

## **Consistory Positions & Committees 2019**

President	Pastor Matthew Miller
Vice President	Lee Hagemeyer
Clerk	Jerry Schwitters
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General Fund Treasurer	Nathan Hebrink
Mission Fund Treasurer	Keith Loe
Building Fund Treasurer	Scott Tomes
Memorial Fund Treasurer	Justin Dirksen
Cemetery Fund Treasurer	Aaron Pauling

### **Worship Committee**

\*Lee Hagemeyer  
Justin Dirksen  
Chip Goeman  
Pam Knapper

### **Leadership Committee**

\*Terry Epema  
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Dan Wrede  
Justin Dirksen  
Pastor Matt Miller

### **Education & Youth Committee**

\*Nathan Hebrink  
Aaron Pauling  
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### **Mission/Outreach Committee**

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Keith Klinghagen

### **Fellowship/Congregational Care**

\*Jerry Schwitters  
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### **Property Committee**

\*Troy Sweep  
Scott Tomes  
Chuck Ammermann

# BETHANY REFORMED CHURCH | October 13

"And they hid from the Lord God among the trees of the garden."  
Genesis 3:8 (NIV)

Prelude

\*Songs of Worship

Announcements

Service of Baptism – Lyla Lee Thielen

*Jesus Loves Me* Hayden Boonstra, Aubrie, Sadie & Connor Hagemeyer

Offertory Song *It Is Well With My Soul*

Children's Church – children ages 3 – kindergarten are invited

Scripture: Psalm 51

(p. 889 Blue Bible)

(p. 430 Brown Bible)

(p. 559 Kids Bible)

Sermon: "Word of the Week: Awareness"

Closing Song *Create in Me a Clean Heart*

\*Benediction

## **Bethany's Mission Statement:**

To spread the word of Christ to our members and other people in surrounding communities and to globally further Christ's Kingdom. We as members will live and teach Jesus to the congregation and community.

## Sunday School Lesson Question ~ October 13

Session 5: Genesis 11:1-9 "When has God shown grace to our family like He did by not completely destroying the builders of the Tower of Babel? This wasn't long after the flood wiped out the entire earth. Why is it sometimes easy for our family to forget about God's past judgements or punishments and we return to our old ways of life?"

Dear Bethany Family & Friends,

Our family would like to extend to you an invitation to be a part of our adoption story. We are so excited to welcome another precious child into our home. With that anticipation comes the reality of our expected adoption costs. We are seeing cases for domestic infant adoptions range from \$42,000 - \$63,000. In efforts to lessen the financial burden, we have created T-shirt campaigns through Bonfire.com & if you do not wish to purchase apparel, we humbly welcome donations. The profits will go directly towards the remainder of the costs as we wait to be matched with birth family & baby. We could not fulfill this calling without your help, so from the bottom of our hearts... THANK YOU for choosing to be a part of OUR VILLAGE. We hope you know the impact you are making, not only financially, but spiritually, as TOGETHER we live out the mission of James 1:27 – "Here are the kinds of beliefs that God our Father accepts as pure & without fault. When widows & children who have no parents are in trouble, take care of them." Your generosity, through prayers or financially, is welcomed & appreciated equally.

With Love & Gratitude~ Brian, Whitney & Miles Nelson

<https://www.bonfire.com/nelson-family-adoption-fundraiser-village/>

<https://www.bonfire.com/nelson-family-adoption-fundraiser-faith/>



## **MAC N CHEESE PLEASE**

The MAC-PAC program provides weekend food for hungry MACCRAY students. Entrees are the most expensive component so we are running a campaign to collect needed items: microwavable Mac N Cheese in a cup, chicken noodle, alphabet, or chicken & stars soup (10.5 oz), beef ravioli, Spaghetti-O's (15oz.), and peanut butter (16 oz). Standard size works best because of limited backpack room. Every day we get to say, "What would I like to eat?" Some kids say, "Will I eat today?"

*Don't forget to sign the Friendship Pads!*

*Please include new addresses & phone numbers.*

# YOUTH NEWS

If you have not been approached by one of the High school students yet about purchasing a discount card, cards are available throughout the week in Todd's office, at Sweep Hardware, and Cenex of Clara City. They are \$20 each and will help offset some Rocky cost for this coming summer.

Thank you to Shannon Ahrenholz and Al & Lois Ahrenholz for helping make sub sandwiches last Monday.

## MUSIC NOTES



**Next Week's Praise Team:** *Women's Team*

**Rehearsal:** *Wednesday at 6:16 pm*

### PSALM 51:10-12

CREATE IN ME A PURE HEART, O GOD, AND RENEW A STEADFAST SPIRIT WITHIN ME. DO NOT CAST ME FROM YOUR PRESENCE OR TAKE YOUR HOLY SPIRIT FROM ME. RESTORE TO ME THE JOY OF YOUR SALVATION AND GRANT ME A WILLING SPIRIT, TO SUSTAIN ME.

### Assisting Today:

#### GUEST GREETERS:

Milt & Deb Wubben  
Ron & Carol Thomton

#### AFTER:

Scott Tomes  
Lee Hagemeyer

**LIBRARY:** Carol Thomton

**NURSERY:** Carly Wrede  
Lizzie Koenen

#### CHILDREN'S CHURCH:

Rachel DuHoux  
Severine Johnson

#### SONG LEADERS:

Kara Dirksen/Kailee Epema/Daniela Goeman  
Kari Johnson/Ivy Ruiter

**ORGANIST:** Vicky Hinrichs

**PIANIST:** Pam Knapper

**SOUND:** Barry Schwitters

**PROJECTOR:** Nikki & Talen Niemeyer

**BUS:** Brad Poppen

### Next Week:

Randy & Cathy Janssen  
Terry & Renae Epema

Travis Wubben  
Bruce Hinrichs

Audrey Koenen

JoHannah Klinghagen  
Ella Bourne

Kim Sandry  
Abbigail Slagter

Women's Team

Pam Knapper

Scott Tomes

Ben Schoep

Wade Buss

### OCTOBER

A simple line drawing of a pumpkin with a stem, surrounded by several leaves.

