

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP

EASTER SUNDAY AT BETHEL

Sunday, April 20
6:30AM & 8:00AM | Bethel Downtown
9:30AM & 11:00AM | Bethel Highlands

DETAILS AT BETHELHUDSON.ORG

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bethelhudson.org



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BETHEL CONNECTIONS

HOLY WEEK

Maundy Thursday
April 17
Downtown | 1PM
Highlands | 5 & 7PM

Good Friday
April 18
Downtown | 1PM
Highlands | 6PM

***All worship details
at bethelhudson.org***

SPRING IS IN THE AIR AT BETHEL!

Although the season of Lent is upon us, you might say, “Spring is in the Air,” here at Bethel. There are so many exciting things coming up that we can’t wait to share them with you!

In addition to our weekly Wednesday Lenten services, with Holden Evening Prayer, guest musicians, a “reader’s theater” and wonderful meals, there are several other opportunities that are keeping us busy.

We have received many comments from people who have been engaged in watching the television series, “The Chosen,” and have wanted to gather with others to discuss the storylines and characters as they are portrayed. We will be having four weeks of sessions from March 20th – April 13th to discuss “The Chosen” with others. These discussions will be offered Thursdays at 9 am or 6 pm in the Downtown Engedi room or Sundays at 3 pm at Highlands. More information and registration can be found on our website at bethelhudson.org under the “Events” tab. *Please note that you do NOT need to have watched the series in order to participate in this discussion and you can join at any time. Video clips will be shown to engage discussion.

At Bethel, we know that we are blessed to have extremely talented musicians. Occasionally, we get requests to hear more from these musicians, outside of our Sunday worship services. We have heard you! On April 6th, our amazing contemporary musicians, along with some friends, will be offering a Sunday afternoon (3:00) concert for a great cause! Their performance is billed as, “A Tribute to the Piano Men of the ‘70’s,” and it’s going to be a great time! You do not even have to remember the songs of the ‘70’s to enjoy them. Pastor Ladd wasn’t even born

IN-PERSON WORSHIP AT BETHEL

SUNDAYS 9:00AM | CONTEMPORARY SERVICE | HIGHLANDS CAMPUS

LIVESTREAMED ON BETHEL’S WEBSITE, FACEBOOK PAGE, & YOUTUBE CHANNEL

SUNDAYS 10:30AM | TRADITIONAL SERVICE | DOWNTOWN CAMPUS

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DOWNTOWN CAMPUS

920 Third Street | Hudson, WI
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HIGHLANDS CAMPUS

504 Frontage Road | Hudson, WI

back then, and he's looking forward to it!! Bring the whole family and come sing along to songs that you know and love – and all for a good cause. One hundred percent of the free-will offering will be donated to The St. Croix Foundation's Valley Music Education Fund!

We hope you will continue to finish out your Lenten experience by joining us for Palm Sunday and our other Holy Week services: Maundy Thursday 1:00 (Downtown) 5:00 and 7:00 (Highlands) with the first Holy Communion for our third graders, Good Friday at 1:00pm (Downtown) and 6:00pm (Highlands), culminating with our Easter worship services at 6:30am and 8:00am (both Downtown) and 9:30am and 11:00am (both at Highlands). We are Easter people and we hope you will spread the word and bring your friends as we celebrate that, "Jesus is Risen! He is Risen indeed!"

There are many other things going on at Bethel as well. Thank you for making us the vibrant and active community that we are by supporting our ministries and attending our programming. God bless you during this holy season!

Pastor Kris and Pastor Ladd



Sing Me! A Tribute To The Piano Men of the 70's

CONCERT FUNDRAISER
SUNDAY, APRIL 6 AT 3PM
BETHEL HIGHLANDS CAMPUS
- FREE WILL DONATIONS -

FEATURING
CRAIG KOEHNEN
PIANO & VOCALS
WITH FULL BAND!

BFF *(Bethel Friends & Family)*

Join us on Sunday, May 4th following both worship services.
We will update you about where we are financially, look ahead at the coming months, and other updates happening at Bethel!



