Islands In The Stream," the show was amazing and a huge success!

Menu: Cobb salad, dinner rolls, thick cut pork chop, sweet potato and creamed spinach, Dessert, coffee, or tea.

Cost: XYZ Member \$27; non-member \$35 (includes bus, meal, show, taxes & tips)

Pick-up: Please be there 15 minutes early

West: Schwoeglers Lanes at 444Grand Canyon Dr. Bus leaves 9:30am and returns 4:30pm

East: Former Shopko 2201 Zeier Rd across from Firestone. Bus leaves 10am and returns 4pm

-----Please return to Bethel, ATTN: Sue Marking -----

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Pick-up West or East: _____ Amount Enclosed: _____

Seating: Floor, 1st tier, or 2nd tier: _____

Register by Oct 4 | Checks payable to Bethel XYZ

We are trying some new things this fall at Bethel - especially with respect to our youth programming. It is our hope that each young person that comes to Bethel confirmation or youth events feels welcomed, accepted, understood and appreciated. We will also strive to provide opportunities for growth, faith development, and service to others as we plan and implement all of our ministry programming.

Victory Choir (Sept 24; 10:30am; Oak Park Place) - The mission of the Victory Choir is to sing to shut-ins primarily at Nursing Homes once a month and to take a word of encouragement. On the fourth Tuesday of each month at 10:30am, the Victory Choir, consisting of about 25 singers, gathers at a designated Nursing Home in the area to sing a two-part program consisting of old favorite hymns followed by "songs you didn't learn in church," or as the members

call them, the “fun” songs. In a wonderfully unique way they touch the memories and the emotions of the residents. If interested in participating contact Connie Dreger at cdreger@madisoncollege.edu or 608.221.1754.

Blanket Workshop (Sept 26) - Anyone is welcome to drop in between the hours of 9am-2pm to help tie pre-assembled quilts for Lutheran World Relief. No sewing skills are required! If you can tie a knot you are qualified! We meet in Borgwardt Hall.

Widening Our Welcome at Bethel (Sept 28 at 3:30pm & 29 at 10:15am; Borgwardt Hall) - Join Pastor Mike on Sat (28th) and Sunday (29th) to discuss building a stronger bigger Bethel with an wide welcome to all people: black and white, rich and poor, married and single, gay and straight, Republican and Democrat, Conservative and Liberal, Disabled and Non-disabled, not matter what size, or shape. At Bethel, we want to live into the reality that we are one FAMILY.

Got Used Puzzles and Games? Please donate them to Bethel for Renew Circle's Used Puzzles and Games Sale, Nov 2-3. Used puzzles and games will be collected following Sunday church services on Sept 29, Oct 6, 13 & 20. Please bring your used puzzles and games with NO missing pieces in their boxes, taped shut, to our collection table. Donations made during the week will be collected at the Reception Desk. All proceeds from this sale will benefit Bethel's women who are willing to represent Bethel by attending the 11th Triennial Convention of Women of the ELCA, July 14-16, 2020, in Phoenix, AZ.

Bethel Bible Series Opportunity: A New Format - Beginning Sat Morning Oct 12

- No prior Biblical knowledge needed
- Study materials designed for lay person
- Commitment of 1 monthly 3.5 hour class (Oct-April)

To learn more stop at Bethel Series table in the Emmaus Room

Community Meal Program (Oct 14) - Bethel volunteers serve the Community Meal at Luke House, 310 Ingersoll Street, once a month. The next serving date is Oct 14. Please bring your food contributions to Bethel's main kitchen on the Sunday immediately preceding that date OR no later than 10am on the day of serving. Contact: Janet at 608.274.6745 or janetjohnson44@mac.com.

Special Horizons 50th Anniversary Website - Bethel Horizons' Board of Directors is making plans to mark the 50th Anniversary of Horizons' founding.

- **Oct 19** - Gala to be held in Madison.

Learn more about Horizons 50-year journey and the events planned for 2019, check out www.bethelhorizons.org/50th-anniversary

Feed and Read (Oct 21; Noon) - In *The Noel Diary*, Richard Paul Evans has written a novel that touches on family relationships, mental illness, hoarding, and forgiveness. This is a heart-warming story about acceptance and triumph over family struggles. We meet starting at noon on Monday Oct 21. Most of us bring a dish to share, but it's ok to just bring a bag lunch for you. Either way, we'll have lunch together while discussing *The Noel Diary*.

The Food Pantry is looking for plastic and cloth grocery bags. Please drop off on the table across from the Food Pantry on the lower level.



“Drop in the Barrel”
for the Bethel Food Pantry
September: Toilet Paper

Paws at Bethel



BETHEL
LUTHERAN CHURCH



Participating dogs should be current on immunizations and be neutered.

Sept 18 & 25
6-8:30pm

Join us for a series of Wednesday night gatherings to socialize with each other and our 4-footed doggy friends. There will be food, beverages, music, and fun dog activities. Dogs will be able to socialize freely in a large enclosure and humans can relax on Bethel's patio.

312 Wisconsin Ave, Madison
www.bethel-madison.org

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Beginning in tax year 2018, the standard deduction for single filers is now \$12,000 and \$24,000 for those married filing jointly. Single filers over 65 can claim an additional \$1,600, and married filers over 65 can claim an extra \$2,600.

VIEW MORE OPPORTUNITIES: www.bethel-madison.org/events



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Pastor Mike Brown - Sept 21 at 5pm - Pentecost
Pastor Mike Brown - Sept 22 at 7:45 & 9am - Sanctuary
Pastor Mike Brown - Sept 22 at 11:15am - Sanctuary

16 PENTECOST

Pastor Mike Brown - Sept 28 at 5pm - Pentecost
Pastor Mike Brown - Sept 29 at 7:45am & 9am - Sanctuary
Pastor Mike Brown - Sept 29 at 11:15am - Sanctuary

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

7:45a Worship Service (Sanctuary)
8:00a Coffee Fellowship (Emmaus & Fireside)
Bethel Choir Rehearsal (Choir)
8:30a Childcare provided 8:30am-12pm (Nursery)
Library Open (Library)
9:00a Worship Service (Sanctuary)
Installation Pastor Mike Brown
Rally Sunday
10:15a Weekly Bible Study (Rm 120)
Forum - Bethel's Strategic Plan (Borgwardt Hall)
11:15a Worship Service (Sanctuary)
Nurturing Ministry Team (Library)
6:00p Confirmation & Senior High Youth Quake (Youth Quake Room)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

12:00p Food Pantry Open 12-3pm (M-F) (Lower Level)
5:30p Daniel Plan (Community)
Strategic Planning Task Force (Rm 120)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

8:30a Homeless Support Services (T&TH) (Pentecost)
9:00a Library Open (Library)
10:30a Victory Choir (Oak Park Place)
5:00p Women's Choir (Choir)
5:15p Rebuilding at Bethel (Library, Rm 100 & 120)
6:30p Creative Worship Singers (Choir)
7:30p Worship Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

5:30p Seeing the Bible Again for the First Time (Borgwardt Hall)
6:00p Bell Choir (Rm 202)
Paws at Bethel (Parking Lot)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

7:00a Current Christian Concerns (Community)
8:00a Second Harvest Delivery
9:00a Blanket Workshop (Borgwardt Hall)
1:00p Grief Support Group (Library)
5:30p Grief Support Group (Library)
Daniel Plan (Community)
7:00p Bethel Choir Rehearsal (Choir)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

9:00a XYZ Activities

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

9:30a Food Pantry Open 9:30-11:30am (Lower Level)
3:30p RIC Educational Forum
5:00p Saturday Evening Worship Service (Pentecost)

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