

When Your Mountain Won't Move



Laketon Bethel Church

January 6, 2018

Dr. Sherwin Brantsen

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.

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.

HOSPITALITY VOLUNTEERS

THIS SUNDAY - January 6

9:00am Coffee Servers: Nick & Jacquie Kunnen

11:00am Coffee Servers: Diane Brantsen & Family

9:00am Greeters: Carl & Alice Babinec

11:00am Greeters: Rod & Pat Runyan

NEXT SUNDAY - January 13

9:00am Coffee Servers: Ed & Kay Kawaleski

11:00am Coffee Servers: Dave & Becky Bennett

9:00am Greeters: Terry & Amy Kunnen

11:00am Greeters: Sally Legard, Tina & Izzy Dadd



NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

THIS SUNDAY - January 6

Nursery: (1) The Brewer Family

Nursery: (2) Morgan Gerrans, Kelly Andry,
Rebecca Goodrich

NEXT SUNDAY - January 13

Nursery: (1) Sue Vannette

Nursery: (2) Megan Cihak, Wendy Christensen,
Holly Morrall

Children's Church Greeter: Sally Hendrixon

Join us in the gym for coffee and cookies as a time of fellowship.

SMALL GROUPS

BIBLE STUDY - Women

Leader: Maureen Mussman 231-894-8010

We meet Thursday evenings at 7:00 at the church. We are studying the book titled, "Proverbs & Parables: God's Wisdom for Living" by Dee Brestin. This study parallels the truths of Old Testament proverbs with New Testament parables and applies them to contemporary living.

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

Leader: Kelly Curow 231-740-3716

This is a 13-week class beginning Thursday, October 4th 5:30-7:30Pm. Financial Peace University will help you take control of your money, plan for your future, and transform your life.

THE CLEAN AND FIX CREW

Leader: Vicky Wierengo 231-719-0857

We would like to encourage you to join in the fun of serving the Lord and forming new friendships along the way. Although we are working, we are doing it together with smiles and laughter. Our next meeting dates are Monday, October 15 and 29, from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Please join us for fun and fellowship!

COUPLES SMALL GROUP

Leader: Steve & Maureen Mussman 231-894-8010

Meets once a month, usually on a Saturday. Time and date vary. We have fun doing a variety of activities.

MISSIONS

Leader: Dave DeBoer 231-828-4494

We meet the second Monday of each month. The Missions Group would like to thank everyone for their hygiene donations. We have served over 450 people and will continue to collect donations.

MIDDLE SCHOOL GIRL'S GROUP

Leader: Stefanie Sweany 231-719-2252

6th-8th grade girls, this group is for you. We will meet for fun, food, games, and discussions about topics affecting you. Please see Stefanie Sweany for a handout with more information. Spread the word and invite your friends!

DECOLORES REUNION GROUP

Leaders: Tim & Misty Sikkenga 231-747-6530

If you have attended any type of DeColores weekend in the past, we invite you to come to our next meeting on September 12th at 7:00pm. If you are interested in more information, please contact Tim or Misty Sikkenga.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Youth Group Meetings 6th-12th grade students are invited to join us on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month from 4:30-6:30pm here at LBC. Mark your calendars and bring a friend!

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Prayer Shawl Ministry If you can knit, crochet or sew, we could use prayer shawls or lap blankets for those going through tough times. Contact Joann Petroski at annpetro@msn.com for more information.

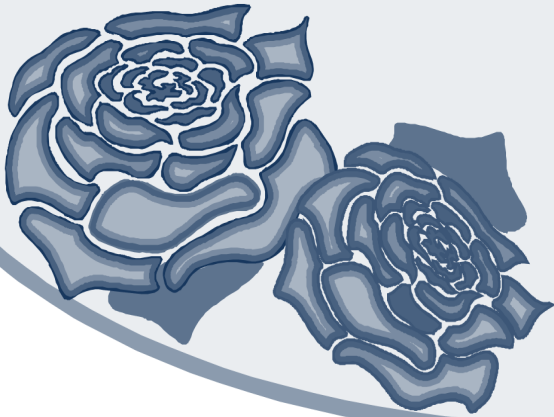
Missions Ministry We will continue to collect hygiene products and winter clothing. We invite you to join us to serve at the Supper House on Jefferson St., Muskegon, the second Wednesday of each month, making our next visit to on January 9th at 3:45pm. We have had great support, but are always looking for more people to join our team. If you would like to donate baked goods, please have your items here by Sunday, January 6th. If interested call Dawn at 683-0829

Food Truck The next Food Truck is January 14th. We ask that all volunteers to please be here at church no later than 5:30pm. If you have any questions, please see John Wilke or Rick Anderson after the service.

