

To Know Christ
&
Make Him Known



**Forgiving
Satan's Sister**

Laketon Bethel Reformed Church

January 15, 2012



THE PURPOSE OF LAKETON BETHEL:

To Know Christ and Make Him Known

Laketon Bethel's Core Values:

A. ACCEPTANCE:

Everyone, regardless of who they are, what they have done, or what they are doing, will be accepted here. Laketon Bethel will be a safe place to explore your relationship with Jesus.

B. BIBLE:

The Bible is the final authority for faith and practice. We will study it with open minds and the best scholarship available.

C. CONNECTION:

We invite people to connect with Jesus and with each other in all that we do.

ORDER OF WORSHIP – 9:00 SERVICE

Worship in Song

Hymn #64 - “O Worship the King” - vs. 1,3,4

Hymn #65 - “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”- vs. 1-3

Hymn #66 - “Thou Art Worthy”-vs. 1,2,3

Congregational Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

Hymn #433 - “My Faith Looks Up to Thee” - vs. 1,2,3,

Hymn #739 -“Baptized in Water” - vs. 1,2,3

Tithes and Offerings-Special Music

Opportunities for Service

Message: “Forgiving Satan’s Sister”

Benediction

ORDER OF WORSHIP – 11:00 SERVICE

Worship in Song

“Glory to God Forever”

Congregational Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

“Nothing But the Blood”

“Our God”

“Everlasting Love”

Tithes and Offerings - Special Music

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Please Remember in Prayer our Friends and Members who are Battling Cancer:

Cathy Adamzack, Charlie Balmer, Betty Bonneville, Donna Fauble,
Amy Fredericks, Steve Ganos,
Paula Greeley, Ralph Gustafson,
Bob Hanson, Scott Hladki, Peter Hosko,
Sheri Johnson, Amy Lindenbaum, Peter Luke, Avery Lynn,
Tom McKee Sr., Nancy McKinley, Aaron Rop, Gary Samples,
Ida Shealy, Gavin Sima, Sandy Streeter, Janet Wegner,
Amy Yarian, and Theresa Zahrt.

*If you would like to include a loved one on this list,
please call the church office at 744-1749*

**Prayer Warriors available after each service for any prayer need or you may fill out
a prayer request card.**

Special Senior of the Week:

Gladys Legard

***But Jesus beheld them, and said unto them, "With men this is impossible;
but with God all things are possible." Matthew 19:26***

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS

THIS SUNDAY - January 15

9:00 am Coffee Servers: Laurin, Lois, & Elaina Berghuis

11:00 am Coffee Servers: Ron & Connie Maciejewski

9:00 am Greeters: Mick & Jackie Meyers

11:00 am Greeters: John & Chris Wilke

NEXT SUNDAY - January 22

9:00 am Coffee Servers: Chad & Heather Brewer

11:00 am Coffee Servers: Steve & Maureen Mussman

9:00 am Greeters: Carl & Alice Babinec

11:00 am Greeters: Joel & Sue Erndteman

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES VOLUNTEERS

THIS SUNDAY - January 15

Nursery: (1) Joann Petroski

Nursery: (2) Scott & Amy Zonnebelt, Wendy Christensen, Linda Evans

Activity Time: Kelly Toebe, Amy Kunnen, Mike & Jenny Lyons

Greeter: Mark Sweany

NEXT SUNDAY - January 22

Nursery: (1) Connie Reahm

Nursery: (2) Chris Wilke, Jen Cordle, George & Sandy Carroll

Activity Time: Diana Wagbo, Hannah & Shelly Berry, Kerri Bernhardt, Patti Shavalier

Greeter: Mark Sweany

ANNOUNCEMENTS

With Thanks...

Thank you to those who sent cards, visited me and prayed for my healing.

Ardie Pulsipher

Pumped! & Fusion Students The Pumped! & Fusion Youth Groups are going on a Mission Trip to Joplin, Missouri this summer, June 17th-23rd, 2012. Any Jr. High and Sr. High school student interested, please see Sally Hendrixon, Tina Dadd or call the office at 744-1749. We have only three available spots left!

