

God's Will for Divorce



Laketon Bethel Church

March 3, 2019

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.

Sherwin's Bible Study

“HOW TO GET THROUGH WHAT YOU’RE GOING THROUGH”

The author of this course, Rick Warren, is the founding pastor of Saddleback Church, one of the largest churches in the world. In 2013, after years of struggling with mental illness, his son Matthew took his own life. This Bible study is the result of the struggles Rick and his wife, Kay, went through. You will find it helpful. There are 8 ninety-minute sessions. Child care will be provided. Pizza will be provided at 6:15 and the sessions will run from 6:30 to 8pm. *If you are interested in attending, please sign up on the sheet located on the table in the*

BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULE

title	date
1. shock: when your world collapses	Feb. 13
2. sorrow: getting through life's losses	Feb. 20
3. struggle: when life makes no sense	Feb. 27
4. surrender: the path to peace	Mar. 6
5. sanctification: transformed by trouble	Mar. 13
6. start seeing: finding treasure in darkness	Mar. 20
7. service: never waste your pain	Mar. 27
8. swine: wrap up with side pork	Apr. 3

This is a tentative schedule and can be modified.

HOSPITALITY VOLUNTEERS

THIS SUNDAY - March 3

9:00am Coffee Servers: Nick & Jacquie Kunnen

11:00am Coffee Servers: Tina & Izzy Dadd

9:00am Greeters: Karen Johnson & Deacons

11:00am Greeters: Ron & Debbie Zant

NEXT SUNDAY - March 10

9:00am Coffee Servers: Ed & Kay Kawaleski

11:00am Coffee Servers: Jim & Theresa Hanley

9:00am Greeters: Mick & Jackie Meyers

11:00am Greeters: Rod & Pat Runyan



NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

THIS SUNDAY - March 3

Nursery: (1) The Brewers

Nursery: (2) Amy Kunnen & Girls, Holly Morrall

NEXT SUNDAY - March 10

Nursery: (1) Sue Vannette

Nursery: (2) Pat Ritsema, Larry Hecksel,

Scott & Amy Zonnebelt

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.

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. 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Youth Group Meetings 6th-12th grade students are invited to join us on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month from 4:00-6:00pm here at LBC. Mark your calendars and bring a friend!

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

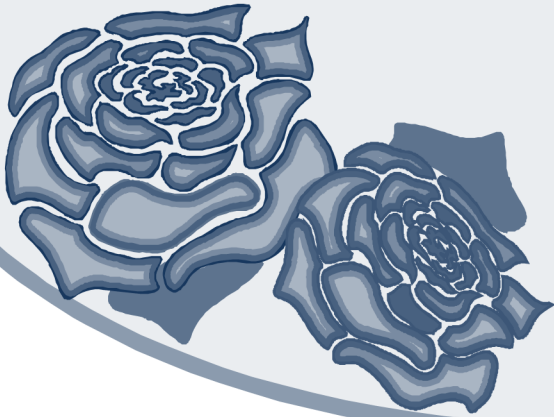
Senior Connections We meet this Sunday, March 3rd at 10:00am in the Parlor. The mission is to keep our senior and homebound members connected to God and to Laketon Bethel. If interested, please join us at the meeting or call Gay at 343-0898 or Joann at 327-2785.

Missions Ministry We will continue to collect hygiene products and winter clothing. Also, money donations can be noted on your offering envelope to purchase items. With your help, over 250 items are distributed each month during the food truck. We also invite you to join us serve the second Wednesday of each month at the Supper House located at 2500 Jefferson St. If interested, please call Dawn at 231-683-0829.

Food Truck The next Food Truck is March 11th. 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.

Special Senior of the Week:

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



Laurin Berghuis

*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

Hymn #113 - “We Have Come Into this House”

Hymn #114 - “Holy Ground”

Hymn #115 - “Come, Christians Join to Sing”

Hymn #571 - “A Shelter in the Time of Storms”

Congregational Prayer

Hymn #729 - “His Name Is Wonderful”

Tithes and Offerings – Special Music

Crosstalk: “God’s Will for Divorce”

Benediction

Hymn #7 - “Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”



ORDER OF WORSHIP – 11:00 SERVICE

Worship in Song

“Made to Worship”

Congregational Prayer

Worship in Song

“I Need You”

“Your Grace Finds Me”

“10,000 Reasons”

Tithes and Offerings - “All My Hope”

Crosstalk: “God’s Will for Divorce”

Benediction

“10,000 Reasons”

