

Memorial Day Work Weekend

Help prepare Sky Ranch for the busy summer season! Bring your RV or tent, get a Bunkhouse Cabin or stay in a lodge room. Come for a day or the entire weekend. Lodging is free, pay only for meals. Register online at www.SkyRanchColorado.org or call our office at 970-493-5258.

Summer Camp Spots Available

Good News! There are still spots available for camp and the Good News is exactly what you will learn about when you are at Sky Ranch this summer. Go online at www.SkyRanchColorado.org to view our programs and register via our website. Pastors, Youth Directors and parents - remember that kids completing 1st grade through high school can attend camp. Outdoor ministry is a wonderful enhancement to your congregation's youth programming such as Sunday School, VBS, Confirmation and High School Youth Group.

Annual Nicaragua Fund Raiser For the mission June 8-18

Your Donation Can Still Be Matched!!

Goals: \$10,000(\$9936)Donated) to build two homes for two homeless families renting hovels
\$2000 (\$2000 Donated) to provide 40 water filters for clean water
\$6000 (\$2090 Donated) towards a second building for Ninos y Ninas del Futuro
\$1000 (\$1000 Donated) for medicine to run the clinics, including deworming
\$4800 (\$2684 Donated) for maintaining scholarships and helping children go to school
\$500 (\$200 Donated) for providing 5 roofs on shacks
\$350 (\$350 Donated) for fitting 350 pair of eye glasses
\$100 (\$100 Donated) for providing outings for children with Downs Syndrome
Additional donations will allow us to do more of the above.

\$3550 in Matching Funds Available

Donations in the following amounts will be matched by Bethlehem members:
(X by match indicates the match has been met)

\$1000 \$500 \$500 \$250 \$250
 \$100 \$100 \$100 \$100 \$100 \$50

\$500 MATCH:

\$432 _____ \$68 Left to Match

Donations of all sizes are welcome and will be used to help the abject poor!
Clearly mark your envelope for the Nicaragua Mission with checks written to Bethlehem.
To Learn More:

Visit <http://www.bethlehem-lutheran.net/home/ministries/63.html>
Click on Nicaragua under the mission heading.

NEEDED FOR NICARAGUA PROJECT:

1. Very large bottles of hand sanitizer for the clinics.
2. Stomach medications: Pepsid, tums, antacids
3. Anti-fungal cream

Place in basket in the narthex, Thank you! Cathy Goodman

May 23, 2010

THE WORSHIP IS OVER. THE SERVICE BEGINS!

OUR MISSION AT BETHLEHEM

GATHERED AROUND THE WORD AND SACRAMENT,
WE LIVE THE GOOD NEWS OF CHRIST'S LOVE
THROUGHOUT OUR COMMUNITY AND THE WORLD.

▼ Available at the sound console in the back of the worship center — Assisive Listening System (ALS).

We celebrate the Lord's Supper today. Lutheran Christians believe Christ comes to us in this meal. If you are comfortable with this as a visitor, you are welcome to come to the Communion Table. If you are communing, please check "communion" column on the left side of the Friendship Pad.

Child care for birth to age 5 available Sundays, 8:00 a.m.-noon.

These numbers represent envelope giving, plate giving, holiday giving, KTV (Keeping the Vision/building) giving, intern giving, and Simply Giving comparing to the budget for those same items.

Operating Budget Giving Summary

May 16-- Week 20

Attendance: 308 Learning Hour: 60

Year-to-date budgeted gifts \$166,760 (\$8338 x 20) Year-to-date actual gifts \$177,307

Weekly budgeted gifts \$ 8,338 Remaining to meet budget 256,251

1st week's actual gifts \$ 7716 Total yearly budgeted gifts \$ 433,558

Please remember in prayers: Florence McKinney, Virginia Dick, Travis Winter, Faye Urbach, Dottie and George Choun, Lucille Morris, Marian Adler, Phyllis Friedrich, Jean Messinger, Charlotte Peterson, Jeremy Goodman, Maryellen Mariner, Jim Olson, Linda Jordan, Sandy Fahlstrom, Chuck Krausert, and those serving our country, Seth Lewis, Doran Silker, Lance Bolt, Steven Rhoades, Devon Alexander, Stephen Vanatta, Jake Tiff, and Eric Hansen.

