

Sherwin’s Ten Reasons for Going to Church Every Sunday

1. Renew

Everyone goes through times where enthusiasm for life melts away. We all have times where our faith diminishes. Worship on Sunday renews faith and energizes attitudes for all of life.

2. Laugh

Yes. We laugh. Humor is a valuable part of worship. Most of it is unplanned. Sherwin’s brother told him years ago that: “People aren’t laughing at you because you’re funny, they are laughing because you are so stupid...”

3. Pray

Face it. You don’t pray much. Church services remind you of the importance of prayer. They jump start your prayer life. You learn more about prayer. When your family is with you, they see you praying and that is an example that changes lives.

4. Sing

Songs of faith can move mountains of despair. You probably won’t like all the songs. But some of them will change your life.

5. Help

You will often find ways to help in your community. When you help, it reduces inherent narcissism. You think less of yourself and more of others. You become more grateful for what you have. You become a better person and a happier one.

6. Give

Yes. Put in some money. Do something with your cash for God instead of for yourself. Don’t expect anything back and you will be surprised at how blessed you are. We all waste money. Here you have an opportunity to do something positive with it.

7. Meet

Connect with other people. Laketon Bethel accepts everyone, including you. Many friendships are made on a regular basis. We have great coffee and cookies, which help in all sorts of discussions.

8. Learn

The guy up front is trained and experienced and often knows what he is talking about. You will learn something every Sunday.

9. Grow

When you put what you learn into practice, you will find positive changes in your life. You will have unstoppable growth in ways you don’t always expect.

10. Jesus

The church exists because of Jesus. When you participate in it regularly, he is pleased. One day you will meet him face-to-face. If you regularly connect with him through weekly worship services, that meeting will be happy.

Deep Sheet

[a place for your notes]

How do you define “worship?”

What societal norms did Jesus disregard in John 4?

What is the “big black hole” in your life?

Other Notes:

February Weekly Bible Readings

Date	Day	New Testament	☑	Special Prayer	Old Testament	☑
1	Su	1 Corinthians 7			Isaiah 38	
2	Mo	1 Corinthians 8			Isaiah 39	
3	Tu	1 Corinthians 9			Isaiah 40	
4	We	1 Corinthians 10			Isaiah 41	
5	Th	1 Corinthians 11			Isaiah 42	
6	Fr	1 Corinthians 12			Isaiah 43	
7	Sa	1 Corinthians 13			Isaiah 44	
8	Su	1 Corinthians 14			Isaiah 45	



Free Refills

February 1, 2026

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 teachings of Jesus, contained in the Bible, are the final authority for faith and practice. We will study these teachings 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.

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Sherwin’s Adult Bible Study

Sherwin is continuing the Adult Bible Study based on the Sermon on the Mount. Just three sessions left.

Please sign up in the entryway so we know how many pizzas to order.

The Sermon on the Mount

An Examination of the Core Teachings of Jesus from Matthew 5-7

2.4	10	7.1-6	Restrained Judgment
2.11	11	7.7-12	Praying and Doing
2.18	12	7.13-29	The Solid Rock



Special Senior: Marcia Wynsma

Please sign the card located on the table in the entryway.

Volunteers

- 1st Service Coffee Servers: Kathy Young
- 2nd Service Coffee Server: Theresa Schiltz & Jim Hanley
- 1st Service Nursery: Connie Reahm
- 2nd Service Nursery: Cyndie Bingaman & Sally Hendrixon

Announcements

Family Worship Sunday We celebrate the Sacrament of Communion today. There are no classes downstairs so families can worship together and receive Communion.

Thank You! We would like to thank everyone who made the Spaghetti Dinner a success! Thank you for the prize donations, bids, raffle ticket purchases, and especially for joining us for a time of celebration and fellowship. Thanks also to the committee members who put it all together.

Children’s Church Party Laketon Bethel Kids have filled the Ping Pong Point Jar and earned a party during Sunday School! Next Sunday, February 8th, the kids have chosen a Pizza Party. The kids will enjoy pizza and games together in the Youth Center (old Sanctuary).

Service Opportunities

Hand2Hand Thank you to all who endured the elements on Tuesday evening to help pack the Hand2Hand bags. Your help was greatly appreciated! Our next packing will be Tuesday, February 17th at 2:30pm. We can always use help if you have any questions see Maureen Mussman.

Opportunities List There is a list of service opportunities on the table in the entryway. If you see something you are interested in helping with, leave your name and number and circle the area of interest and someone will contact you. There is also a more detailed list on the bulletin board by the Nursery and on the two kiosks in the entryway.

Sacred Suds Special Requests There is always a need for underwear of all types, sizes and ages, as well as warm clothing, boots, socks, and belts. A special need for men’s boots. Laundry detergent and personal hygiene items are appreciated as well.

Order of Worship - 9:00am

- Gathering Song
- “Glory to His Name”
- Call to Worship
- “Glorious Is Thy Name”
- “In the Name of the Lord”
- “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”
- Welcome & Announcements
- Congregational Prayer
- Worship in Song
- “Be Thou My Vision”
- “Jesus, Lover of My Soul”
- Crosstalk - “Free Refills”
- Communion
- “Break Thou the Bread of Life”
- “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”
- Offering
- “Breathe”
- Benediction
- “Sent Forth by God’s Blessing”

Order of Worship - 11:00am

- Call to Worship
- “The Joy”
- Welcome & Announcements
- Congregational Prayer
- Worship in Song
- “Your Grace Finds Me”
- “This Is Amazing Grace”
- Crosstalk - “Free Refills”
- Communion
- “Broken Vessels”
- “Thank You Jesus for the Blood”
- Offering
- “To the Table”
- Benediction
- “God Be With You”