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Bethany Breezes

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President's Report

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Jesus said: "whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me will find it" Matt 16:25. When we lose our life to Jesus, we have it back forever with Him.

†nl`xZ`Mlml`2ZZ{b`©Congregation is voting on line (due to COVID19 pandemic) for council, congregation meetings minutes, & 2020-2021 budget. Tally is scheduled for June 28.

5| {xZMla: Bethany preschool is in summer session reaching families with Jesus love. 2020-2021 school registration: 99 TK-8 + 21 in process, 24 PS + 9 in process. Bethany worship services are back in church & are on line at GoBethany.com thanks to efforts of Pastor Pledger, elders, Katy Green, Libby Stringer, & other Bethany members. Pastor Phil's zoom Bible study of Philippians is very interesting: all are invited. Outreach Bible based classes: parenting, personal finance, exercise class, Saturday food & craft events need sponsors to organize. Your personal invitation can help friends & school families learn about Jesus' love for them. Kevin Shaw holds Bethany youth group on line. Janine Browne will distribute Bethany photo directory after adding photos of Pastor Phil, Cindy & anyone else who desires a photo. Talk to Hew Hesterman to help with outreach.

@Z, MxYab: God blesses Bethany congregation & keeps His work going forward. Bethany members donated \$107K matching fund toward the new preschool! \$19,280.50 is matched! \$300K is still needed to build preschool buildings C & D. GoBethany.com has a link to mobile cause options for donations. Thanks for putting the work of Christ first in your plans. Council realized that Bethany needs help during the pandemic when tuition & offerings declined. Bethany 1% interest forgivable PPP loan, through First Northern Bank, funded \$213K for May & June payroll, utilities, mortgage interest & then will be forgiven by the federal government. Talk to Curt Johnston, treasurer, to help with Bethany stewardship efforts.



Bethany property team, Terra Realty Advisors (TRA), MADI architects, Swank Construction, IC Engineering Geotech, Phillipi Structural, & Clabaugh Landscape Design work to complete permit drawings. Bethany congregation gave go ahead to construct building C&D when \$2.7MM dedicated cash is in the bank. Timing depends on city permits & fund raising efforts. Orchard property is in Escrow. The sale includes free lease back after escrow closes until new church is built. God continues to bless Bethany: consider \$700K net insurance proceeds + \$600K for 2 houses + \$2.4MM = \$3.7MM for Orchard property. A2R Architects is producing a new sanctuary rendition for Ulatis.

AT&T pulled in new optical fiber cable & cut it over. Electrical is maintained in place. Asbestos remediation is complete & building is demolished down to slab with utility enclosure left in place, ready to stucco.

Orchard: Thanks to Bethany preschool teachers for sorting materials stored in FH for sale. Thanks to all who helped with the parking lot sale June 20. Shed has new asphalt shingle roof & dry rot is repaired. Fellowship hall East offices need to be vacated July 15 for VUSD to paint & install new carpet. Contact Mike McCall to help with maintenance & projects.

Council manages Bethany business work flow & records retention: special thanks to Natalie Hart, Michelle Aas, Diane Irby, Curt Johnston, Shawn Sanborn, Carole Wilson, & Ron Shively. Meeting weekly with US Bank helps ensure tax exempt bond finance covenants are met. Refinance options are being explored with First Northern, Umpqua, & CITI banks.

Church council reporting: Ron Shively – President, Shawn Sanborn –VP, Carole Wilson - Secretary



From the Elders



"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

Declaration of Independence

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Our schedule has been continually put on hold, but please put Sunday, July 5th on your calendar. We will hold our meeting at 12:00 noon. Provided the weather is not too hot, we will hold our meeting at 12:00 noon. This will be an important meeting! We will be distributing our yearly funds and hold yearly elections.

LWML is looking for ladies to serve as leaders. Please prayerfully consider this opportunity to use your talents. Positions open are: President, Secretary, Treasurer. If you are interested, contact Carole Wilson, or come to our meeting.

Grant voting was held online voting in June. The grant voting was completed, thanks to the enormous effort of the District committee. The 2020-2021 Mission Goal is \$248,000 with 22 grants. Bethany's goal is \$3800.

Bethany's new goal is \$3800. The goal chart will be posted in mid-July and the new grant list will be included. Praise God for each Mite and please continue to fill those Mite Boxes. Let us show God's wondrous work to others!

If you have an idea for a mission project, please come to one of the LWML meetings. Many joyful hands are an asset and doing the Lord's work is rewarding. Praise God daily and encourage a fellow sister in Christ through the spoken word, cards, emails and prayers!

