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Parish Administrator: Susan Rohan  
Youth Director: Kristin Rienhardt  
Bethany organist: Janis Campbell  
Lost Island organist: Tim Nielsen

September 2019



# CONNECTIONS

*A Monthly Newsletter Linking the Ministries of Bethany Lutheran and Lost Island Lutheran Churches*

Ah September! It's getting nice and cool...school activities have begun again, and we settle into a different routine. I always find the shifts in routine to be energizing for some reason. I look forward to the new activities that begin and the new routine. Here are some things you need to know from the Pastor's office regarding the month of September:

**Confirmation** - I am completing the calendar, and will have it ready shortly. There has been a scheduling change because we have two classes at Bethany this year. The first year class will meet in the Fireside Room from 4-5pm. CONNECT group will meet from 5-6pm. Second year confirmation class will meet from 6-7pm. The Lost Island class will continue to meet on the first Saturday of the month from 9-12. Classes will begin in October

**Noon Men's Bible study** Will begin on September 11th. We will begin working our way through the Book of Revelation this month. Please join us if you are able.

**Laker Life**- The Emmetsburg chapter of Laker Life will begin meeting at Bethany on Monday nights at 8pm. This group is open to all young adults. Contact Pastor Peter or Maggie Jackson for more information

**Bibles**- Third grade Sunday School students will be receiving their Bible during worship on September 8th.

**New members classes**- For those interested in learning more about Bethany and Lost Island, I am putting together a new members class. Typically we meet on one Saturday for a couple hours and then are received into membership during worship the next day. I am looking at either Saturday the 21st, or the 28th. If you are interested please be in touch and let me know which works best for you.

*Pastor Peter*

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# CONNECTIONS

Galatians 6:9

And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.



Genesis 8:22

While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night, shall not cease.



# VOLUNTEER

Help with youth group, Sunday school, altar guild, WELCA, be a prayer warrior, be on a board, help out around the church in some way shape or form.

Ask Susan how to get involved!

## Circle Schedules

\***Tabitha Circle:** TBD

\***Sarah Circle:** TBD

\***Mary Martha Circle:** 9:30 AM Wednesday, September 18th

\***Ruth Circle:** September 19th, 2 PM At Lakeside Assisted Living with Ruth Duhn hosting

## Morning Quilting

Morning Quilting will resume in September starting Monday, September 2nd at 9 AM

## Adult Bible Study

1st, 3rd, and 5th Wednesdays  
September 18th, 6:00pm

## Men's Bible Study

September 11th, Noon

## Parsonage Roof Project

Special thank you to everyone who has helped with replacing the roof on the parsonage. We are still needing financial help with the project. With your financial help we can be back on budget in no time at all! The total for the project is over \$13,000. Any donations to go toward the roof project will be greatly appreciated to keep the budget on task! Thank you, Thank you, Thank you in advance to make sure that our budgetary needs are being met!



## AUGUST 2019 Bethany Lutheran Church Treasurer's Report

Attendance average: 72

MONTHLY BUDGET NEEDS: \$15,239.17

	MONTHLY BEGINNING BALANCE	MONTHLY BUDGET	YEAR TO DATE BALANCE	YEAR TO DATE BUDGET
	12,453			
<b>INCOME</b>				
Offerings	7,564	15,240	158,657	121,914
Lost Island Miscellaneous Income Sunday School	8,700 0	2,600	14,500	20,800
<b>Total Income</b>	16,264	17,840	173,157	142,714
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
Personnel Expenses	6,018	11,344	77,118	90,744
Program Expenses	3,607	704	6,272	5,634
Office Expenses	551	858	6,753	6,864
Property Expenses	14,390	2,265	90,260	18,132
Western IA Synod	0	375	3,581	3,000
Damascus Road	50	50	635	400
NO ELCA Donations	0	100	949	800
<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>	24,616	15,696	185,568	125,574
Income Less Expenses	1,212			
<b>GENERAL FUND BALANCE</b>	11,074			

If you have any questions concerning the finances of the church please feel free to call me. Thanks! Susan (**August 31 payroll is not included in these figures**)

**Bethany would like to encourage online monetary offerings. The local Emmetsburg banks each provide a FREE online bill pay service which can arrange recurring weekly or monthly payments. If you need more information, contact your local Emmetsburg bank at your earliest convenience.**

## Council Members:

Do you have questions? Need assistance? Contact your council members and they will get you connected with the right people!