Valentine's Day Gifts The Jr. & Sr. High youth groups will be having a Valentine gift basket, jar cookie dough and candies sale January 29th, February 5th & 12th. We will have a table set up in the entryway. Get your valentine's Day shopping done early and conveniently-no busy stores with over-priced gifts!

Calling All Basketball Players! Come get a little exercise and and enjoot some competition on Monday nights starting at 7:00pm. For any questions, please see Jon Brantsen or call the office.

Family Fun Movie Night Mark your calendars for our next movie night, Saturday, January 28th at 7:00pm. Snacks and sodas available for purchase.

Wednesday Night Bible Study We will be discussing Henry Cloud's book, "*The Law of Happiness.*" This is a quick and easy read that will transform your life! Looking for that joy God promises? Come to class and discover just how easy it is. For a book, please call the office.

Spaghetti Supper & Pie Auction The Jr. & Sr. High youth groups will be hosting a spaghetti supper and pie auction Friday, February 10th. All proceeds will go to support the cost of the mission trip. Join us for a delicious meal and a fun night!

Calling All Bakers! Fusion & Pumped youth groups are hosting a Spaghetti Supper & Pie Auction Friday, February 10th. Donated pies would be appreciated! For any question, please call the office.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

New Small Group. Attention ladies, a new small group will be starting that will utilize the book titled “**The Power of a Praying Wife**” written by Stormie Omartian. *“Every woman who desires a closer relationship with her husband will appreciate this refreshing look at the power of prayer in marriage.”* The small group will be led by Amanda Westbrook and will be held on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 – 8:00pm starting January 31st and will meet for 10 weeks. If you are interested in joining this small group or would like more information please contact Amanda at 744-3096.

House of Prayer Jesus said in Matthew 21:8, “My house will be called a House of Prayer.” How exciting that our Heavenly Father wants to hear from us. Because of this, we are expanding our prayer ministry. How can you be involved and have the honor of praying for others? Watch as God moves in your life through your prayers. What is prayer? How do I pray? When should I pray? If you have ever asked yourself those questions...stay tuned, answers and information coming soon!

Food Truck The food truck for this month is Monday, January 23rd. If you are able to volunteer, please arrive at the church at 5:15pm. If you have any questions, please see John Wilke or call the office.

HomeTouch The HomeTouch meeting for this month is January 29th at 10:10am. We meet in the parlor. This ministry visits our homebound seniors and shut-ins. If you would like to volunteer or would like a visit from one of our volunteers, please call Sharon Jacobs at 744-5392, Gay Hudson at 755-0957, or Joann Petroski at 744-8286.

2012 Tithing Envelopes The 2012 Tithing envelopes are available in the entryway. Also be sure to pick up a copy of the letter that outlines the envelope changes for 2012. If you currently do not have tithing envelopes and would like to receive your own please contact the church office. The benefit of having the numbered tithing envelopes is that we will track your giving and send you a statement at the end of the year for tax purposes.

FUSION

Each Sunday

11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Fusion, a ministry for students in 5th-8th grades, is a great place for students to learn how to walk more closely with God, grow in a deepening relationship with Jesus, and having fun with their friends. Students come together in a large group setting for a message and then separate into small groups for a deeper discussion. The curriculum used is *Faith Weavers* and the scripture and topic is the same throughout the church, giving families the opportunity to discuss all that they have learned in church.

Wednesday nights: Dinner: 6:00-6:30 pm; Fun & Learning: 6:30-7:30 pm
A “typical” Fusion night has students entering the Youth Center after dinner and being greeted by small group leaders. They will experience worship, drama, games, videos, visual arts and much more! For the last half hour, students will separate into small groups and talk with their leader and friends about life questions related to the evening’s message. The curriculum is *Sparkhouse Re:form* that encourages Biblical growth and allows the students to ask tough questions and receiving honest, Biblical answers.

