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The Bethany Bullet is a weekly capsule of worship highlights and big information that your brain may or may not have 'downloaded' from the prior Sunday. The purpose is to bolster you in faith, build you up in the key Biblical themes shared the previous Sunday in worship, to bring to mind the important issues on Bethany's plate and to broaden your awareness of opportunities of service to your Lord, your church, and your community. Tell a friend about **The Bethany Bullet!** (www.bethanylutheran.org)

FROM WORSHIP:

Sermon: "Promise Made...Promise Kept"

Text: Acts 2:1-21

The classic Disney film Beauty and the Beast includes a scene in which the character of Lumiere & Cogsworth coach the Beast on how to court Belle the beauty. Cogsworth's advice includes, "Flowers, chocolates, promises you don't intend to keep."

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pPih629zvqQ>

All of us have at some point made promises we had every intention of keeping; and most of us have at some point made a promise we had no idea how we'd keep at best or at beastly worst we had no intention of keeping.

Pentecost is a day of promises made...promises kept! Through the prophets God promised that He would pour out His Spirit before the great and glorious day of His coming and that all who called on His name would be saved. Pentecost's event validate that God's promises made are promises kept. Jesus before His Ascension promised the sending of another, the helper, guide, the Counselor. Pentecost's event is proof that God's promises made are promises kept. Through the apostles God promised that His people would be identified with His mission. Pentecost's event, read Peter's words about the happenings in Acts 2, verify that God's promises made are promises kept indeed!

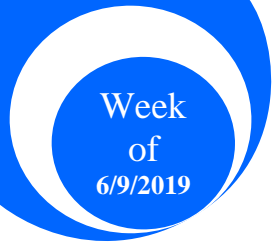
-Pr. Kevin Kritzer

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE and SANCTUARY RETURN NEWS:

We will return to the sanctuary this summer! Yet, there will be some hot summer Sundays in which worship takes place in our non-air conditioned gym, prior to that return.

Therefore we are having a JULY WORSHIP SERVICE SCHEDULE.
During the month of July worship will be at 8:00AM and 10:00AM!

We will return to our normal worship schedule on Sunday, August 4th of 8:00, 9:30 & 10:55AM. While we will return to the sanctuary this summer we won't officially dedicate our facility until fall. Our annual Guest Composer event will be on **Sunday, September 22nd** and our Facility Dedication, Renaissance of the Heart kick off and Community Open House will take place on **September 29th**.



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The Church Office Summer Hours:

Our Summer Hours begin Tuesday, June 17th and end Friday, August 9th.

The hours are:

Monday – Church Office Closed

Tuesday thru Thursday –

8:00-11:30AM and 1:00PM-4:00PM

Friday –

8:00AM to 11:30AM

FROM THE CHIMES:

Looking for more information? Bethany's website contains up-to-date information on all programs and upcoming events! www.bethanylutheran.org

Upcoming Dates to Note:

Listed in Date Order...

Men's Breakfast/Bible Study:

Our once-a-month Saturday group continues to meet and grow steadily, thanks to the gracious goodness of our Heavenly Father! We do still have plenty of room for YOU, so please consider joining us this month on **Saturday, June 15, 8:00 to 9:30AM** in the Conference Room. We enjoy a meal prepared by one of our members from about 8 to 8:30, and then do our study until 9:25AM or so. You are welcome to join us at any point during the 90 minutes we are here! We are currently studying the book of Romans, so bring your Bible and study guide if you have one. If not, I will give you one. We meet monthly on the 3rd Saturday.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2019:



Are You Ready for the adventure of a lifetime at VBS? Make your plans now to join us for Vacation Bible School 2019 the week of June 24-28 from 8:30AM to Noon. We have programs for children ages **4 through students entering 7th grade**. Our theme is **ROAR! Life is Wild...God is Good**. This epic African adventure engages the whole herd. At Roar, kids explore God's goodness and celebrate a ferocious faith that powers them through this wild life. You can find out more about this program and get a preview by visiting- <https://youtu.be/5VbAFQsUHcU>. You don't want to miss this one of a kind adventure.

Hard copies of the VBS Registration forms are available in the school & church offices or you may register online at <https://vbspro.events/p/events/bethanylutheranlb>.