**Video:** Steve Andresen

**Ushers:** \*Loren Stomberg   Al Boonstra  
Byron Hinrichs   Nate Hebrink (alternate)

**Coffee Servers:** Al & Tracy Boonstra  
Scott & Julie Abbas

**TODAY:** 9:30 am Morning Worship  
 10:45 am Coffee & Fellowship/Sunday School

**THIS WEEK:**

Monday 1:00 – 5:00 pm Mission Quilters (Basement)  
 7:00 pm Joy Fellowship (Family Room)

Tuesday 5:00 am Open Gym (Walking)  
 8:15 am Women's Prayer Time (Family Room)

Wednesday 5:00 am Open Gym (Walking)  
 7:00 pm Choir (Chapel)

Thursday 5:00 am Open Gym (Walking)  
 1:00 pm Amazing Collection Bible Study (Library)

Saturday 9:30 – 11:30 pm Baby Boy Epema Shower (Parents: Travis & Michelle)

**ELDER VISITATION:**

Hospital: Lee Hagemeyer Care Center: Chip Goeman

**PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE:** Leonard Fokken had a successful heart procedure. Tim Beseman had hip replacement surgery this past week. Pat Seeman was treated at Rice Hospital this past week for abdominal pain. Darlene Andresen will undergo surgery for an infection. Dorothy Andresen is struggling with loss of appetite & worry. Harvest and safety for all. Jan Petersen is at Bethany Rehab & Therapy in Alexandria. Continued Prayers: Darlene Andresen, Herman Brouwer, Bruce Hinrichs, Ruth Johnson, Lori Petersen, and David Poppen. Deanna Meints is on chemotherapy. Remember those in the military. Christians in China. Sayuri Kist-Okazaki our partner in peacebuilding in Japan.

*Today it is our privilege to baptize Lyla Lee Thielen, daughter of TJ & Heather Thielen. The Lord bless your family!*

*Our sympathy to George Poppen and family, as Emily passed away on Thursday, October 3. Her funeral service was held at Bethany on Tuesday, October 8.*

Harvest Hope Service. Sunday evening October 13 at 6:00 PM at Unity Reformed Church in Prinsburg.

WEB & SOCIAL MEDIA. Anyone interested in being a part of keeping Bethany's online presence up to date, please text Pastor Matt @ 612-719-3272

**IMPORTANT:** Your nomination ballots for Elders & Deacons are in your mailbox. Please fill them out and put them in the box on the narthex table **TODAY**.

**Joy Fellowship will be starting October 14th at 7:00 pm in the Family Room.** We will be studying *Door Busters* by Kathy Weckworth (Your Door: The Unknown)

Office Hours: 10 am – 4 pm Monday – Thursday  
 Website: bethanychurch-mn.org

If you would like a visit call Pastor Matt at 612-719-3272 or the church office 847-3322.

<b>NEW BUILDING PROJECT</b>	
\$\$ raised as of 8-31-2019:	\$ 788,140.43
September Income:	\$ 622.50
\$\$ raised as of 9-30-2019:	\$ 788,762.93
Loan balance as of 9-30-2019:	\$ 290,519.39

*Sunday School Offering last week: \$17*

**Wednesday Night Meal will be served from 6:00 to 6:45 pm.**

**October 16<sup>th</sup>: NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES**

*Wednesday Nights. We are still looking for volunteers to help with the Wednesday evening meals, please sign up on the sheets by the office or contact Cindy Plowman at 320-905-5426 with any questions. Thank you!!*

**Reminder:** We are doing an offering challenge - the class with the most offering at the end of the month will win a prize.

**The Sunday School bell will start ringing at 11:40. Teachers can let kids go whenever they are done with their lesson.**

**TEACHER / VOLUNTEER PAPERWORK!** If you serve for Sunday school, Wednesday nights, Small groups, Mentors, Children's church, etc... please stop by the church office and fill out the paperwork if you haven't done so already...thanks so much!!

**October is BRING YOUR SMARTPHONE TO CHURCH MONTH.** We will have the opportunity together to set up text-to-give on our smartphones! When you send 'BRC GIVE' to 79797 you will receive a one-time reply containing a link to give to [BETHANY REFORMED CHURCH](1msg/request). Please be aware that Msg & Data rates may apply. For full Terms & Conditions please visit <https://pushpay.com/terms>. For the Privacy Policy please visit <https://pushpay.com/privacy>. For help reply HELP or STOP to cancel.

Next week's third Sunday offering is for the building fund.

Bethany is doing a new pictorial directory with Lifetouch. Pictures will be taken on:

- Wednesday – Friday, November 13-15 from 2 pm – 9 pm
- Saturday, November 16 from 10 am – 5 pm
- Monday, November 18 from 2 pm – 9 pm

You can access the Lifetouch link on bethanychurch-mn.org to schedule your appointments. We will also have signups after church TODAY!!



Open House Baby Shower to celebrate Baby Boy Epema  
 Parents : Michelle Hanninen & fiancé Travis Epema  
 Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup> ~ 9:30 to 11:30 am ~ The Hub at Bethany  
 Registered at Target & Amazon