

SERMON NOTES


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August 16th, 2026
Worship: 8:30 & 10:00 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 8:30 AM Service. The nursery is open and staffed during the 10:00 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. 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	Summer Worship	8:30 & 10:00 AM
Battle Lake Campus	Summer Worship	8:30 & 10:00 AM

Looking Ahead | Both campuses are welcome to these events

08/18	Ladies Night Out Mini Golf & Ice Cream	@ Big Fish Kayaks, Battle Lake	6:30-8:00 PM
08/22	Summer Saturday Baking - WOMEN	@ Fergus Falls Campus	10:00-11:00 AM
08/27	Hope Fellowship Gathering	@ Outstate Coffee, Fergus Falls	10:30 AM -12:00 PM
09/01	Griefshare Begins (11 week study)	@ Fergus Falls Campus	1:00-3:00 PM
09/13	Kickoff Sunday	@ both campuses	

Bethel Children's Ministry

Children's Ministry is for ages 2 through 6th grade

Sunday School - Registration is OPEN

MAGNIFY (Grades 4 & 5) - Registration is OPEN

Learn more: bethellutheran.church/kids

Bethel Youth & Young Adults

Youth Group: Wed - JH: 6:00 PM / SH: 8:00 PM

Confirmation: Registration is OPEN

**Learn More: bethellutheran.church/youth*

Young Adults: groups are available to join!

**Email josiah@bethellutheran.church for details!*

Special Announcements

SPRINKLE BABY SHOWER FOR BRITTANY LAVEN / Aug 23rd (SUN) / Between services / Bethel BL

Pastor Nick Laven (BL Campus Pastor) and his wife, Brittany, are expecting their 7th child! There will be a "Sprinkle" Shower between services in Northpoint at Bethel Battle Lake on Sunday, August 23. It is called "Prayers and Pampers" suggesting the purchase of diapers of any size, wipes or gift cards. This shower is sponsored by friends and family.

BRIDAL SHOWER FOR NEVAEH KOMESTAKES / Aug 29th (SAT) / 10:00 AM / Bethel Fergus Falls

You are invited to a bridal shower for Naveah Komestakes, fiancée of Jonah Knick. Nevaeh is the daughter of James & Staci Komestakes. Jonah is the son of Jeremy & Andrea Knick. The couple is registered on Amazon. This gathering is sponsored by friends and family.

SUMMERTIME SATURDAY BAKING: ARTISAN BREAD

Aug 22 • 10:00am - 11:00am
Fergus Falls Campus
Please register by Aug 20

Easy Artisan Bread demo and tasting. If you would like to make your own two loaf batch, bring a packet of yeast.

Ladies Night Out

Mini Golf & Ice Cream
at Big Fish Kayaks
August 18 • 6:30 PM • \$15
Bring a friend!

FALL KICKOFF

SUNDAY, SEPT 13

Bethel's Fall ministry schedule starts on Kickoff Sunday.

KICKOFF SUNDAY SCHEDULE

- 8:15am - Worship
- 9:30am - Kickoff Family Huddle & Ministry Fair
- 10:45am - Worship
- 12:00pm - Kickoff Picnic & Activities

FALL WORSHIP TIMES

- 8:15am - Worship
- 9:30am - Sunday School
(Classes begin meeting 9/20)
- 10:45am - Worship

Scan here to get kids registered for Sunday School, Confirmation or Magnify

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

Pray for the various ministries of Bethel Church as they plan for fall ministry. Pray for wisdom, passion and focus as they lead their area of ministry as part of a larger, unified mission and vision as part of Bethel Church in Fergus Falls and Battle Lake. This is an exciting time as we look forward to a new ministry year.

World Missions Prayer

Pray for Paul and Teresa Szobody as they process the range of emotions that come with closing the chapter on their life of field service in Chad and guidance in their retirement.