

Raise the Roof Campaign

Our “Raise the Roof” campaign aims to raise \$236,000 to fund critical re-roofing work. The project will unfold in four phases, prioritized by need. Our goal is to raise **\$110,000** by the end of 2025. Phase 1 work has been completed, but we still have a way to go to reach the goal for funds to cover both Phases 1 & 2. We hope to begin Phase 2 before late fall.

Members and guests can contribute through online giving or envelope offerings. Please designate “Raise the Roof” on your donation.

Thank you in advance for your support during this campaign.



Special Senior: David Utzinger

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

Volunteers

- 1st Service Coffee Servers: Sue Vannette
- 2nd Service Coffee Server: Theresa & Jim Hanley
- 1st Service Nursery: Sally Hendrixon
- 2nd Service Nursery: Karen Ervin & Cyndie Bingaman

Deep Sheet

[a place for your notes]

What does God want instead of sacrifices?

Is it possible that this story in Genesis 22 is historical? Or is it intended to be a parable?

Can you think of a time when there was a ram in the bush for you?

Other Notes:

September Weekly Bible Readings

Date	Day	New Testament	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Special Prayer	Old Testament	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
14	Su	Revelation 22			Psalms 99	
15	Mo	Matthew 1			Psalms 100	
16	Tu	Matthew 2			Psalms 101	
17	We	Matthew 3			Psalms 102	
18	Th	Matthew 4			Psalms 103	
19	Fr	Matthew 5			Psalms 104	
20	Sa	Matthew 6			Psalms 105	
21	Su	Matthew 7			Psalms 106	



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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Bible Readings

(from the New Living Translation)

Genesis 21.1-3

21 The Lord kept his word and id for Sarah exactly what he had promised. ² She became pregnant, and she gave birth to a son for Abraham in his old age. This happened at just the time God had said it would. ³ And Abraham named their son Isaac.

Genesis 22

22 Some time later, God tested Abraham’s faith. “Abraham!” God called. “Yes,” he replied. “Here I am.”

² “Take your son, your only son - yes, Isaac, whom you love so much - and go to the land of Moriah. Go and sacrifice him as a burnt offering on one of the mountains, which I will show you.”

³ The next morning, Abraham got up early. He saddled his donkey and took two of his servants with him, along with is son, Isaac. Then he chopped wood for a fire for a burnt offering and set out for the place God had told him about. ⁴ On the third day of their journey, Abraham looked up and saw the place in the distance. ⁵ “Stay here with the donkey,” Abraham told the servants. “The boy and I will travel a little farther. We will worship there, and then we will come right back.”

⁶ So Abraham place the wood for the burnt offering on Isaac’s shoulders, while he carried the fire and the knife. As the two of them walked on together, ⁷ Isaac turned to Abraham and said, “Father?”

“Yes, my son?” Abraham replied.

“We have the fire and the wood,” the boy said, “but where is the sheep for the burnt offering?”

⁸ “God will provide a sheep for the burnt offering, my son,” Abraham answered. And they both walked on together.

⁹ When they arrived at the place where God had told him to go, Abraham built an altar and arranged the wood on it. Then he tied his son, Isaac, and laid him on the altar of the wood. ¹⁰ And Abraham picked up the knife to kill his son as a sacrifice. ¹¹ At that moment the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven, “Abraham! Abraham!”

“Yes,” Abraham replied. “Here I am!”

¹² Don’t lay a hand on the boy!” the angel said. “Do not hurt him in any way, for now I know that you truly fear God. You have not withheld from me even your son, your only son.”

¹³ Then Abraham looked up and saw a ram caught by its horns in a thicket. So he took the ram and sacrificed it as a burnt offering in place of his son. ¹⁴ Abraham named the place Yahweh-Yireh (which means “the Lord will provide”). To this day, people still use that name as a proverb: “On the mountain of the Lord it will be provided.”

Announcements

Membership Information Class If you are interested in learning about membership with the Laketon Bethel family, join us for this meeting. You will learn about membership and you will have an opportunity to become a member if you want. We will meet this Wednesday, September 17th at 6:30pm. There is a sign-up sheet in the entryway.

Children’s Church Registration The new school year has started and we would like all of the Children to be registered for the 2025-2026 session. You can register online at laketonbethel.org or pick up a form at the check-in table.

Ladies’ Bible Study Attention Ladies! The Ladies’ Monday Morning Bible Study will be held tomorrow at 9:30am in the Parlor. The book we are using is Max Lucado's "Experiencing the Heart of Jesus for 52 Weeks" and we are on Chapter 18. For more information see Maureen Mussman or call her at 231-894-8010.

Service Opportunities

Nursery Help Needed We are looking for someone to help between 10am and 11:15am. Please see Sally Hendrixon or call the office 231-744-1749 if you are interested in helping.

Hand2Hand This program feeds kids from the Reeths-Puffer schools during the weekends. We need your continued support in the form of donations, volunteers to pack and/or deliver the meals, donations of food items and prayers. If you donate money, please designate it H2H. See Maureen Mussman for more information. Thank you for all of your support.

LBRC Library for Adults and Teens The Library is located upstairs by the Parlor and is currently being revamped. Check it out and borrow a book or two!

Sacred Suds Special Requests There is a great need for *gently used* cool weather clothing of all types, for men, women and children; especially pants, jeans, long sleeve shirts and t-shirts, sweatshirts, and socks. There is a special need for belts and women’s size small clothing.

Order of Worship-9:00am

Gathering Song
“You’re Worthy of My Praise”
Call to Worship
“Majesty”
“All Hail King Jesus”
“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name
Welcome & Announcements
Congregational Prayer
Worship in Song
“O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus”
“God of the Ages”
Crosstalk - Binding of Isaac
Offering
“Redeemer”
Benediction
“Sent Forth by God’s Blessing”



Order of Worship-11:00am

Gathering Song
“I Thank God”
Call to Worship
“This Is Our God”
Welcome & Announcements
Congregational Prayer
Worship in Song
“Same God”
“Who You Say I Am”
Crosstalk - “Binding of Isaac”
Offering
“Old Church Choir”
Benediction
“Salt and Light”