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Pastor Russ' Reflections...

Dear Saints of the Lord,

Mr. Bumble, a character in the novel *"Oliver Twist"* by Charles Dickens, says, "Tears aren't all bad...crying opens the lungs, washes the countenance, exercises the eyes, and softens the temper...so cry away!"

There are different kinds of tears. Tears of joy. Tears of sadness. Apparently, God placed within each one of us the capacity to cry. Tears are the natural lubrication for our eyes. And maybe they are the natural lubrication for our emotions and spirit as well.

On All Saints Sunday, Nov. 2nd, we will be remembering with a beautiful candlelighting ceremony those who have died in the Lord in this past year - those members of Bethania Lutheran Church and those from among our circle of family and friends. And we will be remembering those loved ones we still miss who have been gone from us for some time as well as all of the saints who have inspired faith over the past 2,000 years.

I would expect there will be some tears of sadness on this day. We miss these dear ones for good reason. They were spouses, parents, children, and friends. They loved us and we loved them. So, it is a natural, God-given gift, to cry. We needn't be embarrassed nor ashamed to "cry away." Crying gives expression to our souls and reminds us that we are living, feeling human creatures.

In Revelation 21, we read something quite remarkable. In this passage, at the very end of the entire Bible, there is a promise. And the promise says that God Himself will wipe away every tear from our eyes. What an image of a very personal God. God doesn't send the angels to do it nor the disciples. God Himself wipes away the tears. When we arrive at heaven's home, God ensures that our tears of sadness are replaced by tears of inexpressible joy.

By this promise, you and I live in the confidence of a holy and certain hope. We continue our pilgrimage on this earth, walking in faith, trusting in God's goodness, and encouraged by the memories of those who have journeyed ahead of us. And someday, we shall see our beloved again. And this is precisely why tears aren't all bad.

In Christ,
Pastor Russ

All Saints' Day

Remembering all who are with the Lord in heaven's home with a special lighting of candles for those who passed to their new life this last year: Helen Andersen, Bent Jensen, Bob Rasmussen, Risse Wilson, Reed Farris, Eberlee Marie Wilson, Joe Roark, Lorraine Anderson, Kurt Hoj, Helga Hoyer Fontes, Hannah Marie Schaub, Harmon Smith, Erik Kargard, Carl Christensen, Nancy Blanton Smith, Ruth Stefanycia, Marilyn Juncker, Bent Jensen, Frank Allee, and Bernice Dotz. To include someone on this list, please contact Ruth Plambeck, 688-2136.

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Annual Meeting—Nov. 9, 2014

Opening Song

Prayer

Call to Order

Approval of Minutes:

 Congregational Meeting Pt. 2, February 9, 2014

 Special Congregational Meeting—June 8, 2014:

 One-Year Call of Pastor Russ Gordon

 Special Congregational Meeting - August, 17, 2014:

 Approval of Funds for Preschool Building

Stewardship presentation:

 Distribution of commitment cards

Treasurer’s Report:

 Presentation of Budget for 2015

Action Items:

 Approval of 2015 Budget

 Election of new members of Endowment Committee

 Election of new members of Church Council

Congregational Input

Congregational Updates

 Our 5 Goals

 Preschool Building

 Call Committee

 Floor refinishing

 Memorial Fund Committee

 Presentation of Bethania’s new website

Closing Song

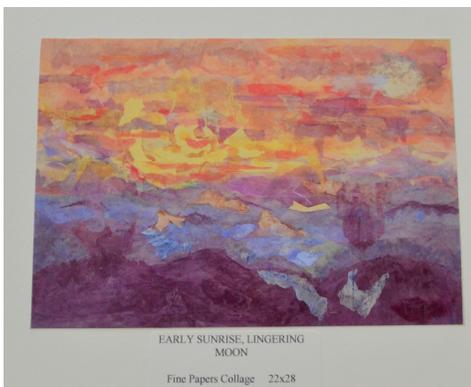
Prayer

Adjournment

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The Central Coast Conference Meeting will be Saturday, Nov. 15 at 9:00 am at Bethel Lutheran Church, Templeton The theme of the meeting is **“The Generous Life.”** Hear about the amazing generosity of our congregations. In this time of drought, when we feel the lack of rain in the fields and people in our pews, we can begin to feel as if we have nothing to offer. Yet when the *Generous Life* leaders sat down and talked to pastors and lay leaders throughout the synod we heard story after story of abundance! We will share some of the stories we’ve heard, and listen to some of your stories too! The feast is spread before us, come, eat and live! The emphasis is on stewardship and developing a spirit of generosity and sharing in our congregations.

