

Bethel Beacon

Bethel Church, Brandon, Wisconsin

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CHOIR NOTES

Choir season is almost here! We are always looking for more voices to join us as we sing praises to God. Young people can join us also. If you are in Sr. High, you can come to practice on Wednesday nights before youth group starts. Bethel Choir sings on the second and fourth Sundays of each month (which can vary from time to time) and we perform a Christmas cantata in December. Our practices are Wednesday evenings from 7:00 - 8:00 pm. in the sanctuary. We are a fun group who love to sing and share the joy of music with others. So come and share your vocal talent. No sign up is necessary, just show up. Our practices in September are:

September 3, 10, 24.

We will sing these Sundays in September 14 & 28.

Leesa Tilstra

Should for joy to the Lord, all the earth, burst into jubilant



Women's Bible Study

Ladies, have you been wanting to study God's Word, but not sure where to start? Let's study together the book of Ruth. The book of Ruth, is a short, four chapter narrative that bundles the human experience of loss, love, and legacy with the divine hope and sovereignty of a redeeming God. From its pages steps a wayfaring foreigner into the town of Bethlehem, amidst hardship and famine and tragedy, affecting the course of human history forever. Kelly Minter has a wonderful study on Ruth with seven lessons and a weekly video that we can watch together. There will be about 3-4 pages of homework for five days after each lesson. We will meet on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 at church in the overflow area. This will start, Tuesday, September 9 and go through October 21. Please sign up at the information table in the narthex so we know how many study books to order. I'm looking forward to discovering what God has to say to us through the book of Ruth.

Leesa Tilstra



Thank you to those who came to donate blood on Tue., July 15 at the Brandon Red Cross Blood Drive. We collected 44 units. Thanks to Bethel Church for the use of the fellowship hall, to Jay for setting up and taking down the tables and chairs, and to Ardis Redeker for helping in the canteen area. Up to 132 patients will be given help because we gave. Next drive: Brandon, Nov. 18, 2025; Rosendale, Sept. 16, 2025.

Thanks again. Judith Henker & Sue VandeKolk, co-coordinators



LIFT

3rd	Ed Montsma
10th	Rick Redeker
17th	Bob Winkel
24th	Floyd Smit
31st	Harley Coehoorn

SOUND

3rd	Merwin Kimble
10th	Kelly VandeZande
17th	Harley Coehoorn
24th	Merwin Kimble
31st	Kelly VandeZande

GREETER

3rd	Nic Mattheis
10th	Kelly VandeZande
17th	Byron Navis
24th	Brian Brown
31st	Jared Hoinacki

FELLOWSHIP

3rd	Torrie Grade
10th	Jon Post
17th	Shelly Hiemstra
24th	Bob Winkel
31st	Dallas VandeSlunt

LITURGIST

3rd	Mark Kastein
10th	Shelly Hiemstra
17th	Sandy VandeZande
24th	Karen Redeker
31st	Jen Post

NURSERY

3rd	Lori Coehoorn
10th	Lena Arndt & Cameron Hiemstra
17th	Mac Mattheis
24th	Rosanne Bresser
31st	Danica Riedeman

DVD DELIVERY

3rd	Rosanne Bresser
10th	Jeanette Winkel
17th	Shelly Hiemstra
24th	Karen Redeker
31st	Charlene Kamphuis



