



A Publication of Bethlehem Lutheran Church - Aloha, OR

VOTER'S MEETING

June 28 after the 11am Worship Service
In the Community Center

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Lutheran Church & Preschool

Bethlehem Mission Statement
*"Building the family of God through
relationship with Jesus Christ."*

PRESCHOOL NEWS

WRITTEN BY LAIVA HOFFMAN, DIRECTOR

We've completed our year at the preschool! It's hard to believe that the year is already over. We held our graduation for our PreKers Wednesday, May 20th and an All School Play Day on the 21st. We graduated 16 students and it was wonderful to see how many families we have served this year!

I want to thank my staff for being so committed to our school and to all the families we serve. I especially want to thank Jane for all her hard work and love and care she has bestowed upon our families.

For those of you who weren't able to attend service when Jeff and I made our announcement I wanted to let you know that this is my last year at Bethlehem Lutheran Preschool. There is a significant need for pastors for our church across the nation and my husband has been feeling God's call for him to join the ministry. In order for him to become a pastor, our family will have to move to St. Louis, Missouri for him to attend seminary.

I am saddened by this because I love you all and this preschool so much. However, after prayerful consideration, I feel that this is what my family should do.

The Preschool Board has offered my position to an experienced candidate and is currently working out all the details. We were hoping to give you the new director's information when I sent this, however we didn't want to rush them or the process. As soon as everything is official, the board will share more about the new director.

For those of you who are registered for next year, please be assured we are prioritizing preschool in the fall. In regards to registration we have a full 3-day a week PreK class which will meet on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9-12pm. We have started a Waiting Pool for those families who didn't register in time to make it into the class. We still have lots of room in our Preschool 3's Class which will meet on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 9-12pm. To qualify students must be 3 by September 1st and potty trained. For more information or tour please contact Mary in the church office at 503-649-3380, mary.hk@frontier.com, or visit the website at blpaloha.org.

Blessings to you,

Laiva Hoffman

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FROM THE DCE



Dear Bethlehem,

Laiva and Jeff Hoffman are leaving us. Laiva's last official day is May 31st- this Sunday. That's almost exactly one year since Kerry and the Bauers left. We have hope for a pre-school director to take her place- but that is incomplete. An offer has been given but not received nor returned yet. Our call committee met yesterday to look through candidates for the next round of interviews. We are a church in flux and have been for a long time.

What does the future look like? I pray it's a pastor and a pre-school director working here soon. But I know the hope is really Jesus, but also our members and elders who have stepped up to fill the void. My prayer for Bethlehem in many ways has remained the same for the last three years- and likely yours too. I'd like to be in the next step with a full staff. There is meaning in persistent prayer. I'm reminded of the parable of the persistent widow

Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. He said: "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared what people thought. There was a widow in town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice.' For some time he refused. But finally he said, 'Even though I don't fear God, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she

won't eventually come and attack me!" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. Will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"

This parable shows that God wants justice even more than others- especially for those who are faithful to Him. So do go to God in prayer for a full staff and for church growth in general. God loves to hear from you! Yet we also have to contrast that prayer with the two commandments against coveting and the call from Paul to be content and grateful for what we do have. We do have people here who want to hear God's word, sing His praises, receive from Him, but also give in His name. Rejoice that we are still family here at Bethlehem, grieve those who are leaving us, and send them off well. But at the same time- be reminded that what is- is not as it should be. We long for a better place where all is made well, and all is complete. Maybe that's the prayer- the one Jesus taught us so long ago- thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

May this sinful yet redeemed group of people here at Bethlehem be a reflection of the kingdom to come.

God bless,
Eric Oswald DCE

YOUTH & CHILDREN NEWS

Youth: We will meet on May 31st, June 7th and likely June 28th from 5:30-7:30pm in the community center for youth nights! The other dates we are taking off as we prepare for the summer. Please join us to help with VBS June 22nd-26th.



VBS: We are looking for some folks to be crew leaders and game leaders as part of Rainforest Falls VBS June 22nd-26th. Kids and volunteers can sign up at www.tinyurl.com/rfvbs There will be two training sessions one on Wednesday June 17th at 7pm and one on Saturday June 20th at 10am.

Confirmation: Join us at 10am June 7th where three kids will confirm their faith: Sully, Thomas, and Jillian!

Sunday School: The last day for Sunday School this spring is May 31st. We will have Sunday School again on June 28th as we get through VBS.



LWML

Ladies gathered for a luncheon/meeting

Business:

- 1) Oregon District Convention will be held in Roseburg on June 26-28. Karen Danielson will be our delegate.
- 2) Fathers' Day-we plan to have a hand out for fathers.

