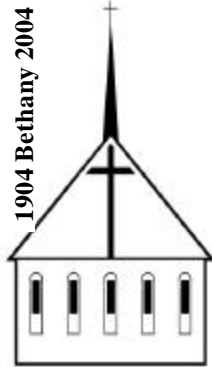


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THANKS

The new retaining wall was built with the help of Kyle F., Jake D. Chad S., Bruce M., Mike G., Wally A., and Mike O.

Paul and Helen O. grubbed out the bushes along with Mike G. and Jake D.

The new mailbox and sidewalk extension were done by Wally A. and Jake D.

Mike G. has been working on hedges, lawn edging and beautification.

In general, Dennis E., Jim L., Bruce M., Vern L. and Paul O. have been constantly busy doing the physical plant chores.

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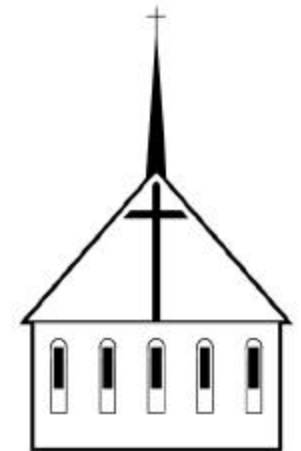
From Pastor's David's Desk

The third monthly centennial event for our church was the outdoor service and picnic held on the lawn along Diagonal Blvd. It was a celebration of country and community. One of the participations was a special number by the small group "Love Thy Neighbor" which is led by the Depuydts and the Gramliches. They sang "Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God."

Earlier that morning Mariela, a neighbor who is from Central America, had been praying and asking God to provide a church for her and her family since the Hispanic congregation she has attended in St. Paul is far away. As the small group sang she heard in her heart the words she knew, "busca primero el reino de Dios." She came out on her deck to listen, and that is when Teresa Depuydt saw her. After the song Teresa invited her to join us for the rest of the service and the picnic. It was in conversation that Teresa learned of Mariela's prayer and Mariela learned of our church's desire to reach out to our community. This week Mariela attended our ESL class.

So again, come celebrate God's ACTIVE presence.

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"Come Celebrate the Presence of the Lord"

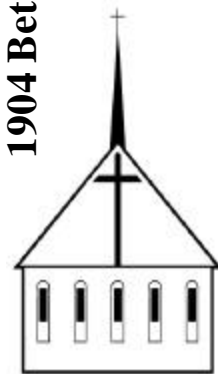
CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION NEWS

We have had a great beginning to our year-long celebration. The first service of our one hundredth year was on May 4th. We honored those who have remembered Bethany with gifts of money through their estates and others who have been remembered by friends and family with gifts given in their memory. On June 1st we celebrated family, home and marriage. Many people who were married at Bethany sent photos of their weddings. It was especially fun to see old friends who came to visit at each of these special services. A few people from our neighborhood came to the outdoor service on July 6th when we celebrated our country and community. The weather cooperated, