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Bethany Reformed Church Monthly Newsletter/May 2019

Happy Mother's Day

It wasn't that long ago that I was a young boy living at home under the care of my mother. There are several daily life tasks she did for her children. I bet your mothers did this for you too. Probably top on the list is her skill in the kitchen. Mom always made sure we ate properly..... veggies..... protein..... milk.....and then she would bake something sweet. It didn't matter what kind of day she had.... there always was a well-balanced diet in the oven at supper time. I realize that many of us have lost our mother over the years, even though this year might be tough it still brings us great joy to think back and remember what our mothers offered us out of love. This is a beautiful relationship. We can all say that our moms loved us no matter what! It was in their unconditional love that we floundered and flourished. Our mothers offered us a great deal of comfort when the stuff of life didn't quite go our way. They played nurse made when we weren't feeling well or had an injury. They managed to do this for one child but also had the time to maintain the rest of the kids as well. They have sat through our victories and our defeats. I can remember losing back to back football games by a total point margin of over 100 points! Who was there to pick up the pieces? Mom of course. Every August she was the one that made sure I was dressed well for school; it was her goal that I had Levi Button Fly Jeans. She worked a second job so I could have quality cleats, a decent bat and a fine glove. How does one ever repay that? I am sure it would take a lifetime! Most of all I am thankful my mother forced me, at broom point, to do my homework-participate in church activities (she made me speak in front of the church) and called me out when there was an important detail I intentionally left out. It is in these very complimentary moments she helped me realize who I should become.

LET US ALL SAY IT TOGETHER:
THANKS MOMS!

Blessings,

Pastor Al

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Ray and Kaylee Schroder welcomed twin girls into this world on Sunday, April 21.

Gracie Alice was born weighing 1lb 1oz and 10.4 inches in length. She fought hard for 10 days before God called her home into his loving arms. The family held a private ceremony on Saturday, May 4, to celebrate the time they were given with Gracie.

Blakely Ann was born weighing 1lb 5.5oz and 11 ½ inches long.

The family will be spending the next few months at Sanford Hospital in the NICU (Neonatal Intensive Care Unit).

Please keep these little miracles, and their parents, in your daily prayers.

A Caring Bridge Site has been set up. Here is the link: <https://www.caringbridge.org/public/kayleeandrayschroder>.

Proud Grandparents: Jerome and Tami Van De Stroet

Proud Uncles and Aunts: Tadesse, Elijah, Biruk, and Caleb & Denise Van De Stroet

Congratulations to Dominic Robertson and Madison Aldrich! They will be united in marriage on Saturday, May 18, 2019.

Dominic is a son to Dale and Kelly, and a brother to Dakota, Dillion, Daniel, Cassidy and Dawson Robertson.



Congratulations to Austin and Becky Parks! They welcomed a beautiful daughter into their family in April. Aria is joined by big sister Madison and big brother Dylan.

Proud Grandparents: Paul and Cindy Garbers.



2019 Graduates

Adison Evans will graduate from West Lyon High School on Saturday, May 11. She plans to attend SDSU in the fall and major in Agricultural Science.

Alex Jorgenson graduates from Canton High School on May 11. He entered the Army and leaves for Ft. Benning, GA, May 28. Following Basic Training, Alex will attend Airborne School.

Braxton Trowbridge will graduate from Canton High School on May 11. He plans on working in the Bakery at Hy-Vee this summer and attending USD in the Fall.

Scott Peterson graduates on May 11 from Canton High School. He plans to work this summer for Tanner Broughton with his Landscaping Business and attend the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in the Fall. Scott will study Business Administration at UNL.

Dakota Robertson will graduate with a major in Architect Design and Building Construction on Thursday, May 9, from Mitchell Tech. After graduation, he will continue his employment at Hieskel Construction in Canton.

Sally Peterson graduates on May 4 from SDSU with a Degree in Interior Design. This summer Sally plans to work at Inspiration Hills as a Camp Coordinator. As time allows, she will begin the interview process in hopes to have a job in her career field this coming fall.

CONGRATULATIONS!

May 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Ron Schultz	2 Dustin Wallenburg National Day of Prayer	3	4 Wally Scheidt
5 9:30AM Worship Mace Van De Stroet	6 Dale & Kelly Robertson	7 Taylor Fossum	8	9	10	11
12 9:30AM Worship Heath Souvignier Mother's Day	13 Food & Friends Meal 5:30-7:00PM Consistory Mtg 7:00PM	14 Shana Van De Stroet Wade Wartjes	15	16	17	18 Pastor Al Richardson Jerome & Tami Van De Stroet Travis & Sabie Schigbout
19 9:30AM Worship	20 Ted Souvignier	21	22	23 Emily Jorgenson	24 LaVonna Lems Melanie Van De Stroet Jo Zomer	25 Scott Peterson
26 9:30AM Worship Laura Jacobs Gil & Sharon Van De Stroet	27 Jordan Brown Lucy Wilcox Memorial Day	28 Nancy Feekes	29	30	31 John & Melanie Van De Stroet	

