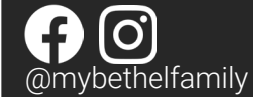


# SERMON NOTES



## Bethel Pastors & Directors

Pastor David Foss	Lead Pastor
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Pastor Caleb Larson	Fergus Falls Campus Pastor
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Kate Haus	Director of Operations
Amanda DeYoung	Director of Worship
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Steve Tonneson	Doug Walvatne	John Zwiers	

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# May 3rd, 2026

Worship: 8:15 & 10:45 AM

Bethel Lutheran Church  
Fergus Falls | Battle Lake



**Welcome!** Thank you for worshipping with us today.

**Nursery & Nursing Rooms**

The nursery is open, but not staffed during the 8:15 AM Service. The nursery is open and staffed during the 10:45 AM Service. Ages: 0 - 3 years. Nursing rooms are available in the Atrium next to HQ.

**Sermons & Website**

Video and audio of the sermons are available at [bethellutheran.church](http://bethellutheran.church). The sermon is broadcasted on Sundays at 11:00 AM on 97.7 FM.

**Hearing Aid Devices**

Hearing aid devices are available at the Connection Center.

**Lost & Found**

Lost & Found is located in the Foyer Coat Room.

**Calendar Snapshot**

Full calendar of events is available on Bethel's website and mobile app. Stay updated on Facebook and Instagram!

**Sunday Mornings**

Fergus Falls Campus	Worship	8:15 & 10:45 AM
Battle Lake Campus	Worship	8:15 & 10:45 AM

**Looking Ahead | Both campuses are welcome to these events**

TODAY	Burger Bash Youth Fundraiser Lunch	@ both campuses	12:00 PM
05/04	Lift Worship Night - YOUNG ADULTS	@ Fergus Falls Campus	5:00 PM
05/09	Spring Gathering - WOMEN	@ Fergus Falls Campus	10:00 AM
05/10	Senior Recognition Sunday	@ both campuses	10:45 AM Service
05/14	Hope Fellowship - WIDOWS	@ Fergus Falls Campus	1:30 PM
05/16	Men's Breakfast	@ Fergus Falls Campus	7:30 AM
05/17	Last Day of Sunday School	@ both campuses	9:30 AM
05/24	BFF Joint Worship Service	@ Fergus Falls Campus	9:00 AM Service Only
05/25	Memorial Day - Bethel Office Closed	@ Fergus Falls Campus	
05/26	Prime Time Coffee Fellowship	@ Fergus Falls Campus	2:00 PM
05/31	Summer Worship Begins	@ both Campuses	8:30 & 10:00 AM
6/23-25	Preschool VBS (Ages 3-entering K)	@ Fergus Falls Campus	9:00-11:00 AM
6/29-7/1	Preschool & Elementary VBS (Ages 3-entering 6th)	@ Battle Lake Campus	6:00-8:00 PM

**Bethel Children's Ministry**

Children's Ministry is for ages 2 through 6<sup>th</sup> grade

**Sunday School** - Sundays / 9:30 AM

**MAGNIFY** (Grades 4 & 5) - Resumes in the Fall

Learn more: [bethellutheran.church/kids](http://bethellutheran.church/kids)

**Bethel Youth & Young Adults**

**Youth Group:** Wed - JH: 3:45 PM / SH: 7:00 PM

**Confirmation:** Resumes in the Fall

\*Learn More: [bethellutheran.church/youth](http://bethellutheran.church/youth)

**Young Adults:** groups are available to join!

\*Email [josiah@bethellutheran.church](mailto:josiah@bethellutheran.church) for details!

**Special Announcements**

CALLING ALL BALLPLAYERS!

**It's Softball time!**

2026 Church League Softball starts in May and runs through July. Games played Monday evenings.

**\$50/PLAYER** Contact Ben Stumbo for more information  
**AGES 14 & UP** at [benstumbo@icloud.com](mailto:benstumbo@icloud.com) or 701-971-3320

**SENIOR RECOGNITION 2026**

**MAY 10 DURING 10:45 SERVICE**  
**FERGUS FALLS & BATTLE LAKE**

**BETHEL YOUTH BURGER BASH LUNCH FUNDRAISER**

The congregation is invited to stick around after second service for a burger picnic and freewill donation benefiting the youth to go to Elevate youth convention.

**TODAY!**  
**After 10:45 Service**  
**Fergus Falls and Battle Lake**

A Vision to Join Jesus in Everyday Life  
**GATHER to belong. GIVE to bless. GO to love.**

**Prayer**

Prayer materials and daily devotional booklets are available for your taking in the Foyer by the mailboxes at the Fergus Falls Campus.

**Prayer for Bethel Church**

Lord, we praise you that you are with us always! We rejoice in the grace that showers over us each day. We ask that you show us how we can serve you and love those around us. Lord show us today what you are up to, and grant the opportunity to speak and live the gospel this week.

**World Missions Prayer**

Pray for spiritual, physical and emotional health for each of our missionaries and their children, that they might be protected from discouragement and enjoy fruitful ministries in God's mission.