

# Thanksgiving Eve Service

Wednesday, November 27  
 7:00PM | Bethel Downtown Campus  
 Fellowship and pie will follow the service  
 Details at [bethelhudson.org](http://bethelhudson.org)

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## BETHEL CONNECTIONS



**All Saints' Sunday**

Join us for a special  
**All Saints Service**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3**  
 4:00PM  
 BETHEL HIGHLANDS  
 MEMORIAL GARDEN

A LIGHT SUPPER  
 WILL FOLLOW

**DETAILS AT  
 BETELHUDSON.ORG**

## BLESSED

Fall is in the air. It is so wonderful to see the beauty that comes with the leaves changing colors and feel the crisp air in the morning. As many people have said, "This is why we live here." We have so much to give God thanks for above and beyond this amazing weather. We give God thanks for all those who helped and came out to the Scandinavian Food Fest. We give God thanks for all the students and small group leaders who are attending the Wednesday night youth programming, as well as our Sunday School program. We give God thanks for all those who have, and are, attending the different adult Bible studies. We give God thanks for all those that continue to make it a priority to worship with us in person or online every Sunday. We give God thanks for each one of you who have submitted your pledge card for the 2025 year. This will truly help us as a church to plot the course for the coming year. Please know it is never too late to return your pledge card whether online, by mail, or dropping it off at the downtown office.



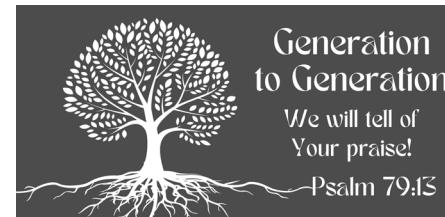
As we begin November, we pause to give God thanks and praise for those who have gone before us and for evidence of His blessings in our lives. On Sunday, November 3rd, All Saints' Day, we will remember all our loved ones who have gone before us into the church triumphant. It is our tradition, every year here at Bethel, to remember those who have died, as well as to express gratitude for the promise of Christ's victory over death. We will remember those saints who have died in our congregation this past year by reading their names aloud in worship. That Sunday you can also remember your loved ones who have died by writing their name on a paper leaf and placing that leaf on the trees in front of the sanctuary. Then after worship, at 4:00 pm we invite you and your family to



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Generation to Generation  
 We will tell of Your praise!  
 —Psalm 79:13

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



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**Stay Connected**



join us at the Bethel Memorial Garden to hear the stories of a few individuals who have passed on. Afterward, we will join together for a light meal in the Highlands campus.

Later in the month, we invite you to give God thanks by joining us for our Thanksgiving Eve service on Wednesday, November 27th at 7pm at our downtown campus. During this time, we will have a chance to gather together with our loved ones and friends to pause in the midst of our busyness and recount God's faithfulness. Following worship, we will have a time of pie and fellowship. If you like to bake pies, please sign up online to let us know what you would like to bring.

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**DOWNTOWN CAMPUS**  
920 Third Street | Hudson, WI  
715.386.8821

**HIGHLANDS CAMPUS**  
504 Frontage Road | Hudson, WI




Here at Bethel, God's blessings are abundant. Though we don't know what the future holds, we know the One who holds our future in the palm of His hand. We pray you join us as it says in 1 Chronicles 16:34: "Give thanks to the Lord for He is good; His love endures forever." Through the month of November, we invite you to join us for some, or all, of these events as we pass on the faith from "Generation to Generation" by sharing with others our thankfulness to God.

Pastor Ladd and Pastor Kris

**Bethel Endowment Fund**

**GRANT APPLICATION**

October 20 - November 24



**Women of Bethel**

**GRANT APPLICATION**

November 1-30

Pick up an application at the Bethel Office Downtown Campus

**Your Pledge Card helps us plan for the year ahead as we continue Bethel's mission to CONNECT, GROW, AND SERVE!**

**MY ANNUAL GENERAL FUND PLEDGE**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY | STATE | ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

I WILL GIVE \$ \_\_\_\_\_ PER  WEEK  MONTH  YEAR

FOR A TOTAL 2025 PLEDGE OF \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Submit your Pledge!*

**You may turn in your pledge card at the Bethel office, or pledge online at [bethel-hudson.org/give](https://bethel-hudson.org/give)**



**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME IS COMING UP!**

**GET YOUR CLOCKS READY TO "FALL BACK" AN HOUR ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3**



**GENERATION TO GENERATION**

WE GROW IN FAITH AS BETHEL MEMBERS, VOLUNTEERS, COMMITTEE MEMBERS, MUSICIANS, COMMUNITY MEMBERS, AND BROTHERS & SISTERS IN CHRIST!