May 2019 Monthly Responsibilities

Greeters

- 5- Dave and Jean Wallenburg
- 12- David and Laura Jacobs
- 19- A.J. and Tami Nelson
- 26- David and Jennifer Jacobsma

Ushers

- 5- Caden Baune & Gage Nelson
- 12- David Brown & Darren Brown
- 19- Scott Peterson & Graham Robinson
- 26- Leroy Feekes & Chad Evans

Nursery

- 5- Angie Evans and Kaitlyn Wiersma
- 12- Angie Wiersma and Jordan Van De Stroet
- 19- Connie Lamp and Journey Nelson
- 26- Angela Baune and Emily Jorgenson

Sound Room/PowerPoint

- 5- Tim Lems & Jordan Van De Stroet
- 12- Leroy Feekes & Bubba Bierschbach
- 19- Chad Van Geest & Lorna Haverhals
- 26- Jerome Van De Stroet & Elijah Van De Stroet


Praise Team

- 5- Dee Brown, LaVonna Lems, Karren and Brad Peterson
- 12- Melanie Van De Stroet, Nancy Feekes, Breanna Bierschbach, Chad Evans
- 19- Praise Band
- 26- Kristi Robinson, Kate Devitt, Melanie Van De Stroet, Tami Van De Stroet

Children & Worship

- 5- Leader: Kaitlyn Wiersma
Helpers: Emma Evans, Gerrett Devitt
- 12- No Children & Worship
- 19- Leader: Jill Devitt
Helpers: Biruk Van De Stroet, Karly Jorgenson
- 26- No Children & Worship

Announcements

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Fun Share Drive</u></p> <p>The Action Group started a second Fun Share Drive! If you have any clothes or items you'd like to clear out of your home, please bag them up and bring them to the church. The Action Group will then bring those items to Savers and they will in return pay our youth for those items. The funds raised will help students go to activities/programs. If you have questions, see Kris Jorgenson.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Food and Friends Meal</u></p> <p>Monday, May 13, will be the next Food and Friends Meal. If you're interested in lending a helping hand, please see the sign-up sheet on the back table or talk to Laura Dozark.</p> <p>Menu: Sloppy Joes, Potato Salad, Candied Carrots, Applesauce, Ice Cream Sundaes.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Children & Worship</u></p> <p>Children & Worship will soon be ending for the summer. We plan to meet two times during the month of May.</p> <p>Parents/Guardians, on the Sunday's we don't meet, please know that there will be coloring pages and/or activity sheets located in the back of the sanctuary for children of all ages.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Consistory Meeting</u></p> <p>The next Consistory Meeting will be Monday, May 13, at 7:00pm. Anyone seeking transfer of membership, profession of faith or baptism is welcome to come to the Elder's mtg at 7PM. The Deacon's will meet at 7:30PM and full consistory at 8PM.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Vacation Bible School</u></p> <p>VBS MEGA Sports Camp June 17-20 (Monday-Thursday).</p> <p>When kids face difficult opponents, adversity, getting tired, and high-pressure situations, good FUNdamentals lead to victory.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Nursery</u></p> <p>Nursery is available for infants through 3 years of age.</p> <p>If you are an adult and would like to help in the nursery a few times a year, please let the office know. Thank you!</p>
<p>Did you know we have a church website? You can visit it at www.bethanyrcsd.org.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-----</p> <p>Have you ever wished you had a Church Directory to quickly refer to? Download the <i>Instant Church Directory App</i> on your smartphone! You'll have contact info for your church friends and family at the touch of your fingertips.</p> <p>If you need assistance downloading the App, please see Jill Devitt.</p> 	<p>The same is true in our faith journey. Just like Nehemiah and the Israelites who rebuilt the wall of Jerusalem, faith FUNdamentals based on timeless bibilcal truths lead to success too.</p> <p><i>Mega Verse: Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong. 1 Corinthians 16:13</i></p> <p>Register your child(ren) by calling the church office at 605-987-5645, or by talking to Angela Baune.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">I LOVE VBS!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Inspiration Hills Summer Camp Donations Needed!</u></p> <p>Wash Rags/Towels – New or Used Cowboy Boots Kid Size – Used Popsicle Sticks Nail Polish Remover Iron on Beads Batteries AA & AAA Cash for Bibles 5 Gallon Water Igloo Coolers 10 Gallon Igloo Coolers Car Wash Supplies – New or Used</p> <p>Feel free to drop your donations off at the church office. I will make sure they get delivered. Thank you, Jill Devitt</p>