



**KEEP  
CALM  
AND**

**BUILD ME UP  
BUTTERCUP**

Laketon Bethel Church

July 15, 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.

## **ORDER OF WORSHIP – 9:00 SERVICE**

### **Worship in Song**

Hymn #455 - “Take My Life”

Hymn #467 - “Higher Ground”

Hymn #481 - “Where He Leads I’ll Follow”

Hymn #480 - “Have Thine Own Way, Lord”

### **Congregational Prayer**

### **Worship in Song**

Hymn #560 - “’Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”

**Tithes and Offerings - Special Music**

**Crosstalk: “Build Me Up, Buttercup”**

### **Worship in Song**

Hymn #533 - “Make me a Blessing”

### **Benediction**



## **ORDER OF WORSHIP – 11:00 SERVICE**

### **Worship in Song**

“All to You”

### **Baptism**

“Ancient Skies”

“Amazing Grace”

“Glorious Day”

### **Worship in Song**

**Tithes and Offerings - “Wave on Wave”**

**Crosstalk: “Build Me Up, Buttercup”**

**Worship in Song – “Glorious Day”**

### **Benediction**

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

# YOUTH MINISTRIES

## **Children's Church** - Preschool thru 5<sup>th</sup> Grade:

- ◇ Bible Scripture: Romans 12:1-8; 1 Corinthians 1:9; Philippians 1:3-7
- ◇ Bible Story: God wants us to show friendship and love to one another.
- ◇ Bible Point: The Holy Spirit changes us to be like Jesus for God's glory.
- ◇ *For any questions please contact Mike Lyons at 231-744-8389.*



**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 - Women**

Leader: Maureen Mussman

Thursday evening 7:00 at the church.

We are starting a new book titled, "Proverbs & Parables God's Wisdom for Living" by Dee Brestin. This study parallel the truths of Old Testament proverbs with New Testament parables and applies them to contemporary living.

### **CANCER SUPPORT GROUP**

Leader: Patti Shavalier (231) 292-1488

This support group meets on Tuesday nights at 6:00pm. We will share our struggles and our triumphs while offering support to one another as we battle cancer.

### **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

We are collecting adult bicycles and bicycle locks for the residents at Muskegon Rescue Mission. Transportation is a large problem for them and your donation(s) would be greatly appreciated. Please bring them to church or call Dave DeBoer for pick up. We are also collecting persona care/hygiene products. Thank you for helping your neighbor!

### **MIDDLE SCHOOL GIRL'S GROUP**

Leader: Stefanie Sweany 231-719-2252

6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> 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!

### **LIFE SUPPORT GROUP**

The women's support group will be meeting the last Wednesday of the month at Heather Wilke's home at 6:30pm. Please call Heather at 215-8593 or Heidi 730-2395 for details.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **Christian Care Assisted Living Annual Ice Cream Social**

All are welcome to come! Join us on Thursday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3-7pm. An LBRC member donated 100 tickets for ice cream and cake, hot dog and chips, or BBQ and chips. Be sure to pick up your free tickets on the bulletin board across from the nursery.

**Family Worship** The Children's Ministry will join the congregation on Communion Sunday, August 5<sup>th</sup> during the second service. Children will attend church with their family for a unique program as we will not be holding Sunday school downstairs.

**Youth Summer Fun** All youth 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade for the 2018-19 school year, are invited to join us for summer fun. Join us next Sunday, July 15<sup>th</sup> 4-7 p.m. at Putter's Creek. There is no cost for this event which includes mini golf, go carts, kayaking, ice cream and a light dinner. Bring your friends to have a fun engaging time with us. Sign-up in the entryway after service or by emailing me at [lyonsmike61@gmail.com](mailto:lyonsmike61@gmail.com).