The Jazz Service is Here!

Ray Leake has been busy and his band is tuning up for our Jazz Service! The service will be held TODAY, May 23st at both services with the Confirmation ceremony at the 10:15 service.

Confirmation 2009

The young people who will be confirmed TODAY at the 10:15 a.m. service are: Kate Adams, Danielle Drieth, Michaela Goecke, Clay Mills, Gavin Neuhaus, Tristan Steakley, and Abby Thornburg.

Pray for them as the confirm their journey with Christ. Offer them your support, companionship and encouragement, and be encouraged yourselves by their determination to continue their Christian walk.

SUMMER OUTDOOR WORSHIP

On the first Sunday of each summer month, we will move our second service outside under the Stable. This year we will use the Chicago Folk Mass, a service that was done previously here at Bethlehem for many years. The service does require some set up; chairs, key board, speakers, etc. We could use some help with that set up. (We try and start that by 9:30.) Please talk to one of the pastors or Bob McLeod if you would be willing to help for the June 6th service.

SUMMER COFFEES

Summer is almost here!! This year, we will again have our neighborhood ministry groups provide the summer coffee service. With the help of the fellowship coordinators and the congregation, it will be a great time to enjoy each other's company. Please help make these a success when you are called upon during your neighborhood's week. The schedule is:

June 6	Green
June 13	Red
June 20	Blue
June 27	Pink
July 4	Gold
July 11	Orange
July 18	Purple
August 1	Green
August 8	Red
August 15	Pink
August 22	Gold
August 29	Orange
September 5	Blue and Purple

If you are not sure what group you are in:

East side of Main Street -north of 17th- Pink Group

East side of Main- south of 17th- Orange Group

West side of Main Street - North of 17th Avenue - Red Group

West side of Main Street - Between 9th and 17th Avenue - Gold Group

West side of Main Street - South of 9th Avenue - Green Group

North Area - Mead, Berthoud, etc. - Purple Group

(includes Lyons, Frederick, Dacono, too)

South Area - Gunbarrell, Boulder, Erie, etc. - Blue Group

**The 2010 Handbook/Directory is now available.
They are located in the Narthex. Please take one.**

ADOPT A SPOT

The Adopt-a-Spot map is in the Narthex for people to sign up to take care of an area of the church landscaping for the summer season. You can do it on your own time whenever you wish. Each area can have several people so feel free to add your name to any area you choose. We can also use more lawn-mowers so you can sign-up for that as well. Questions -see George Dillan

HOST FAMILIES NEEDED FOR OUR SKY RANCH COUNSELORS!!!

Day Camp is quickly approaching and will be here before we know it!! We are in need of housing for the counselors that will be here from Sky Ranch to facilitate the week of Day Camp. There will be 4 counselors and we need two different families that are willing to host them for the nights of June 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9th. We are so blessed to have these young college students here for the week, I ask that you prayerfully consider helping to support this program by housing these young people for the week. If this is something that you are able to do or have any questions please contact Dawn at dawn@bethlehem-lutheran.net or 303-776-3290 as soon as possible!

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS NEEDED

Communion assistants are needed for the 10:15 a.m. service. Please contact Ruth Peterson at 303-651-6077 or email at ruthgpeterson@hotmail.com

VOLUNTEER(S) NEEDED

A new volunteer or two, is needed to take Our Center goods to the Our Center Clothing Bank on east Rodger Road and the Our Center Food Bank at 303 Atwood St. Melissa Degen has been doing this for the past 2 years and for this, we are very thankful. If you have any questions and would like to help, please call Melissa at 303-684-9772.

ADULT FORUM FOR MAY

"A Gardener, Two Travelers, and a Cheat"

As we continue in our Book of Faith Initiative, we look at the story of four of God's people. As we read these stories, we learn not just what Adam, Abraham, Sarah or Jacob did, but we learn something about who we are and where God is in our stories. Join us!

