

# BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

March 2019 BEACON

## Ash Wednesday Soup Supper

Wednesday, March 6, 2019  
Serving from 4:30-6:30 pm  
at Bethel Lutheran Church

FREEWILL DONATION

Menu: Chicken Noodle Soup  
Chili  
Sandwiches  
Desserts  
Beverages

## February 13, 2019 Church Council Minutes, 6:30 pm

(to be reviewed at the March Council meeting)

**Present:** Allen Redman, Darla Drewelow, Michelle Rients, Carol Chapman, JoAnne Schwarz, Dale Krohn, Marilyn Ingalls. Absent Jeff Jacobson, Sherry Brouwer

**Call to order** by President Allen Redman "In the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen."

**Devotions:** Due to not assigning Devotions to anyone for February, Allen began the meeting with prayer. JoAnne will give in March.

**Treasurer Report:** Julia Dudley presented. After review a motion to approve the Report made by JoAnne, second by Dale.

**Approval of the Agenda:** motion by Dale, second by Marilyn.

**Approval of the January Minutes:** motion by JoAnne, second by Marilyn.

**Approval of the Special Council Meeting Minutes:** Meeting held following the Annual Meeting. Motion by Marilyn, second by JoAnne.

**Correspondence/Bill Approvals:** Allen presented Bible Camp correspondence our youth may enjoy. Tabled for later discussion. Pending bills were presented, discussed. Motion to pay by Darla, second by Dale.

**Ministry Team Reports:** Inclement weather prevented us having the monthly Ministry Team Meetings. No meeting reports.

### **Old Business:**

1. **Pastoral Needs:** Dan Frey volunteered to continue to line up fill-in Pastors. They have been secured through 3/10/19.
2. **Parsonage Update:** Replacing worn carpets are the main item that will have to occur.
3. **A Communion Traveling Set** is in need of replacement. Council agreed & a new set will be purchased.
4. **CD/DVD Burner:** A 5-disk CD/DVD burner will be purchased so recording of Church Services, etc. can be made available & delivered as needed. The estimate cost is around \$235. Motion to purchase by Carol, second by Darla.

### **New Business:**

1. **Assign liaison Council Members to Ministry Teams:** Preliminarily Dale & Michelle will be on the Property Committee; Marilyn will switch to the Children & Youth; Jeff & Allen on Benevolence; Sherry & Carol on Social Concerns; Darla on Outreach & Fellowship. When Time & Talent Sheets are compiled changes may occur.
2. **Minister to Shut-ins:** We need volunteers to make visits to Shut-ins. Dale will contact families to define need & further discussion will then ensue.
3. **Communication:** Discussed the importance of publicizing & communicating all Church events being held so Church Services, Meetings, Choir, social events, etc. can be published in the Beacon & weekly Service Bulletins. It's also important for the volunteers who manage the opening &

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closing of the church premises to know about the events to ensure the Church is open at the required times. In addition, when events are postponed, cancelled, etc. we need to have an expedient process in place so those changes are communicated. It was decided we'd publicize a reminder in the Service Bulletins in February & through March as well as the March Beacon. This will be tabled for further discussions on available communication options.

4. **March Ministry Team Meeting date change:** Because of the March 6<sup>th</sup> Ash Wednesday Worship Service the monthly reoccurring Ministry Team Meeting will be moved to Thursday March 7<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 pm. Motion by Dale, second by Marilyn.
5. **Ash Wednesday Soup Supper:** Council discussed the possibility of having the annual Soup Supper. It was decided Sunday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, Allen would announce at Church we were looking for volunteers to prepare the soup, sandwiches & desserts, as well as volunteers to set up and clean up afterward. It would also be put in the Sunday 2/17 bulletin. If anyone is interested in volunteering, they are asked to speak with Marilyn Ingalls immediately following 2/17 worship services. If sufficient volunteers are not available, we will not be having an Ash Wednesday Soup Supper this year.
6. **Service time for Lenten Services beginning 3/10/19:** After discussion, Dale made a motion & Michelle second to have Lenten Services @ 6 pm Sunday evenings with a luncheon, provided by BLCW Serving Teams, to follow. Pastor Craig will be officiating.
7. **Church Council Installation:** Church Council Installation will be Sunday 2/24. All Council should plan to participate in the Installation. Motion by Carol, second by Darla.
8. **Call Committee:** A Skype interview is being held with a prospective Pastoral candidate.
9. **Website Updates:** We had a brief discussion on website updates.
10. **Easter Breakfast 4/21/19:** Diane Buss will be contacted to see if she would cater Easter Breakfast prior to Church Services. (Update – Diane said yes.)
11. **March Beacon:** Jenny Hansmann needs all the information/updates no later than 2/20.
12. **Daylight savings time** begins March 10<sup>th</sup>.

Motion to adjourn by Dale, second by Darla. Closing Prayer/The Lord's Prayer

**Communion Assistants: February:** Michelle Rients; **March:** Carol Chapman/Dale Krohn  
(an updated 2019 schedule for Communion Assistants was distributed)

Submitted by Carol Chapman, Recording Secretary

## Call Committee Update

The Call committee will be interviewing a candidate in the near future. We had planned on having the interview on February 24<sup>th</sup> but had to reschedule because of the weather. Please keep your prayers coming that the interview goes very well. Also keep all the great guest Pastors we have had in the past few weeks and upcoming weeks in your prayers. We have been blessed to have all the Pastors willing to help us during this transition.

Jeremy

## Ministry Teams

Plan to gather in the sanctuary on **Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm** for a short opening before splitting into individual teams with a Council Liaison.