NEXT MEETING: September 17th @ 11:30a

Bring a salad or a dessert and join us!



Lutheran Women in Mission

LOVE INC NEWS

10TH ANNUAL GOLF EVENT

June 6, 2026

9:30 a.m. Scramble/Shotgun start

Awards and meal to follow

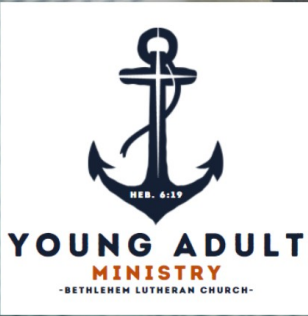
Meriwether National Golf Course
5200 SW Rood Bridge Rd.
Hillsboro, Oregon

For more info visit:

www.loveincgreaterhillsboro.org/golf



<p>This event benefits Love INC of Greater Hillsboro</p>  <p>Who We Are We are a partnership of local Christian churches offering a hand up to neighbors with needs in the greater Hillsboro area.</p> <p>A Hand Up We offer a hand up by taking the time to compassionately listen. Our objective is to not simply meet needs but rather to help individuals thrive and not just survive.</p> <p>You Can Help Your participation provides the funds needed to operate our connection center, provide basic needs, and offer life-changing classes.</p>	<p>Love INC Golf Event info Enjoy a day of golf AND help your neighbors with needs through Love INC of Greater Hillsboro</p> <p>Event Location Meriwether National Golf Club 5200 SW Rood Bridge Rd. Hillsboro, OR 97123</p> <p>Date & Time June 6, 2026 Scramble/shotgun start at 9:30 a.m. Awards and meal to follow</p>  <p>Greater Hillsboro office.loveinc@gmail.com loveincgreaterhillsboro.org @hillsboro.loveinc</p> <p>PO Box 4131 Hillsboro, OR 97123 503.917.0205</p>	 <p>love in the name of Christ Greater Hillsboro</p> <p>GOLF EVENT</p> <p>GOLFERS</p>
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Young Adult Bible Study

2nd & 4th Mondays
6:30p | Youth Room

For those in the 18-29 age range.



Men's Bible Study

1st & 3rd Mondays
6:30p | The Inn



Adult Bible Study

Wednesdays @ 10:30a | The Inn

June 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 9:30am Quilting 3:00pm TOPS Meeting (Inn) 5:00pm AA Group (Sonrise) 6:00pm Preschool Board Meeting 6:30pm Men's Bible Study (Inn)	2 7:00pm Elder's Mtg (Inn) 7:00pm Guide Dogs (CC) 7:00pm Men's AA (Sonrise)	3 10:30am Adult Bible Study (Inn) 6:00pm MK Harp Class (Dbl Clsrm)	4	5 5:00pm Private Event (Sanc & FH) 7:00pm AA Meeting (Inn)	6
7 Confirmation Sunday 10:00am Joint Worship Service w/Communion 4:30pm Serene & Clean NA Group (Sonrise) 5:30pm Youth Night!	8 9:30am Quilting 3:00pm TOPS Meeting (Inn) 5:00pm AA Group (Sonrise) 6:30pm Young Adult Bible Study (Yth Rm) 7:00pm Women's Bible Study (CC)	9 7:00pm Admin Council (Inn) 7:00pm Guide Dogs (CC) 7:00pm Men's AA (Sonrise)	10 10:30am Adult Bible Study (Inn) 6:00pm MK Harp Class (Dbl Clsrm)	11	12 7:00pm AA Meeting (Sonrise)	13
14 "Mite Box" Sunday 8:30am Traditional Worship Service 9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Morning Song Worship Service w/ Communion 12:00pm Oswald Event 12:00pm Private Event 4:30pm Serene & Clean NA Group (Sonrise)	15 9:30am Quilting 3:00pm TOPS Meeting (Inn) 5:00pm AA Group (Sonrise) 6:30pm Men's Bible Study (Inn)	16 7:00pm Guide Dogs (CC) 7:00pm Men's AA (Sonrise)	17 10:30am Adult Bible Study (Inn) 6:00pm MK Harp Class (Dbl Clsrm) 7:00pm VBS Training (Inn)	18 11:30am LWML Meeting (Sonrise)	19 10:00am Comforts of Home 7:00pm AA Meeting (Sonrise)	20 1:00pm Private Event 10:00pm VBS Training (Inn)
21 Father's Day 8:30am Traditional Worship Service w/Communion 9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Morning Song Worship Service 4:30pm Serene & Clean NA Group (Sonrise) 5:30pm Youth Night!	22 9:00am VBS 3:00pm TOPS Meeting (Inn) 5:00pm AA Group (Sonrise) 6:30pm Young Adult Bible Study (Yth Rm) 7:00pm Women's Bible Study (CC)	23 9:00am VBS 7:00pm Guide Dogs (CC) 7:00pm Men's AA (Sonrise)	24 9:00am VBS 6:00pm MK Harp Class (Dbl Clsrm)	25 9:00am VBS 12:30pm Book Club	26 9:00am VBS 7:00pm AA Meeting (Sonrise)	27
28 8:30am Traditional Worship Service 9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Morning Song Worship Service w/ Communion 12:30pm Voter's Meeting 4:30pm Serene & Clean NA Group (Sonrise) 5:30pm Youth Night!	29 9:30am Quilting 3:00pm TOPS Meeting (Inn) 5:00pm AA Group (Sonrise)	30 7:00pm Guide Dogs (CC) 7:00pm Men's AA (Sonrise)	 <h1>Bethlehem</h1> <p>Lutheran Church & Preschool</p>			



