

Bethany Lutheran Church
Council Report

1. Reported By: Pastor Ronald T. Glusenkamp
2. Organization: Church Council September 2010 Meeting
3. Date: September 28, 2010
4. Report Purpose and Scope:
 1. Health & Wellness Transition
 2. CARING CONVERSATIONS on Worship
 3. Pastoral Care update-Funerals & Weddings
 4. October 10, 2010
 - a. Confirmation Sunday
 - b. Hunger Relief Day
 5. Revision of Bulletin
 6. 90 Day Bible
 7. Candlelighting for Mental Health
 8. Reformation Sunday with Beth Lewis, President & CEO of Augsburg Fortress
5. Summary for Council:

October 5 I'm presenting at a Wheat Ridge Ministries LIVING WELL DAY FOR CHURCH PROFESSIONALS in Minneapolis-
6. Detailed Plans or Next Steps:

REVIEW

August 29 Conversation on Worship

Commissioning at 9am service of SS teachers/faith formation leaders

September 5 Vocation Sunday

Blessing of Hands

September 12

Back to Church Sunday

Lutheran College Night

1 G Network

September 19

Pastoral Intern Jess' first sermon among us

2nd Wind Walk

September 26

Caring Conversation on Worship

PREVIEW

October 3

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Blessing of Animals

October 5 + 6 (Case Lecture/in a new format and venue)

October 5-630-9pm Storytelling Workshop

October 6-630-8:pm Gospel of Mark-LIVE!!!!!!!!!!!!

October 10

Confirmation Sunday

October 17 Candlelighting for Mental Health

October 31 Reformation Sunday with Beth Lewis "from Gutenberg to Google"

Professional and Personal Stuff

October 5- I'm presenting in Minneapolis at a LIVING WELL Day for Professional Church Workers sponsored by Wheat Ridge Ministries

October 17th- I'll be walking the Denver Marathon

October 18-22 I'll be attending NEW VISION FOR LONG PASTORATE

Congregations need the perspective, patience, and perseverance that only sustained leadership can provide.

The challenge is how to do this without becoming complacent.

How can a long pastorate continue to invigorate a congregation and provide leadership and vision?

In this seminar, you will learn how to:

- Practice self care physically, mentally and spiritually -- and cultivate healthy expectations by your congregation -- in order to prevent burnout and nourish your life with God.
- Become the kind of empowering leader that creates partners in leadership in the congregation and prevents unhealthy overdependence on the pastor.
- Connect your own spiritual journey with that of your congregation.
- Channel the inevitable conflicts into spiritual growth instead of community erosion.
- Use your history with your congregation to provide them with the courage and vision to clarify their identity, purpose, and core values in ways that engage the emerging generation.