Adult Luncheon

MONDAY, MAY 12
NOON-1:30PM
BETHEL HIGHLANDS

DETAILS & REGISTRATION
AT BETHELHUDSON.ORG
REGISTER BY TUESDAY, MAY 6

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IN FAITH AS
BETHEL MEMBERS,
VOLUNTEERS,
COMMITTEE
MEMBERS,
MUSICIANS, AND
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COMMUNITY



2024-2025 YOUTH PROGRAMMING

Registration remains open for all classes

Details & Registration at bethelhudson.org/youth for Sunday School through 9th Grade Confirmation

Youth Ministry KEY DATES

APR 3

6:30-8:00PM

3rd Grade 1st Communion Class (students and parents)

APR 6

9:00AM

5th Grade Faith Milestone Class during Sunday School (students & parents)

APR 8

6:30-8:00PM

3rd Grade 1st Communion Class (students and parents)

APR 17

First Communion

1pm - Downtown
5pm or 7pm - Highlands

APR 20

Easter Sunday

No Sunday School
Easter Egg Hunt following 9:30AM worship
Caramel Roll Sales

APR 23

Wednesday Programming

Resumes at Bethel Downtown for 6th-12th grades

APR 27

9:00AM

5th Grade Faith Milestone Blessing in Worship

ENTANGLED

Multi-Synod High School Youth Gathering
JULY 8-11, 2025
UW River Falls

Inspiring Guest Speakers + Strengthen Faith
Service Learning + Meeting New People
Meaningful Conversations
Great Music + Worship

Details & Registration at bethelhudson.org



First Communion

During Lent, 3rd graders will prepare for their First Communion with two classes. They will then receive their First Communion during Maundy Thursday worship.

CLASSES: Thursday, April 3 | 6:30-8PM | Highlands
Tuesday, April 8 | 6:30-8PM | Highlands

WORSHIP: Thursday, April 17 | 1PM | Downtown
5 or 7pm | Highlands

Any older students who have not yet received their First Communion are welcome. Please contact Marcie Andrews (mandrews@bethelhudson.org)

Registration Deadline is April 15!

MIDDLE SCHOOL MISSION TRIP 2025

PUSH WEEK

June 25-29

PRAYER-UNITY-SERVICE-HOSPITALITY

Details & Registration at bethelhudson.org





UNDERTOW

Middle School Youth Gathering

Scan the code for details & registration



SATURDAY APRIL 12

BETHANY LUTHERAN
35 W Messenger St. Rice Lake, WI 54868

8:15 - 4:30 PM

\$50 PER PERSON

Easter Caramel Roll Sale!

Proceeds benefit the 2025 High School Mission Trip

\$8 / HALF DOZEN
PICK UP ON EASTER SUNDAY

Scan HERE for Details & Preorders



Registration now open for Bethel's 2025 VBS!

K-5

July 14-18
9am - noon

K5 Participant



TRUE NORTH

Trusting Jesus in a Wild World

K5 Volunteer



Preschool

July 21-24
9-11am

Preschool Participant



Preschool Volunteer



Details & Registration for Participants & Volunteers at bethelhudson.org or scan the codes.

Bethel offers a variety of options for you to grow in your faith with Bible Studies. Details at bethelhudson.org

Naomi Gathering: April 14 | 1:00pm | Bette Vandersteen's Home

Dorcas Gathering: April 10 | 9:30AM | Downtown, Fellowship Hall

Mary Gathering: April 10 | 1:00PM | Downtown, Conference Room

Ruth Gathering: April 10 | 2:00PM | Bonnie Knutson's Home

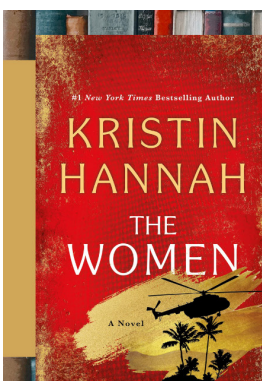
ABC Bible Study: Mondays | 8:30AM | Via Zoom

ABC strives to promote an atmosphere where all feel welcome to join the discussion - there is no prep needed! Contact Karen at kypavlis@gmail.com for more information and the Zoom link

Men's Bible Study: Saturdays | 8:00AM | Highlands Campus

This group welcomes any man who would like to attend. Contact Aethan at hartav@comcast.net for the details.

Men's Fellowship Breakfast and Bible Study: Meet at Key's Cafe on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 7:00AM. New members are always welcome. Contact Curt at: Truclarson1@gmail.com



BETHEL BOOK CLUB

All who love to read and discuss books are welcome!