**CONNECT WITH US ONLINE**

[BETHELHUDSON.ORG](https://bethel-hudson.org)

Facebook: [FACEBOOK.COM/BLCHUDSON/](https://facebook.com/blchudson/)

YouTube: [YOUTUBE: BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH HUDSON WI](https://youtube.com/bethel-lutheran-church-hudson-wi)

Instagram: [INSTAGRAM: BETHELHUDSON](https://instagram.com/bethel-hudson)

Email: [BETHEL@BETHELHUDSON.ORG](mailto:bethel@bethel-hudson.org)

**Youth**

**2024-2025 YOUTH PROGRAMMING**  
Classes have started, but registration remains open!

Details & Registration at [bethelHUDSON.org/youth](http://bethelHUDSON.org/youth) for Sunday School through 9th Grade Confirmation

**Youth Ministry KEY DATES**

**NOV 2-3** 8th Gr More Than Friends Retreat

**NOV 3** 9:00AM 3rd Gr Milestone Class

**NOV 10** 9:00AM 3rd Gr Milestone Blessing

**NOV 20** 5:00-6:30PM Wednesday Meals Families Welcome!

**NOV 27** 7:00PM High School Youth Group Worship-Pie-Salvation

**High School YOUTH GROUP + Alumni**

Wednesday, November 27  
Downtown

7pm worship

FOLLOWING WORSHIP  
pie

FOLLOWING PIE  
salvation

**Nursery** Birth - 3 Years  Sundays during 9:00am worship  
Activity bags available at both locations

**Playtime**  
Birth-Age 3

Leaf Exploration!

Sunday, November 10 | 10-11am  
Highlands - Meet in the Nursery  
\*Older siblings welcome  
\*No registration required



SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERING 2024-25

**CEREAL BOX CHALLENGE**

Bring unopened boxes of cereal to Sunday School. Donations will benefit the St. Croix County Food Bank. Collection bins are behind the Welcome Centers.



**MIDDLE SCHOOL MISSION TRIP 2025**

**PUSH WEEK**

June 25-29

**PRAZER-UNITY-SERVICE-HOSPITALITY**

Details & Information at [bethelHUDSON.org](http://bethelHUDSON.org)

**RESTAURANT FUNDRAISER**



DINE OUT TO BENEFIT BETHEL'S 2025 HIGH SCHOOL MISSION TRIP TO COLORADO SPRINGS  
NOVEMBER 4, 11AM - CLOSE  
DINE-IN OR CARRY-OUT

SCAN FOR FLYER OR USE CODE DOINGOOD

2025 High School Mission Trip

**COLORADO SPRINGS**

June 14-21, 2025

Details & registration at [bethelHUDSON.org](http://bethelHUDSON.org) or scan the QR code

Bethel offers a variety of options for you to grow in your faith with Bible Studies. Details at [bethelHUDSON.org](http://bethelHUDSON.org)

**Naomi Gathering:** November 11 | 1:00pm | Barbara Ronningen's Home

**Dorcas Gathering:** November 14 | 9:30AM | Downtown, Fellowship Hall

**Mary Gathering:** November 14 | 1:00PM | Downtown, Conference Room

**Ruth Gathering:** November 14 | 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:Truclarson1@gmail.com)

**BETHEL BOOK CLUB**

All who love to read and discuss books are welcome to join!