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SERVICE ROSTER FOR JUNE 2026



	Jun 7	Jun 14	Jun 21	Jun 28
Eternal Candle	Sponsored this month by Ryan and Angela Larson			
Altar Flowers	Karen Wegner	Rick & Brenda Shults	Dan & Nan Dubberke	Mitchell & Sarah Bivens
Elder on Duty 8:30 11:00	Terry Beale 10am only	Joel Prusi Mark Leinhos	Terry Beale Matt Boelter	Joel Prusi Bob Baker
Acolytes 8:30 11:00	Jillian Davis 10am only	Lily Hartman Clara Plopper	Clara Plopper Erik Agard	Jillian Davis Anna Hoffman
Lay Reader 8:30 11:00	Greg Geist 10am only	Eli Plopper Mark Leinhos	Lee Kauth Eric Oswald	Dave Cook Mark Leinhos
Ushers 8:30 11:00	Gayna Flake Hank Modro 10am only	Dave Dubberke Nan Dubberke Trevor Hoffman Lorna Zimbrick	Dave Dubberke Lee Kauth Charles Finster Trevor Hoffman	Darrell Hagen Hank Modro Charles Finster Trevor Hoffman
Communion Servers 8:30 11:00	Greg Starts 10am only	Dennis Fredrick	Greg Starts	Mark Leinhos
Altar Guild Set Up Clean Up	Heather Cammack Lisa Siewert	Kay Starts Sharon Werner	Nan Dubberke Lee Kauth	Kathryn Plopper Lorna Zimbrick
Organist @ 8:30	Dwight Siewert	Phyllis Murken	Dwight Siewert	Phyllis Murken
	2nd Sunday After Pentecost	3rd Sunday After Pentecost	4th Sunday After Pentecost	5th Sunday After Pentecost

Happy Father's Day



ANNIVERSARIES



- Jun 9 Elliott and Kelly Williams (19)
- Jun 12 Randy and Brenda Shults (50)
- Jun 18 Brian and Darlene Thauland (49)
- Jun 19 Dave and Nan Dubberke (50)
- Jun 22 Dan and Jennifer Werries (41)
- Jun 28 Jeff and Laiva Hoffman (23)
- Jun 30 Paul and Cindy Schmick (47)

BIRTHDAYS

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| Jun 1 Darrell Hagen | Jun 19 Emma Rowley |
| Jun 1 Brynlee Whitten | Jun 19 Charlie Schlottmann |
| Jun 6 Ken Reid | Jun 19 Mike Zimbrick |
| Jun 7 Brenda Shults | Jun 20 Janelle Hagen |
| Jun 8 Patricia Winkler | Jun 23 Kristin Phillips |
| Jun 10 Vicki McLaughlin | Jun 23 Mike Salzman |
| Jun 11 Susan Blair | Jun 25 Josie Bivens |
| Jun 14 Barb Bernard | Jun 25 Julie Siewert |
| Jun 14 Jan Schlottmann | Jun 27 Emma Schlottmann |
| Jun 15 JoAnna Refsland | Jun 27 Randy Shults |
| Jun 17 Dave Grosch | Jun 27 Dwight Siewert |
| Jun 18 Dylan Weichbrodt | Jun 30 Brian Thauland |
| Jun 19 Edward Browning | Jun 30 Kelly Williams |



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June

We Worship

Live-Streamed & In-Person
Sundays 8:30am & 11:00am
www.BLCfamily.org/bethlehem-online

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Praise him with trumpet sound;
praise him with lute and harp!
Praise him with tambourine and dance;
praise him with strings and pipe!
Praise him with sounding cymbals;
praise him with loud clashing cymbals!
Let everything that has breath
praise the Lord!
Praise the Lord!

Psalm 150:3-6

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