Wednesday, April 2 | 1:00PM
Downtown Campus, Fellowship Hall
The Women by Kristin Hannah



JOIN US FOR PALM SUNDAY WORSHIP

SUNDAY, APRIL 13

9:00AM | Bethel Highlands Campus
10:30AM | Bethel Downtown Campus

Details at bethelhudson.org

THE OUTREACH COMMITTEE HAS FILLED EASTER EGGS WITH AN EASTER WORSHIP INVITATION. TAKE ONE AFTER WORSHIP ON PALM SUNDAY AND INVITE A FRIEND, NEIGHBOR, OR STRANGER!



New Member Class

Bethel Lutheran Church

Saturday, May 17 | 9am-Noon
Bethel Highlands Campus
Join us to become a member at Bethel!





ACTIVITIES

You are invited to be a part of the following activities to connect at Bethel!

Quilting

Friday, April 11 & Tuesdays, April 22 & 29
Downtown, Fellowship Hall | 9:00AM

Hardanger

Thursday, April 3

Downtown, Conference Room | 1:00PM

LIFE EVENTS

Funerals:

Julie Lohman, March 8, 2025

Dick (Richard) Shager, March 29, 2025

Baptisms:

Hailey Jo Lindholm March 16, 2025

BETHEL BREWS & BROS



Friday, April 25
5:00-7:00pm
Hop & Barrel, Hudson

Details at bethelhudson.org

Spring is filled with new life in Wisconsin’s great outdoors. During the warmer months of spring and summer, human-wildlife encounters increase, especially those involving young wild animals. While most of these encounters are harmless, there are times when well-intentioned people interfere in wildlife situations because they incorrectly assume a young animal is orphaned.

Most of the young animals encountered in the wild are not orphaned or abandoned. Their mother may be hidden nearby or has gone to find food and will return shortly, so the best policy is to leave these animals alone.

As an example, white-tailed deer fawns will move very little their first few weeks even though they can walk shortly after birth. They avoid detection by predators by having almost no scent and using their spotted coats for camouflage. During this time the mother is not in constant contact with the fawn. The mother will often leave her fawn alone, but will return periodically to nurse. By being in a different area, the mother may also be diverting a predator’s attention away from the fawn. The best thing you can do for it is to stay away. The mother will not return if people or dogs are present. Do not touch the fawn or bring children, dogs or friends to look at it. Doing so could endanger the fawn by giving away its location to a predator, and its mother won’t return to nurse the fawn while people or dogs are nearby.


For more information or to speak with a professional about a specific situation, contact the WDNR’s Call Center (1-888-WDNRINFO / 936-7463) or visit dnr.wi.gov and search “keep wildlife wild”. There you will find lots of information on how to determine if the animal is orphaned or not and how to contact wildlife rehabilitators.

Please help protect God’s creation by remembering: A young wild animal's best chance for survival is with its mother!



Bethel Highlands Preschool





BLOOD DRIVE

Friday, April 25 | Noon-6:00pm
Bethel Lutheran Church
Downtown Campus, Fellowship Hall

Register online or call 1-800-733-2767 to schedule appointments.



Free Electronics Collection

Tuesday, April 29
2:00-6:00PM
Bethel Highlands

Details at sccwi.gov/1042/Collection-Events

Donate to the kids Easter Egg Hunt!

Scan the code to shop the Amazon wish list of candy & prizes for the Easter Egg Hunt. Let's fill those eggs!







VOLUNTEER WEEK

April 20 - 26




Thank you to all Bethel volunteers who serve ministries within the church, locally, and globally! Your work is inspiring and actions make a difference!

HOME Meal Gathering & Fellowship

Thursdays,
April 3 & 17
5-6PM
Bethel Downtown

Free home cooked meal served to all!

Volunteers always welcome. Visit bethelhudson.org/serve/local to learn more about this great local ministry.



Dear Bethel Friends,

During my time as a student at NDSU, I have volunteered at the local Rape and Abuse Crisis Center (RACC). RACC provides victim services and prevention education and in 2024 the RACC team served 3,816 people seeking safety and support. Late last year I was allowed to place donation boxes at Bethel to collect supplies for victims who often show up at RACC with only the clothes on their backs. When I came back to collect the boxes they were overflowing with your generous donations. Thank you so much for sharing! In the words used by RACC, “Because of you, survivors are met with compassion, resources, and the support they need to rebuild their lives.”

Sincerely, Sammi Lien