Art Show at Bethania — “To Everything There is a Season”



On Sunday, Nov. 23, Teddi Steyers will display some of her art work at Bethania in the Parish Hall during coffee time. Teddi and her husband Martin are new residents at Atterdag Village of Solvang. Much of her art falls under the theme of “To Everything There is a Season” and is a lovely depiction of nature: “Harvest Moon,” “Early Sunrise, Linging., Moon.” Teddi captures these images in mixed media collage, oil on paper, and bamboo and paper.



Teddi said this about her work: “My work is a response to those surprises of nature which gift us into meditation and celebration; a dance amid the beauty and design of natural forms and color. My intent is to share the personal experience and perhaps to lead the viewer into the garden. You are simply invited to your own reflection and response.”

We look forward to Nov. 23 when we can see these works of art in full display.

Book Study

The book group meets on Wednesday, Nov. 19 at 2 pm in the Fireside Room and is reading and discussing Of Pharaohs and Kings - Whence the Exodus," an article from the Reform Jewish Quarterly. If you would like a copy of the article, please contact Kristyl in the church office and she will email you a copy or mail you one.

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Council Highlights—Oct. 16, 2014

*Approved inclusion of a part-time Family Ministry Director in the 2015 church budget (\$25,000) and increased Member Offerings by \$25,000. Council and Pastor Gordon challenged themselves to financially support this position. They ask each household to prayerfully consider how they can help financially so the church can meaningfully support our children and teens and their families.

*Stewardship materials will be distributed on Sunday, Nov. 9 and Commitment Sunday will be Nov. 23.

*The Nominating Committee is recruiting new members for Council (2), for the Cemetery Committee (1 or 2) and the Endowment Committee (2). Please contact co-chairs, Diana Boltz and Babara Kargard, if you are willing to be nominated and to serve if elected.

*Approved the Endowment Committee's recommendation that it expend \$3,000 for annual Mission Support via Synod for Luterana Iglesia Santa Cruz. This implements our long standing commitment to this mission church in Santa Maria.

*Annalisa Nearn, Treasurer, reported that the Operating Fund's September net balance was -\$3,012 and that the YTD net balance was -\$958.93. She anticipates that, barring unforeseen emergencies, the year end balance will be positive.

*Following a second blockage of church building toilets, the Mr. Rooter firm was hired to do an even more thorough clean out of plant roots. They have recommended periodically checking the sewer lines as the drought has made plant roots more tenacious. Special thanks to the McConnell family for their emergency work on Danish Days weekend.

*For those of you who have noticed the dryness of the beautiful church doors, the Property Committee is asking Fine Wood Interiors to recommend treatment for the doors and the altar when they are refinishing the sanctuary floor later in October.

Nancy Emerson
Church Council Secretary

Danish Sisterhood Christmas Party



It gives us great pleasure to once again have our "Annual Sisterhood Christmas Party" on Sunday, December 14th. We are so pleased that the Church will join us in celebrating our Danish "Traditional Christmas" party with dinner, singing and dancing around our "new" tree and of course that special visit from Santa. The Sisterhood will also have their "Christmas Boutique" set up with homemade Danish treats and items for the holidays.

Adult dinner tickets are \$10.00 each and children 10 years and under \$5.00 – Doors open at 6pm. Tickets are available at The Home Connection, 425 Alisal (across from Solvang Post Office) 686-4553, Or you can send a check with your reservation to Julie Vandecar (1518 Mission Dr. Solvang 93463) 693-9465. We will also have tickets available to purchase after church service on Sundays starting November 16th.

