

# Welcome to Bethel Lutheran Church!

Today's Service is led by Pastor Ben Sandin.

**Organist:** Melody Wright

**Flowers** are dedicated to the glory of God with Thanksgiving for the hope, love, and peace that come with the gift of faith; and by Melissa Janssen.

**Deacon:** Tony Stieber

**Lector:** Janice Martinson

**Lockup Volunteer:** Sam Sudarsanam

## Bethel This Week

### Sunday, December 1

8:45am Traditional Worship  
9:40am Kid Connection  
9:50am Sr High Gathering  
10:45am Contemporary Worship  
6:30pm Handbell Choir

### Monday, December 2

9:00am Men of Monday  
9:15am Quilters

### Tuesday, December 3

10am-1pm Office Open

### Wednesday, December 4

10am-3pm Office Open  
10:00am Women of Wednesdays  
6:30pm Sr High Fellowship  
7:00pm Speaker Series

### Thursday, December 5

10am-3pm Office Open  
7:30pm Bethel Choir Rehearsal

### Friday, December 6

### Saturday, December 7

9:00am SVKS in Parking Lot  
9:30am Advent Decorating

## Giving

### October Outreach & Benevolence

\$1,795 Sierra Pacific Synod for churchwide mission support  
\$2,000 Esperanza Mission to Mexico  
\$1,000 West Valley Community Services  
\$ 525 Bethel Quilters (Special Designated)  
\$ 112 San Jose Family Shelter

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\$5,432 TOTAL

### December Special Designated Offering Habitat for Humanity

To give to Bethel visit:  
[www.bethelcupertino.org/giving](http://www.bethelcupertino.org/giving)

## Attendance

Sunday, November 24  
8:45am - 78; 10:45am - 66;  
Nursery - 3



Hospitality - Christ Centered Community - Spiritual Growth - Responding to Needs - Generosity

**Sunday, December 1, 2024 • 8:45am**

**Prelude** "Wachet Auf, Ruft Uns Die Stimme" (J.S. Bach)  
**Welcome & Announcements**  
**Advent Confession and Forgiveness**  
**Sharing Christ's Peace**  
**Hymn** Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying (ELW #436, vs. 1-3)  
**Apostolic Greeting**  
**Kyrie**  
**Advent Canticle of Praise** Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn (ELW #242, vs. 1)  
**Advent Scripture, Prayer, Lighting the Candle of Hope**  
**Advent Candle Lighting Song** O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (ELW #257, vs. 1)  
**First Reading** 1 Thessalonians 2:1-7  
**Acclamation & Response**  
**Gospel** Luke 21:25-36  
**Response after the Gospel**  
**Message** "Heads Up"  
**Hymn** Rejoice, Rejoice Believers! (ELW #244, vs. 1-4)  
**Apostles Creed**  
**Prayers**  
**Lord's Prayer**  
**Offering** "We Wait" (R.E. Schram) Bethel Choir; accompanied by Vadim Rivkin; Enoch Kim, cello  
**Offertory Prayer**  
**Blessing**  
**Hymn** People, Look East (ELW #248, vs. 1-4)  
**Sending**  
**Postlude** The King Shall Come (Charles Ore)

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**Adult Ministry**  
Mary Deutscher  
**Childrens Ministry**  
Amanda Laughlin  
**Confirmation**  
Robyn Winegardner

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### HELP ONE CHILD GIVING TREE

*Due to Bethel by Sunday, December 1*

Bethel is partnering with Help One Child to provide love and Christmas cheer to children and adolescents in foster care. Please visit the "Giving Tree" in the Narthex for further instructions. Please bring your unwrapped gift to the church with the gift tag securely fastened. Each gift should be \$40–50. Contact Mark Evashenk if you have any questions.

### 1<sup>st</sup> WEDNESDAY SPEAKER

*Wednesday, December 4, 7pm in the Fireside Room*

Come and hear about Mission to Mexico experiences and enjoy some tasty Mexican food. RSVP to Mary Deutscher by Sunday, December 1 by filling out the RSVP card in the bulletin, or by calling the office, or by emailing Mary at [maryd@bethelcupertino.org](mailto:maryd@bethelcupertino.org).

### ADVENT DECORATING

*Saturday, December 7, 9:30am-noon, Sanctuary*

Help Decorate the Sanctuary and Narthex for Advent and Christmas. Contact is Tom Hoegel.

### ROEST FAMILY FAREWELL RECEPTION

*Sunday, December 8, 11:45am, Narthex & Playground*

Please join the fruit and cookie reception in the Narthex then bring your own picnic lunch to the playground to say goodbye to the Roerst family before they move back to the Netherlands.

### YOUNG ADULT MEET UP!

*Friday, December 27, 5:30pm in the Youth Room*

Meet for kicks and giggles. Bring friends if you wish. Contact Harumy Miura for more information.

### CHRISTMAS CONCERT: HARPERS HALL ENSEMBLE

*Saturday, December 14, 7-9pm in the Sanctuary*

Come to Bethel to hear the harps of the Harpers Hall. Admission is free, but donations are welcome and will support the Bethel Music Program concert expenses.

### MADRIGALS AT BETHEL

*Sunday, December 15, 9:50am-10:20am*

Enjoy the spirit of Christmas in an a capella concert given by the Mountain View High School Madrigals, led by Jill Denny.

### NEW: KNITTING/CROCHET MINISTRY

Ellen Aist is starting a new ministry in January to make hats for the unhoused. Yarn, and loom for crocheting, are provided. If you are interested, contact Ellen Aist or Amanda Laughlin.

### TURKEYS FOR WEST VALLEY COMMUNITY SERVICES

Bethel supported West Valley Community Services by donating 36 turkeys to their food bank and \$100. This will help families in our Cupertino community to have a nice Thanksgiving meal. A big thanks to all who participated.

#### BETHEL ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN to ADULTS:

**Nursery** (infants and toddlers) / contact is Amanda Laughlin

**Kid Connection** (2yrs to 5<sup>th</sup> grade) / contact is Amanda Laughlin

**Confirmation** (6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> grades) / contact is Robyn Winegardner

**High School** / contact is Tom Hoegel

**Young Adults** / contact is Harumy Miura

**Adults** / contacts are Pastor Ben, Tom Hoegel, Mary Deutscher

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#### CARING CONNECTION VISITS

If you, or someone you know, would like an informal visit from one of our Caring Connection Members, please call the Bethel office at 408-252-8500 and a visit will be scheduled. We would love to visit with you!

#### LIVE STREAMING & RECORDING

This service is being streamed live to [youtube.com/bethelcupertino](https://www.youtube.com/bethelcupertino). Those under 18 are not on camera without parental permission.