



This Week at Bethany



Sunday Morning at Bethany

Worship Services

- 8a **Traditional Worship in Chapel**
- 9a **Contemporary Worship in Sanctuary**
- 11a **Traditional Worship in Sanctuary**

Children

- 8:15a-8:55a..... Children’s Chimes: 221
- 9a-10:15a..... **Sunday School: 222/223/225**
- 10:15a..... Children’s Enrichment Activities
- 9:15a, 10:15a..... Preschool & Childrens Choirs: 225

Youth

- 10:15a..... Middle School Youth Group: YR
- 11a High School Youth Group: YR

Adults

- 8:15a, 10:30a..... Choir Warm-ups: Sanc
- 8:45a Fellowship & Refreshments: FH
- 9a Faithlink Class: 220
- 10a Forum (see below for topic): 228

Fellowship

8:45am — 11:00am

Join us in Fellowship Hall each Sunday for coffee and treats. If you’re a visitor, we’d love the opportunity to meet you and get to know you.

Forum: Bethany Asks—What Can We Do?

Room 228, 10:00am — 11:00am

Alder Barbara Harrington McKinney will be our Forum speaker this week. She is very active in the movement to involve communities in resisting violence and working to ease the many problems that face Black communities such as disparities of several kinds: housing, jobs, poverty, incarceration, transportation, etc. She will speak on the 15-point plan being funded by the City Council as a result of a Focused Interruption Coalition plan put together by community and faith leaders and elected officials that emerged a year ago after a series of homicides involving young Black men.

Other Events This Week

Sunday, June 25th

- Sunday mornings.....(see schedule in left column)
- *Sun Prairie UMC Middle School: 222/225/228/FH
- 12p-1:30p.....Peace Fellowship: 222
- 6p-8:30p..... *Madison Chamber Choir: Ch

Monday 26th

- 9:30a-10:30aThe Playing Field Tour: 222
- 1:30p-3:30p.....Reflections Book Study: Lib
- 6:30p-8:30p..... *Chromatix A Cappella Choir: 225
- 7p-9p20s to 30s Bible Study: 221

Tuesday 27th

- 10a-11:30a Back to School with Brad: 222
- 11:30a-1:30p..... Luke House Noon Meal: Offsite
- 6:30p-8:45p..... *Madison Flute Choir: FH
- 7p-9p *Martial Arts: 228

Wednesday 28th

- 12p-2p *Overeaters Anonymous: 220
- 9:30a-10:30a Morning Yoga: Ch (312)
- 7p-8:30p..... Long Range Planning Council: 228

Thursday 29th

..... No Events Scheduled

Friday 30th

..... Church Office Closed

Saturday, July 1st

..... No Events Scheduled

*** A group from the community**



Sunday, June 25, 2017



Bethany’s Vision for the World:

Every person feels, knows, and shares God’s love.

Bethany’s Mission:

We invite all to journey together — exploring and sharing Christ’s reconciling love in real and relevant ways.



Upcoming Activities



Peace Fellowship Our next meeting will be today following the 11:00 am service Any Bethany member concerned about peace would be very welcome to join us! We will gather in room 222 around noon, enjoy a light lunch, have a discussion about current peace issues and consider plans for the rest of the year.

Reflections Book Study Reflections Book Group will meet Monday, June 26 at 1:30 pm in the church library. The book for discussion is *The Dead Presidents* by Brady Carlson. “*In this entertaining biography-cum-travelogue... Carlson shifts deftly among somber, macabre, and playful stories and shows how the death-tourism industry reveals more than amusing trivia about state funerals and legacy libraries.*” – The New Yorker. Join us for a lively discussion. All are welcome whether you have read the book or not.

Ongoing Adult Education

20s to 30s Bible Study is studying the book, *Jesus and the Nonviolent Revolution* by Andre Trocme. The group meets Mondays, at 7:00 pm.

Back to School with Brad meets on Tuesdays at 10:00 am. This year’s study will be *Big History: The Big Bang, Life on Earth and the Rise of Humanity*. All are welcome anytime.

Pastor Greg’s Bible Study will resume in the fall.

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Rev. Brad Mather, Pastor of Visitation



June 25, 2017

8:00, 9:00, and 11:00 am

Third Sunday after Pentecost

Preparing for Worship

Are there people whom you find especially difficult to love? Why? How do you seek the best for people even when you know they won't appreciate it? How can you be more loving?

Our Bible Focus Today

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

(Galatians 5:22-23a)

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor.

(Romans 12:9-10)

9:00 Worship

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME and OPENING PRAYER

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (children are dismissed to Sunday School afterwards)

* GREETING ONE ANOTHER

* SONG led by "Praise Song" Taras Nahirmiak, Director

JOYS & CONCERNS, PASTORAL PRAYER, and LORD'S PRAYER

BIBLE READING and MESSAGE Pastor Greg

GATHERING OF GIFTS and PRAYER OF DEDICATION

* SONG and SENDING FORTH

8:00 & 11:00 Worship

GATHERING MUSIC

(11:00) "Concerto in C Major, 1st movement" (Haydn) Sasha Payne, viola Sue Poullette, piano

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please fill out our Friendship Pad, pass it to your neighbor and return it to the aisle.

OPENING PRAYER

Sometimes, Lord, we find it so difficult to be more loving. Teach us to love you, even when we are disturbed by doubts or are going through difficult times. Teach us to love people, seeking the best for them even when they are being quite unlovable. Help us to love, because you first loved us and gave yourself for us. Amen.

* HYMN #384 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

ANTHEM (11:00) Chancel Choir Taras Nahirmiak, Director

* GREETING ONE ANOTHER

JOYS & CONCERNS ("Lord, hear our prayers") and PASTORAL PRAYER LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

* HYMN (11:00) #408 "The Gift of Love"

BIBLE READING Romans 12:9-18 (NRSV)

9 Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; 10 love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. 11 Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. 12 Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. 13 Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. 14 Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. 15 Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. 16 Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. 17 Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. 18 If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.

MESSAGE Series: "Are You Barely Surviving, or Fruitfully Thriving?" Pastor Greg Title: "How Do You Define Love? How Do You Live It?" Today's Focus: "The Fruit of the Spirit Is ... LOVE"

GATHERING OF GIFTS (11:00) "Two Minuets from 'The Musical Clocks'" (Haydn/arr. E. Power Biggs)

* DOXOLOGY #94 and PRAYER OF DEDICATION

* HYMN #114 "Many Gifts, One Spirit"

* SENDING FORTH

CLOSING MUSIC (11:00) "St. Anthony Chorale from 'Variations on a Theme of Haydn'" (Brahms, arr. David C. Johnson) Sue Poullette, Organist

Mission of the Month

June's "Simple Gifts" offering (loose coins in the offering plates, and donations by cash or check in mission envelopes) will help support Porchlight, a local nonprofit that strives to decrease the homeless population by providing "a helping hand - not a handout." Porchlight's services are designed to foster independence and the transition into permanent housing and employment. Porchlight aims to provide a sense of community in ways that empower residents and program participants to positively shape their lives.

Helping in Worship

Pianist 8:00 am Sue Lundeen

Ushers 8:00 am Brian Wertz 9:00 am Ron & Linda Budziszewski, Nancy O'Malley, Margie Zutter 11:00 am Lou & Sandra Arrington, Cecile Tuong, Rod McKenzie

Liturgists 8:00 am Betsy Dunne 9:00 am ... 11:00 am Ellen Buss

Audio/Visual Slide Prep Matthew Mayeshiba & Todd Reck Sun. Tech Craig Jacobsen

* Asterisks indicate an invitation to stand as able.

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