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# *Bethel Prayer Concerns*

*Sunday, March 19, 2023*

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## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

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## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Lord, thank you for this new day.

Stay with me, I pray,  
shepherding me through all that the day will hold.

Lead me into pleasant places,  
and give me the provisions I will need  
if I find myself in difficulty or danger.  
Whenever the cup of gladness overflows,  
help me to recognize that it is filled  
with your goodness and mercy.

In praise and anticipation I begin this day;  
in Jesus' name. Amen.

## **REFLECTIONS**

Samuel is told that God does not look upon outward appearances but looks upon the heart. Then God chooses David, the youngest son of Jesse, to be Israel's next king. We know that as he grew and as life became very challenging, King David's heart was not pure. He was a mixture of great courage and faithfulness—and great sin and failure. What do you suppose God saw and loved in David's heart? What do you think God loves when God looks upon your own heart?



SCAN TO DONATE

## Bethel Presbyterian Church Announcements

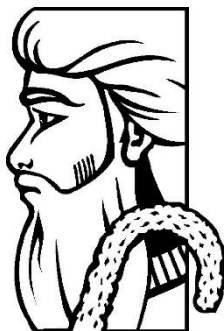
Childcare for infants and preschool age children is offered from 9:30 a.m. until noon in the nursery.

The Quiet Room is available during worship.

### HOME FOOD COLLECTION

Today during worship, we will take-up donations for Hands of Mercy. If you already brought in items for this month, thank you. If you want to contribute items, but didn't bring them today, support items can be brought in through-out the month and placed in the HOME collection basket in the Gathering Area. Cash or check donations can be placed in the offering plate; write HOME on the envelope or in the check memo area. Thank you for supporting our local pantry and helping needy families in our community.

### YOU ARE INVITED!



The children and youth Sunday School classes will be presenting the play **Let My People Go** about the Hebrew Exodus from Egypt. The play also highlights the elements of a ritual Seder meal. The play will be presented on **March 26 in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 a.m.** We invite the congregation to support our children by attending this performance.



### MARCH FELLOWSHIP SUPPER – SUNDAY 3/26

The fellowship committee has decided to try something new and move the fellowship meal to **Sunday, March 26th immediately following worship.** We request that members bring food items to share that can be left in the kitchen during worship, either in the refrigerator or on the counter! There are plenty of outlets to be used if you would like to bring something to share in a crockpot as well.

# ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

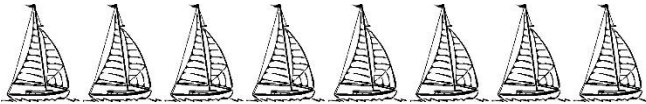


**Have You Fed Your Fish?**

Gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS):

- Support initiatives that create sustainable food systems and alleviate root causes of poverty so that all may be fed.
- Provide assistance alongside communities as they recover and find hope after natural or human-caused disasters.
- Provide resources and education to oppressed and disadvantaged communities working to overcome poverty and injustice through initiatives they own and directly benefit from.

Bethel will receive our OGHS Offering on Easter Sunday (4/9)



The Study team is planning **VBS on the water** again this year! Our children and youth will experience the journeys of Paul on **Saturday, July 15<sup>th</sup>** and this means we need a little help from the congregation. Please let Cyndi Fowler or another member of the Study team know if you:

- Have a pontoon boat and/or a dock you are willing to share. The dock will not be needed all day.
- Have children's life jackets and are willing to loan them for a day.
- Are willing and able to assist at a location (story, craft, snack)
- Can help provide snacks or supplies (yet to be determined)
- Are willing to serve as a responsible adult on a pontoon boat

Thank you all in advance!

# Bethel Presbyterian Church Calendar

## March 19 - March 26



<b>Sun. 19</b>	<b>9:30</b>	<b>Sunday School</b>
	<b>9:30</b>	<b>Lenten Study (L)</b>
	<b>11:00</b>	<b>Worship / HOME Food Collection (S)</b>
	<b>12:15</b>	<b>Session Mtg (L)</b>
	<b>3:30–5:00</b>	<b>Grief Share (L)</b>
<b>Mon. 20</b>	<b>10:00</b>	<b>BAM Art Club (2<sup>nd</sup> fl)</b>
	<b>7:00</b>	<b>Boy Scouts (FH)</b>
<b>Tues. 21</b>	<b>10:00</b>	<b>Fiber Arts Group (2<sup>nd</sup> fl)</b>
	<b>Noon</b>	<b>SAIL Exercise class (FH)</b>
	<b>6:00–7:30</b>	<b>Tai Chi (GA)</b>
<b>Wed. 22</b>	<b>4:30-5:30</b>	<b>Bell Choir (C)</b>
	<b>6:00-7:15</b>	<b>Choir (C)</b>
<b>Thurs. 23</b>	<b>Noon</b>	<b>SAIL Exercise class (FH)</b>
<b>Fri. 24</b>	<b>10:00-11:00</b>	<b>Tai Chi (FH)</b>
<b>Sat. 25</b>	<b>9:00-1:00</b>	<b>Family Promise Board Training (FH)</b>
	<b>4:00-7:00</b>	<b>Cub Scouts (FH)</b>
<b>Sun. 26</b>	<b>10:00</b>	<b>Play: <u>Let My People Go</u> (FH)</b>
	<b>11:00</b>	<b>Worship (S)</b>
	<b>12:15</b>	<b>Fellowship Supper (FH)</b>
<b>After Fellowship Supper</b>		<b>Transition Team (L)</b>
	<b>3:30–5:00</b>	<b>Grief Share (L)</b>

*C=Choir Room, S=Sanctuary, L=Library,  
RR=Reading Room, FH=Fellowship Hall, GA=Gathering Area*



# Fourth Sunday

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