Senior Connections We meet January 20th in the Parlor at 10:00am. The mission is to keep our senior and homebound members connected to God and to Laketon Bethel. If interested, please join us at the meeting or call Gay at 343-0898 or Joann at 327-2785.

Special Senior of the Week:

*Please show your support by signing the cards located
on the table in the entryway.*



Cornie Keunen

*Please remember in prayer our friends who are
battling long-term illnesses:*

Ellie Anderson

Donald Bayne

Jana Belladone

Betty Bonneville

Larry Budreau

Patti Buurma

Craig Carlson

Amy Fredericks

Jacob Geers

Bob Hanson

Scott Hladki

Debbie LeMieux

Avery Lynn

J.T. Maskell

Tom McKee Sr.

Patti Mercer

Paul Ortquist

Jane Peterman

Lynn Pluger

Shirly Pummell

Aaron Rop

Gary Samples

Joe Shavalier

Patti Shavalier

Ida Shealy

Dale Sherburn

Sandy Streeter

Kathy Tabor

Inga Weavers

Marv Wegner

ORDER OF WORSHIP – 9:00 SERVICE

Worship in Song

Responsive Reading #24

Hymn #25 - “He Has Made Me Glad”

Hymn #26 - “This Is the Day”

Hymn #27 - “Bless His Holy Name”

Congregational Prayer

Hymn #136 - “O Come Let Us Adore Him”

Hymn #137 - “O How I Love Jesus”

Tithes and Offerings – Special Music

Crosstalk: “When Your Mountain Won’t Move”

Benediction

Hymn #754 - “God of the Ages”

ORDER OF WORSHIP – 11:00 SERVICE

Worship in Song

“You Are Good”

“Of All the Things About You”

Congregational Prayer

Worship in Song

“Oceans”

“Open Up the Heavens”

Tithes and Offerings - “Chain Breaker”

Crosstalk: “When Your Mountain Won’t Move”

Benediction

“Open Up the Heavens”

