**Christmas Decorating:** Join us in making the church building look festive for the Advent and Christmas season. We will put up decorations on Saturday, November 26, starting at 9:00 AM.

Christmas Decorations Refresh: We will be updating some of Bethel's Christmas decorations, particularly in the Sanctuary. Some of the old decorations will be repurposed elsewhere in the building, while others will be given away or thrown out. If you're interested in adopting any of these decorations, come to the decorating event on November 26 to look over the items that Bethel will no longer be using.

**Poinsettias:** The deadline to order Christmas poinsettias is a bit earlier this year: December 1. There will soon be a sign-up in the Lounge with more information on plant sizes, colors and prices. The poinsettias will decorate the altar area for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

**December Highlights:** Bethel events, announcements, and birthdays in December will be published in a separate December Bethel Highlights later in November. Stay tuned for information about all the wonderful seasonal events and opportunities to come, including our midweek Advent and Christmas worship services.



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## Bethel Highlights



November 2022

**Giving Envelopes:** Bethel will not be providing pre-printed giving envelopes this year, but we are happy to provide blank envelopes for anyone who would like them. People who regularly use giving envelopes are welcome to use leftovers from previous years (just re-write the date) or take some of the plain envelopes and jot down your envelope number each time. Any questions, please direct them to Alaina in the office!

**Fall Work Day:** We will rake leaves at Bethel on Saturday, November 5, starting at 9 AM. Please join us if you can!

**Thanksgiving Eve Service:** Bethel and some of our sister congregations in St. Paul are holding a combined Thanksgiving service this year. You're invited to join us on Wednesday, November 23, at 7:00 PM. The service will be held at Emmaus Lutheran Church.

**Coffee Hour in November and December:** If you can help serve coffee and treats after church, check out the sign-up sheet in the Lounge and choose a week! Reminders and instructions are emailed weekly to the volunteers. Please note: if no one signs up for a particular week, we will just not have coffee hour that Sunday.

**Town Hall Conversation - Part Two:** With thanks to everyone who made our first town hall conversation an overwhelming success, we will be hosting a "Part TWO" town hall conversation on **Sunday, November 6** during the Education Hour. Everyone is again invited to join the conversation as we talk about the mission we believe God is calling us to live out through Bethel. Questions? Please talk to Mike Head, Rich Gall and/or Pastor Prin.

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### November Birthdays, Baptisms and Anniversaries

Birthdays

Nov 24 Quenby Wilson

Nov 26 Evie Stener

Nov 01 Korto Simpson
Nov 01 Anneli Wilson
Nov 04 Kalia Bergmann
Nov 26 Evie Stener
Nov 27 Coda Wilson
Nov 28 Susan Boll

Nov 04 Lusienie Fofana Baptisms

Nov 05 Janice Kuball Nov 08 Elijah Martinez

Nov 05 Haven Ruis
Nov 12 Tasha Pohl
Nov 06 Zander Gall
Nov 14 Amelia Meier
Nov 10 Tiana Harris
Nov 18 Steve Moeller
Nov 10 Don Weber
Nov 25 Steve Sorenson

Nov 20 Jean Beckman Nov 28 Zander Gall

Nov 20 Isabella Wreh-Fofana
Nov 21 Sarah Perry

Anniversaries

Nov 22 Rich Gall Nov 10 Isaac Harris & Tiankay

Nov 22 Janet Sonie Gbolo

Nov 23 Sean Boll

Nov 24 Cathryn Johnston

#### Calendar

Sundays: Tuesdays:

9:30 Worship 9:30 Prayer Group
10:45 Coffee Fellowship 10:00 Bible Study

11:00 Education Hour Wednesdays:

11:00 African worship 6:00PM Handbells

3rd Monday of each month: 7:00PM Women's Bible Study

1:00 PM Ladies Fellowship 7:00 PM Confirmation

### **Worship Team Schedule**

November 6: Search & Rescue—Communion service

November 13: Share the Joy

November 20: Praise Him, Proclaim Him—Communion service

November 27: 1 Timothy—1st Sunday in Advent

#### **November Events at a Glance**

Fall work day—Saturday, November 5, 9:00 AM

Town Hall Conversation—Sunday, November 6 during Education Hour

Thanksgiving Service at Emmaus — Wednesday, Nov 23, 7:00 PM

Christmas Decorating at Bethel—Saturday, Nov 26, 9:00 AM

# The Season is BUSY - Join Us for Some "Heavenly Peace...On Earth."

A beloved Bethel tradition returns in a new way this Advent season, as we get together on December 10 from 5:30pm-7:30pm for "Heavenly Peace...On Earth." Relax from the busyness of the season with: a string trio (featuring Cara Wilson); reflective readings from Scripture; carol singing; the warmth of a hot beverage and treat, plus an outdoor fire complete with friends around it. We'll even feature a petting zoo with animals like those at the Lord's manger. This holiday season will be BUSY (as usual). In the midst of that - join us for an evening of TRUE rest, relaxation and refreshment celebrating Jesus and the "Heavenly Peace...On Earth" He brings!

We will be inviting the community to come enjoy this relaxed but meaningful celebration of Jesus' birth. We will need help showing hospitality to all our guests! Stay tuned for more information on how you can help with this Christmas outreach event on December 10.