

"What Makes You Happy, Part 3: Peace With God."

Happy Mother's
Day!!!

A handwritten message on a piece of light-colored paper. The text reads "Happy Mother's Day!!!". There are four heart symbols: two are simple black outlines, one is a solid red heart, and one is a black outline heart. The hearts are placed around the text: one above the 'H', one above the 'M', one below the 'D', and one to the right of the 'Day!!!'.

Laketon Bethel Church

May 9, 2021

Dr. Sherwin Brantsen

Welcome!

We are practicing the following safety guidelines during this pandemic:

Congregational Singing In an effort to minimize risks, the consistory has voted to suspend congregational singing at this time.

Social Distancing We need to maintain the 6 foot distancing practices to keep everyone safe. As much as we would like to, there will be no hugs, handshakes or touching. We ask that you leave three empty chairs between your family and the next group. Seats have been spaced farther apart to make distancing easier. We will not be serving coffee and cookies, the kitchen and gym will be closed until further notice.

Masks We strongly encourage everyone to wear masks to protect yourself and others. Masks must be worn by staff and consistory.

Family Worship Children's Church is available for children in Preschool through Fifth Grade. We ask that you preregister your child(ren) on our website at laketonbethel.org.

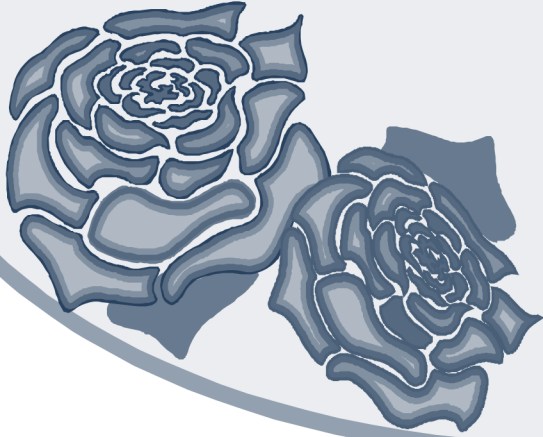
Offering, Chocolates and Bulletins To minimize contact, there will be offering tables inside the Worship Center for you to place your tithes and offerings and prayer requests. Bulletins will be stacked by the worship center doors and chocolate stations will be in the entryway for self-serve.

Attendance Books We will not be using them at this time.

Thank you for your cooperation!

Special Senior of the Week:

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



***Leona
Vanderberg***

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

Donald Bayne

Jana Belladone

Betty Bonneville

Larry Budreau

Patti Buurma

Craig Carlson

Amanda Cihak

Stephanie Cutler

Amy Fredericks

Jacob Geers

Bob Hanson

Scott Hladki

Avery Lynn

J.T. Maskell

Tom McKee Sr.

Patti Mercer

Paul Ortquist

Lynn Pluger

Shirly Pummell

Aaron Rop

Gary Samples

Joe Shavalier

Ida Shealy

Sandy Streeter

Kathy Tabor

Inga Weavers

Marv Wegner

Order of Worship-9:00am

We Approach Our Friend

Welcome

Prayer of Confession and Reminder of Pardon

Response of Praise

“Like a Mother Comforteth”

Congregational Prayer

Response of Praise

“Near to the Heart of God”

“Blessed Assurance”

Special Music

We Learn, Remember and Renew

Crosstalk - “What Makes You Happy, Part 3: Peace With God”

We Respond to Our Friend

Benediction

“God Be With You”



Order of Worship 11:00am

We Approach our Friend

Welcome

Prayer of Confession and Reminder of Pardon

Response of Praise

“Surrender”

“All to You”

Congregational Prayer

Response of Praise

“You Say”

We Learn, Remember and Renew

Crosstalk - “What Makes You Happy, Part 3: Peace With God”

We Respond to Our Friend

Benediction

“Surrender”

SCRIPTURES FOR TODAY

The story of the Prodigal Son is referenced. The complete narrative of this story can be found in Luke 15.11-32. SB recommends reading it from either the New Living Translation or the Message.

From Romans 5:

¹⁻² By entering through faith into what God has always wanted to do for us—set us right with him, make us fit for him—**we have it all together with God because of our Master Jesus**. And that's not all: We throw open our doors to God and discover at the same moment that **he has already thrown open his door to us**. We find ourselves standing where we always hoped we might stand—out in the wide open spaces of God's grace and glory, standing tall and shouting our praise.

From Romans 12:

¹⁻² So here's what I want you to do, God helping you: Take your everyday, ordinary life—your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life—and place it before God as an offering. Embracing what God does for you is the best thing you can do for him.

~Both of these Scriptures are from the Message.

WHAT MAKES YOU HAPPY, PART 3: PEACE WITH GOD

Review: What makes you happy?

1. _____.
2. _____.

Happiness is an outcome. It is not immediately accessible. What we do now affects our happiness later. The Law of the Harvest applies to happiness.

In the story of the Prodigal Son (choose one):

- The father ran after the son who left.
- When the son returned, the father expressed his anger and demanded that he be paid back in full.
- When the son returned, the father welcomed him back and threw a party.

What is the “Ransom” doctrine of the atonement?

What area of your life can you invite Jesus into more completely?

Other notes:

May Daily Readings

Date	Day	New Testament	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Special Prayer	Old Testament	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
09	Su	1 John 1			Ezekiel 44	
10	Mo	1 John 2			Ezekiel 45	
11	Tu	1 John 3			Ezekiel 46	
12	We	1 John 4			Ezekiel 47	
13	Th	1 John 5			Ezekiel 48	
14	Fr	2 John			Daniel 1	
15	Sa	3 John			Daniel 2	
16	Su	Jude			Daniel 3	

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THE PURPOSE OF LAKETON BETHEL:

“To trust steadily in God, hope unswervingly, love extravagantly. And the best of the three is love.”

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.

OUR CONSISTORY

Elders

Gay Hudson, Lucy Hughes, Amy Kunnen,
Larry Joslyn, Grant Meyers, Jason Peterson,
Louanne Utzinger, Ron Zant

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