



Laketon Bethel Church

December 30, 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

Responsive Reading #161

Hymn #173 - “Joy to the World”

Hymn #174 - “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You”

Hymn #175 - “O Come All Ye Faithful”

Hymn #188 - “Child in a Manger”

Congregational Prayer

Hymn #171 - “Silent Night”

Tithes and Offerings – “Just Like Bethlehem”

Crosstalk: “Christmas Presence”

Benediction

Hymn #181 - “Go Tell It on the Mountain”



ORDER OF WORSHIP – 11:00 SERVICE

Worship in Song

“Emmanuel”

“It’s Christmas”

Congregational Prayer

Worship in Song

“Bow Down/O Come Let Us Adore Him”

“What a Beautiful Name”

Tithes and Offerings - “Away in a Manger”

Crosstalk: “A New Attitude for a New Year”

Benediction

“Go Tell It On the Mountain”

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

SMALL GROUPS

BIBLE STUDY - Women

Leader: Maureen Mussman 231-894-8010

We meet Thursday evenings at 7:00 at the church. We are studying the book titled, "Proverbs & Parables: God's Wisdom for Living" by Dee Brestin. This study parallels the truths of Old Testament proverbs with New Testament parables and applies them to contemporary living.

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

Leader: Kelly Curow 231-740-3716

This is a 13-week class beginning Thursday, October 4th 5:30-7:30Pm. Financial Peace University will help you take control of your money, plan for your future, and transform your life.

THE CLEAN AND FIX CREW

Leader: Vicky Wierengo 231-719-0857

We would like to encourage you to join in the fun of serving the Lord and forming new friendships along the way. Although we are working, we are doing it together with smiles and laughter. Our next meeting dates are Monday, October 15 and 29, from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Please join us for fun and fellowship!

COUPLES SMALL GROUP

Leader: Steve & Maureen Mussman 231-894-8010

Meets once a month, usually on a Saturday. Time and date vary. We have fun doing a variety of activities.

MISSIONS

Leader: Dave DeBoer 231-828-4494

We meet the second Monday of each month. The Missions Group would like to thank everyone for their hygiene donations. We have served over 450 people and will continue to collect donations.

MIDDLE SCHOOL GIRL'S GROUP

Leader: Stefanie Sweany 231-719-2252

6th-8th 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!

DECOLORES REUNION GROUP

Leaders: Tim & Misty Sikkenga 231-747-6530

If you have attended any type of DeColores weekend in the past, we invite you to come to our next meeting on September 12th at 7:00pm. If you are interested in more information, please contact Tim or Misty Sikkenga.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Youth Group Meetings 6th-12th grade students are invited to join us on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month from 4:30-6:30pm here at LBC. Mark your calendars and bring a friend!

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Senior Connections We meet December 30th in the Parlor at 10:00am. The mission is to keep our senior and homebound members connected to God and to Laketon Bethel. If interested, please join us at the meeting or call Gay at 343-0898 or Joann at 327-2785.

Prayer Shawl Ministry If you can knit, crochet or sew, we could use prayer shawls or lap blankets for those going through tough times. Contact Joann Petroski at annpetro@msn.com for more information.

Missions Ministry We will continue to collect hygiene products and winter clothing. We invite you to join us to serve at the Supper House on Jefferson St., Muskegon, the second Wednesday of each month, making our next visit to on January 9th at 3:45pm. We have had great support, but are always looking for more people to join our team. If you would like to donate baked goods, please have your items here by Sunday, January 6th. If interested call Dawn at 683-0829

Food Truck The next Food Truck is January 14th. We ask that 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.



