



Laketon Bethel Church

November 14, 2021

Dr. Sherwin Brantsen

## **Order of Worship-9:00am**

### ***We Approach Our Friend***

Welcome

Prayer of Confession and Reminder of Pardon

Response of Praise

#468 "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

#462 "Sweet Will of God"

#463 "More Love To Thee"

#456 "I'd Rather Have Jesus"

Congregational Prayer

### ***Offerings-We Give Back***

Special Music

### ***We Learn, Remember and Renew***

Crosstalk - "Is It Crazy to Believe?"

Benediction

#7 "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"



## **Order of Worship-11:00am**

### ***We Approach our Friend***

Welcome

Prayer of Confession and Reminder of Pardon

Response of Praise

"I Lift My Hands"

"Waiting Here for You"

Congregational Prayer

### ***Offerings-We Give Back***

"Believe"

### ***We Learn, Remember and Renew***

Crosstalk - "Is It Crazy to Believe?"

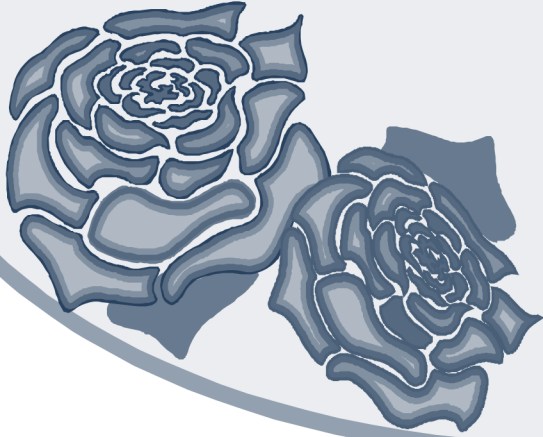
### ***We Respond to Our Friend***

Benediction

"Waiting Here for You"

**Special Senior of the Week:**

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



***Larry  
Gunn***

***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***



# Announcements

**Bible Study** Sherwin will lead a bible study titled “End Times”. This 6-week series will be every Wednesday beginning on October 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm. Please sign up on the sheet located on the table in the entryway.

**Children’s Ministry** Children’s Church is open to children from Preschool through Fifth Grades. Families can now register their kids on our web page. The Nursery will not be staffed at this time, but will be open as a cry room and changing station. For any questions, please call the office at 744-1749.

**LBC Youth Group** If you’re a 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grader, or you know one and would like to attend our next youth meeting, we would LOVE to have you! Please reach out to Ashley Cleary by text/phone at (231) 747-0136 to register your child, be added to our parent email list, have any questions or would like more information about youth and children’s ministries.



## MADL Bookmobile Stops Here

**Laketon Bethel Reformed Church**  
**November 19**  
**10:00 am - 12:00 pm**

## Sunday Morning Volunteers

First Service Coffee: Ron & Connie Maciejewski

Second Service: Jim & Theresa Hanley

# Scripture for Today

From Acts 26 [The Message]

<sup>12-14</sup> “One day on my way to Damascus, armed as always with papers from the high priests authorizing my action, right in the middle of the day a blaze of light, light outshining the sun, poured out of the sky on me and my companions. Oh, King, it was so bright! We fell flat on our faces. Then I heard a voice in Hebrew: ‘Saul, Saul, why are you out to get me? Why do you insist on going against the grain?’

<sup>15-16</sup> “I said, ‘Who are you, Master?’

“The voice answered, ‘I am Jesus, the One you’re hunting down like an animal. But now, up on your feet—I have a job for you. I’ve handpicked you to be a servant and witness to what’s happened today, and to what I am going to show you.

<sup>17-18</sup> “‘I’m sending you off to open the eyes of the outsiders so they can see the difference between dark and light, and choose light, see the difference between Satan and God, and choose God. I’m sending you off to present my offer of sins forgiven, and a place in the family, inviting them into the company of those who begin real living by believing in me.’

<sup>24</sup> That was too much for Festus. He interrupted with a shout: “Paul, you’re crazy! You’ve read too many books, spent too much time staring off into space! Get a grip on yourself, get back in the real world!”

<sup>25-27</sup> But Paul stood his ground. “With all respect, Festus, Your Honor, I’m not crazy. I’m both accurate and sane in what I’m saying. The king knows what I’m talking about. I’m sure that nothing of what I’ve said sounds crazy to him. He’s known all about it for a long time. You must realize that this wasn’t done behind the scenes. You believe the prophets, don’t you, King Agrippa? Don’t answer that—I know you believe.”

<sup>28</sup> But Agrippa did answer: “Keep this up much longer and you’ll make a Christian out of me!”

<sup>29</sup> Paul, still in chains, said, “That’s what I’m praying for, whether now or later, and not only you but everyone listening today, to become like me—except, of course, for this prison jewelry!”

# Is It Crazy to Believe?

[a place for your notes]

What is the difference between “fixed” thinking and “growth” thinking?

Who was Porcius Festus?

Who was Herod Agrippa?

Who was Paul?

What was Paul’s assignment?

Other Notes:

## November Weekly Bible Readings

Date	Day	New Testament	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Special Prayer	Old Testament	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
14	Su	2 Corinthians 11			Leviticus 16	
15	Mo	2 Corinthians 12			Leviticus 17	
16	Tu	Galatians 1			Leviticus 18	
17	We	Galatians 2			Leviticus 19	
18	Th	Galatians 3			Leviticus 20	
19	Fr	Galatians 4			Leviticus 21	
20	Sa	Galatians 5			Leviticus 22	
21	Su	Galatians 6			Leviticus 23	

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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, Larry Joslyn, Amy Kunnen,  
Ed Luzadder, Grant Meyers, Jason Peterson,  
Louanne Utzinger, Ron Zant

### Deacons

Kathy Andrews, Jon Brantsen, Greg Fick,  
Kathy Forrester, Mike George, Alex  
Lassow, Rita Sikkenga, Kathy Young