### Bethany

Angie Hetrick, President  
Joe Boeyers, Vice President  
Aletha King-Treasurer  
Stacie Fjetland, Secretary  
Pam Hermansen  
Chuck Duhn  
Dianne Hough

712-298-0331  
852-4192; 298-2142  
424-3611; 298-0684  
712-298-0887  
254-717-0787  
712-298-1027  
712-852-2169

### Lost Island

Troy Leininger – President  
Tim Nielsen - Treasurer  
Kyle Norris – Secretary  
Craig Thu & Steve Pitt – Trustees  
Alan Oppedal & Charles Henningsen – Deacons

# Youth News



Hello Brothers and Sisters,

A new school year has arrived! I am so excited to what a new year will bring and the change God will bring in and through the youth! I can't wait to share with these youth all of the things that God has laid on my heart!!!! I am excited to be here another year sharing Jesus with the youth and learning just as much in return.

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

**Kickoff to Youth Group!!** September 4th

**\*SACK (2nd-5th Grade)**-After school 1:30-3:00pm or 3:30-5pm

**\*Connect (6th-8th Grade)**-5:00-6:00pm *Note Time Change*

**\*LIFE (9th-12th grade)**- 8:00-9:30pm

**Noisy Offering**- September 8th

**Informational Mission Trip Meeting**-September 15th, After  
Worship for all eligible youth (current 9th-12th graders)



## MEMORIALS

In Memory of Evelyn Warmier:

From Robert Anderson  
From Wilma Nielsen to benefit the sound system fund  
From Jane Heykes to benefit the Quilters Fund  
From Frank and Marit Veltri to benefit the scholarship fund  
From Dan and Linda Umbrell, Paul and Teresa Saxton, and  
Angie Hetrick to benefit the Quilters Fund  
From Richard and Connie Hopper, and Laurie Hefty to  
benefit the Altar Step Removal Fund  
From Brian and Janis Campbell to benefit the Radio Fund

## Thank you

Thank you for all those that volunteered, provided food, and prayed for VBS. It was a space-tacular fun time!

Thank you to the volunteers who helped with the funeral arrangements for Evelyn Warmier. Your help is greatly appreciated!

### SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

**Rally Sunday is September 8th at 9:30am**

**September Memory Verse-Psalm 46:10**

**September 15th is the first Service Project**

SUNDAY SCHOOL  
OFFERING

\$300 GOAL FOR HABITAT  
FOR HUMANITY TO BUY  
MATERIALS FOR HOMES



**NOISY  
OFFERING**

**SEPTEMBER  
8th**

Towards the Sunday school  
goal to support  
Habitat for Humanity

**WILLING TO  
HELP?  
SUPPORT, DRIVE,  
DONATE, TEACH?**

**CONTACT  
KRISTIN**

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Friends of Sharing the Dream in Guatemala is a volunteer-based fair trade organization that works to reduce poverty in Guatemala through collaborative partnerships with Guatemalans. The partnership includes projects in communities in which we have artisans.



<b>ORGANIST</b>	Tim Nielsen
<b>ALTAR GUILD</b>	<b>September: Linda Pitt, Lavonne Mason, Courtney Cooke</b>
<b>READERS</b>	Sept 1 Charles Henningsen Sept 8 Tom Mason Sept 15 Alaire Nielsen Sept 22 Kyle Norris Sept 29 Karyn Leininger
<b>COMMUNION ASSISTANT</b>	Sept 1 Karyn Leininger Sept 15 Steve Pitt
<b>ACOLYTE</b>	Sept 1 Collene Cooke Sept 8 Miriam Hackbart Morlock Sept 15 Corrine Cooke Sept 22 Zac Sorenson Sept 29 Olivia Sorenson

***School and Personal Care Kits are being Assembled!***

Well... Not quite yet... We still need the supplies to put them all together!  
Can you help with this special project???

**Greatest Needs:**

- 70 count wide or college ruled notebooks
- Pencil Sharpeners
- Crayons 16 or 24 count

**Personal Care Greatest needs:**

- Towels 52" by 27" dark colored
- Bath soap 4 or 5 oz. individually wrapped
- Large tooth comb
- Metal Nail Clippers

**Baby Care:**

- Receiving blankets
- Hand towel-dark colored
- Cotton T-Shirts (will take onsies)
- Cloth Diapers-Flat fold only



Thank you so much for your help with this project!