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

***Senior Connections**

***Children's Ministry**

***Food Truck Ministry**

***Greeter/Coffee Server**

***Senior Ministry**

***Music Ministry**

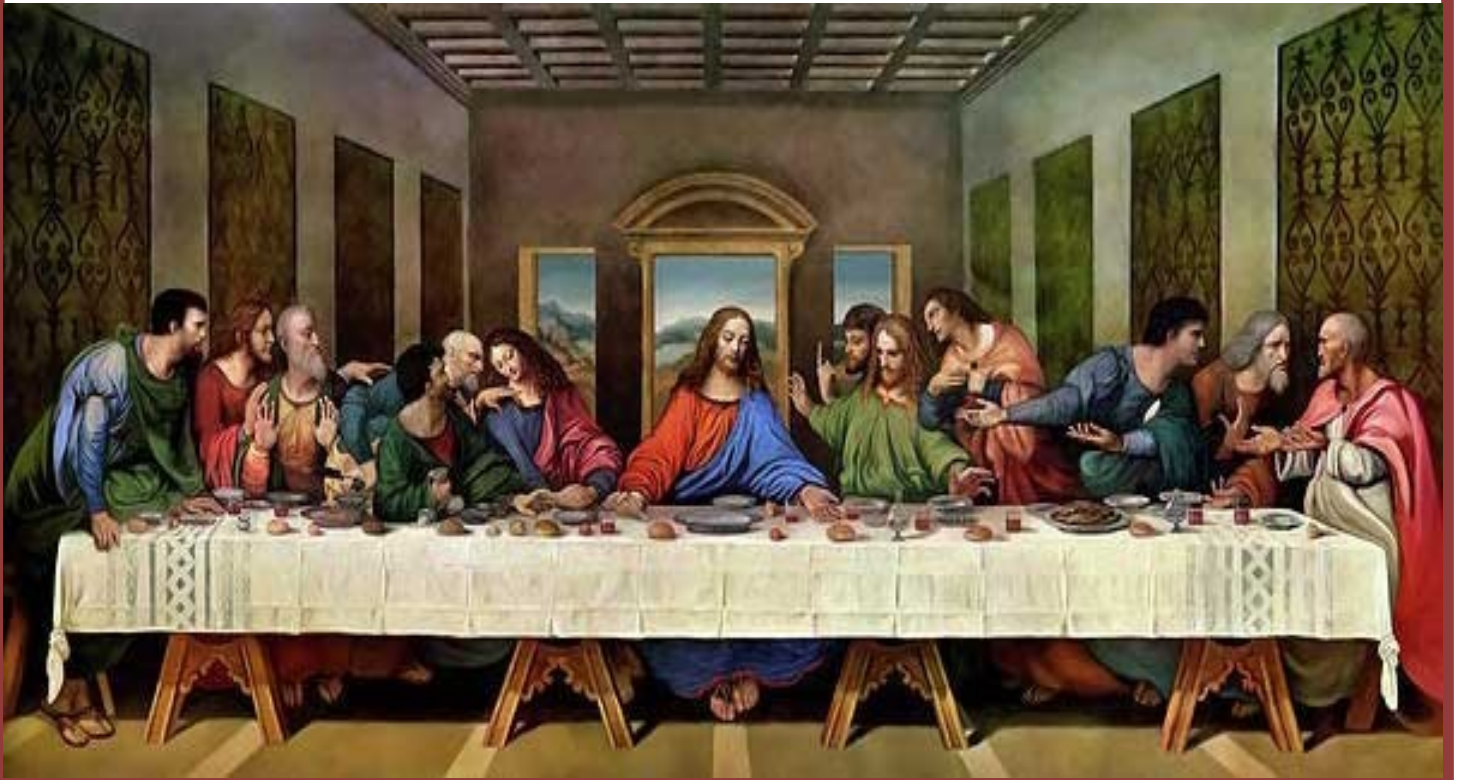
***Meal Ministry**

***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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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 10.1-16

Questions for Your Consideration:

1. Which of the four gospels is often considered the "Readers' Digest" version?
2. What is the main cause of divorce?
3. What is the cause of marital breakdowns?
4. Were women permitted to seek divorce in Israel?
5. What does the Roman Catholic church teach about divorce?
6. What does the Reformed Church teach about divorce?
7. Who needs to be fitted for a millstone?
8. How can you help people affected by divorce?

March Daily Bible Readings

Date	Day	New Testament	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Special Prayer	Old Testament	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
03	Su	Hebrews 9			Genesis 49	
04	Mo	Hebrews 10			Genesis 50	
05	Tu	Hebrews 11			Exodus 1	
06	We	Hebrews 12			Exodus 2	
07	Th	Hebrews 13			Exodus 3	
08	Fr	James 1			Exodus 4	
09	Sa	James 2			Exodus 5	
10	Su	James 3			Exodus 6	