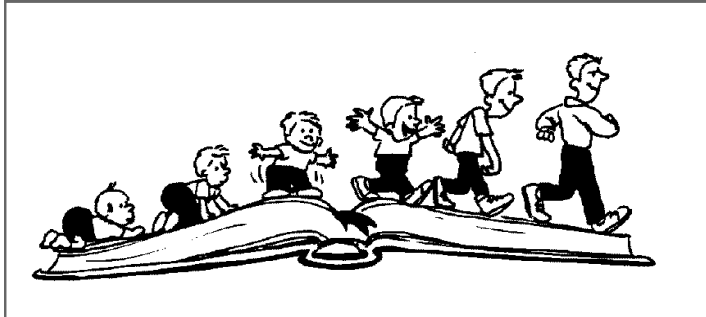
Words from the Director of Fusion

We, the Leaders of Fusion, are dedicated to help lead the children to God in a fun, loving way. We are here because we enjoy working with this age. It gives us great joy to watch and see them growing in God’s Word.

Sally Hendrixon

YOUTH MINISTRIES

Faith Weavers-Weaving Faith Into Families



Children's Church - Preschool thru 4th Grades:

- ◇ John 1:43-51
- ◇ Jesus Surprises Nathanael

For any questions please contact Stefanie Sweany at 719-2252.

Fusion - 5th thru 8th Grades:

- ◇ John 1:43-51
- ◇ Jesus Surprises Nathanael

For any questions please contact Sally Hendrixon at 578-6247.

Pumped - 9th thru 12th Grades:

- ◇ Topic: Is our faith like Nathanael's - needing proof to believe?
- ◇ Lunch: Pizza

For any questions please contact Tina Dadd at 744-1749.

CALENDAR EVENTS

THIS WEEK

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| Monday | Ensemble at 6:30 pm Basketball at 7:00 pm |
| Tuesday | Solid Rock at 6:30 pm Consuming Fire at 7:00 pm |
| Thursday | Volleyball at 6:00 pm |

UPCOMING EVENTS

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| January 23 | Food Truck |
| January 29 | HomeTouch Meeting |
| February 13 | Food Truck |
| February 26 | Family Promise Week |

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

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| *Children's Ministry/Nursery | *HomeTouch Ministry |
| *Family Promise | *Food Truck Ministry |
| *Greeter/Coffee Server | *Small Group Leader |
| *Bulletin Crew | *Prayer Group |
| *Music Ministry | *Meal Ministry |
| *Prayer Warrior | *Jr./Sr. High Ministry |

“...just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve...” Matthew 20:28

Sherwin's Recommended Reading List and Podcasts

Books

◆ *Entre' Leadership* by Dave Ramsey

Your company is only as strong as your leaders. These are the men and women doing battle daily beneath the banner that is your brand. Are they courageous or indecisive? Are they serving a motivated team or managing employees? **Are they valued?** Your team will never grow beyond you, so here's another question to consider. **Are you growing?** Whether you're sitting at the CEO's desk, the middle manager's cubicle, or a card table in your living-room-based startup, *Entre Leadership* provides the **practical, step-by-step guidance** to grow your business where you want it to go.

◆ *48 Days to the Work You Love* by Dan Miller

48 Days to the Work You Love is not about finding a new job. It is about finding out what you are going to "be." According to Dan Miller, failing to make that fundamental discovery is why so many people find themselves in jobs they hate. But the great news is this book will lead you to the vocation you will love.

As a leading vocational thinker, Dan Miller helps you better understand and organize your God-given skills, personality traits, values, dreams, and passions. In turn, you'll see clear patterns forming from which you can make successful career and job decisions. With creativity, insight, and timeless wisdom, *48 Days to the Work You Love* presents a step-by-step process for creating a Life Plan and translating it into meaningful and fulfilling daily work.

◆ *The Law of Happiness* by Henry Cloud

This is a book that melds spiritual wisdom from the Bible and modern science to achieve a more fulfilling, happy, and peaceful life.