Carole Wilson – LWML President



St. John's Lutheran Church Youth Group

The youth group is hanging in there. The Youth group is still meeting every week via Zoom and doing a bible study. Thank you all that are doing it. We have a good time and we study the word of god. Kudos goes to Pastor Pledger for spending some time with the youth. We really enjoy his participation.

The Youth Group is taking a break over the Summer Time. Once restrictions are lifted, we will send out invites so we all can get together. We are hoping to meet as a group sometime in August. In the meantime, we just made a puppet video for the children's sermon and we are still meeting every Sunday on Zoom, the link to the Zoom Meeting is below.

@ 6:00 PM - We rescheduled our Mt. Cross Event where we will be doing ziplining and the ropes course. We will be going on @ 10:00 AM. This is an all-day event and will include lunch.

Be safe, wash your hands, practice social distancing, and pray to God and Jesus. We will see you all soon!

St. John's Lutheran Church Youth Group

Bible Study - Every Sunday Morning at 10:00 am on ZOOM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/810373457?pwd=Uzl3cWcrNzMrM01TWmMyWkY0WTg2dz09>

Meeting ID: 810 373 457

Password: youth



Preschool News

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The kids LOVED making “S’mores” mix for camping week. And they love riding their trikes in the courtyard and seeing Miss Cindy, Miss Paula, and Dr. Smith!

July’s themes are: God Bless America, Under the Sea, Down on the Farm, Going to the Zoo, and Oh the Places You Will Go

Preschool Building Demo



July Birthdays



Helen Granter	July 01
Leslie Unverferth	July 02
Darlene Conner	July 06
Theresa Hess	July 06
Kelly Bassett	July 07
Roseliz Kondo	July 08
Brian Kanagaki	July 09
Alexa Pittman	July 11
Henry Sanchez	July 11
Janine Browne	July 12
Michael Kostka	July 13
Betty Wiley	July 13
Teresa Denton	July 14
Bertram Gaulke	July 15
Sharon Millett	July 15
Fe Rittenbach	July 16
Marvin Braa	July 18
Georgia Henrich	July 19
Andrea Hofmann-Miller	July 19
Angelina Milian	July 20
Hilary Westcott	July 20
Rebecca Scully	July 21
Matthew Cole	July 22
Brandon Dickson	July 24
Barbara Bessemer	July 26
Camden Lamphear	July 26
Matthew Bowley	July 27
Richard Dabbert	July 27
Carol Ruiz	July 27
William Barbour	July 28
David Grundmann	July 28
Paul Liashenko	July 30
Marcella Barbour	July 31

God's blessings on June Babies!



Statistical Report- May 31- June 30, 2020

<i>Week #</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Worship Attendance</i>	<i>General Offering Weekly Giving</i>
22	5/31/20	Virtual- 102	\$11,240.00
23	6/7/20	Virtual- 72	*Combined with 6/14
24	6/14/20	Virtual- 51	\$12,006.00
25	6/21/20	Virtual- 47	\$3,706.00
26	6/28/20	Virtual-	\$2,613.00

Average weekly attendance for current calendar year: 128

Meet Our Staff

Senior Pastor- Pastor Phillip Pledger

Church Administrative Assistant- Natalie Hart

School Principal- Dr. Chris Smith

Preschool Director- Cindy Miller

*Bethany Church Council- Janine Browne, Hew Hesterman, Diane Irby, Curt Johnston,
Karen Loewe, Mike McCall, Shawn Sanborn, Ron Shively, Carole Wilson*

Bethany Elder Board- Don Fortin, Don Henrich, Rick Martinez, Jerry Miller, Jim Witt

Fellowship Ministry- Cathy Hesterman

LWML- Carole Wilson

Properties- Mike McCall

Youth- Kevin Shaw



WORSHIP ASSISTANT SCHEDULE JULY 2020

Sunday Services	7/5/2020 8:30 AM	7/5/2020 11:00 AM	7/12/2020 8:30 AM	7/12/2020 11:00 AM
Elder /Worship Assistant	Ron Shively	Keith Kondo	TBD	Rick Martinez
Ushers	Doug Conner and Devon Duncan	McCalls	Allen Owens and James Quashnick	Barbara Herman and Devon Duncan
AV	Debbie Duncan	Debbie Duncan	Debbie Duncan	Debbie Duncan
Sunday Services	7/19/2020 8:30 AM	7/19/2020 11:00 AM	7/26/2020 8:30 AM	7/26/2020 11:00 AM
Elder /Worship Assistant	Bob Johnston	Rick Martinez	Bob Johnston	Rick Martinez
Ushers	Marv Braa and Doug Conner	Kondo's	Allen Owens and James Quashnick	Leland Hesterman and Barbara
AV	Jim Witt	Coco Martinez	Jim Witt	Coco Martinez

