

“Sinners in the Hands of a Gracious God”



Laketon Bethel Church
February 25, 2018

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.

ORDER OF WORSHIP – 9:00 SERVICE

Worship in Song

Hymn #69 - “Great Is the Lord”

Hymn #71 - “How Majestic Is Your Name”

Congregational Prayer

Hymn #130 - “I Will Sing of My Redeemer”

Hymn #658 - “Sweet By-and-By”

Tithes and Offerings - Special Music

Crosstalk: “Sinners in the Hands of a Gracious God”

Worship in Song

Hymn #736 - “Find Us Faithful”

Benediction

ORDER OF WORSHIP – 11:00 SERVICE

Worship in Song

“You Are Good”

“Of All the Things About You”

Congregational Prayer

Worship in Song

“One Thing Remains”

“This Is Amazing Grace”

Tithes and Offerings - “Your Grace Finds Me”

Crosstalk: “Sinners in the Hands of a Gracious God”

Worship in Song

“This Is Amazing Grace”

Benediction

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

YOUTH MINISTRIES

Children's Church - Preschool thru 5th Grade:

- ◇ Bible Scripture: Acts 6:8-7:60
- ◇ Bible Story: Stephen had faith and courage even during his suffering. The Holy Spirit helped him to follow Jesus.
- ◇ Bible Point: Stephen was not afraid to die so that others would hear about Jesus.
- ◇ *For any questions please contact Mike Lyons at 231-744-8389.*



Jr. High Connection - 6th thru 8th Grades:

- ◇ The Jr. High students will be assisting the teachers for Children's Church as an act of service.
- ◇ *For any questions please contact Sally Hendrixon at 578-6247.*

Each Communion Sunday, students will sit with their families and go to class following.

For more information for our Children's Church and Youth Connections, please call the office at 231-744-1749.

SMALL GROUPS

BIBLE STUDY – Men and Women

Leader: Lucy Hughes

Tuesday at 7:00pm at the church, starts February 6th.

Busyness: Finding God in the Whirlwind by Juanita Ryan.

We all have to juggle many roles and activities in our lives that often results in stress. This study will show that God understand this, and wants you to walk through your life in strength, with Him.

BIBLE STUDY - Women

Leader: Maureen Mussman

Thursday evening 7:00 at the church starting February 8th.

What Happens When Women Say Yes to God ? by Lysa TerKeurst

Do you want to experience life in extraordinary ways? Then see what happens when you say yes to God! Embrace simple obedience and watch it transform your life into a remarkable journey. Say yes and discover the blessings God has planned for you. Get ready for a journey of unprecedented joy and purpose – one that will radically bless you beyond what you can ask or think.

BOOK STUDY - Men & Women

Leaders: Brian & Kim Scott

Time to be determined.

The Shack by Wm. Paul Young.

We will be reading and discussing this book and all its meanings.

THE CLEAN AND FIX CREW - Men & Women

Leader: Vicky Wierengo

Day and time to be determined.

Every place needs a good spring cleaning. Come help clean the nooks and crannies and other places in the church. Fix things that need fixing. There will be refreshments and fellowship.

COUPLES SMALL GROUP

Leader: Steve & Maureen Mussman

Meets once a month, usually on a Saturday. Time and date varies.

Outings vary each month. A few things we have done in the past are: sleigh ride, White Caps game, hockey game, bonfire, and cross country skiing.

MISSIONS - Men & Women

Leader: Dave DeBoer

Meeting times and days to be determined.

This group will find ways for Laketon Bethel members to help people in our community and the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2018 Church Budget Now that we have turned the corner on a new year without a mortgage the Elders have approved our financial direction for 2018. We are providing you with a Narrative Budget that outlines how we allocate and spend our money. Please feel free to pick up a copy located at the large table in the entryway. If you have any question please feel free to contact Gary.

Attention Online Givers If you have set up recurring donations and have selected the Church Mortgage category you will need to make a new category selection. You can accomplish that by going to the Laketon Bethel website and select Give tab and go to SecureGive and select "Manage Recurring" to make your new category selection. Be sure to reenter your security code and billing zip code before sign out of "Manage Recurring". If you need assistance in making this change please contact Gary Gifford at 231.286.0798 or garygifford4@gmail.com.