- 1st** 9:00-11:30 a.m. VBS
- 3rd** 9:20 a.m. Prayer Time, Youth Room
9:30 a.m. Worship
10:30 a.m. Fellowship
- 4th** 6:00 p.m. Young Women's Bible Study
- 5th-11th** Renae Vacation
- 5th** 1:00-3:00 p.m. Senior Gathering
- 6th-7th** Alto Fair
Offices closed
- 10th** 9:20 a.m. Prayer time, Youth Room
9:30 a.m. Worship-Communion
Reception of Covenant Partner
10:30 a.m. Deacon's Meeting, Fellowship
2:00 p.m. Old Stone Church Service
4:00 p.m. High School Girls Bible Study
- 11th** 6:00 p.m. Young Women's Bible Study
- 12th** 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
12:00-3:00 p.m. Senior Gathering Potluck & Fellowship
- 16th** 10:30 a.m. Sanctuary in Use
- 17th** 9:20 a.m. Prayer Time, Youth Room
9:30 a.m. Worship-Emma Curvey from Campus Collective, Ripon
10:30 a.m. Fellowship
2:00 p.m. Youth Group Couch Wars
6:00 p.m. Men's Ministry
- 18th** 6:00 p.m. Young Women's Bible Study
- 19th** 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
1:00-3:00 p.m. Senior Gathering
- 21st** 5:45 p.m. Executive Meeting
6:30 p.m. Consistory Meeting
- 22 & 23** Friends of the Brandon Library Brat Fry
- 24th** 9:20 a.m. Prayer time, Youth Room
9:30 a.m. Worship-Special Offering Bible League
10:30 a.m. Deacon's Meeting, Fellowship
4:00p.m. High School Girls Bible Study
- 25th** 6:00 Young Women's Bible Study
- 26th** 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
1:00 p.m. Senior Gathering



1st	Mason Lind
2nd	Connie Blank Gerri Buteyn Jacob Kamphuis Curt DeHaan
3rd	Willa Weideman
4th	Linda Sippel Ardis Redeker
5th	Avry Henning
6th	Mary Kimble Tammy Martinek
7th	Keith Krohn Jayden Redeker
8th	John Vander Plas Bruce & Marilyn Belmer
9th	Amanda Hiemstra Kelly VandeZande Gerrit Mulder
10th	Nariah Lind
13th	Tim Wellhouse Michelle Farrell
14th	Nick & Jennifer Redeker
15th	Logan Gunnink Ann Zabel Dan & Emily Beekman Olivia Mattheis
16th	Carla Gunnink Ken Margers

18th	Harley Jo Block Merwin Kimble Blaise Post Kari Youngwirth Tony & Pam Sauer Austin & Sammi Hiemstra
19th	Evelyn Derksen Brian & Lori Madigan
20th	Kyle Leusink Pat & Teresa Schmuhl Phil & Carmen Laper
21st	Heidi Stanczyk Troy & Toni Newbury
22nd	Charlotte Freiberg Charlene Kamphuis
24th	Ken Kuik Brian & Torrie Grade
25th	David Grade Orval & Pat Bronkhorst Dale & Dawn Henning Scott & Lori VandeBerg
26th	Shannie Tank Steve Beekman Jon & Jenni Post
28th	Mike & Heather Wegner
29th	Rosemary Pike Alivia Jurjens
30th	Marilyn Belmer
31st	Sharon Bos Shelly Hiemstra Parker Laper



**Alto Old Stone Church Service
4042 Amity Road
Brandon, WI 53919**

August 10 at 2:00 p.m.

Come and enjoy an afternoon of an old fashioned church service.

Refreshments will follow the service.

Free will offering will be taken.

Hope to see you there.



The Evangelism Outreach Pillar is planning a 2026 Mission Trip to Alaska through Thirst Missions, June 20-28, 2026. The cost is \$1,100 for the first 6 days/5 nights for the mission portion and \$360 for two additional days for group recreational activities for a total of \$1,460. The Evangelism Pillar will cover \$1,000 per person of the cost. The additional cost are the airfare and group recreation activities to be determined at a later time.

Flyers are available on the Information Table in the church entry. You can find information on the website for Thirst Missions at www.thirstmissions.org. Contact Ed Montsma at 920-948-4598 with questions.

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Kelly VandeZande
Merwin Kimble

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Dione Kimble
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Cathy Rens
Rick DeBoer
Bob Winkel

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Ann Zabel
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Jon Post
Nick Kamphuis
Nic Mattheis

YOUTH GROUP SPON- SORS

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Nick Kamphuis
Kenna Drews
Anna Lind
Bill Lind
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