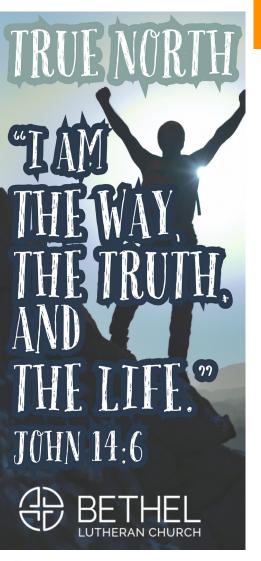




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Please check for the latest updates regarding worship, classes, and events at: bethelhudson.org

BETHEL CONNECTIONS



TIME TO GET READY

What a wonderful summer we've shared together as a church family! From the joy and energy of Vacation Bible School, to the fellowship at the senior adult luncheon (see recipe below) and church picnic, to the beauty of outdoor worship, and Bible studies, God has been present in powerful ways. We give thanks for the many hands and hearts who made these events possible. We also celebrate the ways our mission teams

who made these events possible. We also celebrate the ways our mission teams served this summer—both near and far. Whether it was the high school group traveling to Colorado Springs, the team journeying to Tanzania, or the middle schoolers and others who faithfully served right here in our local community, we witnessed God's love at work in and through Bethel.

Now, as summer begins to draw to a close, it is time to get ready for the next season of ministry and mission. A new school year is upon us, and with it comes a fresh opportunity to grow in faith, deepen relationships, and live out our mission of Being Connected, Growing, and Serving. The question for each of us is this: How will you get involved this fall?

Scripture reminds us:

"And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching." (Hebrews 10:24–25)

Bethel offers so many opportunities to grow in our faith together, from Wednesday night programming for youth, to Sunday School for our youngest learners, to Bible studies and small groups for adults. Simply joining us regularly for worship is a meaningful way to stay grounded in God's Word and connected to one another. Involvement is more than just showing up—it is how we grow in relationship with others and, most importantly, in our relationship with God.

IN-PERSON WORSHIP AT BETHEL

Sundays 9:00am | Contemporary Service | Highlands Campus Livestreamed on Bethel's Website and YouTube Channel Sundays 10:30am | Traditional Service | Downtown Campus

LIVESTREAMED ON BETHEL'S WEBSITE AND YOUTUBE CHANNEL







September

2025





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Michelle Webb, Preschool Director Leah Knutson, Preschool Assistant Director Staff can be reached via email through bethelhudson.org/about/staff

DOWNTOWN CAMPUS

920 Third Street | Hudson, WI 715.386.8821

HIGHLANDS CAMPUS

504 Frontage Road | Hudson, WI

We're especially excited about some of the opportunities this fall. On September 7 at 10:30 am, we'll gather for our annual Great Bethel Get-Together following a combined 9:30 am worship service—a time for food, fellowship, and fun as we kick off the new program year. Then, on September 10th, we will also welcome guest speaker Kent Nerburn, who will share with us from his newest book Lonesome Dog Road and his reflections on life on the reservation. These are just a few of the ways you can engage in the life of our congregation.

The greatest challenge—and the greatest opportunity—is to find one way to commit. Whether that means joining a study,

volunteering, showing up regularly for worship, or trying something new, your involvement matters. Together, we are building a community where Christ is known, love is shared, and faith is deepened.

This fall, let's get ready—ready to grow, ready to serve, ready to be God's people in this place.

Pastor Ladd Sonnenberg and Pastor Kris Kurzejeski

Pastor Ladd's Family BBQ Chicken Recipe:

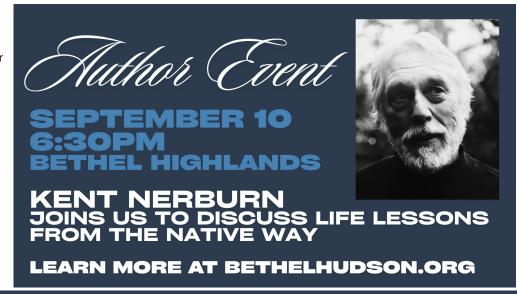
10-12 chicken drumsticks 1 cup canola oil

1 egg beaten 2 cups apple cider vinegar

Tbsp salt 1 tsp black pepper

Mix canola oil and egg well. Add in vinegar, salt, and pepper and mix again. Reserve ¼ cup of marinade and pour remaining mixture into a ziplock bag, add the drumsticks so that they are covered, and put into the fridge. Marinate chicken overnight or at least 2 hours.

