



# **Faith in Faith**

Laketon Bethel Church

July 22, 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 #660 - “O That Will Be Glory”

Hymn #612 - “I Know Who Holds Tomorrow”

Hymn #641 - “Lean On, O King Eternal”

Hymn #629 - “Soldiers of Christ, Arise”

### **Congregational Prayer**

### **Worship in Song**

Hymn #556 - “’Til the Storm Passes By”

Hymn #557 - “Under His Wings”

**Tithes and Offerings - Special Music**

**Crosstalk: “Faith in Faith”**

### **Worship in Song**

Hymn #669 - “We Are God’s People”



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

### **Worship in Song**

“Did You Feel the Mountains Tremble?”

“Breathe on Me”

“I Give You My Heart”

“Lifesong”

**Tithes and Offerings - “Chain Breaker”**

**Crosstalk: “Faith in Faith”**

**Worship in Song – “Lifesong”**

**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 231-719-0857

The next scheduled meeting is Monday, July 30, from 9:00-11:00am. We welcome anyone interested in joining, even for one time. Our church needs a lot of TLC, and we are having fun forming new relationships along the way!!

### **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 personal 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 both services. Children will attend church with their family for a unique program. We will not be holding Children's Church downstairs.



## SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

**Many Thanks!** The Missions Group would like to thank everyone for their donations. So far we have collected 30 bicycles for the Rescue Mission and have helped over 150 people with personal hygiene items. Thanks also to Bob and Tim Sikkenga for repairing the bikes.

**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) or stop in the Nursery. 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 today 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.*



# ***Cornie Keunen***

*Prayers for Lee and Kathy Andrews and family following the  
passing of Lee's mother, Grace Andrews.*

*Prayers for Pete and Diane Sikkenga, Pete's brother Harry Sikkenga  
passed away last Sunday.*

***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 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

## **NEXT SUNDAY - July 29**

**9:00am Coffee Servers:** Nick & Jacquie Kunnen

**11:00am Coffee Servers:** Diane Brantsen & Family

**9:00am Greeters:** Mick & Jackie Meyers

**11:00am Greeters:** Ron & Debbie Zant

Heartfelt   
**THANKS**  
**TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!**

# NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

## **THIS SUNDAY - July 22**

**Nursery: (1)** The Brewers

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

## **NEXT SUNDAY - July 29**

**Nursery: (1)** Adonica Kunnen

**Nursery: (2)** Rebecca Goodrich, Sherry Begue, Joann Petroski

**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**

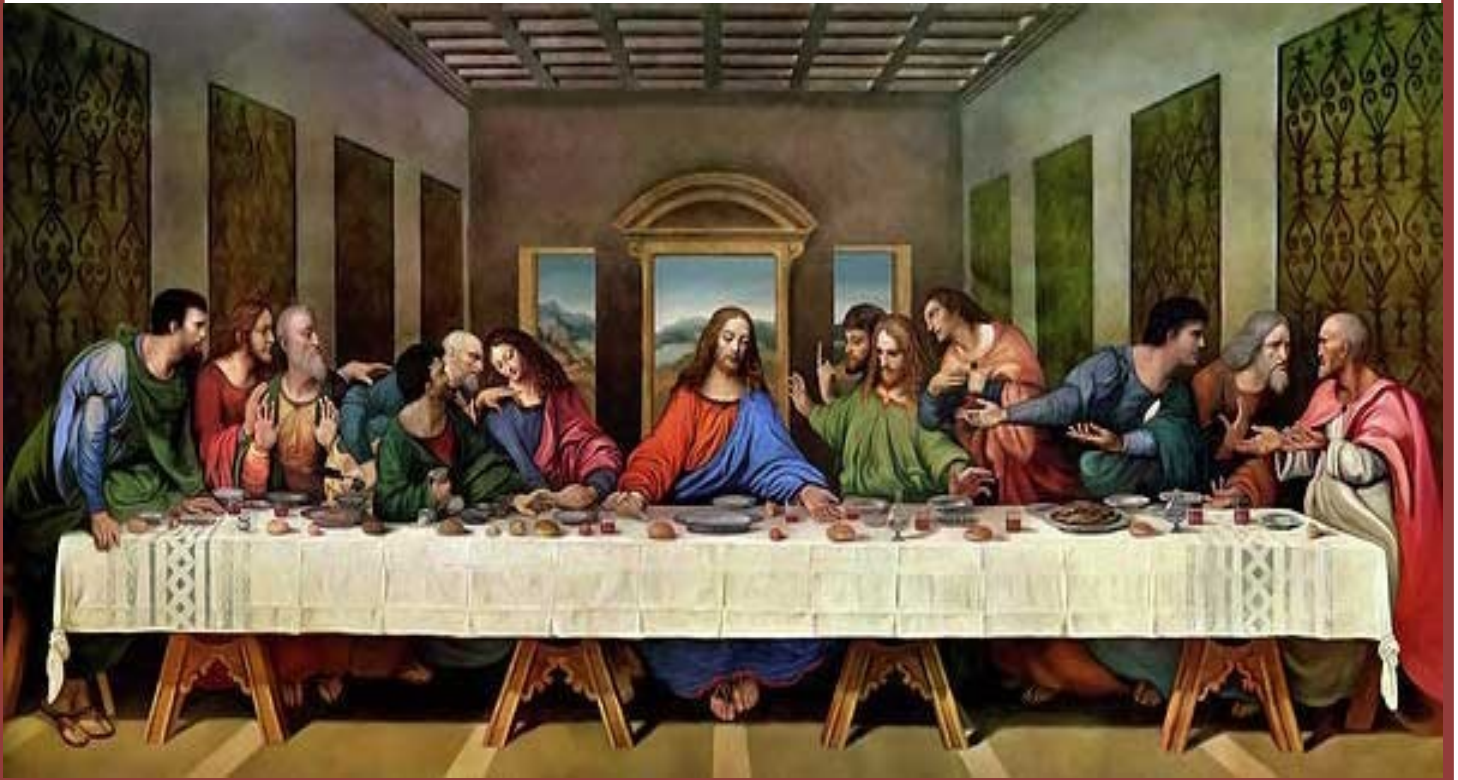
**\*Meal Ministry**

**\*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.*



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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** - Shelly Deblock

**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

# *Faith in Faith*

All Bible readings will be projected and are from *The New Living Translation (NLT)*.

Luke 19: 1 – 10

Romans 3:27-28

What happens if you throw away a clean piece of paper?

God does not see you as \_\_\_\_\_ . God is not \_\_\_\_\_ with you.

Christ made it clear: your salvation is through \_\_\_\_\_ .

Grow \_\_\_\_\_ by knowing God.

As faith grows we become better at loving \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ .

## **July Daily Bible Readings**

Date	Day	New Testament	<input type="checkbox"/>	Special Prayer	Old Testament	<input type="checkbox"/>
22	Su	Revelation 11	<input type="checkbox"/>		Jeremiah 8	<input type="checkbox"/>
23	Mo	Revelation 12	<input type="checkbox"/>		Jeremiah 9	<input type="checkbox"/>
24	Tu	Revelation 13	<input type="checkbox"/>		Jeremiah 10	<input type="checkbox"/>
25	We	Revelation 14	<input type="checkbox"/>		Jeremiah 11	<input type="checkbox"/>
26	Th	Revelation 15	<input type="checkbox"/>		Jeremiah 12	<input type="checkbox"/>
27	Fr	Revelation 16	<input type="checkbox"/>		Jeremiah 13	<input type="checkbox"/>
28	Sa	Revelation 17	<input type="checkbox"/>		Jeremiah 14	<input type="checkbox"/>
29	Su	Revelation 18	<input type="checkbox"/>		Jeremiah 15	<input type="checkbox"/>