



Trust
steadily in God

Hope
unswervingly

Love
extravagantly

1 Corinthians 13:13

Laketon Bethel Church

December 20, 2020

Dr. Sherwin Brantsen

Welcome!

When open, 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 For now each Sunday will be Family Worship. Children's Church is planned to reopen in the fall. The Nursery will not be staffed, but will be open as a cry room for parents.

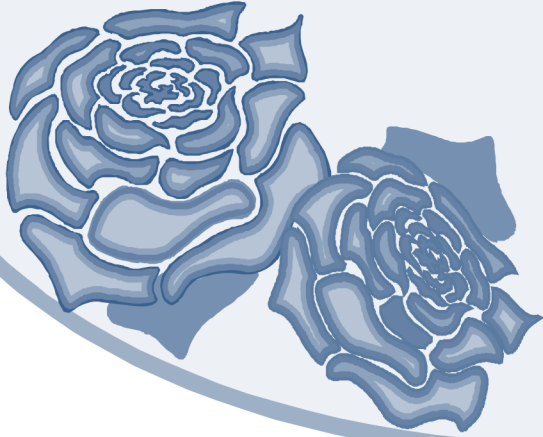
Offering, Chocolates and Bulletins To minimize contact, there will be offering tables inside the Worship Center for you to place your tithes and offerings and prayer requests. Bulletins will be stacked by the worship center doors and chocolate stations will be in the entryway for self-serve.

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

Thank you for your cooperation!

Special Seniors of the Week:

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



Ardie Pulsipher

*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

Hymn #167 - "The First Noel"

Hymn # 187 - "The Birthday of a King"

Hymn #197 - "How Great Our Joy"

Hymn # 198 - "I Wonder As I Wander"

We Approach our Friend

Welcome

Prayer of Confession and Reminder of Pardon

Response of Praise

Hymn #169 - "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

Congregational Prayer

Hymn #188 - "Child In a Manger"

We Learn, Remember and Renew

Crosstalk - "Advent Renewal: Part Three"

We Respond to Our Friend

Hymn #173 - "Joy to the World"

Hymn #174 - "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You"

Hymn #175 - "O Come All Ye Faithful"

Benediction

Hymn #181 - "Go Tell It on the Mountain"



Merry Christmas



Advent Renewal, Part 3: Serve

Galatians 6.7-10 (from The Message)

⁷⁻⁸ Don't be misled: No one makes a fool of God. What a person plants, he will harvest. The person who plants selfishness, ignoring the needs of others—ignoring God!—harvests a crop of weeds. All he'll have to show for his life is weeds! But the one who plants in response to God, letting God's Spirit do the growth work in him, harvests a crop of real life, eternal life.

⁹⁻¹⁰ So let's not allow ourselves to get fatigued doing good. At the right time we will harvest a good crop if we don't give up, or quit. Right now, therefore, every time we get the chance, let us work for the benefit of all, starting with the people closest to us in the community of faith.

What are some bad seeds I am planting?

What are some good seeds I am planting?

Other Notes:

December Daily Readings

Date	Day	New Testament	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Special Prayer	Old Testament	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
20	Su	Acts 2			Isaiah 27	
21	Mo	Acts 3			Isaiah 28	
22	Tu	Acts 4			Isaiah 29	
23	We	Acts 5			Isaiah 30	
24	Th	Acts 6			Isaiah 31	
25	Fr	Acts 7			Isaiah 32	
26	Sa	Acts 8			Isaiah 33	
27	Su	Acts 9			Isaiah 34	

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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

Deacons

Kathy Andrews, Jon Brantsen, Greg Fick,
Kathy Forrester, Alex Lassow, Roger
Sherburn, Rita Sikkenga, Kathy Young