Please make your reservations before December 7th space will be limited.

Hope to see you there,
Danish Sisterhood Lodge

Also, thanks to the Danish Sisterhood and Betty Madsen who paid for half of the new Christmas tree. The Church paid for the other half.

***“The Future of Bethania Lutheran Church...
...is in Your Hands”***



***“Giving while we’re Living, so we’re Knowing where it’s Going”
A 2-Part Stewardship Plan***

Part One – Our Tithes and Offerings for 2015

The Challenge – To increase our giving by 10% to meet the needs in calling a full-time pastor mid-year and to hire a Family Ministry Director to assist in our outreach to Bethania’s children, youth and parents.

The Plan – Every Sunday in November, we will hear a personal reflection from one of our members on “What Bethania Lutheran Church Means To Me.”

On Sunday, November 9th, each household receives their Commitment Packet, including a pledge card for 2015.

Sunday, November 23rd is Commitment Sunday as we present our financial pledges to the Lord.

Part Two – Leaving a Legacy through an Estate Gift

The Challenge – For 25 member households to commit to a future gift for Bethania Lutheran Church in their Estate Planning.

The Plan – For member households to meet with Mr. Greg Shepherd, Regional Gift Planner for the ELCA Foundation, in January and look at the many ways an individual can leave a legacy gift to the Bethania Endowment or Heritage Fund.

A Personal Note from Pastor Russ –

Many of you sense as I do...that Bethania is at a very important moment in its life and ministry. In some ways, we are at a crossroads. The intersection of these roads will make us choose between two paths - the road of gradual aging and decline. Or, the road of investing toward a future where more of our young families are involved and that Bethania will continue to play a foundational role in this community.

Our 2015 Mission and Ministry budget presents us with the option of the second path...the hiring of a part time person to assist us in reaching out to our younger families. And, the 2nd part of our stewardship effort calls for ensuring that Bethania will be a vital part of this community for another 100 years.

Jeanie and I want to join you in this investment. We will be increasing our giving to the congregation by 10% starting right now. And we will be including in our wills a gift to Bethania.

Please consider joining us so that the road taken is the brighter one of promise in God's ongoing work at Bethania Lutheran.

Halloween Party Thanks



Thanks to all who volunteered their time and talents to making the Halloween Party happen. We had over 100 people of all ages attending, with the majority of the children being Preschool families. It was a fun night for everyone.

The highlights of the evening included a variety of costumed children and adults, including Minions from “Despicable Me”, Princesses, a Policewoman, Witches, the cutest Ladybug, Cowboys and plenty more, and the winners of the most adorable babies be-

ing the Abello twins, as a Lion (Tristan) and an Elephant (Skylar) and Brianna Thompson, the Energizer bunny (with carrot). The arrival of our fantastic Balloon Duo, Heather Walsh and her handler Megan, really helped to get our party rolling. Anna Sheck won the “Guess the Number of Candies” and the stuffed spider prize with her closest guess of 160 candies in the jar which held 169. Becca Garcia was runner up at 159, Kyle Abello came in third at 153. Vladimir McConnell reported being



“threatened” by two little Army men who wanted to win more games in the Fish Bowl Toss, but was not too worried about it. Carol & Marilyn were kept busy making photographic souvenirs of our partygoers, young and a little less young. Games and booths included Tattoos by Barbara Kargard, Gummy Worm Wiggle by Donna Hinsbeeck, Witch Hat Roll run by David Nelson and Sevin Laufer, Fishing Booth by Nancy & Jorge Puder and Friend, Karly Lundberg at the Disk Drop, Alice & Robert Laufer on V-Ball and carnival games and Brenda Knudsen overseeing the Pirate Treasure Chest. Bingo, Spins, Throws, Fly Splat, Pumpkin Toss and more were all offered as activities during the night.



