



**Bethel**  
Lutheran Church WELS

# Sonlight

A newsletter from Bethel  
Galesville-Arcadia, Wisconsin

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# **Adult Bible Class & Sunday School (preschool - teenagers)**

## **begin on**

## **Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup>.**

*“But grow in the grace and  
knowledge of our Lord and Savior  
Jesus Christ. To him be glory both  
now and forever! Amen.”*

*2 Peter 3: 18*

### Flowers for the Altar in Galesville

The flower chart that is posted on the bulletin board is looking a little sparse of names. If you'd like to honor someone's birthday, anniversary, or special day of some kind, put your name on the date you'd like. You'll be called to find out what you would like as far as type of flower, who you want to honor, etc. We'll do our best to make it as easy as possible. If you have flowers from your garden, please consider using them on the altar. It's nice to have something fresh and new on the altar occasionally. Contact Judy Howell at (608) 534-8300 for more information.

### WANTED: MUSIC FOR WORSHIP SERVICES

The calendar for the fall of 2014 is now posted on the bulletin board in the hallway. If you can sing or play an instrument, please consider sharing your talent with the congregation. Choose your date (write your name in), choose your music and "Sing and make music to the Lord"! Wouldn't it be nice to see and hear praises to the Lord every Sunday?

### Galesville's Advent By Candlelight

August is the month the Advent by Candlelight committee is formed. Advent by Candlelight is presented the weekend before Thanksgiving. This year it will be November 23rd, Sunday evening. Advent by Candlelight (or ABC, as I call it) is a program written by women for women to help them set their priorities in a God-pleasing order for the Christmas season. It has been a popular event the last several years and we've been full to capacity most every time. Being on the committee is extremely faith-building. It takes some time but I always get back much more than I give. If you would like to serve on the committee, please contact Judy Howell (534-8300).

### Parade Season is Under Way

Bethel's parade participation continues in August. Thanks to all who have helped with the parades this summer. August 17<sup>th</sup> is the Whitehall Beef and Dairy Days Parade. Ettrick Fun Days Parade is August 24<sup>th</sup>. The Blair Cheese Festival Parade is September 14<sup>th</sup>. These parades offer great community awareness for our congregation and provide Bethel members an excellent opportunity to participate in promoting our church. Please consider walking a parade route to hand out oatmeal pies or if you can pull the float. A complete list of up-coming parades will be posted at both locations. Contact Keith Witte at 608-323-3811 for more information, if you can walk or pull the float.

### Ushers, Greeters & Acolytes for the Month of August

<u>Galesville</u>	<u>Arcadia</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Acolyte</u>
Ushers: Adam Ames John Loding	August 3	Greg Golden Al Mohr	Joanne Wier	Tyler Berg
Greeters: Angie Ames Edith Loding	August 10	Dan Thorn David Thorn	Martin Knudsen Janice Knudsen	Olivia Mooney
Acolyte: Reid Bakeberg	August 17	Bruce Arnoldy Keith Witte	Brian Steinlicht Gina Steinlicht	Sophie Munson
	August 24	Howard Munson Dave Mooney	Greg Golden Ruth Golden	Isabelle Mooney
	August 31	Chuck Johnson Dave Kiral	Dennis Sampson Lynda Sampson	Tyler Berg



### BIRTHDAYS IN AUGUST

Aug 1 – Zachary Mutterer  
 Aug 2 – Tracy Weber  
 Aug 2 – Cody Harms  
 Aug 2 – Wyatt Yahnke  
 Aug 4 – Tyler Shay  
 Aug 12 – Andrew Ames  
 Aug 12 – Michelle Sampson  
 Aug 13 – Kacie Kahler  
 Aug 18 – Dave Kiral  
 Aug 19 – Karla Johnson  
 Aug 20 – Deb Barkeim  
 Aug 20 – Anita Kiral  
 Aug 21 – Laverne Putz  
 Aug 26 – Sandra Witte  
 Aug 28 – Bianca Casey  
 Aug 28 – Trevor Shay  
 Aug 29- LaVonne Wier  
 Aug 29 – Joseph Troendle  
 Aug 30 – Karen Palmer  
 Aug 31 – Reid Bakeberg  
 Aug 31 – John Sveen  
 Aug 31 – Teagan Wenzlaff

### ANNIVERSARIES IN AUGUST

Aug 8 – Russ & Darlene Johnson  
 Aug 10 – Gary & Mary Putz  
 Aug 11 – Pastor & Doreen Cox  
 Aug 15 – Dave & Kay Evenson  
 Aug 15 – Gary & Dawn Bender  
 Aug 17–Charles & Dawn Knowlton  
 Aug 25 – Sarah & Jamie Ressel  
 Aug 31 – David & Rosa Mooney

### Bethel Services on TCCTV

Bethel Evangelical Lutheran Church services can be seen on cable access TCCTV channel 18.