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 - December 23

9:00am Coffee Servers: Ed & Kay Kawaleski

11:00am Coffee Servers: Steve & Maureen Mussman

9:00am Greeters: Karen Johnson & Deacons

11:00am Greeters: Stacy Freed & Deacons

11:00am Greeters: Kenjonen Family

NEXT SUNDAY - December 30

9:00am Coffee Servers: Jane Jakus

11:00am Coffee Servers: Diane Brantsen & Family

9:00am Greeters: Mick & Jackie Meyers

11:00am Greeters: Ron & Debbie Zant



THIS SUNDAY - December 23

Nursery: (1) Lorri Anderson

Nursery: (2) Marcia Wynsma, Larry Hecksel,
Scott & Amy Zonnebelt

NEXT SUNDAY - December 30

Nursery: (1) Joann Petroski

Nursery: (2) Jen & Kaylah VendeGuchte,
Linda Evans

Children's Church Greeter: Sally Hendrixon

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

***Senior Connections**

***Children's Ministry**

***Food Truck Ministry**

***Greeter/Coffee Server**

***Senior Ministry**

***Music Ministry**

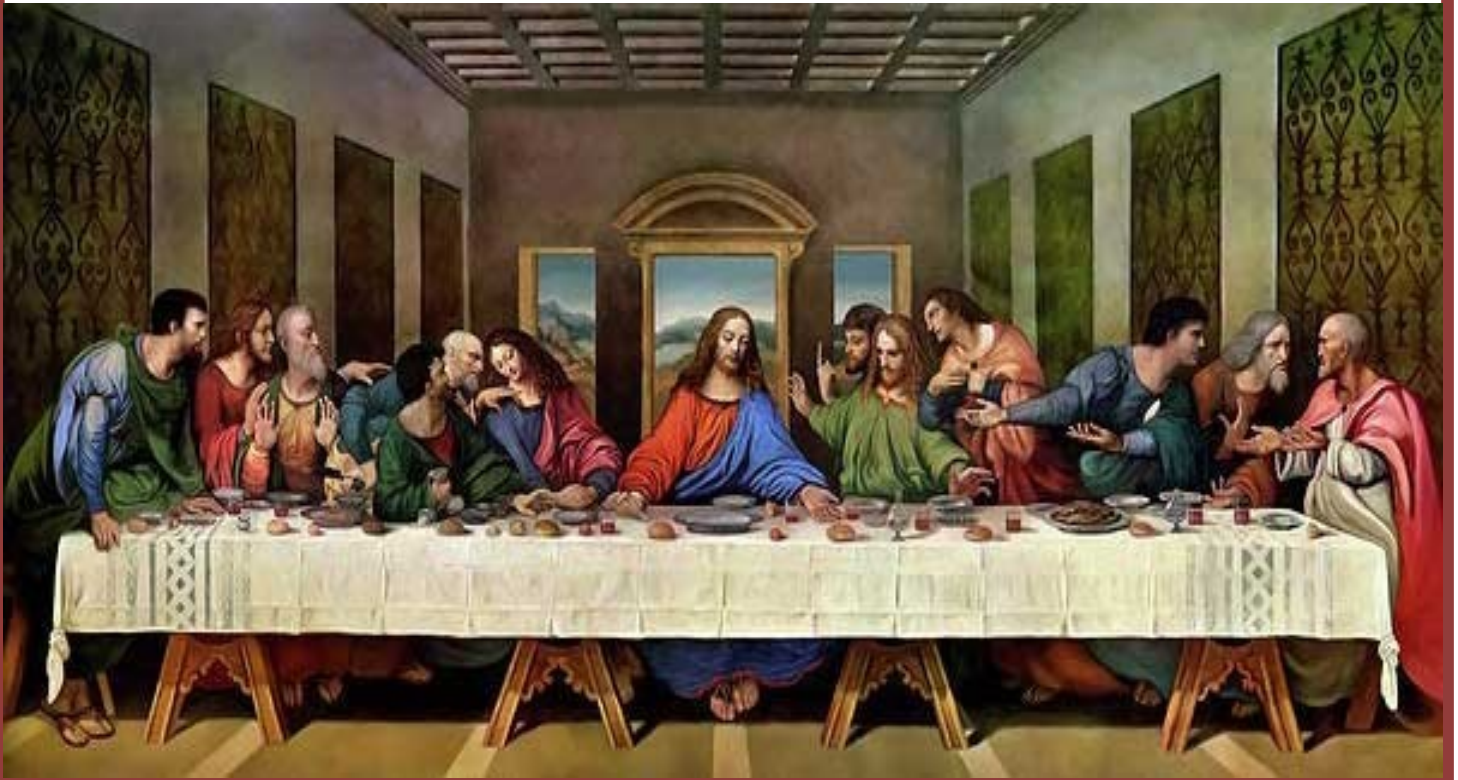
***Meal Ministry**

***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)

Director of Operations – Gary Gifford (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

Greet Squad Leader - Sally Hendrixon

ADMINISTRATION

Secretary – Tina Dadd

Administrative Assistant - Joann Petroski

Bookkeeper – Pat Peterson

Janitor - Bill Feigert

OUR VOLUNTEER LEADERS

Senior Ministries Team Leader – Jill VerHulst

Food Truck Team Leader – John Wilke

Prayer Warrior Team Leader – Tina Dadd

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

A NEW ATTITUDE FOR A NEW YEAR

Mark 5.21-43

1. Who is Kate Bowler?
2. What did Kate Bowler write?
3. What do we mean when we say, "Give him the benefit of the doubt?"
4. What is the opposite of "the benefit of the doubt?"
5. How did faith help the woman with the hemorrhage and the man with the sick daughter?
6. How can an attitude of faith help you in 2019?

Other notes:

December/January Daily Bible Readings

Date	Day	New Testament	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Special Prayer	Old Testament	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
30	Su	2 Corinthians 1			Zechariah 4	
31	Mo	2 Corinthians 2			Zechariah 5	
01	Tu	2 Corinthians 3			Zechariah 6	
02	We	2 Corinthians 4			Zechariah 7	
03	Th	2 Corinthians 5			Zechariah 8	
04	Fr	2 Corinthians 6			Zechariah 9	
05	Sa	2 Corinthians 7			Zechariah 10	
06	Su	2 Corinthians 8			Zechariah 11	