Sherwin's Winter Bible Study This is a 9-week Bible study that started on Wednesday, January 24th. Join us each Wednesday at 7:00pm to learn more about the Gospels.

Prime Time Exercise Class Jill VerHulst is leading an exercise class for ages 60+. It will run from 9:00-9:45am on Mondays and Thursdays for strengthening, flexibility and balance. For questions, call Jill at 744-9895.



SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Senior Connections We meet this Sunday, February 25th in the Parlor following the first service. 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 Hudson at 343-0898 or Joann Petroski at 327-2785.

Food Truck The next Food Truck is March 12th and we ask 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.

Middle School Girls' Group 6th- 8th grade girls, this group is for you. We will meet at Church 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!

Special Senior of the Week:

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



***Dale
Sherburn***

***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

HOSPITALITY VOLUNTEERS

THIS SUNDAY - February 25

9:00am Coffee Servers: Nick & Jacquie Kunnen

11:00am Coffee Servers: Dave & Becky Bennett

9:00am Greeters: Mick & Jackie Meyers

11:00am Greeters: Ron Zant & Debra Matz

NEXT SUNDAY - March 4

9:00am Coffee Servers: Tina & Izzy Dadd

11:00am Coffee Servers: Steve & Maureen Mussman

9:00am Greeters: Karen Johnson & Deacons

11:00am Greeters: Stacy Freed & Deacons



NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

THIS SUNDAY - February 25

Nursery: (1) Adonica Kunnen

Nursery: (2) Marcia Wynsma, Megan Cihak,
Nate & Amanda Westbrook

NEXT SUNDAY - March 4

Nursery: (1) Nick & Jacquie Kunnen

Nursery: (2) Amy Kunnen & Girls, Rebecca Anderson,
Linda Evans

Children's Church Greeters: Malaina Peterson,
Rebekah Sweany

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

***Senior Connections**

***Children's Ministry**

***Food Truck Ministry**

***Greeter/Coffee Server**

***Senior Ministry**

***Music Ministry**

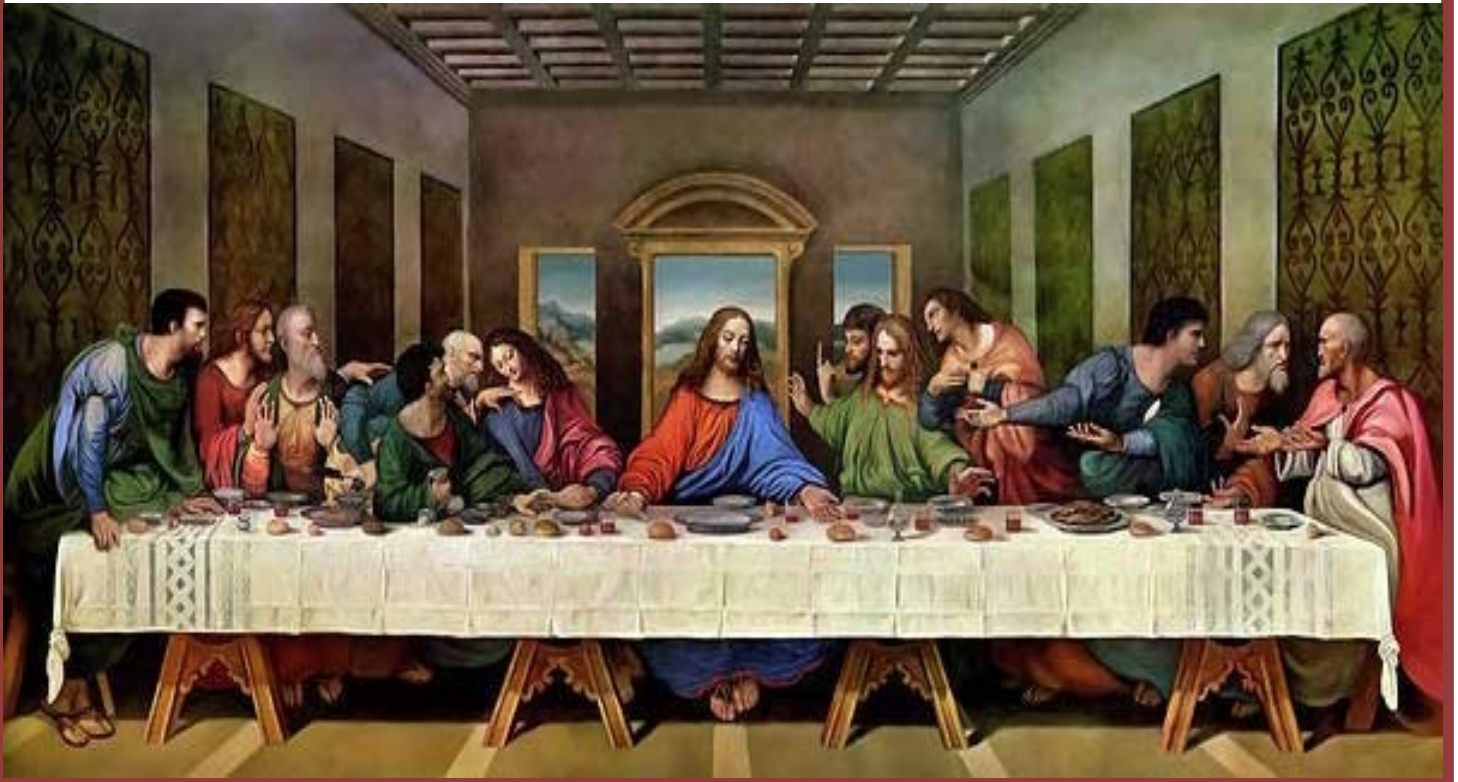
