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June
Sunday Worship ~ 10:00 am
...warms the heart, feeds the soul.



BETHEL
-friends in faith-
 where we are making
 caring, outreaching
 disciples
 of Jesus Christ
for the
transformation
of the world...
 ...ReThinking and
 ReCreating
CHURCH



**PACKING DATES
 IN CHANHASSEN, MN**

June 2 9:30-11:30 a.m.
 June 9 12:00-2:00 p.m.
 June 23 9:30-11:30 a.m.

There are several times to share time at Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) in the next few months. If you have questions, please contact Joleen Carlson. Carpooling is available from Bethel UMC (Arrive 30 minutes prior to scheduled time)

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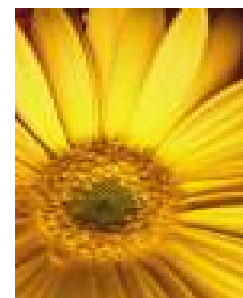
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THE BELLRINGER

NEW LIFE IS BUDDING

Our Mission Statement is to make caring, outreaching disciples of Jesus Christ.



The passionate people of Bethel have longed for an enhanced facility from which to enact ministry. And it is now coming to pass! It is a gift from God that we've been given, a sign of new life.

The seeds were planted many years ago with the hard work of the Administrative Building Committee, watered by the Crossroads effort which enabled an accessible restroom on the main level, a funded Youth and Christian Education Director position and Memorial Garden. And now we are on the cusp of actualizing the dream of making our church accessible through the implementing efforts of the Renovation Committee with the support of the members and friends of Bethel.

We are on track—Track Eight* to be specific—which is to ReThink, ReCreate Church, the framework for our ministry strategy for the next years ahead.

The Renovation project will not only expand our facility use for internal ministries but also enable Bethel to be a viable location for community outreach and service. We are in an ever increasing atmos-

phere of change culturally and these steps will enable us to meet those shifts and transitions that make living in the current atmosphere challenging.

Methodists historically are visionary people as we look to meet the needs of those around us and posit new directions for ministry. Wesley did this and so must we if we are going to cultivate and nurture disciples into this new century.

Our ReTHINK initiative compels us to focus our resources and energy on more outreach and mission work to meet Kingdom needs around us. Aligning the renovation with ReTHINK will enable our church structure to be a vital part of "being church" in the world. This will position us with a genuine, authentic and proactive stance for the future.

We sing "...unrevealed until it's season, something God alone can see." (Hymn of Promise, Number 707) God is making a new thing happen in us. Can you see it? Thanks be to God in Jesus Christ!

Pastor Cheryl

***TRACK EIGHT GOAL:** "To experiment with new models for ministry that will connect to new generations and people outside the church. This can be done by any existing church that is intentionally seeking to reach a new group of people not currently served or it could be as a whole new church start. These models could include things such as a house church, a new monastic community living and working in the urban core, a networked community through the internet, or any other of a multitude of ways to connect with people outside the church in this time and day."

Briefly

Strategic Planning

If you are interested in participating or contributing to the strategic plan—the particulars—note your thoughts and get them to Tina Goralczyk, Church Council Secretary on paper or via email ASAP. More discussion will take place at the upcoming Church Council Meetings. Next meeting, June 6th, 7:00 p.m. (FH)



Men's Golf

Interested in playing on the summer Golf League? Contact Ron Carlson at 952-491-6065



June 12th, Pentecost,

features a presentation of "Fruits of the Spirit" based on Galatians 5:22, by our children. Don't miss this cornucopia of delight!



First Out and About

June 8th

Meet at Bethel at 9:30 a.m. Contact Jessie Pinney for more information. 952-472-9801

RENOVATION UPDATE by Lisa Whalen

There was a **Special Church Conference** after the worship service on Sunday, May 22nd. This was the meeting in which the Renovation Committee shared with the members their final recommendations for the project. Minutes are posted in the Narthex or available on request.

Contractor: The Renovation Committee is securing Zeman as the General Contractor and Stan Morgan and Associates for the kitchen equipment. This recommendation came after the Renovation Committee members interviewed all three of the General Contractors who submitted bids as well as the two Kitchen Contractors.

Facets to the financing: Steve Pinney, Treasurer, is coordinating financing with the Finance Committee. The total loan amount that the congregation approved was for \$300,000. Part of this loan is a "bridge" between now and when the remaining pledges come in. The rest of the loan is the additional dollars (over and above the pledges) needed to complete the project.

Timeline: If all goes according to schedule the project should be under way by early June. But as we all know, construction dates are fluid and can and most likely will change. However, the goal is to have the project completed by Labor Day.

Remaining decisions: The committee is planning on holding a meeting with the kitchen equipment company and all interested parties; namely those that will be using the kitchen. In addition, a final selection for the appliances and all the storage units will have to be made. We will make every attempt to include every interested person. If you would like to participate in this meeting please let the church office know so that you are sure to be on the contact list.

Before work begins: The next steps are already in progress as this article goes to press. The General Contract needs to be fine-tuned and negotiated. Permits have been submitted for approval and drain-tiling and asbestos abatement will be completed prior to the "real" work starting.

Communication during renovation: Once the construction work begins, there will be weekly construction meetings and updates with representation from the Renovation Committee on site. From that meeting weekly updates will be posted in the Narthex, solely dedicated for the purpose of keeping you informed (behind coffee/treat table). Check out the Sunday bulletin and the church website as well.

Questions: If you have additional questions please feel free to call either Pastor Cheryl or Pat Goralczyk or any other Renovation Committee member. The Renovation Committee would like to thank all of you for your continued support and prayers.

Committee members: Pat Goralczyk (Chair), Lisa Whalen, Steve Pinney, Dewey LaGow, Ron Christensen, Janice Hurd and Pastor Cheryl

Sunday Highlights

June 5- 7th Sunday of Easter Holy Communion

Graduation Reception
Scripture: Matthew 28:16-20
Sermon: "Holy Boldness: Go and Come"
Special Music: Elizabeth Korzenowski

June 12—Pentecost Contemporary Worship

"Fruits of the Spirit" presentation
Special Music: Praise Team

June 19- 1st Sunday after Pentecost Trinity Sunday

Traditional Worship / Father's Day
Scripture: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13
Sermon: "What Goes Around Comes Around"

June 26 - 2nd Sunday after Pentecost

Guest Preacher: Tina Goralczyk
Scripture: Genesis 22:1-14
Sermon: "Have a Little Faith"
Special Music: Anastasia Korzenowski

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Greeter, Hospitality and Altar Flower Sign-up charts are located in the Narthex. Please offer to serve in one of these ways in coming months to make welcome new and old members and friends.

If your interest lies in the area of **car-ing for our children or teaching** on Sundays, please speak with Tina Goralczyk.

REJOICING!

A new lawnmower was purchased with the generous gifts of many and another was donated by Bob Merchant!



THANK YOU!

NEXT Bellringer Deadline: June 7th
Receiving earlier contributions is always welcome!
The Bellringer is available via email.

SAVE THE DATES

GRADUATION RECEPTION

Sunday, June 5th, 11:15 a.m. (Narthex)

Blood Pressure Checks

June 12th, following Worship (FO)

Safe Sanctuaries Training

June 26th, 11:15 a.m. (Library)

Presbyterian Homes Birthday Party

June 24th, 3:00 p.m. (OS)

UMW School of Christian Mission

July 12th - 17th

Vacation Bible School: "Shake It Up"

July 29, 30, 31

GROW

The Community Garden group is "plowing" forward, planting seeds with area residents working many plots.

QUESTIONS: Call Jessie Pinney at 472-9801.
CHECK IT OUT!

THANK YOU

Dear Bethel UMC,
Thank you for contributing \$144.00 in the past year to assist United Methodist Indian Ministries through our Native American Ministry Sunday.

Jim Allen and Eric Hucke In-dah-so gwaa-niib
Spiritual and Community Center
(Letter(s) are posted on the Missions bulletin board)

Bethel's APRIL EXPENDITURES 2011	
MEN'S CLUB	0.00
ADMIN & FINANCE	2,408.11
STAFF PASTOR PARISH	9,884.09
CONGREGATIONAL TRUST FUND	0.00
MEMORIAL GARDEN	0.00
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	(302.02)
SHEPHERDING MINISTRIES	27.80
MISSIONS SOCIAL CONCERNS	0.00
WORSHIP WORK AREAS	(606.40)
TRUSTEE'S	1,122.84
OTHER	0.00
Total Expenses	12,534.42
Total Revenues	14,326.85
Net Income	1,792.43

BOY SCOUT FATHER'S DAY FUNDRAISER



Father's Day, June 19th, after worship
Narthex and front entry of the church.

Menu Hot Dogs • Brats • Chips
Mac & Cheese • Flavored Drink
Milk • Cup Cakes

Scouts and adult scouts will serve and clean-up.
Proceeds will benefit Bethel!

Church Family Camp 2011

Bethel's Annual CHURCH FAMILY Camp
will take place again this summer at Northern Pines
Assembly Grounds.



August 12th through 14th

Please let Tyler Oberdeck know if you
have a preference over a lodge or a cabin. (952)472-1740

NEEDED FOR SPIRIT OF THE LAKES

The Shepherding Committee is looking for a small flat bed trailer to use in the Spirit of the Lakes Parade from July 1st through July 17th. Please contact Kate Fox (952)472-5626 or the Church Office 9952-472-1522 if you have one available.

FACTOID: In the month of April there were over 1600 copies made for the bulletins and 600 copies for the Bellringer. With every copy comes at least five minutes of prep time (creating, writing, designing, layout, editing, publishing and collating); an average of 185 hours per month of the shared effort of our staff and volunteers who make it all possible.

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