May 23 – NO Adult Forum

May 30 – Jacob: God's Surprising Presence (Genesis 25:19-34; 27:1 - 33:20)

YOUTH NEWS

June 1 – 9 AM-10 PM Middle and Sr. High day at Elitch Gardens! Start the summer off with a whole day of fun. We will leave the church building at 9 AM to arrive at the park when it opens and stay the whole day till it closes at 9 PM. Pack a lunch, your swimsuit if you want to do the water park, and bring a friend! Cost: \$20 plus money for dinner at the park and any other concessions you wish to purchase. See Kristen or put your name on the list on Kristen's office door to sign up!

June 6 –4-6:30 PM Middle School: Adventure Race! Hey everyone! Find an adult you like to hang out with and ask them to be your teammate for this great race! (Mom, Dad, Aunt, Uncle, grandparent, neighbor, etc.) The teams will travel through Longmont figuring out clues and accomplishing challenges. The first team back to the church building wins! Prizes for the winners! See Kristen to sign up (or add your name and your partner's name to the list on Kristen's door) and get your special permission forms.

Calling all Fishers of People AND Trout

Sunday June 27th
1 to 6pm

Senior High want to go fly fishing. Can you help? If you fly fish, and would you be willing to take a few novices for a few hours, and lend poles and expertise please contact Gene Tesdahl (303) 845-0844 or genetesdahl@yahoo.com to coordinate this activity.

TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME!

Many members of Bethlehem have come together to form a softball team sponsored by Longmont Dairy Farm Inc., where we emphasize fun and forgiveness. Come join the fun and let out a cheer! All games are played at Garden Acres Ballfield #3. See the full schedule on the east narthex wall.

May 20th – 9:15 p.m.

May 27th – 6:15 p.m.

June 3rd – 6:15 p.m.

DO YOU PLAY?

Here's an opportunity to get out that old band instrument you use to play and join the BOFB (guess what that stands for) to play a couple tunes for the Bethlehem Community. Get the ol' embouchure in shape, oil the valves, dust and clean the years of dirt that have accumulated and we'll get together for some interesting practices and play some easier band music for the congregation. Talk with Dave Beyer, 303-651-2816 or mstang65@comcast.net for more information.

THRIVENT / HABITAT HOME FOR 2010

Bethlehem Build Dates

Saturday, June 5th

Saturday, July 10

Saturday, August 7th

Please sign up to volunteer on the cupboard for any day. We especially need volunteers for June 5th - when we expect to be doing framing, putting on the roof, or insulating outside walls. Check out the "ladder". Read the Vigil's biography, a family of 5 selected for this home. Persons who sign up will get e-mailed more information

SHAREFEST

SATURDAY, JUNE 5

BURLINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

7:30 Lutheran Sacrament of Coffee

8-2 Rite of Cleansing by anointing with latex

3:00 Cymbal-clanging celebration with all the rolling saints.

Fellowship and bread-breaking included.

Low-key ceremony awarding stars for our crowns.

AN ELCA APPROVED FAMILY EVENT. BE THERE!

Fred Fanton

Gene Schnabel

SKY RANCH FUNDRAISER

Join us for BBQ AND BLUEGRASS, a Sky Ranch Fundraiser on Saturday, June 5th, beginning at 5:30 p.m. at Spirit of Joy Lutheran Church, Harmony & Lemay, Fort Collins. Come on over for an evening of Bluegrass and campfire songs plus a program by Sky Ranchers. Tickets for the BBQ are \$7.00 per plate and can be purchased in advance or at the event. Bring a chair or a blanket, your family, friends and enthusiasm for a fun evening to benefit Sky Ranch! Supplemental funds from Thrivent Financial.

RELAY FOR LIFE

Cancer Walk

Bethlehem is forming a team for the Longmont Relay for Life. It will be held at Roosevelt Park, June 18-19. Registration is \$10.00, which gets you a T-shirt and materials for the walk. Questions?? Contact Colleen Beyer 303-651-2816 or colleenbeyer@comcast.net

NAOMI CIRCLE PICNIC

Wednesday, June 9 @6 p.m.

At the home of Thelma Abromski

641 Ken Mar Ct.

Please RSVP—

Thelma – 303.776.5527

Or Marcy Smith – 303.678.7359