

Bethel Lutheran Church  
November Evangel

Reformation Sunday

Therefore, since we are  
justified by faith,  
we have peace with God  
through our Lord Jesus  
Christ, through whom we  
have obtained access to this  
grace in which we stand...

Romans 5:1-2 NRSV



## Daily Devotion Readings: October 30 - November 4

**Monday** – Psalm 119:41-48 / Deuteronomy 6:1-9, 20-25 / James 2:8-13

**Tuesday** – Psalm 119:41-48 / Deuteronomy 10:10-22 / James 2:14-26

**Wednesday** – Psalm 119:41-48 / Proverbs 16:1-20 / Matthew 19:16-22

**Thursday** – Psalm 43 / 1 Samuel 2:27-36 / Romans 2:17-29

**Friday** – Psalm 43 / Ezekiel 13:1-16 / 2 Peter 2:1-3

**Saturday** – Psalm 43 / Malachi 1:6—2:9 / Matthew 23:13-28

**Attendance: Oct. 15 – 73, Oct. 16 – 18, Total = 91**

**Oct. 22 (10am) – 50, (3pm) – 73, Oct. 23 – 13, Total = 136**

## Financial Report

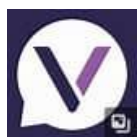
2023	ACTUAL	BUDGET	% OF BUDGET
Oct. 15 & 16	\$3,236	\$4,545	71%
Oct. 22 & 23	\$2,876	\$4,545	63%
<b>YEAR-to-DATE</b>	<b>\$181,709</b>	<b>\$195,435</b>	<b>- \$13,726</b>

**We now have a URL address and a QR code to make donations!**

<https://tinyurl.com/BethellshpGiving>

The link has been added to our website ([www.bethelish.org](http://www.bethelish.org)).

Our General Fund operating account is available, as well as Boiler/HVAC and Radio Broadcast funds. It can be set up as a one-time or recurring offering.



You can also go to the App Store and download the Vanco mobile app on your device.

If you prefer, mail your offerings to:

Bethel Lutheran Church, 333 E Ridge St, Ishpeming, MI 49849



A member of Bethel, Neil Chapman, passed away on  
Wednesday, October 25.

The memorial service will be held on Monday, December 4;  
visitation at 10am and service at 11am, followed by a luncheon.

# SERVING US

Presiding Minister: Pastor Tim Johnston  
Organist/Choir Director: Lucas Wickstrom

	<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>MONDAY</b>
<b>Lector</b>	Kay Tupala	<i>Need Volunteer</i>
<b>Usher(s)</b>	Clare Champion	<i>Need Volunteer</i>
	Kay Herrala	<i>Need Volunteer</i>
	Jill Bouza	-----
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Kay Tupala	<i>Need Volunteer</i>
		<i>Need Volunteer</i>
<b>9am Coffee Host(s)</b>	Lou &	-----
	Ed Ouellette	-----
<b>Van Driver</b>	Duane Palomaki	-----

## Serving Next Week: November 5 & 6

	<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>MONDAY</b>
<b>Lector</b>	Laura Kantola	<i>Need Volunteer</i>
<b>Usher(s)</b>	<i>Need Volunteer</i>	<i>Need Volunteer</i>
	<i>Need Volunteer</i>	<i>Need Volunteer</i>
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Kathy Balzarini	<i>Need Volunteer</i>
	Bill Seppanen	<i>Need Volunteer</i>
<b>9am Coffee Host(s)</b>	Sharon Soave	-----
	Lois Talus	-----
<b>Van Driver</b>	Earl Eliason	-----

The sign-up sheet for volunteering is located at the back of the sanctuary on the bulletin board. ***Please consider helping out.***

## November Meeting

Tuesday, November 14 – 6:30pm – Council Meeting

## Confirmation Class

Saturday, November 4 – 9am – Noon at Prince of Peace, Harvey  
The carpool leaves at 8:15am Sharp!

## Blessing of Hunters

Sunday, November 12 (10am)  
& Monday, November 13 (5:30pm)

All are welcome.

You are invited to wear your  
blaze orange to worship.



Next Sunday and Monday (November 5/6) we will mark All Saints' Day. We will specifically name those who have died since last November 1, as well as those who have been baptized since last November 1. For names of people who died more than a year ago, we will not specifically list them in our service, but you will have an opportunity to name them on that day.

Please call the office with any names of people who have died or been baptized in this past year by Monday, October 30.

