



We are a Christian community rooted in the gospel of Jesus Christ that gathers to worship, learn and share, and reaches out to welcome, witness and serve.

Worship and Picnic in Depot Park

Join us for sunshine and worship on August 15th at Depot Park at 9:00am. All are invited - even friends and guests! Bring your lawn chairs as we take this opportunity to worship outdoors and enjoy fun and fellowship with a picnic after the service. We will still be broadcasting on KOFI (9:00am), so if you are unable to attend you can still worship with us on the radio.



FLBC Pack N Raft– August 1-6

Spend four days and three nights exploring the rugged terrain in northwest Montana on foot! These trips allow participants to spend time in some of the beautiful and remote areas we are fortunate to have access to, including the Jewel Basin Hiking Area, the Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex, the Swan crest, and the Kriklehorn Peak area of the Whitefish Range. There is no more intimate way to spend time in these areas than on foot. You'll carry all your gear with you, and learn skills such as water filtration, backcountry camp site selection, navigation, and backcountry cooking. End your trip with a half day whitewater float on the Flathead River! Contact the camp office for more details.

Volunteers Needed

We are always looking for volunteers to help with Sunday worship. If you are interested, please go to <https://bethluth.org/pages/volunteer-sign-up> to sign up.



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Progress Report from the Strategic Planning Committee: July 2021



The Strategic Planning team has been learning much about our congregation and the opportunities before us to share God's grace in our neighborhood. Thank you for your survey responses, thank you for your prayers, thank you for trusting God to work through all of us. In the past few weeks, we've been able to analyze the responses to our survey questions. The responses were varied, but we saw consensus in many areas. There's an interest in strengthening ministry among families and youth, a desire to engage with our neighbors and community through continued partnership with Serious Juju, Sparrows Nest, the Food Bank, and others, and a trust that we will continue to provide faithful, intentional worship and music.

As you know, the property BLC owns and stewards is an asset about which we hope to hear God's call and direction. Many of you said that you would like to see the land, with either existing buildings or new construction, continue to provide housing for either seniors or low to moderate income people. You also said that some shared space with the neighborhood or on behalf of teens would be an effective way to expand our ministry with others.

Moving ahead, we are putting together small groups within our church community to try and gather more information about our future plans. We are in the process of modifying and extending the questions that were in the survey in order to dig deeper and listen harder to how God is speaking through each of us. As these groups are announced please plan to gather with your brothers and sisters in Christ, sharing your knowledge of our congregation's strengths and traveling together along God's path ahead. We look forward to talking with you soon.

Fall Music Ensembles

Choir----We will have Bethlehem Lutheran Choir on Wednesdays at 7 PM, but will sing things geared for smaller choirs. If we had at least one more on each part (2 more tenors and sopranos ideally) we would have the numbers to be in better shape to sing music geared for a larger choir. We will supplement that with a virtual choir once every 3 months as an opportunity to sing music that would require a larger choir to cover more parts.



Handbells--- We will be able to have one handbell quartet that meets on Mondays at 5:30 PM. From the responses I received, we would need 4 more ringers for GosBells to start again.

Mixture (tentative name and reference to a type of organ stop)----We will begin a new ensemble dedicated to leadership on hymns and liturgy through vocal leadership for congregational singing and the addition of instruments as appropriate for hymns and liturgy. This group will rehearse music for the upcoming few weeks of worship at 6:30 PM on Mondays.

Rehearsals will begin in September after Labor Day.

August Calendar 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 <u>9:00am</u> Worship <u>9:00am</u> KOFI <u>5:00pm</u> HS Youth Group	2	3 <u>7s :00pm</u> Committees, FH	4 <u>6:45am</u> Men's Bible Study , FH <u>10:00am</u> Staff <u>10:30am</u> Spinners, FH <u>6:00pm</u> FLY <u>8:00pm</u> Hymn Histories with Marshall via Zoom	5 <u>9:00am</u> Quilters, FH <u>9:00am</u> Knitters, FR	6	7
8 <u>9:00am</u> Worship <u>9:00am</u> KOFI <u>5:00pm</u> HS Youth Group	9	10 <u>9:45am</u> Dorcas Circle, FH <u>6:00pm</u> Council, FH	11 <u>6:45am</u> Men's Bible Study , FH <u>10:00am</u> Staff <u>6:00pm</u> FLY <u>8:00pm</u> Hymn Histories with Marshall via Zoom	12 <u>9:00am</u> Quilters, FH <u>9:00am</u> Knitters, FR <u>6:00pm</u> Strategic Planning Committee Mtg, FH	13	14
15 <u>9:00am</u> Worship in the Park, Depot Park—Picnic to follow <u>9:00am</u> KOFI <u>5:00pm</u> HS Youth Group	16 <i>Newsletter deadline</i>	17	18 <u>6:45am</u> Men's Bible Study , FH <u>10:00am</u> Staff <u>6:00pm</u> FLY <u>8:00pm</u> Hymn Histories with Marshall via Zoom	19 <u>9:00am</u> Quilters, FH <u>9:00am</u> Knitters, FR	20	21
22 <u>9:00am</u> Worship <u>9:00am</u> KOFI <u>5:00pm</u> HS Youth Group	23	24	25 <u>6:45am</u> Men's Bible Study , FH <u>10:00am</u> Staff <u>6:00pm</u> FLY <u>8:00pm</u> Hymn Histories with Marshall via Zoom	26 <u>9:00am</u> Quilters, FH <u>9:00am</u> Knitters, FR <u>6:00pm</u> Strategic Planning Committee Mtg, FH	27	28
29 <u>9:00am</u> Worship <u>9:00am</u> KOFI <u>5:00pm</u> HS Youth Group	30 <u>1:00pm</u> Women on the Go, FH	31				<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; background-color: #e0f2f1;"> Locations: CM-Commons FH -Fellowship Hall FR-Fireside Room HB-Hjortland Bld. KB- Kalispell Brewing </div>

OUR THOUGHTS *and* **PRAYERS** *are with* **YOU**

Our list of prayer requests can be found in our weekly bulletin. If there is someone you wish to add to our prayer list, please don't hesitate to contact the church office.



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Dave	Ebert	8/6	Mckenzie	Lane	8/26
Alice	Ford	8/6	Debbie	Snyder	8/27
Anita	Gilbertson	8/10	Sidney	Schenck	8/29
Debra	Johnson	8/11	Barry	Grace	8/29
Beverly	Hatlen	8/11	Kenneth	Field	8/29
Lu Ann	Borgen	8/12	Mica	Riendeau	8/30
Kelsey	Zimmerman	8/13	Terry	Brosten	8/30
Dolores	Lynch	8/15	Cheryl	Keith	8/31
David	Klassy	8/16	Martha	Kessler	8/31
Gary	Doran	8/18			
Aidan	Matkovich	8/19			
Nancy	Martinson	8/19			
Calvin	Schmidt	8/19			
Rylan	Schlepp	8/21			

**The deadline for
 the September
 newsletter is
 August 16th.
 Thank you!**

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