## "The Story" Schedule

(Anyone can join at any time, books are available for purchase for \$9)

March 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Chapter 17, The Kingdoms' Fall
March 10 <sup>th</sup>	Chapter 18, Daniel in Exile
March 17 <sup>th</sup>	Chapter 19, The Return Home
March 24 <sup>th</sup>	Chapter 20, The Queen of Beauty and Courage
March 31 <sup>st</sup>	Chapter 21, Rebuilding the Walls

## Worship Assistant Schedule for March--Worship Service 9:00 am

	March 3	March 6, 7:00 pm Ash Wednesday	March 10	March 17	March 24	March 31
USHERS	Jeff Johnson	Dan Frey	Dennis & Bonnie Gerloff			Dennis & Bonnie Gerloff
ORGANISTS/PIANISTS	Janet Mennen/Sharleen Hubbard					
ALTAR GUILD	Rachael Redman					
GREETERS	Terry & Darla Drewelow		Henry & Janice Gerloff	Jeff & Pam Jacobson	Jeff & Diane Johnson	Vern & Marilyn Ingalls
LECTORS	Dave Hubbard		Steve Brouwer	Candy Krohn	Dan Frey	Darla Drewelow
LITURGISTS	Sharleen Hubbard		WOV	Dale Krohn	Michelle Rients	Hymn Sing
ACOLYTES	Corryn Mann	Ava Mann	Gavin Bernard	Evan Palmer	Corryn Mann	Ava Mann
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	Carol Chapman/ Dale Krohn	Carol Chapman/ Dale Krohn		Carol Chapman/ Dale Krohn		
COFFEE FELLOWSHIP						

### February Summary of Attendance and Financial Contributions

	Attendance	Bene./Mission	Current	Building Maintenance
<b>Sunday, February 3</b>	64	\$164.06	\$1,781.36	\$0.00
<b>Sunday, February 10</b>	49	\$143.00	\$1,912.00	\$0.00
<b>Sunday, February 17</b>	38	\$33.50	\$1,081.70	\$0.00
<b>Sunday, February 24</b>	No worship service due to a blizzard.			
<b>January 1-February 24, 2019</b>		\$928.52	\$12,450.06	\$0.00

### March Birthdays

5 – Jim Lupkes  
 6 – Abigail Hamilton  
 7 – Ben Frieling  
 7 – Ruth Zacharias  
 11 – Ian Muller  
 20 – Dennis Gerloff  
 20 – Cindy Simon  
 26 – Carol Chapman  
 26 – Ryan Bixby  
 27 – Lee Aalfs  
 28 – Harvey Peters  
 31 – Michelle Rients

### Organized Prayer for Bethel Families

**Week of March 3** – Allen & Rachael Redman, Nate, Chad & Sarah; Roger & Doralene Renken; Jon & Tricia Jacobson, Anna, Wesley & Lauren; Jim & JoAnne Schwarz; Jeff & Diane Johnson

**Week of March 10** – Bob & Connie Rule; Jeff & Pam Jacobson; Darlene Johnson; Joel & Diane Buss; Pat Rule

**Week of March 17** – Merle & Merna Schrage; Jeremy & Jennifer Buss, Benne & Savannah; Brad & Lindey Hedrick & family; Ryan & April Schrage, Rylie & Reygan

**Week of March 24** – Joan Schuck; Shannon & Natalie Spree, Ethan Allen; Matt & Nora Stahlhut, Zachary & Mystica Harreld

**Week of March 31** – Molly O'Brien Brouwer, McKenzie, Jessie & Jaycee; Steve & Sherry Brouwer; Jean Scully

### March Anniversaries

5 – Bruce & Cindy Simon (37)  
 8 – Ted & Faye Tuitjer (60)  
 12 – Bill & Irene Senne (58)  
 17 – Bill & Jackie Hager (18)  
 20 – Jim & Eileen Lupkes (53)  
 24 – Randy & Connie Luhring (35)

## March 2019 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 9:00 am Worship/Holy Communion/ World Hunger Sunday 10:00 am Coffee 10:15 am Sunday School/"The Story" Adult Class	4	5	6 4:30-6:30 pm Soup Supper 7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Communion Service	7 9:00 am Quilting 7:30 pm All Ministry Teams	8	9
10 <b>DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS</b> 9:00 am Worship 10:00 am Coffee 10:15 am Sunday School/"The Story" Adult Class 6:00 pm Lent Service w/light lunch	11	12	13 6:30 pm Senior Choir 7:30 pm Church Council	14 9:00 am Quilting	15	16
17 9:00 am Worship/Holy Communion/ Noisy Nickels 10:00 am Coffee 10:15 am Sunday School/"The Story" Adult Class 6:00 pm Lent Service w/light lunch	18	19	20 6:30 pm Senior Choir	21 9:00 am Quilting 1:00 pm Ladies Bible Study @ Darla Drewelow's Home	22	23
24 9:00 am Worship 10:00 am Coffee 10:15 am Sunday School/"The Story" Adult Class 6:00 pm Lent Service w/light lunch	25	26	27 6:30 pm Senior Choir	28 9:00 am Quilting	29	30
31 9:00 am Worship/Hymn Sing 10:00 am Coffee 10:15 am Sunday School/"The Story" Adult Class 6:00 pm Lent Service w/light lunch		<b>Communication Reminder</b> Please let the church office know when any events such as committee meetings, choir, call committee, etc. are being held, postponed or changed so that the event can be put in the bulletin if at all possible. That way everybody knows when events are being held and, if they have something to add to that event, they know who to contact. This would also help Terry Drewelow to make sure the church is open.				