Special thanks to the following people, who went above and beyond to help make this event happen and who decorated and undecorated the hall in record time, and worked tirelessly to make this party a success: Bruce Pedersen, Allie Andersen, Betty Petersen, Denise Morris, Nancy Puder & Jorge, Alexis Hemming,

Kyle Abello, Nancy & Fred Emerson, Hans & Brenda Knudsen, Donna Hinsbeeck, Rick Marzullo, Karly Lundberg, the Laufer Family (Alice, Robert, Valerie & Sevin), David Nelson, Barbara Kargard, the McConnell Family (Vladimir, Lori & Kevin), Heather & Megan Walsh, Carol Lake, Marilyn Larsen, Caro Stinson, Helen FitzGerald, Robin Schatan, Stephanie Statom and Jake Staff-Schatan. Special thanks for donations from the John Petersen family, Margaret Rasmussen and Lynn Pedersen. Rose Skytt generously donated pumpkins for our Pumpkin Ring Toss and table décor, which were then “sold” at the Produce Table to benefit the SYV extension of the Salvation Army to help local families.



If I have forgotten anyone, I apologize and please know that I appreciated your help!

The annual Halloween party is a big outreach to the community and the Preschool families. Thanks to all who helped make this event a safe and fun night for children in our community, where we spread the word that children should “Shine with the Light of Jesus!”

Linda Marzullo

Iglesia Luterana Santa Cruz

Hola! Warm regards from your sisters and brothers in Christ at Iglesia Luterana Santa Cruz, Santa Maria.

"We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ."
1Thess. 1:2-3

We so appreciate your ongoing partnership with our mission church. It is through your generous participation of support that our ministry to the Hispanic people of Santa Maria that we're able to do amazing works of grace and Christ love. We help some of the neediest individuals in this area with spiritual care and practical needs. We have many children and youth and are only too happy to bring them to meet the Lord Jesus, our Savior. We can't do this work of the Lord's Kingdom without your financial and prayer help. Thank you, and may God bless you all abundantly!

Iglesia Christmas Angel Project: Calling All Angels!

Would you like to be an "angel" to a needy child? Dust off your angel wings if you would be interested in helping to make Christmas special for a needy child this year.

For the past several years we have been helping support Pastor Patricia at Iglesia Luterana Santa Cruz with their CHRISTMAS ANGEL project.

As "Christmas Angels", our job is to purchase and wrap two to three items from each child's "wish list" in time for Iglesia's annual Christmas Party on Christmas Eve. Each child's "wish list" is unique, which means sponsoring a child can range in cost from \$35-up. We try to provide each child with at least one outfit; jackets, blankets and shoes if requested; and a toy.

"Wish lists" will be available the last week of November or the first week of December.

If you are interested in sponsoring a child through any size of a donation, doing some shopping on your own, or making a contribution of an item off a child's wish list, please let Linda Marzullo or the church office know.

Any amount donated is greatly appreciated. Funds received will be augmented by a grant from Thrivent. Vesper Guild also gave a final gift to support this project – thank you, ladies!

To receive credit for tax purposes, please give all donations through Bethania's church office or in the offering plate, earmarked "Iglesia Christmas Angel project".

Our "Christmas Wrap" Party will be held Sunday, Dec, 21st, when we package and wrap the gifts for the children, following worship. Everyone is invited!

Please contact Linda Marzullo with any questions at vikingsprint@verizon.net, work 688-5219 or home 688-3059.

Keep in mind...

- Noisy Offering
- Angel Christmas Wish Lists / Preschool Presents Wish Lists
- First Sunday in December - Social Ministry/Angel Gift Lists
- Dec. 21st – Christmas Angel Wrap Date, coffee hour
- January – “Undie Sunday”

Ongoing:

- Notions for Shelter Services/Domestic Violence Solutions
- Quilting/Sewing for Lutheran World Relief
- Prayer Chain – Praying for friends of Bethania

Leftovers

Soon, thanksgiving will be here! We will begin the thanksgiving meal with prayer. When we begin serving the thanksgiving meal, we will have passed the food in a manner that tried to make certain our guests were served first. When the meal has ended and cleanup has begun, we will begin packaging up the leftovers. We divide up the packages so that we can give some to each of our guests to take home with them.

