

# BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Worship Service - Sundays at 9:00am; Sunday School, (Sept. thru May) at 10:15am  
*God's work. Our hands.*

*In case of a pastoral emergency, please contact the church at: 716-933-6699 or Pastor Derek Cheek at 716-307-7963.*

## October 2019



Do you remember these words from Psalm 42 describing the thirst for something greater?

*As a deer longs for flowing streams,  
So my soul longs for you, O God.  
My soul thirsts for God, for the  
Living God. (Psalm 42:2)*

Our wholeness comes from having our total existence fed: body, mind, and spirit. To put it plainly, wholeness, meaning, and joy come to us completely when we love and serve God with our entire being. That is, when we choose to be good stewards of our entire existence: bodies, minds, and souls.

The significance of Jesus' statement that "One does not live by bread alone" (Mt. 4:4) is explained in the June issue of Stewardship. The feature article points out that as important as bread is for one's life, food alone does not satisfy our inner needs. Our spirit needs to be fed as well.

The hymn writer, Charles Wesley, put it well in these words:

*A charge to keep I have, a God to glorify,  
A never dying soul to save, and fit it  
for the sky.*

**Prayer:** Dear Lord, help us to have the spiritual strength, to serve you with our whole being: body, mind, and spirit. In Christ's name. Amen.



The Portville Food Pantry collects these items on an on-going basis: spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, pasta, mac and cheese, pork and beans, canned vegetables, tuna, soup, rice, egg noodles, and canned tomatoes. **Cereal is also needed as well.**



**Pray First!**

- For all service men and women, and their families, especially *Hillary Peterson, Casey McCarthy, Tyler McCarthy, Kendra Linn, Travis Dorvit and Kyle Lust*. For Christ to be made known in our companion synods – *Zimbabwe* and *Zambia*, and our partner synod – *Central/Southern Illinois Synod*. For the Franciscan community at *Mt. Irenaeus* and the *Burkhart Retreat Center for Life* – retreats in our local area. For our Bishops, Bishop Elizabeth Eaton (ELCA) and John Macholz (Upstate New York Synod), Assistants to the Bishop Dave Preisinger, Mary Johnson, and Dean Daniel Rumpfelt. For the mission congregations in our synod—*Organic Faith* in Amherst and *Todos los Hijos de Dios* in Amsterdam. For the pastors and congregations in our Southwestern Conference and for our congregation council leaders – President *Bill Graves*, Secretary *Linda Scott*, Treasurer *Doug Ploetz*, Vice President *Ruth Brewer* and members *Caroline Miller, Donald Linn and Ron Kile*. For our sister congregation, *Peace Lutheran* and their ministry in Slidell, LA for the ministry of *ELCMA* – Evangelical Lutheran Coalition for Mission in Appalachia. For area ministries: *Genesis House, Portville Community Food Pantry, and Interfaith Caregivers, Accounting Beyond Borders*.

PLEASE SEE BULLETIN BOARD outside the sanctuary for a COMPLETE SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Council Member

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Bill Graves  
Ruth Brewer  
Linda Scott  
Doug Ploetz  
Ruth Brewer

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Worship and Music & Christian Education  
Stewardship & Fellowship  
Property

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**We NEED people to sign up as worship servants. We are in need of Lectors, Prayer Leaders, Ushers, Communion assistants and Altar Guild. There are sign-up sheets on the table in Fellowship Hall. Please sign up for one or more of these positions as you feel led. Thank you.**

**Prayer Chain:**

If you have need of prayer, we have an e-mail prayer chain. Just call Bev Robinson – phone number 814-225-3341 or e-mail at [grandmagee756@gmail.com](mailto:grandmagee756@gmail.com)

**Fundraiser Funds are divided as follows:**

- 10% Charity of our choice**
- 10% Benevolence**
- Rest in general fund**

Please keep these members in your prayers and send them a card if you are able.

**Hilda Prosser**

% Cuba Memorial Hospital  
Nursing Home – Room 238W  
140 West Main Street  
Cuba, NY 14727  
(585) 968-2000 Ext. 712

Please show your support and keep in touch with our college students:

Ariel Kile

80 Eaton Street  
Onondaga Hall Room 333  
Morrisville, NY 13408

Dakota Brewer  
122 Perry Lane  
Highlands 2, Room 2254  
Edinboro, PA 16444



God's Huggers are back. We will meet on Monday,  
October 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm !

**Have you checked out Bethel's Facebook Group?**

The url is:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/127210584114232/>.



Our first monthly breakfast for fall will be on Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 till 11:00. Please come and join the fellowship and bring your family and friends.



**WHAT'S HAPPENING!!!**

**October 13<sup>th</sup> – Pastor appreciation day**

**October 17<sup>th</sup> - Pulled Pork Dinner** from 4:00 pm until 7:00 pm. This dinner is to raise funds for Ruth Brewer and her mission work in Guatemala. The menu is as follows: Sandwich, baked beans, applesauce or coleslaw, beverage and apple pie. Price: \$8.00 for meal and \$5.00 for an extra sandwich.

**Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup> Reformation Sunday joint service at Immanuel. Music at 10am and service begins at 10:30am. There will be no Sunday School.**

**STROEHMANN'S DONATION PROJECT**

Stroehmann's employees collect new or gently used books and knitted or crocheted mittens. A longtime resident of Portville, Alice Frost helps her son Mark Frost (who works at Stroehmann's) to collect these items and then donates them to needy families. **Items need to be at Bethel by the first of December.**

# OCTOBER 2019

## Worship Assistants, Birthdays and Anniversaries



### Worship Assistants

Acolyte .....*Haedyn Brewer*

Communion Assistants...*Nedean Knowlton*  
.....*and Ruth Brewer*

### Lectors:

October 6<sup>th</sup> ..... *Jo Kile*  
October 13<sup>th</sup> ..... *Pen Yunghans*  
October 20<sup>th</sup> ..... *Nannette Giberson*  
October 27<sup>th</sup> ..... *Service At Immanuel*

### Prayer Leader:

October 6<sup>th</sup> ..... *Ruth Brewer*  
October 13<sup>th</sup> ..... *Connie Matteson*  
October 20<sup>th</sup> ..... *Linda Scott*  
October 27<sup>th</sup> ..... *Service at Immanuel*

Usher/s.....*Rick Giberson*

Altar Guild.....*Nedean Knowlton*

Mail Greeter.....*Caroline Miller*

Bread Baker .....*Ron Kile*



### **Happy Birthday to:**

2<sup>nd</sup> ---Ron Brewer  
6<sup>th</sup>---Jake Parr  
8<sup>th</sup> ---Jianna Nix  
9<sup>th</sup>----Rain Fahnestock  
15<sup>th</sup> ---Jean Benson  
17<sup>th</sup>---Joy Linn  
23<sup>rd</sup>---Kyle Keenan  
24<sup>th</sup> ---Delores Chapman, Tamera Linn  
31<sup>st</sup>--- Kerrie Parr



### Happy Anniversary to:

4<sup>th</sup>---Robert & Kathy Baughman  
21<sup>st</sup>---Chris and Molly Scott





One ornament

Front of second ornament

Back of second ornament

Ruth Brewer is selling these 2 ornaments for a fundraiser for the mission trip to Guatemala. They are \$24 each. Ruth will bring them to church to display and sell.

A thank you has been received from Genesis House for the tie blankets and the towels and scissor sets that were donated from Bethel.

**Saint John's Lutheran Church Fall Rummage and Bake Sale** – Thursday Oct 3<sup>rd</sup>, Friday Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> and Saturday Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> from 9am – noon each day. Special Sale Saturday - \$2 a bag. Located at 36 North Fourth Street, Allegany New York.



Memorials given in memory of Gary Murray  
by June Murray  
by Neil & Barbara Kemp

If you would like your Loved ones remembered during the All Saints Sunday Service on November 3<sup>rd</sup> ; please sign up in the fellowship hall with their name who have passed away **in the last year**.

### **NOVEMBER BUDGET MEETING:**

Our annual budget meeting will be held on Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup> following our worship service,

### **THE GIFT TREE**

The Stewardship committee is once again sponsoring the "Gift Tree through Interfaith Caregivers. Please let Nannette know how much you would like to donate. We will take donations through the 1<sup>st</sup> of November. We have set the date of Friday evening, November 15<sup>th</sup> as our shopping trip and wrapping time. We will meet at the Wal-Mart in Olean at 6:00pm and begin the Christmas shopping evening. We invite you all to participate in the venture.

It's a lot of fun!!

### **THE ADVENT DINNER**

Our annual Advent dinner will be held on Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup> at 11:30am.

There will be a sign-up sheet on the table in Fellowship Hall listing the food items needed.

### **Advent Service**

Bethel will be hosting a joint advent service on Wednesday, December 4<sup>th</sup>.

### **CHRISTMAS CAROLING**

It may seem a little early to be planning this, but Christmas time is creeping up on us. We are scheduling our Christmas Caroling time for Sunday afternoon on December 15<sup>th</sup> from 2pm - 4pm. Everyone is welcome to join us. You don't need to be choir member or even good singers to have a great time.

It is so rewarding to see how much we are appreciated by the people we sing to.

Please make time in your schedule to come and join us.

*Sunday, December 22nd - Sunday School Christmas Program during worship!*

*December 24<sup>th</sup> Christmas Eve services - 5pm at Immanuel and 7:30 at St. John'*





# **World Food Day Rally**

## **Sat, Oct. 12, 2019**

Bethel Lutheran Church  
79 Brooklyn St  
Portville, NY 14770

9:00am – 9:45am – sign in  
10:00am-12:45pm – Rally/Scavenger  
Hunt  
1:00pm-2:00pm – lunch

**Registration Deadline: Oct 9,  
2019**



Register by calling: 716-933-6699  
Entry fee: minimum 2 non-perishable  
food items  
per person

All non-perishable food items will benefit the Portville Food Pantry.