- **Vacation Bible School Volunteers - WE ARE IN DESPERATE NEED OF MORE VOLUNTEERS!!** The savanna needs your help! We expect about 200 kids on our campus and we can't do it without you. We are looking for enthusiastic and committed volunteers to help with our **ROAR!** VBS program the week of June 24-28. Help is needed in ALL areas so sign up today by sending an email to Pastor Seth (smoorman@bethanylutheran.org). **ALL volunteers MUST complete training. There are two ways to get this accomplished:**

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1. You can take the **online training at your own pace**. Links to training videos will be emailed to you.
 2. You can attend 90 minute **in-person training** on either Saturday, June 15 at 9:00AM or Monday, June 17 at 7:00PM.
- **VBS Work Day** - Save the date, **Saturday June 22nd from 8:00AM-noon** for a VBS work day. We have lots of decorating to do and need all the help we can get. Please let Pastor Seth know if you can be there (smoorman@bethanylutheran.org).
 - **T-shirt order forms** are available in the church office. We have a limited supply of T-shirts so get yours before they are gone. Cost = \$10 for Youth sizes and \$12 for Adult sizes.
 - **VBS music download cards** are also available. Contact Pastor Seth if you want to have one before VBS so you and your kids can learn the songs. Cost for the download card is just \$10.
 - **Donations for VBS:** We could still use a few more TP and Paper towel rolls as well as some newspaper. Bring them to church any time this week.



Job Opportunities at Bethany Lutheran School:

Teacher Aides in K-2 classrooms:

- 8:30-12:00 each day
- Minimum wage, non-benefitted
- Education background preferred.

Art Teacher for K-8:

- Two days per week (approx. 15 hours)
- Part-time, non-benefitted.
- Wages commensurate with education and experience
- Art education background preferred

Position descriptions available on Bethany website; Resumes should be sent to Dr. Fink
mfink@bethanylutheran.org.

★ JUNE ★



Newsletter & Calendar are ready for Download!

The Newsletter is on the website at www.bethanylutheran.org.

***There are printed copies of the current newsletter available in the church office and narthex.**

Click on Link below to download your copy of the newsletter & calendar:

1. [NEWSLETTER homepage](#)
2. **The JUNE Newsletter & Calendar is NOW available for download!**
3. **SUMMER Combo (July/August) Newsletter will be available for download by June 27th.**



Requests, Praises, and Thanks

- ...for health and safety for our family as we serve in Latin America.
- ...for local leaders in la IELPA and for more leaders to be raised up.
- ...thanks for safe arrival of baby Aviva Gauthier and for rebirth through the waters of Holy Baptism.
- ...thanks for the opportunities to serve His people in Latin America.
- ...thanks for all who make it possible for us to serve.



There are many opportunities to serve. Check out the current list and download an application at www.lcms.org/service. Click on "Service Opportunities."

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MINISTRY UPDATE

Recently, our local Christ for All the Nations (Lutheran Hour) office invited leaders from throughout Latin America for a week of training. Arthur was asked to assist by leading a devotion for the group. He had the opportunity to share about the hope we have in Christ.

Preparations continue for the launch of the Deaconess Formation Program in Panama. The first course on Diaconal Identity will begin with a one day intensive on June 15th. We look forward to having Deaconess Danelle Putnam with us from the Dominican Republic to help us kick off the program. Please keep the ladies in your prayers as they learn more about serving as deaconesses.



Above: Arthur leading a devotion for the leaders of CPTLN.

*Thanks be to God for his inexpressible gift!
2 Corinthians 9:15*

We are so thankful for all your prayers and for partnering with us in sharing the most important message with those in Latin America! We are thankful for each of you walking alongside us! Thank you for supporting God's work in Latin America. God's blessings!

In Christ <><,

Arthur and Eva,

Bethany, Zoe, Noah, Nathaniel and Mary Anna

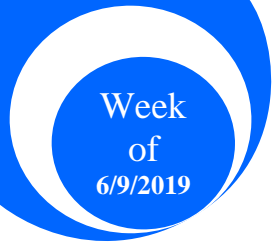
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P.O. Box 66861, St. Louis, MO 63166-6861.

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Click [HERE](#) or

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- (or click here: [Twitter link](#))

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<http://www.bethanylutheran.org/ministries/2017-sermons/>