

### Sunday Learning

**LIFE – Live in Faith Everyday, Sundays, June 7–August 30, 9:00 a.m.** Back by popular demand! LIFE - Live in Faith Everyday is a chance for members to discuss how faith interacts with and impacts their daily living. How do we live out our faith from Monday through Saturday, whether in the workplace, at home, or retired? Come to hear faith stories and reflect on the joys and challenges of living the Christian life. This week's presenter is Melissa Benson.

**God's Standard or Gold Standard? - Book of Faith Adult Bible Study on the book of Proverbs.** The Book of Faith initiative and this study by Pastor Ron and Peter Mayer invite you to "Open Scripture. Join the Conversation." Come join the conversation as we study Proverbs for Pentecost 14 – 16 in small groups with Pastor Ron; Monday in God's Word for the Week class – 9:00 a.m. Room 210 - 8/24, 8/31, 9/14; Monday at Julie White's house – 7:00 p.m. - 8/24, 8/31, 9/14; Tuesday God's Word for the Week class – 7am room 210 - 8/25, 9/1, 9/15; Saturday Men's Bible Study – 8:00 a.m. Room 209 - 8/29, 9/12, 9/19; Sunday at Sarah Hulstander's house – 7:00 p.m. - 8/23, 8/30, 9/20. Please sign up at the Hospitality Desk. Participant study guides are \$4.

### Children's Faith Formation

**Summer Worship** Families are encouraged to bring children to worship. Children's sermons will be part of each Sunday worship service through the summer.

### Weekday Learning & Study

**God's Word for the Week: Room 210.** Monday at 9:00 a.m. & Tuesday at 7:00 a.m with one of our pastors.

**Joy of Living Women's Bible Study** Hosea: God's Persistent Love, begins Sept. 10, twice a month, Thursdays, 6:30–8:15 p.m., room 224. For info & guidebook (\$10), call Darla Reeves (303) 986-7046. Want renewed hope? Study Hosea. Remember God's unconditional love.

### Fellowship

**Prayer Shawl Ministry** New ministry for knitters and non-knitters. Our group knit meetings will be the first Monday of each month at 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Contact Ginny Burgess, Maureen Gollob or Tricia Curley at 303-758-2820 for any further questions.

**Whiz Kid Tutoring!** Join other caring adults in making a significant impact in the life of an at-risk child. Tutor an elementary or middle school child, one-on-one, in the spirit of Christ. It takes a 1.5 hour weekly commitment, October – April; choose afternoons or evenings at one of our 45 sites. If you can read and love a child you can tutor! Visit [www.whizkidtutoring.com](http://www.whizkidtutoring.com) or call Lynn Stambaugh at 303-504-9449 x122.

**Grieving?** If you have lost a loved one this year come to a caring conversation with Pastor Ruth Ann on Sunday, Aug. 23 at noon in the Great Hall Room 301. Another 4-week session will be offered in the fall.

**Stay informed!** Pick up the latest Business of Bethany at the Hospitality Desk for information regarding Bethany's finances, the

### Weekly Calendar

#### Sunday, August 23

Nursery	7:45 a.m.
Worship	8:00 a.m.
Children's Choir Registration	8:00 a.m.
Worship	9:00 a.m.
Adult Ed LIFE	9:00 a.m.
Worship	10:30 a.m.
Caring Conversations Grief Class	12:00 p.m.

#### Monday, August 24

##### **BECC FALL TERM BEGINS**

12 Step Group	6:15 a.m.
God's Word for the Week	9:00 a.m.
Disciple II	6:30 p.m.
Benevolence Task Force	6:30 p.m.

#### Tuesday, August 25

12 Step Group	6:15 a.m.
God's Word for the Week	7:00 a.m.
Staff Meeting	9:30 a.m.
Women's AA	12:15 p.m.
Fellowship Team	6:00 p.m.
Celebration Committee	6:00 p.m.
Church Council	7:00 p.m.

