

Stay Tuned to Bethel



A publication for viewers of

Worship at Bethel



How to pray: conversations with God

God has wired us for prayer. It is prevalent in every culture, every religion. Who people pray to may differ, but there is an internal desire in every human being to communicate with the divine. In fact, it's part of what makes us human. Animals don't pray. The reason is they are not made in God's image. But you are. There is something about you as a human being that corresponds to God, that



mirrors God, that reflects God. This reflection brings with it a desire to connect, to connect with God. Prayer is part of that connection. Learn more about prayer in these upcoming sermons:

February 26

Raising Your Hopes with Prayer

March 5

How to Set Your Mind to Pray

March 12

The Five Quantum Leaps of Prayer

March 19

Easy Steps to Daily Prayer

March 26

Made Whole Through Prayer

Save the date for music this spring

Mark your calendar for an inspiring musical performance at Bethel.

Verona Quartet

April 24 at 4 p.m., Sanctuary

We're thrilled to have the Verona Quartet at Bethel just a week before they perform at Carnegie Hall! Winners of Chamber Music America's coveted 2020 Cleveland Quartet, the Verona Quartet has established itself amongst the most distinguished ensembles on the chamber music scene.

The group will perform works by Grazyna Bacewicz, Ludwig van Beethoven and the contemporary pipa virtuoso and composer Wu Man.



Bethel pastoral staff

Mike Brown, Lead Pastor ✝ **Ken Schaub**, Visitation (Interim: part-time)

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Lent 2023

Lent 2023 began on Feb. 22 with Ash Wednesday. This 40-day season is marked by repentance, fasting, reflection and celebration. Lent represents Christ's time of temptation in the wilderness. Lent asks believers to set aside a time each year for similar fasting, marking an intentional season of focus on Christ's life, ministry, sacrifice and resurrection.



Join us at Bethel for special Lenten worship services.

Wednesday Lent schedule: March 1 – 29

11:30 a.m.: Soup and Salad

12:00 p.m.: Lent Worship

5:30 p.m.: Soup and Salad

6:00 p.m.: Lent Worship

Holy Week through Easter schedule

Good Friday, April 7

6:30 p.m.: Reading of the Passion

7:15 p.m.: Art Viewing, Stations of the Cross

8:00 p.m.: Choral Service Reflection

Easter Worship: Sunday, April 9

7:30, 9:00 and 10:30 a.m.

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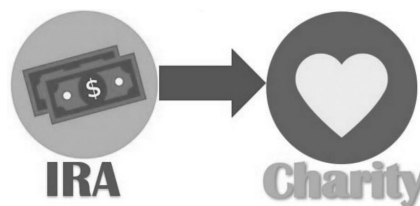
If you are age 70 ½ or older this year, it is the magic age for gifting from your IRA directly to a non-profit/charity – like Bethel! This eliminates the amount given as taxable income to you.

A Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) must be paid directly to Bethel to avoid being taxable. It's proven to be a great way for many people of that age bracket to provide for their church, many times in a more significant way than they were able from their regular income or other appreciated assets. (In a given year, up to \$100,000 can be directed from one's IRA to a specific non-profit

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Worship at Bethel reaches about 10,000 people each week – people who may not otherwise hear God's Word. The Sunday 7:45 a.m. service is edited and then televised. In Madison, the 30-minute broadcast is on WKOW channel 27 at 10 a.m. on Sundays.



Giving options include appreciated stock, qualified charitable distributions and monthly recurring gifts to help support this service of the word telecast. Call Alice Mowbray with questions or to learn more about giving options: 608-257-3577, Ext. 222.

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- ◆ **Dec. 18: In loving memory of Roger Loff** by his wife Lois
- ◆ **Jan. 1: In celebration of making the telecasts available to those who are unable to personally attend Church at Bethel** by John & Jan Wischhoff
- ◆ **Jan. 15: In loving memory of Ron White on his birthday** from Carolyn and his family
- ◆ **Jan. 22: In memory of Charles Thomley** by Jo Thomley
- ◆ **Jan. 29: In memory of Joseph Hoel** by Lorraine Hoel & family



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Bethel Lutheran Church calendar

2023 Sundays	First Reading	Second Reading	Gospel
March 5 2 Lent	Gen. 12:1-4a	Rom. 4:1-5, 13-17	John 3:1-17
March 12 3 Lent	Exod. 17:1-7	Rom. 5:1-11	John 4:5-42
March 19 4 Lent	1 Sam. 16:1-13	Eph. 5:8-14	John 9:1-41
March 26 5 Lent	Ezek. 37:1-14	Rom. 8:6-11	John 11:1-45
April 2 Liturgy of the Passion	Isa. 50:4-9a	Phil. 2:5-11	Matt. 26:14-27
April 9 Easter	Isa. 25:6-9	1 Cor. 5:6b-8	Luke 24:13-49
April 16 Easter 2	Acts 2:14a, 22-32	1 Peter 1:3-9	John 20:19-31
April 23 Easter 3	Acts 2:14a, 36-41	1 Peter 1:17-23	Luke 24:13-35
April 30 Easter 4	Acts 2:42-47	1 Peter 2:19-25	John 10:1-10
May 7 Easter 5	Acts 7:55-60	1 Peter 2:2-10	John 14:1-14
May 14 Easter 6	Acts 17:22-31	1 Peter 3:13-22	John 14:15-21
May 21 Easter 7	Acts 1:6-14	1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11	John 17:1-11
May 28 Day of Pentecost	Acts 2:1-21	1 Cor. 12:3b-13	John 20:19-23