Other Planned Events:

Sunday, August 19<sup>th</sup> 4-7pm at Sally's Cottage

Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup> 4-7pm at Muskegon State Park

## **SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES**

**Nursery Volunteers Needed** If you are interested in helping to provide nurturing care to the children up to age 3, please email Joann Petroski at [annpetro@msn.com](mailto:annpetro@msn.com) Our volunteers are on a rotating schedule which would be about once every 5 weeks.

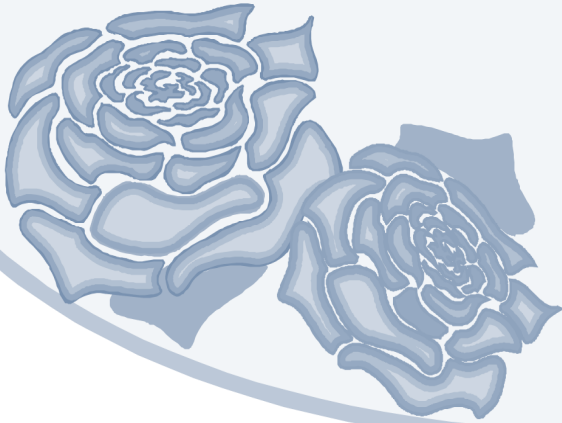
**Coffee Servers & Greeters** We need many more volunteers for our Hospitality Ministry. Please call the office for more information at 744-1749.

**Food Truck** The next Food Truck is August 13<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Senior Connections** We will meet next in the Parlor on Sunday, July 29<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am. The mission is to keep our senior and homebound members connected to God and to Laketon Bethel. If interested, please join at the meeting or call Gay Hudson at 343-0898 or Joann Petroski at 327-2785.