#### Wednesday, August 26

12 Step Group	6:15 a.m.
Quilters	9:00 a.m.
Carillons	7:00 p.m.
Worship and Music Team	7:00 p.m.

#### Thursday, August 27

12 Step Group	6:15 a.m.
MOPS Teacher Orientation	9:00 a.m.
Health & Wellness Cabinet	6:30 p.m.

#### Friday, August 28

12 Step Group	6:15 a.m.
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#### Saturday, August 29

Men's Bible Study	8:00 a.m.
Latin Class	9:30 a.m.

Find the monthly calendar at [www.bethany-denver.org](http://www.bethany-denver.org).

Founders Campaign, personnel changes, facility improvements, the Church Mouse and more!

**Craft Day:** Tuesday, August 25, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Please join us in Room 208 as we begin preparations for our annual WELCA Christmas Boutique (October 25). We will be painting ornaments and holiday decorations with acrylic paints. Come for fun and fellowship!

**College Care Packages** Bethany will assemble College Care Packages Sunday, September 27, bless them during worship on October 4, and then ship them to our students. This is a little earlier than last year, so please notice the date. To submit a student to receive a care package, pick up an address card at the Hospitality Desk and complete the student information. These youth will also receive weekly sermons, so be sure to include your student's e-mail address. We are asking the congregation to help us fill these care packages through money donations, as well as snack and care items. These items may include gift cards to Target/Walmart/itunes, chap stick, popcorn, nail files, hard candy, microwave popcorn, gum, mints, hot chocolate, granola bars, or other items. All donations need to be submitted by Friday, September 26. For more information contact Molly Sullivan at [molly@bethany-denver.org](mailto:molly@bethany-denver.org) or 303-504-2672.

**Youth Leadership Meeting - TODAY at 9:00-10:30 a.m.** Come for smoothies and muffins for this kick-off event! For all middle school and high school students interested in planning events for the coming year and brain-storming ideas for youth group. We need your input and ideas so start thinking now! Meet in the youth room by Kevin's office. Call Kara Heilman at 303-841-0148.

**Children's Choir Registration** We begin an exciting new season for children's choirs on Wednesday, September 9. Choir registration will be featured in the courtyard on Sunday mornings August 23, August 30, and September 6 between services. You may also register at [choirsbyapat@comcast.net](mailto:choirsbyapat@comcast.net).

Rehearsal times are as follows: Cherub Choir (Preschool) 4:45 p.m.- 5:15 p.m.; Caroler's Choir (Kindergarten – 1st Grade) 5:15 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.; Jubilation Singers (2nd through 6th Grade) 5:45 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

**Men's Fellowship**

**Bethany Men's Fellowship** meets every Saturday from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m. at Bethany in Room 209. Please join us for interesting discussion on relevant topics for men and Bible study. We will be reading and reviewing the Book of Acts and the history of the early Christian church and how it relates to our current lives. Contact Dave Oerke at 720-544-1659 or at davekeise@q.com.

**Join the M.O.B. –Men of Bethany** Go to [www.bethany-denver.org](http://www.bethany-denver.org) to add your name to our mailing list! We will contact you by phone or email for all of the Men's Fellowship opportunities at Bethany. Events already planned include: Golf Outings, Camping Trips, Rockies Games, One-on-One Bible Studies, Fly-Fishing trips, Men's Book Studies, and Cooking Classes. Attend any or all of these events to help build authentic relationships with other men at Bethany. Contact Todd Little @ 303-594-9925 with ideas, questions, or to add your name.

**Mission and Outreach**

**Thank you** to all Bethany members who brought school supplies for the Ismail family. They were overjoyed to get them and appreciate all you've done for them. Thank you!

**Green Metro CareRing Bags** Please fill them up (pressed down and running over) and return them to church; the need has never been greater.

**GLEANING** is scheduled for Saturday, September 19, 2009. Please mark your calendars so that we have a good turnout. Contact Susan Pattison at 303-973-2221 with questions.

**Second Wind Walk** The Second Wind Fund of Metro Denver is having their annual walk for Teen Suicide Prevention on Sunday September 20. They provide aid for low income families who have youth who are struggling. The walk begins and ends at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds. Time: 11:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Register and get information at [www.swfmd.org](http://www.swfmd.org). A team has been created for Bethany Lutheran Church. \$30 registration fee for adults and \$15 registration fee for students and seniors which includes lunch and a t-shirt. Raising pledges is always welcomed. For more about registering, please email or call Molly Sullivan at [molly@bethany-denver.org](mailto:molly@bethany-denver.org).

