



Dear Bethel Family,

He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" (Mark 4:39-40)

Jesus had the power to calm storms. This did not prevent the disciples from being afraid. In times of panic and struggle we often forget that Jesus is with us. We never walk alone and there is power greater than we could ever

understand working for us.

Blessings,
Pastor Ben Sandin
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Sunday, June 23

Led by Pastor Ben Sandin

8:45am - Traditional Worship

9:50am - Sr High Gathering

10:45pm - Outdoor Worship

[Click here to see the Bulletins](#)



The Week Ahead at Bethel

Sunday, June 23

8:45am - Traditional Worship Service

9:50am - Sr High Gathering

10:45am - Outdoor Worship Service

Monday, June 24

9:00am - Men of Monday

9:15am - Quilters

Tuesday, June 25

10am-1pm Office is open

Wednesday, June 26

10am-3pm Office is open
6:30pm - Sr High Fellowship

Thursday, June 27

10am-3pm Office is open

Friday, June 28

10:00am - Fun Foodie Friday

Saturday, June 29

**Staff Meeting
Tuesday, June 11**

Click on the adjacent image to see what staff has to say.



**Chris Christensen's
Bible Study Podcast**

In response to popular demand, here is the link to Chris Christensen's podcast, as mentioned in last week's sermon:

<https://thebiblestudypodcast.com>

Help One Child Campers

Please help these foster kids enjoy summer camp by donating requested clothing items: PJ sets, swimsuits, and towels. Beginning Sunday, June 23, visit the Narthex for a donation card and instructions on giving. You may also donate to a scholarship fund for kids who are otherwise not able to attend this summer camp.

Contact is Mark Evashenk.





Out 'n About Adventure in Monterey

Saturday, June 22 at 8:15am-5:30pm

Join us for a day in Monterey where you can make your own adventure. Enjoy the world-famous Monterey Bay Aquarium, kayak in the bay, or ride a bike or surrey on the beautiful pathway along the ocean. There are plenty of shops and restaurants to round out your visit. Bring your family and friends!

Meet: in the Bethel Parking lot at 8:15am.

Fuel Cost: \$10 pp or \$30 for family of 4 or more, (Cash or check made out to "Bethel Lutheran Church").
 Food: Find a favorite restaurant on Cannery Row or bring your own sack lunch.

Return: Back to Bethel by 5:30pm.

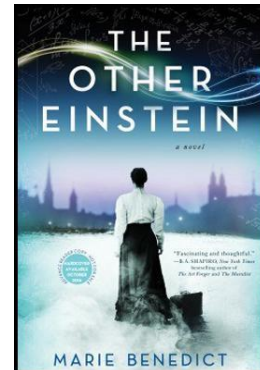
Contact: Marianne Nadell.

See the Flyer [here](#).

Readers Anonymous

Sunday, June 23 at 1:30pm in the Library

Please join us for a discussion of the book "The Other Einstein" by Marie Benedict. Ms. Benedict describes the story of Mitza Maric, the wife of Albert Einstein and a physicist in her own right. All are welcome.



Fun Foodie Friday

Friday, June 28, 5-9pm, Front Lawn

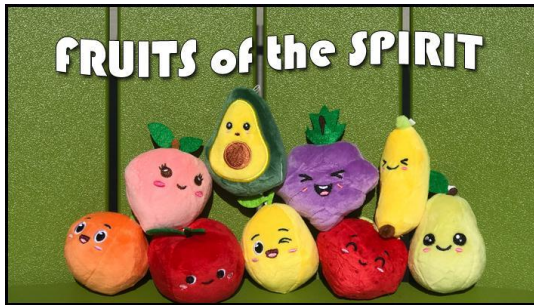
Come to the Bethel front lawn for dinner! There will be 5-6 Food Trucks with different menus. Trucks include: Lemongrass Lane, Thai Thai, Himalayan Momo Land, Tacos el Rufles, I Love Cheesesteak, and Kona Ice. Everyone is welcome!

Community Listening Project

Sundays, July 21 & 28 at 9:50am
 in the Fireside Room

Bethel's Listening Project has been completed. Pastor Ben will be reporting the findings, and will cover what the next steps might be.





Fruits of the Spirit

Summertime Take-out Church

The theme this year is a sweet one - Fruits of the Spirit: Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, and Self-Control.

Please take a photo of yourself and a fruit (or more) while you are on summer vacation, and then email your photos to Amanda Laughlin. She will make a movie at the end of the summer, showing yours and others' submissions.

Scuba VBS 2024!

Monday-Friday, July 8-12, 9am-12noon
Afternoon care program at noon-5pm

Register your kids today for SCUBA VBS! This year there is also an afternoon program at noon - 5pm, for an additional cost and limited space.