Our lifelong stewardship is much like the thanksgiving meal. We make certain that the first fruits are given to God before satisfying our own needs. At the end of our life, there will be leftover gifts from God which we no longer need as we enter into His Kingdom. Before our departure, we package those gifts into a will or trust. We put names on the packages in the way of beneficiaries of financial assets. Was God present at your table during your lifetime? Is God’s name on one of the leftover packages?

To help plan your leftover gifts through a will, trust or financial asset, contact our ELCA Gift Planner, Greg Shepherd at (909)910-6823 or gregory.shepherd@elca.org

Bethania's endowment fund and heritage fund have been created to receive both present gifts and leftover gifts, which are then used to extend our ministries and missions. These funds provide perpetual support for the mission and work of our church. These gifts ensure the future of Bethania Lutheran Church.

Greg Shepherd will be at Bethania Sunday, Nov. 2 to worship with us and to speak about legacy planning at the 11 am His talk is called “Planning a Legacy.” Adult Class. He will then be available on Jan. 11 to meet with individuals and families who are interested in estate planning.

Making Change, for the Better: Noisy Sunday Makes a Difference

Thank you to all who participated in our October Noisy Sunday. Donations received totaled \$166.90 and will be added to the Produce Table funds for the Salvation Army campaign. These donations will benefit the SYV Extension, which adds local families who need assistance with utility bills or other needs, and travelers who are stranded in our area. (Our collection also netted some accidental jewelry – if you are missing anything from the bottom of your purse or pocket, please contact Kristyl in the office!) Our next “Noisy Sunday” will be announced. Keep stacking up the change until then! Thank you all for your support of this endeavor. We can make “change” one coin at a time.

- **Linda Marzullo**

+Pray for God's Good Care and Keeping to be with+

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| Ken Adamek | Ellie Andrews | Esther Bates | Ben Bettencourt |
| Joe & Pat Bode | Bent Clausen | Katy & Kay Corlee | Wayne Countryman |
| Lois DeMeyer | Jose Diaz & Family | Dick Dorney | George Eckman |
| Terri Elwess | Kerstin Emerson | Kendall Foster | Dick Fowler |
| Debbie Fritts | Dolores Gehrs | Chris Gideon | Karl Hatch |
| David Hollrah | Suzanne Huier | Karena Hvingelby | Janet Johnson |
| Tom Johnson | Chris Kaping | Richard Lindekens | Debi Littlejohn |
| Alma Lock | Mary Mathiasen | Virginia McPeak | Marjorie Mee |
| Denise Morris | Grace Munoz | Patricia Myers | Andy Narver |
| Helen Nielsen | Grete Parma | Johnnie Rasmussen | Ann Reading |
| Cosima Rincon | Bob Rundell | Agda Senn | Lee Statom |
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| Steve White | Betty Wilkes | Robert Workman | Marc & Laurie Owens |
| Alisha & Emma Marie Wilson | | The Jeffrey Nelson Family | |

Bethania Lutheran Church Invites Everyone to

The Santa Ynez Valley Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

Tuesday, Nov. 25, 2014

7:00 pm



At Bethania Lutheran Church

603 Atterdag Road

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**Happy Birthday
Vesper Guild
1954-2014**
by Robin Gehrs



The dictionary tells us that vespers are “religious services, prayers, or hymns held in the evening”, and that a guild is “an organization or persons with related interests and/or goals, especially one formed for mutual aid or protection”. Vesper also refers to the evening star, and herein lies the shining light of this amazing group of women with the passion of a servant’s heart.