**Youth Events**

**Saved by Grace** Confirmation program for 7th and 8th grade students. Begins September 9, 6:30 p.m. Confirmation Registration is open for the 2009-10 school year. All incoming and returning students need to fill out a registration form. Return it with a \$40 registration fee to Joni Grundman. Registration forms are available at the Hospitality Desk or online. For more information contact Joni Grundman at 303-300-3304 or [joni@bethany-denver.org](mailto:joni@bethany-denver.org).

**Confirmation Guides Needed** We are currently looking for AAA adults of all ages to serve as confirmation guides for the

upcoming program year. Anyone from a high school senior to a grandma or grandpa is invited to join us in this ministry. Guides must love God and like youth. Guides meet with small groups of youth weekly on Wednesday nights. Your primary job is to nurture relationships between the youth and yourself. All materials are provided to you in order to feel equipped to interact with the youth. Prayerfully consider whether God is calling you to this ministry. Contact Joni Grundman for more information, [joni@bethany-denver.org](mailto:joni@bethany-denver.org) or 303-300-3304.

**Church Announcements**

**Altar Flowers** Today's flowers were given by Patrick & Catherine McCarter in honor of their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Remember a loved one or special occasion. Donation \$35.00.

**General Fund Update**

	Actual	Budget
Thru Aug. 16, 2009	\$212,294	\$247,647

**New Member Orientation** For those interested in Bethany membership, join us October 10 from 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. Sign up at the Hospitality Center or call Janice, 303-758-2820.

**Church Staff**

Senior Pastor	Ron Glusenkamp
Associate Pastor	Ruth Ann Loughry
Visitation Pastor	Pastor Paul Gilbertson
Pastoral Intern	Caitlyn Turussell
Director of Finance & Admin	Joel Halvorson
Faith Formation Minister of Youth and Christian Education	Rit Vogel
Faith Formation Minister of Family Ministry	Joni Grundman
Faith Formation Minister of Youth	Kevin Dragseth
Youth Intern	Molly Sullivan
Minister of Music/Organist	Kathy Eggleston
Choral Director	Dan Grace
Children's Music Director	Pat Guittar
Bell Choir Director	Lisa Lewis
Bell Choir Assistant	Alex Rodasti
Cherub Choir	LeEtta Choi
WOW Coordinator	Paula Wills
Festival of Faith & the Arts Director	Forrest Guittar, Jr.
Youth Choir Director	Zach Rodasti
Communications Supervisor	Audrey Phillips
Accounting Supervisor	Shelley Hook
Assistant to Senior Pastor	Janice Lyon
Office Manager	Rhonda Merritt
Office Assistant	Gayle Newell
Counting Team Leader	Lil Filegar
Hospitality Desk Coordinator	Sarah Hulslander
Technology Supervisor	Mike Johnson
Kitchen Supervisor	Chris Charron
Facilities Supervisor	Frank Davis
Facilities Supervisor	Alfredo Gonzales
Facilities Staff	Tom Maes
Facilities Staff	Ali Nattaqi
Facilities Staff	Selina Meier

**Bethany Early Childhood Center Staff**

Director	Mary Lloyd
Staff	Jean Jonasson, Patty Bonham, Nancy Nelson Gayle Newell, Liz Radelf, Kendra Brayton, Kayla McLeod Kari Bratager, Katie Palmquist, Sharon Edwards, Sybil Baker Alethea Bubke, Sarah Bubke, Barbara Nesland, Chelsea Pomeroy

**Bethany Church Council**

Don Abram, Doug Aldrich (president), Deb Bayles, Kevin Dempsey (treasurer), Maren Diercks, Karl Evans (past president) Peggy Furgason (secretary), Andy Gift (vice president), Becky Godec Heather Kekstadt, Bill King, Sherri Koelbel, Kevin McAuliffe Terry Pickett, Michelle Stone Kraus, Karen Witt

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