Podcasts

1. Timothy Keller Podcast. This comes from the author of *The Prodigal God*, a Presbyterian pastor in Manhattan.
2. Willow Creek Weekend Podcast.
3. Woodland Hills Church. This is from Greg Boyd of St. Paul, MN

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Sacrament of the Lord's Supper Celebrated the 1st Sunday in February, April, June,

August, October, and December

OUR STAFF

Pastor – Dr. Sherwin Brantsen (Rockingrev@comcast.net)

Director of Ministries – Gary Gifford (garygifford4@gmail.com)

Worship Team Leader for 9:00 Service – Jan Reahm

Worship Team Leader for 11:00 Service – Shelly Deblock

Children's Church Team Leader – Stefanie Sweany

Junior High Youth Team Leader – Sally Hendrixon

Senior High Youth Team Leader - Tina Dadd

Nursery Team Leader – Joann Petroski

Bookkeeper – Pat Peterson

Secretary – Tina Dadd

Administrative Assistant - Joann Petroski

Technical Support – Scott Johnson

Organist – Deb Kuhns

OUR VOLUNTEER LEADERS

Back Pack team Leader - Maureen Mussman

Family Promise Team Leader – Connie Maciejewski

Senior Ministries Team Leader – Jill Verhulst

Meal Ministry Team Leader – Art Jacobs

Women's Guild Team Leader – Donna Doctor

Food Truck Team Leader – John Wilke

Small Group Team Leader – Brian Scott

Home Touch Ministry Team Leader – Sharon Jacobs

Facility Upkeep Team Leader - Vicky Wierengo

OUR CONSISTORY

Administrative Elders

Lee Andrews, Jerry Critchett,

Adonica Kunnen,

Mike Lyons, Tom Peterson

Carolyn Smith-Gerdes

Deacons

Bill Kiracofe, Deb Tilton,

Jason Peterson, Gay Hudson,

Mary Salter, John Wilke,

Scott Halterman, Ed Kendall

Spiritual Life Elders

Paula Scott-Stewart, Connie Reahm,

Maureen Mussman, Brian Scott,

Connie Maciejewski, Donna Spytma

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Decide to Forgive

7 Decisions for a Better 2012

1. Decide to accept responsibility for your past. (12/4)
2. Decide to trust Jesus. (12/11)
3. Decide to be happy. (12/18)
4. Decide to persist; the ultimate Christmas gift. (12/25)
5. Decide to seek wisdom. (1/1)
6. Decide to take action. (1/8)
7. Decide to forgive. (1/15)

This series is available for review online at laketonbethel.org or on cd. See Scott in the tech booth.

Next week is part two of this week entitled, "Stupid Fishing," from Mark 1.14-20.

John 1.43-50

⁴³The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Come, follow me." ⁴⁴Philip was from Bethsaida, Andrew and Peter's hometown.

⁴⁵Philip went to look for Nathanael and told him, "We have found the very person Moses and the prophets wrote about! His name is Jesus, the son of Joseph from Nazareth."

⁴⁶"Nazareth!" exclaimed Nathanael. "Can anything good come from Nazareth?"

"Come and see for yourself," Philip replied.

⁴⁷As they approached, Jesus said, "Now here is a genuine son of Israel—a man of complete integrity."

⁴⁸"How do you know about me?" Nathanael asked.

Jesus replied, "I could see you under the fig tree before Philip found you."

⁴⁹Then Nathanael exclaimed, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God—the King of Israel!"

⁵⁰Jesus asked him, "Do you believe this just because I told you I had seen you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than this." ¹

¹ All Bible passages quoted today are from the [New Living Translation](#).

Some cool things about forgiveness:

1. Forgiveness means giving up your _____ to justice.
2. Forgiveness is not _____.
3. Forgiveness is not _____.
4. Forgiveness breaks the chain to the _____.

An Exercise in Forgiveness:

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- 9.
- 10.

January 2012 Daily Bible Readings

| DATE | DAY | OLD TESTAMENT | ✓ | NEW TESTAMENT | ✓ | SPECIAL PRAYER REQUEST |
|------|-----|---------------|---|---------------|---|------------------------|
| 15 | SUN | Judges 15 | | Hebrews 4 | | |
| 16 | Mon | Judges 16 | | Hebrews 5 | | |
| 17 | Tue | Judges 17 | | Hebrews 6 | | |
| 18 | Wed | Judges 18 | | Hebrews 7 | | |
| 19 | Thu | Judges 19 | | Hebrews 8 | | |
| 20 | Fri | Judges 20 | | Hebrews 9 | | |
| 21 | Sat | Judges 21 | | Hebrews 10 | | |
| 22 | SUN | Ruth 1 | | Hebrews 11 | | |