



Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests." When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about." So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger.

Luke 2: 13-16

Welcome to Bethel's Sunday School Program

December 22, 2019

Prelude

Welcome – Brian Derksen

Offertory – Rachel Hesom

Sunday School Christmas Program Presentation

Closing

What's up this Week

WED	10:30 am	Bethel's Christmas Day Service
SUN	10:30 am	Worship Service – Pastor Ryan There will be no Sunday School

What's Coming Up

JANUARY 1

New Year's Day Breakfast will be served from 9-10 am in the Youth Room, followed by a time of sharing and a short meditation by Joel Dehart. Come join us as we give God praise for what He has done and trusting Him for the coming year! Everyone is welcome!



JANUARY 18

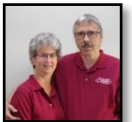
Save the Date! Women's Brunch - Our guest will be Ang Braun from Genesis House, bringing an awareness of their organization in our community. Come and bring a friend!



Praise & Prayer Highlights

Missionaries of the Month:

Len & Shelley Hyatt – Awana Missionaries



Prayer Points:

- * *Many gospel opportunities to share Christ this Christmas season*
- * *Churches will have the vision to reach the unchurched in their communities*

Thank you for your prayer support and financial support. We could not do the ministry God has called us to without you.

Remember to pray for ...

- ... Sarah Buhler
- ... Frank (Mary) Enns
- ... Mark and Kathy Nelson (Alabama)
- ... Rick Wieler (Minnesota)



Nominating Committee: Pray for the Lord's guidance for the Nominating Committee as they prayerfully consider the Bethel Annual Meeting elections. In what way can you contribute to the work God has us to share in as a church family? The committee will be contacting individuals in the coming weeks. This year's committee is Dustin Letkeman (chair), Gerald Letkeman, Brian Falk, Brian Hiebert and Lyndon Giesbrecht. Positions available: Council Treasurer, Council Secretary, Women's Ministry (2), Education, Missions (2), Service, Finance (2), and Social Committee (2)



Together with the **Missions Committee**, a **Mexico mission's trip** is being planned for March 27 - April 5. It will take place in the SAN Carlos Sonora area. We are working together with Brenda Koenes of the Casa Esperanza ministry. It will include children's ministry, handing out food hampers, clothing, projects, and encouraging those who are involved in ministries we are connected to. It is open to people of all ages including families. The cost is \$900/ person. We will be doing some fundraising etc. to cover additional costs. If you are interested please contact Gerald Thiessen @ 204-362-6377. The deadline for applications is January 15, 2020.



At Bethel we encourage prayerful participation in considering who would serve as Deacons. They are part of the Ministerial of the church - working with the pastors to provide spiritual care for the church family. Male members of our church body are eligible for nomination. Your prayerful consideration of nominees is valued. Although no terms are expiring this year, we welcome nominations to fill a spot that currently remains unfilled. Nomination forms are by the mailboxes. All nomination forms must be signed and turned in to Evan Toews (Congregational Chair) or Kenton Doerksen (Ministerial Chair).

Please have all donations to be receipted for **2019** in by, **December 31st**.

*As we read the accounts of Jesus' birth,
and so many other details about his life,
we should keep in mind that the story of Jesus is not a biography.
It is a clear statement of the connection
between the Old and New Testament
in the unveiling of God's plan for our salvation.
You can read the purpose statements for the Gospels in
Luke 1:4 – so that we could know with certainty, and in
John 20:31 – so that we could believe.
John wrote "But these are written that you may believe
that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God,
and that by believing you may have life in his name."*

Our Mission

Exalt Christ - Equip for Service
Edify one Another - Evangelize the Lost
Extend Christ's Love

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