They have over the past sixty years numbered approximately 135 ladies, a small but mighty group. Their devotion and caring and effective efforts have been far-reaching to say the least! As the current retiring president Rita Lunde said “Vesper Guild’s impact has been significant!” This is actually quite an understatement.=

Their meetings always closed with the Lord’s prayer, and they always had a freewill offering instead of dues. From that base there were no boundaries to the breadth and width and scope of their helping hands. No project was too small nor too large. They did observe however that their most effective fundraising involved food! From their local efforts to support children and youth to residents at the Lutheran Home/Atterdag Village to the physical church proper they spread their outreach nationally and globally. Some projects were foreseen and preplanned, others as a heartfelt response in the form of emergency and disaster relief.

As this important chapter in our church’s history is closing, may we all uphold these women and their important work in our hearts and prayers!

Note: If you would like to peruse the beautiful program of text and photos from the farewell luncheon booklet lovingly put together by Carolyn Petersen summarizing Vesper Guild and its multitudinous accomplishments there is a copy in the Narthex.



Old Floor, New Finish



The floor in the church was sanded and refinished during October. It looks great.

Thanks to Fine Wood Interiors for the beautiful work they did.



Produce Table

Produce Table is still open. Looking for apples, persimmons, whatever you have to put on the table in support of the SYV Extension of the Salvation Army. The SYV Extension helps local families in need and travelers to our area, through the efforts of Charlie Uhrig. Check the breezeway on your way to coffee after worship service to see what we have for your own table.

It was 40 degrees at my house this morning; frost on the roof! So be advised that the table is ending by Nov. 23rd. If you let me know ahead of time that you have something to share I will be happy to announce it and/or staff the table.

Thank you all for your generosity and giving spirits. The Produce Table has "produced" so much good in our world through your gifts of extra produce and flowers, and your donations.

- **Carolynn Petersen**

Thrivent Choice Contributes to Church and Preschool

Again this month, thanks to Thrivent benefit members, who continue to direct Choice Dollars to Bethania Lutheran Church (total to date = \$3,614) and Bethania Preschool (total to date = \$5,006). Interested in learning more about Thrivent Financial or directing your Choice Dollars? Visit Thrivent's website at www.thrivent.com or call 1-800-236-3736. If you are a Thrivent member who has moved to the Santa Ynez Valley and you now belong to Bethania, please contact me at 693-1386 so I can help you update your church information with Thrivent.

Nancy Emerson
Thrivent Congregational Advocate

Women's News

Gather Bible Study

In the Bible Study this month, author Carol H. La Hurd writes, "By reading a portion of the Exodus deliverance story, we will see how God uses signs both to show his power to Pharaoh and to strengthen the faith of Moses and the Israelites. We will also see that for them and for Christians today, growth in faith takes time. See the following passages from 3:1-22; 4:21-31; 5:15-22; 6:1-13; 9:13-18; and 14:10-16, 30-31. This study will meet Thursday, Nov. 20 at 10 am in Bldg 14, Atterdag Lounge at Atterdag Village of Solvang. For info call Anabelle at 688-4687.

Women of the ELCA Thankoffering Service Sunday, Nov. 16

On Sunday Nov. 16 the Women of the ELCA Thankoffering will be collected. We will be sharing in a tradition dating back to the 1800s when Lutheran women collected offerings at home, putting coins in jars in thankful response to blessings they felt they had received. Then the community of women gathered with thanks and praise to combine their offerings and offer them up to mission. When women of the ELCA formed more than 25 years ago, it committed to continue this tradition of giving in gratitude for blessings. Each year, in thousands of congregations, Thankofferings are collected to support the life-changing ministries of the church wide women's organization of which our own Bethania Lutheran Church Women is a part. On Nov. 16 all Bethanians will have a chance to participate in this gesture of thanksgiving.