HUG (Help Us Go) Scholarships are available if this would be helpful for your child to attend.

Contact Amanda Laughlin. Register here:

https://www.bethelcupertino.org/children/2024_vbs/index.php



Whether or not you or your kids attend VBS, you may participate in this year's VBS Service Project: Help Drive Out Hunger. Click [here](#) to get the details on how you can help.

Bethel's Labor Day Retreat 2024

"Everybody Has a Story..."

Sunday, September 1 at Mt Cross camp

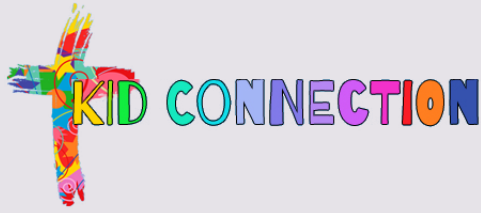
You are invited to join us at [Mt Cross](#) for our annual Labor Day Retreat! We have a full day of programming on Sunday, September 1 and a weekend option for those that want to spend more time at the camp. Look for the Labor Day Retreat table in the Welcome Zone before and after worship during July and August to learn more and register! Check out the [Labor Day Retreat handbook](#) for details!

This year's theme is "Everybody has a story..." where we'll explore our own faith stories and those of our community. To help get your story-juices flowing, each week we'll look at one of the themes from Anne Lamott's book, [Bird by Bird: Some Instructions on Writing and Life](#) and ponder how that can be applied to our own faith stories.

Here's your Faith Story Big Idea of the Week:

Anne Lamott describes how becoming a writer means writing about everything that happens to you and around you. How might this be applied to our faith stories? Your faith story also includes everything that happens to you and around you. It includes the ups and the downs, the good and the bad, the transcendent and the absolutely mundane. It includes what you learned in Sunday school or hear in sermons, but it also includes that coffee chat with a friend where you felt fully and wholly seen. It includes the times when you were a hero, but also the times when you were a villain. It doesn't just include you, either! It includes other characters, various settings, and a whole host of subplots and spin-offs. All of the components make up your faith story, and none of them should be erased. Cuz that wouldn't make for a very interesting story, would it?





Sunday School
Preschool-1st Grade Group
Children's Choir
3rd-5th Grade Group
Parent Fellowship

Kid Connection Sunday School

Kid Connection is now on summer break until Sunday, September 8.

Although we will not be meeting during Education Hour, join us for worship, and then head out to the playground after the first or second service. Amanda will have the bathrooms by the playground open for your use. This will be a great time for kids to play and for parents to connect with other parents.

Take Out Church 2024: Fruits of the Spirit

This year's theme is based on Galatians 5:22-23, the fruits of the spirit: Love, Joy, Patience, Kindness, Goodness - Generosity, Faithfulness, Gentleness & Self- Control.

If you have not had a chance to pick up your Take-out Church, pick one up in the narthex. The items we will be taking pictures with this year, are the fuzzy fruits with little faces. Please take them with you on your vacations or staycations and send the pictures. Amanda will be putting the photos together to make a movie that will be shown at the beginning of the school year this fall.

Scuba Vacation Bible School

VBS 2024 is **Monday-Friday, July 8-12** from 9am-noon.

[Registration for VBS](#) is open now. There will also be an afternoon program that will be Scuba themed, for children whose parent(s) work full time, or for anyone who would find this helpful. There will be an added cost and it has limited space. Contact Amanda if you have any questions.

For more information and to receive the Kid Connection emails, contact Amanda Laughlin.



Confirmation Class (6th, 7th, 8th graders)

Sunday, June 23

We will take June, July and August off from weekly Sunday classes but will have fun stuff happening throughout the summer - We've got helping with VBS from July 7-12. A VBS Celebration Sunday on July 14 with Food Truck and Water-slide at Bethel. ALL are welcome. A day of River Rafting on July 31. A pool party in August, date TBA. Kick off next year's classes during the Mt Cross Retreat on September 1. Keep an eye out. I'll keep you posted. Feel free to contact me if you have

any questions.

For more information about the Confirmation program at Bethel, contact Robyn Winegardner.



Sr. High Students

Sunday, June 23

9:50am - Sr High Gathering

Wednesday, June 26

7:15pm - New Orleans Trip Info Meeting

contact Tom Hoegel.

For more information on Sr. High activities and to get on the email list,

Your Giving

Here are the monthly Benevolence Giving Reports:

<https://www.bethelcupertino.org/insideBethel/index.php#Benevolence>

Ways to give to Bethel:

Contact Fara Brock in the church office at 408-252-8500

or visit <https://www.bethelcupertino.org/giving>

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