Tune in on the following dates to watch.

Monday, August 18 at 2:30 pm  
 Thursday, August 21 at 8:00 am  
 Saturday, August 23 at 6:00 pm  
 Sunday, August 24 at 9:00 am

**Help us spread the word. Tell your neighbors and friends.**

### Notes from W.O.W. in Arcadia

- Kerry Franks will write our program for the Advent By Candlelight service. It will be held Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>. Invitations will be made up to hand out or mail. The program format will be changing. There was a lot of discussion that took place regarding past ABC's.
- VBS canvassing took place July 19<sup>th</sup>. There were 12 assistants to help Vicar Harter. Each child could invite a friend. It was suggested to hand out flyers at the pool, library and ballpark.
- The Arcadia church picnic is scheduled for August 17<sup>th</sup>. The Ladies Group will provide hot dogs and buns. The congregation is asked to bring a dish to pass. There will be games for all ages.
- We will have another garage sale on Sept. 26 & 27 at the Arcadia campus.
- A Halloween activity was suggested.
- The next WOW meeting will be held on August 13<sup>th</sup> at 4:45 pm.

### Mow, Mow, Mow the Lawn...in Galesville

There is a calendar of the summer and fall months on the bulletin board for signing up to mow grass. Pick your week by signing up on the line during that week. The mowing may be anytime during that week that is convenient for you. The job takes about 3 hours and is made easier by having a large riding mower (in the shed) and a smaller mower (also in the shed) for the trim portion. If you have any questions, call Jim Howell at (608-534-8300).

# Annual Meeting of Bethel Ev. Lutheran Church July 20, 2014 in Arcadia, WI

Meeting called to order at 12:30 P.M. by President Tim Smieja.

Devotion by Pastor Cox, 2 Corinthians 9:6-8.

President Tim Smieja gave his opening address and thanked all those present for their attendance.

Minutes from the 2013 Annual Meeting were read by Secretary Dave Kiral, m/s/c.

## **Pastor's Report:**

Transfers in: Theresa Bintzler and daughter Dina Kivi from Brownsville, WI;  
Joanne & Clinton Gillette from St. Paul's, Onalaska;  
James Haessig from St. Mathews, Winona, MN. m/s/c.

Profession of Faith: Mrs. Brenda Sylla, Arcadia,  
Adam Johnson, Galesville. m/s/c.

Youth Confirmation: Cassandra Berg and Sarah Thorn in Arcadia;  
Raleigh Campbell, MaLeah Haessig & Alexis Krause of Galesville.

Adult Confirmation: Gary & Kelly Adank, Sajel Dittner, (A) m/s/c.

Removal: Erin Nelsestuen, Cora and Raven;  
Marc & Lori Connelly, Trisha and Taylor

Leilani Bang, Josie Happel, and Steve Carley of Galesville  
Dan Smith and Wyatt Raymer of Arcadia.

Baptisms: Wyatt William Yahnke, Brynlee Ryan Kowalski,  
Michael Miller & Paige Corrine Johnson, all of Galesville;

Travis Goss, Sylvia Bintzler, Troy Kivi, Aiden Smith, Sierra Adank,  
Braden Lloyd Rotoring, Autumn Marie Schaffner and Ellie Sue Radatz of Arcadia.

Marriage: Troy Kivi & Dina Bintzler

**Church Properties:** Pastor Cox explained how the purchase of the property adjacent to the Church in Arcadia came about by a gift given to Bethel by Mr. Allen Kube. A motion was made to thank the Kubes for their generous gift. It was m/s/c.

**Elders:** Asked that the idea of every Sunday Communion be discussed. Many people offered comments.

**Treasurer's Report:** Presented by Tim Meltz, (see attachment) m/s/c.

The Treasurer presented the 2014-2015 Budget for discussion. It was m/s/c to accept the budget as presented.

**Elections:** President – Tim Smieja; Vice-President – Martin Knudsen; Secretary – David Kiral; Treasurer – Tim Meltz; Recording Secretary – Adam Ames; Board of Church Properties Chairman – currently vacant; Board of Education Chairman – currently vacant; Board of Elders Chairman – Fred Lintelmann; Board of Evangelism Chairman – Keith Witte; Board of Fellowship Chairman – Leland Wier; Board of Stewardship Chairman – Gary Putz; Board of Youth Chairman – Brian Steinlicht

The meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m. m/s/c.