### **From the October Council Meeting:**

- Night of Music on November 5, a fundraiser for "All Creation Sings" hymnals
- Outdoor sign on Heritage Street side of the church has been replaced
- Decided to downsize the council to nine members for 2024
- Approved the following members to be volunteer Financial Secretaries (tellers) beginning in 2024: Joyce Anderson, Carol Holmgren, Julie Luehmann and Stephanie Nelson
- Approved an additional week of vacation for Pastor Tim beginning in 2024



The Marquette Male Chorus will present "A Little Bit-o-This and A Little Bit-o-That" on November 10 at 7:30pm at Messiah Lutheran Church, Marquette. A donation of \$10 is suggested.



## Project: Keep Kids Warm

Tax-deductible donations can be sent to Wesley United Methodist Church, PO Box 342,

Ishpeming MI 49849 (checks made out to Wesley Methodist Church with "Project KKW" in memo line).

100% of your donation goes toward the purchase of new winter outerwear for children in need in our area. Last year more than 370 children were helped!

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## Serving in November



Offering Tellers: Ann Kulju, Carol Holmgren  
and Laura Kantola

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### SUNDAY VAN DRIVERS

MAINTENANCE: Dave Wommer

Nov. 5 – Earl Eliason  
Nov. 12 – Gary Thibeault  
Nov. 19 – Duane Palomaki  
Nov. 26 – Earl Eliason



The van is available in Ishpeming & Negaunee for the 10:00am Sunday worship service. Call the office by noon on Fridays to sign-up.

**Voicemails will not be heard until Monday morning.**

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### 9:00am Sunday Coffee in the Fellowship Hall

Nov. 5 – Lois Talus & Sharon Soave  
Nov. 12 – Jane Mariuzza & Wanda Dolkey  
Nov. 19 – Anita Sandberg & Cassy Sandberg  
Nov. 26 – Carol Holmgren & Tina Anderson



**Bethel is hosting a Night of Music**  
on  
**Sunday, November 5 at 6pm.**

Come to hear Strictly Gospel (from the Negaunee Male Chorus), the Bethel Bell Choir, the Bethany and Bethel Choirs, several soloists and a whoop! of a special surprise to end the night.

Coffee and goodies will be served following the event. An offering will be taken to help raise funds for Bethel to purchase copies of the new "All Creation Sings" hymnals.

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**Ecumenical Thanksgiving Worship**  
**Tuesday, November 21 at 6:30pm**  
**Bethel Lutheran Church**

There will be a pie social after the service; sign-up for pies is on the back table.

We invite you to bring donations of canned food for our local food banks.

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The Church office will be closed on Thursday, November 23  
and Friday, November 24, for the Thanksgiving holiday.

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*This year for Christmas we are inviting you to donate angels, bells, and cross tree ornaments in gold, silver and white for our sanctuary tree.*

*Please bring them in to the church office by December 1.*

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**FREE Thanksgiving Day Dinner**

Ishpeming Elks Lodge from 11:30am – 2:00pm

You are encouraged to make a reservation by calling 906-486-4890  
between 3pm and 9pm Monday through Saturday.

Take out and FREE delivery is also available in Marquette County.

# Looking ahead to Advent & Christmas

## Christmas Decorating Party

Sunday, December 3, after the 10am worship  
Bring soup or chili to share for lunch!

## ELCA Advent Midweek Services

Holden Evening Prayer - Wednesdays at 6:30pm at Bethel  
December 6 – Bethel leadership/refreshments  
December 13 – Faith/Trinity leadership/refreshments  
December 20 – Bethany leadership/refreshments

## December 24

The 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent and Christmas Eve are on the same day this year! Bethany of Ishpeming will host a Sunday morning service. Christmas Eve services will be here at Bethel at 3pm, 5pm, and 9pm with Holy Communion.

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## Memorial Gift

In loving memory of **Lillian Vahamaa** (mother)  
from Marlene Ombrello.

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## Welcome Visitors!

Autumn Thocker, Cory Middling and Westley Middling,  
Mike Mariuzza, Sara (Maki) Mattson, Janet Simula, Nancy Mattson,  
Beth Mary Pynnenen, Robert D. Dobson and  
Ron Kulju – Albuquerque, NM

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Bakers and volunteers are needed again for this popular event! More information will follow soon via bulletins, Facebook and our website, [www.bethelish.org](http://www.bethelish.org).