Discard marinade and ziplock bag. Grill chicken on medium heat, basting with reserved marinade every 8-10 mins, until they reach an internal temperature of 195 degrees. You can also precook drumsticks partially by boiling them first before placing in marinade.









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Visit Bethel's Facebook page to view more photos from recent events



Registration is happening now for the 25-'26 school year!

Register now so we can be ready for you when classes begin in September.

bethelhudson.org/youth

5:30PM - DOWNTOWN

6:30PM - HIGHLANDS

8th/9th Grade Orientation & Training

6th/7th Grade Orientation

EPT 6:30-8:30PM - Highlands

12PM - HIGHLANDS 10th Gr Confirmation Class

6PM - HIGHLANDS 3-Year-Old Welcome to Sunday School Milestone Class

5:30 PM - DOWNTOWN First Night of 6th /7th Grade Class
6PM - HIGHLANDS
Sunday School Teacher Training 6:30PM - DOWNTOWN

7:30PM - DOWNTOWN

Nursery resumes during worship

First Day of Sunday School 3-Year-Old Milestone Blessing

10th Gr Confirmation Class

9:00AM

9:00AM

SEPT 10AM - HIGHLANDS

Community Author Event: Pine Ridge Speaker (6th-12th Grds)

Sunday School Parent Meeting

Youth Programming

Registration open at bethelhudson.org

Programming for the 2025-26 school year will begin in September, so register your students now and invite their friends!

SUNDAY SCHOOL Age 3 - 5th Grade Sunday mornings during conto worship Bethel Highlands

FAITH FORMATION 6th & 7th Grad Wednesdays 5:30-6:30pm Bethel Downtown



9th Grade CONFIRMATION Wednesdays 7:30-8:30pm Bethel Downtown

8th Grade CONFIRMATION

Wednesdays 6:30-7:30pm



Volunteers are needed for all



3 Year Old Faith Milestone

Monday, September 15 | 6:00pm **Bethel Highlands**

Preschoolers and their parents learn about Sunday School, receive a Spark Story Bible, and hear the story of Noah's Ark!

Included with Sunday School registration

LET'S GET READY FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL!

- Sunday, September 14, 10AM All Sunday School Parent Meeting





(?HILDREN'S (PHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Volunteers are needed for the:

- · Christmas Program Director
- Music Director
- Costume/Props Director

Contact Carole DeJardin with interest (cdejardin@bethelhudson.org)

Nursery Birth - 3 Years

Returning weekly starting September 21!

Adult volunteers are needed to support the Nursery. Can you help once a month? Scan the QR code to volunteer or contact Holly Wynveen (hjw2411@hotmail.com)



Scan the code to connect a young adult with Bethel's ministry just for them

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

Naomi Gathering: September 8 | 1pm | Betty Vandersteen's Home **Dorcas Gathering:** September 11 | 9:30am | Downtown Campus, Fellowship Hall

Mary Gathering: September 11 | 1pm | Downtown Campus, Fellowship Hall

Ruth Gathering: September 11 | 2pm | Downtown Campus, Lounge

ABC Bible Study: Resumes meeting via Zoom every Monday at 8:30am on September 8. ABC strives to promote an atmosphere where all feel welcome to join the discussion! Contact Karen at kypavlis@gmail.com for more

Men's Bible Study: Saturdays | 8:00AM | Downtown Campus, Engedi 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

JOIN OUR TEAM

- COMMUNICATIONS & MARKETING DIRECTOR
- HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY DIRECTOR
- AV SOUND/PROJECTION (PART-TIME)

LEARN MORE AND APPLY ONLINE!