Wonders of God's World

Are you interested in joining Pastors Russ Gordon, Carl Nielsen (Bethel, Santa Maria) and Greg Kitzi (Gloria Dei, Santa Maria) and their members on an 8-day **The Journeys of Paul in Greece** tour **April 18-25, 2015?** Tour Athens, Corinth, Meteora and Delphi, Philippi and more. The all-inclusive (Tour, RT airfare, taxes, all fees, daily breakfast & dinner, deluxe motorcoaches, first class hotels, and much more) price of \$3246 departs from LAX. Many will be adding on a 5-day extension to the lovely Greek Isles of Mykonos, Crete, Santorini with a stop in Ephesus and Patmos for only \$898. Brochures are available soon. See Pastor Russ if you are interested. Join Pastor Russ and Jeanie Gordon on a 9-day **Paris to Normandy River Boat Cruise** departing **October 21, 2015**. Tour the beautiful "City of Lights", visit Giverney where Monet painted many of his masterpieces, be charmed by the French harbor town of Hanfleur, stroll through Rouen, and walk the beaches of Normandy recalling the D-Day landings during WWII. Prices start at \$2598. Add on an additional 3-day Paris post-tour for just \$600. Brochures will be available soon. Let Pastor Russ know if you are interested. In the meantime, visit the website at www.eo.travelwithus.com/tours/rc15-paris-normandy

Worship & Music

Attention Parents & Grandparents

If your children or grandchildren have music ability and are willing to play or sing for a service, would you give their names to Lisa Blanton? She won't know unless you tell her. So, offer rather than wait to be asked. Lisa is a pleasure to work with. We'd like to highlight the musical gifts at Bethania.

- **Worship & Music Committee**



November 2014

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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesd'y | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| CH = Church OFC = Office Conference Room FR = Fireside Room PH = Parish Hall AV = Atterdag Village RR = Recovery Residence | | | | | | 1 |
| 2 All Saints' Sunday 9:30 am Worship Service/Candle Lighting Ceremony 9:30 am Sunday School: FR 11:00 am-1:00 pm Confirmation Class: FR & OFC 11:00 am Greg Shepherd Legacy Forum: FR | 3 8 pm AA : FR | 4 Election Day | 5 11:30 am & 3:30 pm Chapel: CH | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 9 9:30 am Worship: CH 9:30 am Sunday School: FR 10:45 am Coffee Hour: PH 11:00 am Annual Mtg, pt. 1: PH | 10 7 pm Finance Mtg: OFC 8 pm AA: FR | 11 7 pm Christian Education Mtg: OFC | 12 11:30 am & 3:30 pm Chapel: CH 12:45 pm Sewing/Quilting: PH 7 pm Choir Practice: FR | 13 9 am Conf. Clergy Mtg. 2 pm Preschool Board Mtg: PH | 14 | 15 9 am Fall Conference Assembly: Bethel, Templeton |
| 16 9:30 am Worship : CH ThankOffering for Women of the ELCA: CH 9:30 am Sunday School: FR 10:45 am Coffee Hour: PH 11:00 am The conclusion of Martin Luther movie: FR | 17 12 noon Beacon Deadline: OFC 12:30 pm Vesper Guild Farewell: FR 8 pm AA: FR | 18 | 19 11:30 am & 3:30 pm Chapel: CH 2 pm Book Study: FR 7 pm Choir Practice: FR | 20 10 am "Gather" Bible Study: AV 10:30 am Communion Service: AV 7 pm Council Mtg: OFC | 21 | 22 |
| 23 Celebration Sunday 9:30 am Worship Service: CH 9:30 am Sunday School: CH 10:45 am Coffee Hour: PH 11:00 am Celebration of Art: FR 30 1st Sunday in Advent 9:30 am Worship Service: CH 9:30 am Sunday School: CH 10:45 am Coffee Hour: PH 11:00 am Adult Class: FR | 8 pm AA: FR | 25 7 pm Interfaith Thanksgiving Service: CH | 26 11:30 am & 3:30 pm Chapel: CH 7 pm Choir Practice: FR | 27 Thanksgiving Day—The Office and PreSchool After School Programs are closed. | 28 The Office and PreSchool After School Programs are closed. | 29 |

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Diana Boltz
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Erling Grumstrup
Robert Laufer
Kevin McConnell

Sunday Schedule

9:30 am Worship
9:30 am Sunday School
11:00 am After Worship Education

**You are invited to
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Interfaith Thanksgiving
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**Tuesday,
Nov. 25, 2014
7 pm
In the Sanctuary**