Help with shoveling snow is always needed in the winter! If you can help out at all, please contact the church office at 906-485-5533.



You may have noticed a Social Ministry envelope in your offering box for October 15.

We may not be as visible as years past, but we are still helping those in need to pay utilities, purchase food and medications, along with other bills. Since the pandemic we have not had our Giving Tree, but we still help out families by donating food collected from our members. This food is donated to St. Vincent DePaul, along with a generous check for them to purchase a turkey or ham to go with each Christmas box.

Our funds are getting low right now, and the members of Bethel have responded generously in the past to help us bring our funds up. Please consider using donating to help build the funds back up. We thank you for your continued support.

The Social Ministry Committee



\*\*\* High School Canoeing in the Boundary Waters Canoe Area (BWCA)- We will **meet on Sunday, November 19 after worship** in the fireside room for an initial information/organization meeting. All

students who are currently in 8-12<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome. It would be best if everyone planning to come could make it to this meeting as we will make a plan for fundraising as well as solidify the dates of the trip. Please talk to Pastor Tim if you are interested and cannot make it.

### **Lectionary Bible Study-**

Join Pastor Tim for an ongoing weekly (or almost weekly) bible study that will follow the three-year lectionary. No bible knowledge is necessary, just a curiosity to learn and listen for God stirring.

Every Tuesday, starting in November, from 11am-noon in the fellowship hall by the kitchen. In November we will not have a study on 11/21. We will honor a noon ending time, even if we don't make it through all of the appointed readings.





- 1 Payne Etelamaki, Kayleigh Laitinen, Chris Roose
- 2 Spencer Giroux
- 3 Paul Clark, Brandon Decremer, Gail Frustaglio, Harlen Heikkila, Betty Kjellman, Tony Mariuzza, Denise Uuro
- 4 Gary Thibeault
- 5 Carol Holmgren, Shirley Luoma, Diane L Poirier, Greg Quayle, Derrick Rice
- 6 Allyson Lancour
- 7 Karissa Cittadino, Daniel Nelson, Shaun Riutta,
- 8 Wanda Dolkey, Trevor Fowler, Marla Riutta, Lindsey Stangenwald
- 9 Derek Helsten, Emma Johnson, Ruth Thibeault
- 10 Larry Annala Jr, Miah Giotto, Nancy Isaacson
- 11 Aubrey Talus
- 13 Jane Mariuzza
- 14 Lyla Burke, Zachary Cittadino, Derek Collar, Eiley Garceau
- 15 Kathy Annala, Cody Kugler
- 16 Jeffrey Anttila
- 17 Karissa Cittadino, Carly Ostlund, Brett Rautio, Kurt Rundman, Emersyn Tuominen
- 18 Samantha Dymond, Kevin Hodges, Bonnie Wainio, Pamela Waterman
- 19 Louis Gembolis
- 20 Carrie Anttila, Tanner Linares
- 22 Bud Hart, Pastor Tom Wickstrom
- 23 Greg Mahoski, Matt Penrose
- 24 Jean Eliason, Zachary Heikkila, Sharon Villeneuve
- 25 Scott Mann, Zachary Sandberg, Adam Uuro
- 26 Linda Chapman, Charles Kulju, Bruce Laakso, Alvin Luokkala, Abby Walimaa
- 27 Maddie Beaudry, Melissa Perry
- 28 Braden Duke, Lorraine Mutka, Jim Williams
- 29 Zachary Heikkila
- 30 Joyce Anderson

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Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9 am – 1 pm

*Calendar for the Week*

*Sunday, October 29*

8:45am – Bell Choir  
9am – Coffee Fellowship  
10am – Worship & Sunday School  
11am – Chancel Choir  
5pm – Fellowship Potluck

*Monday, October 30*

5:30pm – Worship

*Tuesday, October 31*

 **HAPPY HALLOWEEN!**

*Wednesday, November 1*

1pm – Prayer Shawls

*Thursday, November 2*

9am – Quilters

*Friday, November 3*

Pastor Tim's Day Off

*Saturday, November 4*

9am–12pm – Confirmation at Prince of Peace, Harvey

*Sunday, November 5*

8:45am – Bell Choir  
9am – Coffee Fellowship  
10am – Worship & Sunday School  
11am – Chancel Choir  
6pm – Night of Music

*Monday, November 6*

5:30pm – Worship