Wednesday, November 6 | 1:00PM  
Downtown Campus, Fellowship Hall  
Dreamland by Nicholas Sparks

**Advent HAPPENINGS**

**FREE HOLIDAY CRAFTING EVENT FOR ALL AGES!**  
**LIGHT BRUNCH PROVIDED**

WHEN: **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8 FROM 10:00AM-11:00AM**  
WHERE: **BETHEL HIGHLANDS CAMPUS**

**GET YOUR CHRISTMAS CRAFT ON! VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO LEAD A CRAFT. PLEASE CONTACT CAROLE WITH INTEREST AT [CDEJARDIN@BETHELHUDSON.ORG](mailto:CDEJARDIN@BETHELHUDSON.ORG)**

"Thank you to our Bethel family for all the support and condolences. The donations in memory of Roger will go to mission and charities to help people locally and globally."  
-Gladys Ware & Family



**ACTIVITIES**

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

**Quilting**

Friday, November 8 & Tuesday, November 26  
Downtown, Fellowship Hall | 9:00AM

**Hardanger**

Thursday, November 7  
Downtown, Conference Room | 1:00PM

**LIFE EVENTS**

**Funerals:**

Marlys Swenson, October 11, 2024  
Janet Knight, October 12, 2024

**Baptisms:**

Addalyn Lorraine Mabb, October 27, 2024  
Estelle Marie Mabb, October 27, 2024  
Camryn Jaymes Mabb, October 27, 2024

**BETHEL BREWS & BROS**

Friday, November 22  
5:00-7:00pm  
Hop & Barrel, Hudson  
Details at [bethelHUDSON.org](http://bethelHUDSON.org)

# CREATION CARE TEAM UPDATE

Bethel Lutheran Church has been converting a lot of fixtures and lights from fluorescent to LED. There are many reasons to convert from fluorescent to LED including:

- Energy efficiency-LED lights are 80% more efficient than fluorescents, which can save 20-50% or more on energy costs.
- Lifespan- LEDs can last 10 times longer than fluorescent lights.
- Environmentally friendly- LED lights do not contain mercury, and do not require as many replacements.
- Safety-LED lights are shatterproof and sturdier than fluorescent lights.



With the replacements of the bulbs, there were about 300 fluorescent bulbs waiting for proper disposal here at Bethel. The mercury and other metals they contain could be harmful to environment and human health if not recycled by a licensed hazardous waste handler.

Bethel Creation Care team was pleased to find a licensed recycling company, box up and deliver the bulbs and pay the fee required for proper disposal!



## Bethel Highlands Preschool



### WE ARE THANKFUL!

We have so many things to be thankful for:

- Our new playground!
- Support from all our families!
- Our Hudson & surrounding businesses that came out for community helpers and brought their big trucks!
- Most of all our families, friends and teachers!



## OPERATION HELP GIVING TREE

This year, Bethel will provide gifts for 43 local children through Operation HELP!

Pick up a tag from the tree at either Bethel location from Nov. 10 - Dec. 2

Please drop off donated gifts to Bethel's Downtown Campus.

Monetary donations accepted at [bethelhudson.org](http://bethelhudson.org)



## QUILTS & KITS DEDICATION & Shipping Fund

Sunday, November 10 at both Bethel worship services

We will bless Quilts and Kits that the Women of Bethel have assembled for Lutheran World Relief and Global Health Ministries.

Details at [bethelhudson.org/serve/global](http://bethelhudson.org/serve/global)

## Rape and Abuse Crisis Center Donations

### Items Needed:

- New Gloves, Hats, Socks, Chapstick, Handwarmers, Shampoo, Conditioner, Body Wash, Body Spray, Deodorant, Razors, Shaving Cream, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Phone Charging Cords, Fidget Toys, Individual Kleenex Packs & Individual Wrapped Snacks

Drop-Off Bins at both Bethel locations NOW- November 29

Questions? Contact Sammi Lien [Samantha.lien@ndsu.edu](mailto:Samantha.lien@ndsu.edu)

## Donate a Pie for the Thanksgiving Eve Fellowship!



## THANK YOU!

to the volunteers who made the 33rd annual Scandinavian Food Fest a success!

This event cannot happen without the countless hours of food preparation, baking and creating homemade goods, planning committee meetings, the event volunteers, and the clean-up crew!

Thank you to everyone for your support of the Women of Bethel and this wonderful ministry in our community!

## Hudson Outreach Meals for Everyone

The H.O.M.E. committee serves FREE meals in the Fellowship Hall and to-go meal boxes to EVERYONE on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of this month. Volunteers always welcome!

Upcoming Meal: Thursdays, November 7 & 21 5-6PM | Downtown Campus

Details at [bethelhudson.org/serve/local](http://bethelhudson.org/serve/local)