ACTIVITIES

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

Quilting

Friday, September 12 and Tuesdays, September 23 & 30 Downtown, Fellowship Hall | 9:00AM

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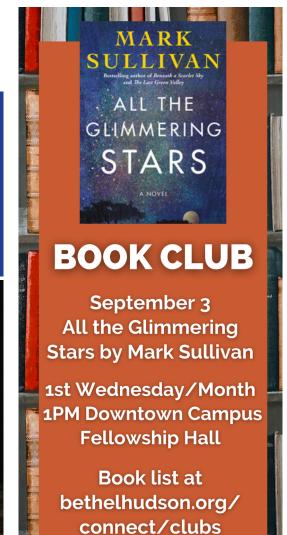
Thursday, September 4 Downtown, Conference Room | 1:00PM

LIFE EVENTS

Funeral:

Robert "Bob" Monette, August 2, 2025 Grace Fanning, August 4, 2025 Jean Ellen Benson, August 16, 2025 Roger Peterson August 29, 2025

Halle Kennedy Hoffman, August 31, 2025



Grow

HIGHLANDS PRAIRIE RESTORATION

Here is a quick update on the prairie restoration at Highlands. The piles of downed trees were burned over the winter. The seed has been purchased and is being stored at US Fish & Wildlife Service. The stumps have been cut down and sprayed.

The first herbicide spraying this growing season occurred in early June. Some places were missed so those areas were sprayed in mid-July. The last treatment will be later this summer to kill the invasives and better prepare the site for planting.

A broadcast seeding will be done this fall or winter. Planting in the fall or winter tends to promote the wildflowers which will benefit pollinators and birds

A maintenance mowing will need to occur the first year or two following planting. This is done to control the weeds that will be growing. Native prairie, unlike grass found in a yard, takes several years to get established above ground because the deep root system develops first.

Usually by the third year many flowers and grass should be seen, however, some species take several years to become visible. It's hard to be patient waiting for the prairie to develop! We are thankful for all the volunteers and partners, US Fish & Wildlife Service and Kinnikinnick chapter of Pheasants Forever, who are helping us restore native prairie, God's creation!





Bethel Highlands Preschool



Spaces Still Open for the 2025-2026 School Year!

Contact: Michelle Webb for more information



= 3-Year-Olds

- 3-Full-Day (Mon-Fri) spots available
- 1-Half-Day (Mon-Thu) spot available

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- 8 spots open
- First Day of School: **August 27, 2025**

→ Don't wait—Enroll Today!

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Lutheran World Relief School Kits

The Ruth Gathering women are collecting school supplies for the LWR School Kits.

Collection starts NOW - September 30

Details at bethelhudson.org/serve/global

Pine Ridge School Supply Drive

Bethel is collecting NEW school supplies for Pine Ridge Indian Reservation.

Collection NOW - September 30

Details at bethelhudson.org/serve/global



SEPTEMBER 13-20 COST: \$150 (HOUSING/MEALS)

QUESTIONS?
CONTACT DAVID DATT AT
DAVIDRDATT@GMAIL.COM

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION UNTIL 8/31

Become a Bethel Member

Saturda<mark>y, October 4</mark>
9am-Noon
Bethel High<mark>lands Campus</mark>

Details and registration at bethelhudson.org



HOME Meal S Gathering & Fellowship

1st & 3rd
Thursday/month
September 4 & 18
5-6PM
Bethel Downtown

Free home cooked meal served to all!

Volunteers always welcome. Visit bethelhudson.org/serve/local to learn more.

VOLUNTEER AT THE SCANDINAVIAN FOOD FEST

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18 BETHEL HIGHLANDS CAMPUS





SCAN TO SIGN-UP OR VISIT

BETHELHUDSON.ORG

Website: <u>www.bhphudson.org</u>

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