**Special Senior of the Week:**

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



***Beverly  
Kendall***

***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 - July 15**

**9:00am Coffee Servers:** Kathy Young

**11:00am Coffee Servers:** Dave & Becky Bennett

**9:00am Greeters:** Jane Jakus

**11:00am Greeters:** The Kejonen Family

**NEXT SUNDAY - July 22**

**9:00am Coffee Servers:** Ron & Connie Maciejewski

**11:00am Coffee Servers:** Steve & Maureen Mussman

**9:00am Greeters:** Karen Johnson & Deacons

**11:00am Greeters:** Stacy Freed & Deacons



# **NURSERY VOLUNTEERS**

**THIS SUNDAY - July 15**

**Nursery: (1)** Lorri Anderson

**Nursery: (2)** Amy Kunnen & Girls, Mairyn Peterson,  
Marcia Wynsma

**NEXT SUNDAY - July 22**

**Nursery: (1)** The Brewers

**Nursery: (2)** Joann Petroski, Wendy Christensen,  
Holly Morrall

**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**

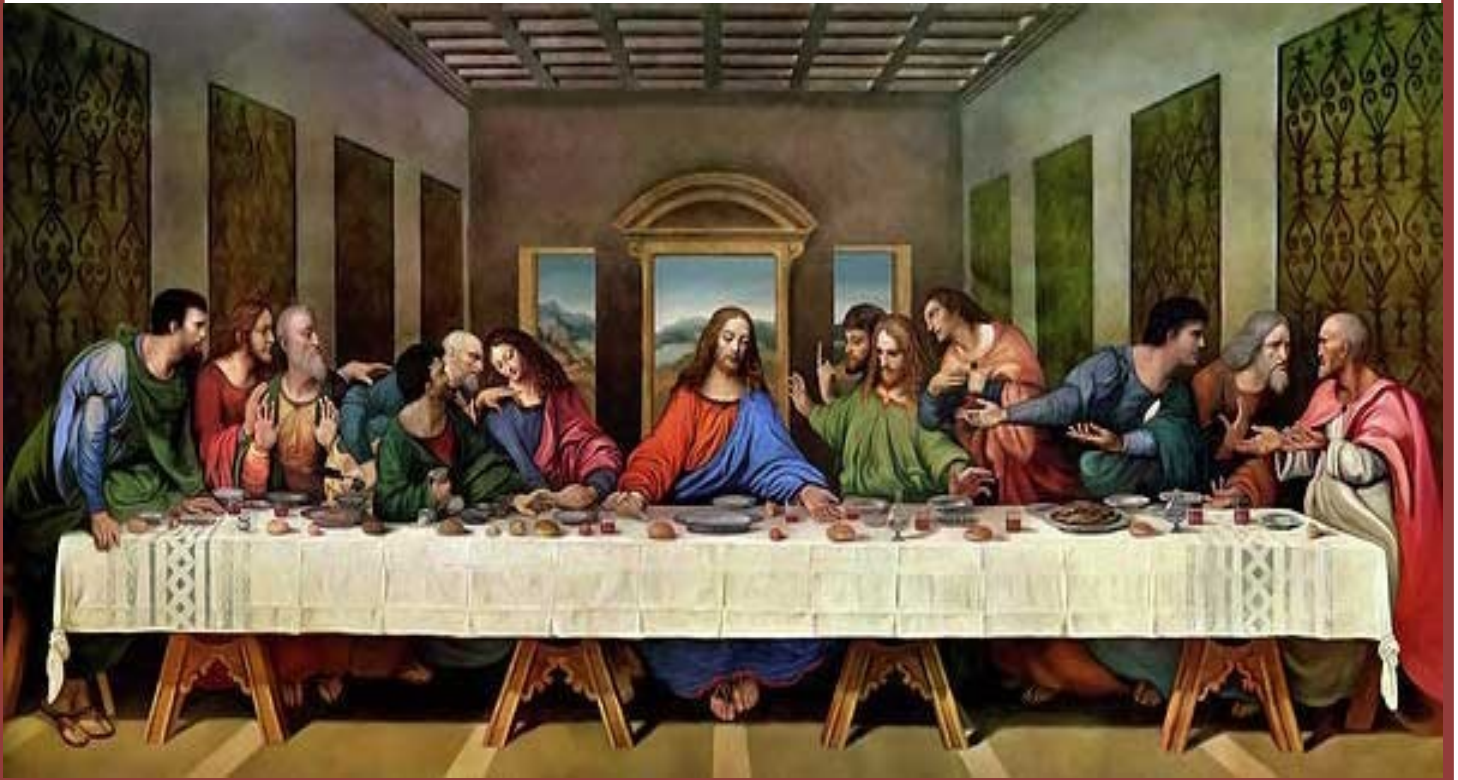
**\*Meal Ministry**

**\*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](mailto:drbrantsen@gmail.com))

**Director of Operations** – Gary Gifford ([garygifford4@gmail.com](mailto: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

**Children’s Church & Youth Director** - Mike Lyons

**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**

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

# Build Me Up, Buttercup

a crosstalk from Romans 15.1-7, NLT

What does it mean to "accept" someone?

Who was John Piet and how did he teach his students to err?

Who do you have the most difficulty accepting?

Remember Romans 14.4 from last week:

*<sup>4</sup>Do you have any business crossing people off the guest list or interfering with God's welcome? If there are corrections to be made or manners to be learned, God can handle that without your help.*

The key verse for this week is Romans 15.7:

*<sup>7</sup>Therefore, accept each other just as Christ has accepted you so that God will be given glory.*

What happens to you when you accept people "as is?"

What happens to those around you when you accept people "as is?"

## July Daily Bible Readings

Date	Day	New Testament	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Special Prayer	Old Testament	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
15	Su	Revelation 4			Jeremiah 1	
16	Mo	Revelation 5			Jeremiah 2	
17	Tu	Revelation 6			Jeremiah 3	
18	We	Revelation 7			Jeremiah 4	
19	Th	Revelation 8			Jeremiah 5	
20	Fr	Revelation 9			Jeremiah 6	
21	Sa	Revelation 10			Jeremiah 7	
22	Su	Revelation 11			Jeremiah 8	