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

***Senior Connections**

***Children's Ministry**

***Food Truck Ministry**

***Greeter/Coffee Server**

***Senior Ministry**

***Music Ministry**

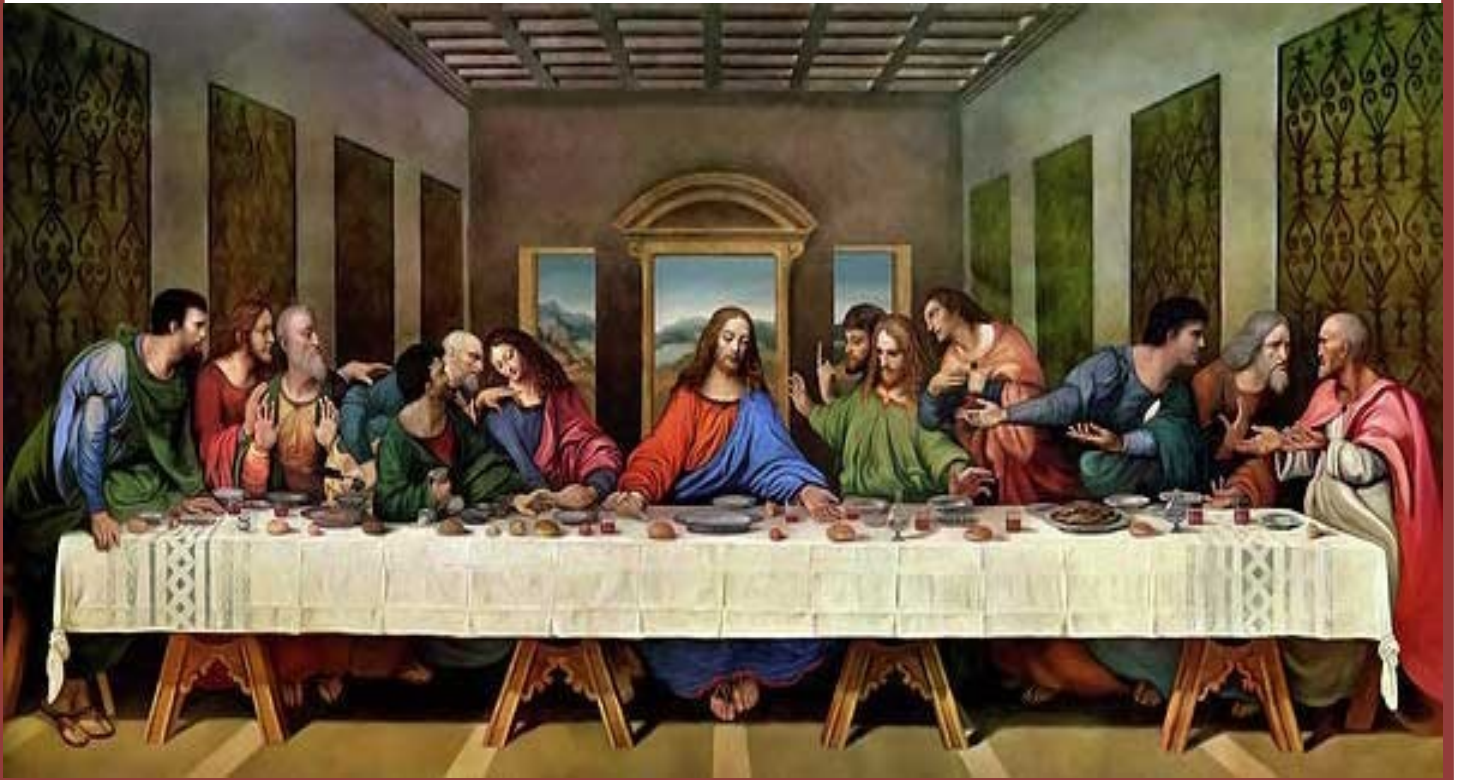
***Meal Ministry**

***Jr./Sr. High Ministry**

***Prayer Warrior**

***Nursery**

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is celebrated on the first Sunday in February, April, June, August, October, and December.



LAKETON BETHEL REFORMED CHURCH

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Pastor – Dr. Sherwin Brantsen (drbrantsen@gmail.com)

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

WORSHIP

Worship Team Leader for 9:00 Service – Jan Reahm

Worship Team Leader for 11:00 Service – Shelly Deblock

Technical Support Team Leader - Scott Johnson

Accompanist for 9:00 Service - Shelly Deblock

EDUCATION

Nursery Team Leader – Joann Petroski

Children’s Church & Youth Director - Mike Lyons

Greet Squad Leader - Sally Hendrixon

ADMINISTRATION

Secretary – Tina Dadd

Administrative Assistant - Joann Petroski

Bookkeeper – Pat Peterson

Janitor - Bill Feigert

OUR VOLUNTEER LEADERS

Senior Ministries Team Leader – Jill VerHulst

Food Truck Team Leader – John Wilke

Prayer Warrior Team Leader – Tina Dadd

Senior Connections Team Leaders– Gay Hudson & Joann Petroski

Community Backpack Program Leader - Tami Jahnke

OUR CONSISTORY

Elders

Bob Buwalda, Lucy Hughes, Amy Kunnen,
Ed Luzadder, Donna Spytma, Louanne Utzinger,
John Wilke, Ron Zant

Deacons

Kathy Andrews, Kyle Bogner,
Nancy Crider, Larry Cone,
Kathy Forrester, Alex Lassow,
Mary Salter, Kathy Young

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Mark 11.22-15 and 2 Corinthians 12.7-12

1. What is the “prosperity gospel?”
2. What is a “hyperbole” and how did Jesus use them?
3. What do you suppose Paul’s handicap was?
4. What two things will greatly help you get through what you’re going through?
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5. What is one thing that doesn’t help?
6. What are we called to deconstruct?

“For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many.” -Mark 10.45

January Daily Bible Readings

Date	Day	New Testament	<input type="checkbox"/>	Special Prayer	Old Testament	<input type="checkbox"/>
06	Su	2 Corinthians 8			Zechariah 11	
07	Mo	2 Corinthians 9			Zechariah 12	
08	Tu	2 Corinthians 10			Zechariah 13	
09	We	2 Corinthians 11			Zechariah 14	
10	Th	2 Corinthians 12			Malachi 1	
11	Fr	2 Corinthians 13			Malachi 2	
12	Sa	Galatians 1			Malachi 3	
13	Su	Galatians 2			Malachi 4	