***Meal Ministry**

***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 - Elizabeth Jackson

EDUCATION

Nursery Team Leader – Joann Petroski

Preschool & Kindergarten Team Leader - Sheryl Gifford

Elementary Team Leader – Stefanie Sweany

Junior High Youth Team 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

Meal Ministry Team Leader – Art Jacobs

Food Truck Team Leader – John Wilke

Prayer Warrior Team Leader – Paula Scott-Stewart

Senior Connections Team Leaders– Gay Hudson & Joann Petroski

Community Backpack Program Leader - Tami Jahnke

OUR CONSISTORY

Elders

Dave Bennett, Gay Hudson, Adonica Kunnen,
Amy Kunnen,, Ed Luzadder, Gary Niklasch,
Jason Peterson, Kim Scott, Donna Spytma,
John Wilke

Deacons

LeRoy Beck, Kyle Bogner, Jon Brantsen,
Lisa George, Mary Salter, Mark Sweany,
Kathy Young

2018 Consistory Candidates

Deacons

Jon Brantsen
Kathy Andrews
Sara Kepner
Kathy Forrester
Rick Anderson
Staci Wynsma
Nancy Crider
Alex Lassow
Greg Fick

Elders

Gay Hudson
Jason Peterson
Ron Zant
Gary Niklasch
Lucy Hughes
Ed Luzadder
Jim Hanley
Louanne Utzinger
Stacy Freed
Bob Buwalda

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The Roman Nuggets Series, Romans 3.21-23 and 27-28, New Living Translation

What is chocolate communion?

Who was Jonathan Edwards?

What did he say?

Why should I care what he said?

Which of your priorities will matter 100 years from now?

A good passage to memorize:

²⁷Can we boast, then, that we have done anything to be accepted by God? No, because our acquittal is not based on obeying the law. It is based on faith. ²⁸So we are made right with God through faith and not by obeying the law.

Also, from chapter 13

⁸Owe nothing to anyone—except for your obligation to love one another. If you love your neighbor, you will fulfill the requirements of God's law.

February/March Daily Bible Readings

Date	Day	New Testament	<input type="checkbox"/>	Special Prayer	Old Testament	<input type="checkbox"/>
25	Su	Acts 13			Psalms 128	
26	Mo	Acts 14			Psalms 129	
27	Tu	Acts 15			Psalms 130	
28	We	Acts 16			Psalms 131	
01	Th	Acts 17			Psalms 132	
02	Fr	Acts 18			Psalms 133	
03	Sa	Acts 19			Psalms 134	
04	Su	Acts 20			Psalms 135	