Respectfully submitted, Secretary Dave Kiral

## Luther High School Summer Update

1. **2014-2015 School Year Theme:** “Be still and know that I am God”
2. **Master Planning Work: MOVING FORWARD AT LUTHER HIGH:** On Friday, July 11 the Board of Control and the Master Planning Steering Committee met with five architectural/construction firms about doing a study of our school facility and grounds. This firm would also develop design options, help us prioritize our needs and direction, and develop a master plan to help us with a future building project. After meeting and interviewing these five firms, the Board of Control is ready to make a recommendation to the Conference of Delegates at our upcoming August meeting. Our next Delegate meeting will be Wednesday, August 13 at 7:30 p.m. At this meeting the BOC will recommend an architectural firm to serve and guide us in moving forward to meet the needs of Luther High School as we strive to “Keep Christ in High School Education.”
3. **Enrollment Update:** At this time the 2014-15 enrollment stands at 253. This includes 3 international students.
4. **Self-Study and Long Range Accreditation Reports** report was submitted to WELSAA (Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran School Accrediting Association) – *copy e-mailed to BOC, Pastors, Faculty, Staff and LES* - WRISA (Wisconsin Religious and Independent Schools Accreditation) will be submitted as required in September.
5. **Skylert** – Skylert is in the final stages of installation and testing. This will help simplify communication to students and parents through email, texting and voice calls.
6. **Security Cameras** – Cameras were installed the week of July 7-11. Training for staff will be scheduled before Aug. The system covers all the hallways, gyms, concessions, computer lab, study hall, Commons and outside parking lots. Additional cameras can be added as needed. The Onalaska Police Dept. will be given live access to the cameras for emergency purposes. This is standard practice for schools in our region.
7. **Office365** – Conversion to an off-site email server is nearly complete. Only a few minor issues need to be resolved but the majority of staff are up and running. Office365 has several other features besides email that the faculty and staff will be training on starting in Aug.
8. **Bruce Secor:** Bruce is slowly recovering from his surgeries. He has officially retired.
9. **Laptops** – This project has been delayed due to the numerous other tech projects currently in progress. At this time the proposed timeline for rolling out laptops to the Freshmen and Sophomores is during the 1st semester, with hopes of full implementation by Christmas.
10. **Custodian Position:** Applications for custodian are being reviewed.
11. **AP Courses:** This year Luther High will be adding Advanced Placement courses in European History and Psychology.
12. **Faculty In-service meetings:** Luther’s faculty will have meetings August 4-6 in preparation for the new school year.
13. **Opening Service and First Days of School:** Pastor Bilitz will be the speaker, Pastor Schultz will serve as liturgist, and Mrs. Beth Walsh will serve as organist for our opening service on Sunday, August 17. Freshmen Orientation Day will be Wednesday, August 20. Classes for all students will begin on Thursday, August 21.
14. **“Keeping Christ in high school education”** We pray that God continues to bless our mutual efforts to provide Christ-centered education.

# August 2014

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<b>Sunday Worship</b> <b>A – 8:30 am</b> <b>G – 10:30 am</b>	<b>A = Arcadia</b> <b>G = Galesville</b>					
<b>3</b> <b>Worship with</b> <b>Holy Communion</b> <b>G - Farewell Potluck</b> <b>for Vicar Harter</b> <b>Pastor Cox on</b>	<b>4</b> <b>Vacation -----</b>	<b>5</b> <b>-----</b>	<b>6</b> <b>G – No Mid-week</b> <b>Worship Today</b> <b>-----</b>	<b>7</b> <b>-----</b>	<b>8</b> <b>-----</b>	<b>9</b> <b>-----</b>
<b>10</b> <b>Worship</b> <b>-----</b>	<b>11</b> <b>-----</b>	<b>12</b> <b>-----</b>	<b>13</b> <b>A - WOW meeting</b> <b>4:45 PM</b> <b>G - Worship with</b> <b>Communion 6 PM</b> <b>Pastor Cox return</b>	<b>14</b> 	<b>15</b> 	<b>16</b> 
<b>17</b> <b>Worship with</b> <b>Holy Communion</b> <b>Little Lamb Preschool</b> <b>Registration 2-4 PM</b> <b>Whitehall Beef &amp;</b> <b>Dairy Days Parade</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> <b>G–Worship with</b> <b>Communion 6 PM</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b> <b>Worship</b> <b>Ettrick Fun Days</b> <b>Parade</b> <hr/> <b>31</b> <b>Worship</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> <b>G–Worship 6 PM</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>

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