# Church News

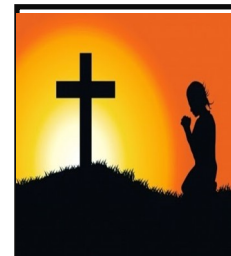
**WORSHIP-  
Lost Island  
Sundays at  
8:45am**



**WORSHIP-  
Bethany  
Sundays at  
10:30am**

Sunday School kicks off on Sunday, September 8th followed by church and the Rally Sunday Maid-Rite and Sundaes Dinner! Come join the fun and fellowship as celebrate the start of a new Sunday School year. Maid-rites, hot dogs, salads and sundaes will be served for a free will donation. Frank Veltri's Thrivent Action Team, the Evangelism Committee and the Sunday School Board are working together to make this meal possible. Monies raised will be split between the Radio Fund and Upper Des Moines for school supplies. Hope you can join us.

September 5th at 5 PM: Project making night with Connie Swan to present on her trips and adventures/show her unique bike. Special project is tied fleece baby blankets and lap blankets to be donated locally.



We remember those in special need of God's love and care including:

Maysen Theesfeld, Pastor Carol Lange, Susan Wheeler (Sharon Omundson's sister), Mica Theesfeld, Verna Hanson, Andrew Larsen, Linda Umbrell, Jim Willmore, Todd Frink, Kevin Schentzel, Shirley Knutson, Teresa Jensen, Phyllis Schroeder, Janis Campbell, Debra Zanfes, Fern Schmidt, Garwin Anderson, Lois Quam, Bob Mortenson, Lucille Anderson, and those we name in our hearts.

\*The family of Bob Steger as they mourn his father's passing.

\* The family of Evelyn Warmbier as they mourn her passing.

\*Our missionary: Courtney Davis in Papua New Guinea

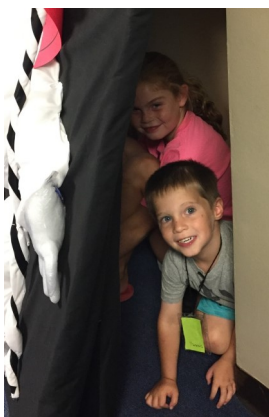
\*Our companion synods: The Southern Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania-Yakobi Parish, companion with Lost Island, Bethany, and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Chile.

## UDM school donations



Vacation Bible School is not all fun and games! This year the kids were asked to begin looking for donations for children whose families couldn't afford to purchase needed school supplies and give them to Upper Des Moines in Emmetsburg for the backpack program. The kids did a great job this year and collected the following:

\$115.34	Notebooks: 20
Loose leaf Paper: 13 packages	Folders: 12
Calculators: 9	Pencil boxes: 2
Erasers: 4 packages	Pencil sharpeners: 2
Scissors: 6	Rulers: 2
Markers: 9 packages	Colored Pencils: 8 packages
Crayons: 12 boxes	Pencils: 12 packages
Glue sticks/bottles: 8	Pens: 1 Package



What a great job the kids did this year for UDM!!!



**GREETERS:** Sept 1 Maxine Lashbrook, Elaine Nauss  
\*Bill & Eleanor Ortman  
Sept 8 Doug & Sherri Ort Family  
\*Dawn Daniels  
Sept 15 Joyce Froisland, Barb Haack  
\*Willard & Glenyce Schmeling  
Sept 22 Darlene Naig, Lonnie Naig  
\*Paul & Teresa Saxton  
Sept 29 Amanda Murray & Family  
\*Greg & Rachel Haack

\* Back door greeters please move to front door if no one comes to greet here

**LECTORS:** Sept 1 Jacki Ellingrod  
Sept 8 Logan Murray  
Sept 15 Kim Campbell  
Sept 22 Kristin Rienhardt  
Sept 29 Marit Veltri

**COMM. ASST.** Sept 1 Bob Andersen, Jacki Ellingrod, Kathy Mehan  
Sept 15 Kim Campbell, Pat Vician, Logan Murray

**ALTAR GUILD:** September Amy Malm

**USHERS:** Sept 1 Michael Jacobson \*Frank Veltri  
Nolan & Henrik Gustafson  
Sept 8 David Sidles \*Allen Will  
Hannah & Olivia Sanders  
Sept 15 Phil Andreasen \*Lon Twait  
Tate & Luke Carter  
Sept 22 Joel Saxton \*Danny Umbrell  
Liza & Josey Saxton  
Sept 29 Mark Evans \*Garwin Anderson  
Braxton Cooke, Cole Keller