John 6:35 Then Jesus declared, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”



**Kinley Corp**

August 31 at 11:55 AM ·

The Grand Opening of the Lincoln Park Farmer’s Market was this past Saturday, August 24th and Kinley would like to take a moment and thank the City of Olean for the opportunity to work on such a unique project. The facility will be utilized by community members and local vendors for Farmer’s Markets and as a gathering place for various events. Kinley’s Project Manager, Clinton Brewer, would like to thank the project’s Superintendent, Jeff Bockmier for an excellent job done! Clint also extends many thanks to Dan Long Enterprises, Peterson Roofing, Billings Sheet Metal, Quattrone Masonry, and all of the vendors and subcontractors that worked on this project with us. Time to get out and experience the new facility! Please enjoy the below video showcasing the project’s progress and completion.

Clinton was the project manager for the New Lincoln Park Farmer’s Market in Olean.

So he had to organize all the subcontractors and vendors and oversee the entire project – from the ground up.

If you haven’t had a chance to stop there, you should stop down. It’s a pretty cool place!







### ***Chautauqua Lake Aquatic Herbicide Treatment Monitoring***

Region 9 fisheries staff accompanied the pesticides unit in monitoring of the 2019 Chautauqua Lake aquatic herbicide treatment from May 15th to May 17th. Recently issued permits allowed for the treatment of over 400 acres of aquatic vegetation to reduce invasive Eurasian watermilfoil and Curly leaf pondweed. Permit review and treatment monitoring are important aspects of aquatic herbicide use to protect critical fish habitat on one of New York's top freshwater fisheries. Fisheries staff provided the boat and spent 3 days on the lake monitoring



the consultant as they applied the aquatic herbicide. Post treatment vegetation surveys one month later revealed that the herbicide application was highly effective at eliminating invasive aquatic vegetation in the treatment areas. Very little aquatic vegetation was found at this time but it is expected that native vegetation will replace the invasive vegetation in the treatment areas. Follow up monitoring will be conducted to confirm these expected results and future herbicide applications will be highly dependent on this monitoring.

***Rake toss collection during post treatment survey showing dead pondweed and filamentous algae.***

### ***Allegheny River Sauger Restoration Update***

The Allegheny River sauger re-introduction stocking program that began in 2014 has been extended for another 5 years. Sauger fry were donated from WV and KY in mid-April and were held and raised at the Chautauqua fish hatchery until stocking. This year sauger fingerlings were chemically marked with Oxytetracycline before stocking to allow for evaluation of natural reproduction over the next 5 years. On June 13th, 3,020 pond-reared sauger fingerlings, averaging 1.9 inches, were stocked in the Allegheny Reservoir. This adds to the total of over 20,000 fingerlings that have been stocked since 2014.

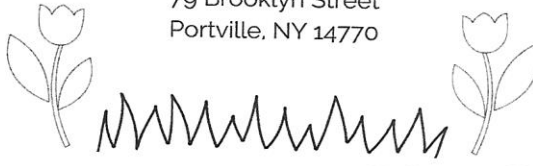
In early April, two days of electrofishing were conducted by DEC and the Seneca Nation on the Allegheny Reservoir and lower river to look for sauger staging to spawn. No sauger were caught or observed during sampling, and river conditions prevented additional efforts to look for sauger. Although no sauger were collected this year, two adult female sauger in pre-spawn condition were collected in early spring of 2018. Spawning aggregations of sauger from the first few years of stocking are expected to be seen over the next few years. Fall electrofishing surveys of the reservoir have indicated good survival and exceptional growth of stocked sauger, both encouraging signs for the program. Further evaluation of the sauger population in the river and the reservoir will be conducted over the next 5 years with hopes of documenting natural reproduction.



Bring your old clothes, shoes,  
towels, and stuffed animals to;

*Bethel Lutheran Church*

79 Brooklyn Street  
Portville, NY 14770



We will once again be having a contest to see how many bags of clothing you can bring to our clothing drop off box during the month of October. Bags will be judged according to size as we get paid by St. Pauly's by the pound. Please let Nannette know how many bags you brought and what sizes they were. At the end of the month, the family with the most bags given will receive a prize.









On September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019 We held our worship service in our newly renovated pavilion. The renovation was in memory of Gary Murray and the new sign dedication in memory of Ned Morgan and Gary Murray. The renovation was completed by June Murray, Ron & Jo & Ariel Kile, Nedeane Knowlton, Rick & Nannette & Troy Giberson.

We also held our annual church picnic at the pavilion along with the stewardship ice cream social. We had beautiful weather. The Lord is Good!

Does anyone notice anything peculiar on this page?







