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Bethel Lutheran Church

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September 19, 2021

Worship: 8:00, 9:15, & 10:30 AM

Bethel Lutheran Church
Fergus Falls | Battle Lake



Welcome! Thank you for worshipping with us today.

Childcare & Nursery

For children 0-3 years during 9:15 & 10:30 AM services. Nursing rooms are also available. Both are located to your left as you enter the foyer.

Sermons & Website

Video and audio of the sermons are available at bethellutheran.church. The service is broadcasted on Sundays at 11:00 AM on 97.7 FM.

Hearing Aid Devices

Hearing aid devices are available at the Connection Center in the foyer.

Calendar Snapshot

Sunday Mornings

Fergus Falls Campus

Worship

8:00, 9:15 & 10:30 AM

Sunday School & Confirmation

9:15 AM

Battle Lake Campus

Worship

9:00 & 10:30 AM

Sunday School & Confirmation

9:00 AM

Looking Ahead | Both campuses are welcome to these events

9/28	Primetime Ministry	@ Fergus Falls campus	2:00 PM
10/4-7	Fall Into the Word women's groups meet	@ various locations	various times
	Register: bethellutheran.church/adults (or in the foyer today)		
10/6	Magnify begins (4th-6th grade)	@ Fergus Falls campus	3:45 PM
	Register: bethellutheran.church/kids		
10/9	Hillcrest Academy Homecoming Concert	@ Fergus Falls campus	5:00 PM
10/31	Fall Family Festival	@ both campuses	5:30-7:30 PM

Bethel Children's Ministry

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

Sunday School Sundays, 9:15 AM

MAGNIFY (Grades 4-6) Resumes October 6

More information: bethellutheran.church/kids

Bethel Youth & College Ministry

Youth Group Wednesday

Jr High: 3:45 PM / Sr High: 7:00 PM

Confirmation Sun, 9:15 AM / Wed, 5:45 PM

College Age Group Tues, 7:30 PM, Bethel Fergus Falls

More information: bethellutheran.church/youth

Special Announcements

THANK YOU from
Virgil & Mary Albertson

Virgil & Mary Albertson want to thank everyone who was involved in and attended their 70th wedding anniversary and Virgil's 90th birthday celebrations! They are thankful for all the love and support they received from many from Bethel Church!

Serve on Sunday
Mornings

There are many simple ways to serve on Sunday mornings. Ushering, greeting, serving coffee, holding babies in the nursery, balancing sound for worship, and projecting slides, are just some of the ways you can serve.
Interested? Comment on your connection card or talk to someone who is serving.

What does it mean to adopt the Bigirmi People Group?

As believers in Jesus, we have been chosen... predestined...adopted as children of God! With that adoption comes an invitation to participate with Jesus in his mission to the nations. This is why we as a church have "ADOPTED" the Bagirmi people of Chad...a people who for decades and centuries have been unreached with the gospel. The Bagirmi people of Chad number around 150,000 people and have no church in the context of their language and culture. Bethel has committed to send and support missionaries to live among them and learn their language and share the gospel with them so that they too might hear and be saved; so that they too might be adopted as children of God!

Adoption means sacrifice. It takes commitment. It does not come without cost. But it is so worth it!

Since we as a church adopted the Bagirmi people in 2009, God has been working in and through our commitment.

- 1 Bagirmi children are hearing the Word of God through the Gethsemane de Meube school in Boudamasa.
- 2 Traditional story-tellers are learning the stories of Jesus and sharing them in Bagirmi communities.



Nathanael sharing translation & artwork of Genesis

3 The bible is being translated into the Bagirmi language, and for the first time ever, Bagirmi people are reading and hearing the Word of God in their heart language.

4 There is the beginning of a Bagirmi church that has sprouted.

Things are happening! Let's consider this adoption as any adoption should be considered. A commitment to see things through, so that the Bagirmi will also join with us in rejoicing over their adoption into the family of God!

WHAT CAN I DO?

You can pray for this mission work, financially support the ministry (use giving envelope) and connect with Nathanael and Carrie Szobody and their children (Contact lbim@clba.org).

Bethel Church's vision is to lead people to believe. belong. build faith@home.

Prayer

Join one of the prayer teams during Sunday morning worship services. Join Mission Vision prayer team on Mon at 12:15 at Bethel Fergus Falls.

Prayer for Bethel Church

Pray for Bethel Church as we kickoff our fall ministry. Pray for our communities in Fergus Falls and Battle Lake, that they will be open to the Gospel of Jesus and God will reach people through the faithful ministry of Bethel Church.

Prayer for the Bagirmi People

Bethel has committed to spreading the Gospel to the Bagirmi, an unreached people group in Chad.
Pray that Bethel Church will fully embrace the adoption of the Bagirmi people group. Pray that the people of Bethel will support the vision to plant a church among them through prayer and financial support. Pray for missionaries Nathanael and Carrie as they work to effectively reach them with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.