**ACOLYTES:**

## Bethany Funeral Servers For Group IV

Dave & Elaine Sidles, Bill & Jacki Ellingrod, Jane Heykes-Co-Chairpersons

Bob Anderson	Betty Kunz	Josh & Holly Sidles
Jim Anderson	Maxine Lashbrook	Keith Snaveley
Ron & Sandi Chapman	Pat & Kathy Mehan	Frank & Marit Veltri
Kent & Belinda Davidson	Brent & Stephanie Mehan	Pat Vician
Robert & Shirley DePue	Don Nauss	Annette Peterson
Marilyn Eglund	Lois Quam	Jane Heykes
Steve & Becky Finer	Terry & Pam Rouse	Bill & Jacki Ellingrod
Carla Firkins	Mark & Darca Saxton	
Eric & Shelly Hanson	Fern Schmidt	
Angie Hetrick	Mark & Connie Schroeder	
Lorraine Johnson	David & Elaine Sidles	

# September 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1 Communion Sunday</b> <b>8:45 am</b> Lost Island Worship <b>10:30 am</b> Bethany Worship Backpack Blessing Sunday	<b>2</b> <i>8 pm Laker Life Group</i>	<b>3</b>	<b>4 1st day of youth group</b> LI Women's Meeting at the Nature Center SACK: 3:30 to 5 PM Connect: 5-6 PM LIFE: 8-9:30 PM	<b>5</b> <i>5-8 PM Ruth Cluster Project night</i>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> <i>Kourtney Clasing's Wedding</i>
<b>8 Rally day/1st day of Sunday School</b> <b>8:45 am</b> Lost Island Worship <b>9:30 am</b> Bethany Sunday School <b>10:15 am</b> LI Sunday School <b>10:30 am</b> Bethany Worship Noisy Offering-Habitat for Humanity 3rd graders receive their Bibles	<b>9</b> <i>9 AM Day Quilters</i> <i>8 pm Laker Life Group</i>	<b>10</b> <i>Cub Scouts: 6:30 PM</i>	<b>11</b> Men's Group, Noon SACK: 3:30 to 5 PM Connect: 5-6 PM LIFE: 8-9:30 PM Youth Board: 6:00 PM	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15 Communion Sunday</b> <b>8:45 am</b> Lost Island Worship <b>9:30 am</b> Bethany Sunday School <b>10:15 am</b> LI Sunday School <b>10:30 am</b> Bethany Worship Mission Trip Meeting-After 10:30am Worship	<b>16</b> <i>9 AM Day Quilters</i> <i>6 PM Night Quilters</i> <i>8 pm Laker Life Group</i>	<b>17</b> <i>Council Meeting 7 PM</i>	<b>18</b> Men's Group, Noon Mary/Martha Circle 9:30 AM SACK: 1:30 to 3 PM Connect: 5-6 PM Adult Bible Study, 6:00pm LIFE: 8-9:30 PM	<b>19</b> <i>Ruth Circle: 2 PM @Lakeside Assisted Living</i>	<b>20</b> <i>Articles Due for Newsletter</i>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> <b>8:45 am</b> Lost Island Worship <b>9:30 am</b> Bethany Sunday School <b>10:15 am</b> LI Sunday School <b>10:30 am</b> Bethany Worship	<b>23</b> <i>9 AM Day Quilters</i> <i>8 pm Laker Life Group</i>	<b>24</b> <i>Cub Scouts: 6:30 PM</i>	<b>25 10 AM Assemble Newsletter</b> Men's Group, Noon SACK: 3:30 to 5 PM Connect: 5-6 PM LIFE: 8-9:30 PM	<b>26</b> <b>WIC CLINIC</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29 Healing Sunday</b> <b>8:45 am</b> Lost Island Worship <b>9:30 am</b> Bethany Sunday School <b>10:15 am</b> LI Sunday School <b>10:30 am</b> Bethany Worship	<b>30</b> <i>9 AM Day Quilters</i> <i>6 PM Night Quilters</i> <i>8 pm Laker Life Group</i>		Confirmation Classes at Bethany will start October 2nd			Confirmation Classes at Lost Island will start October 5th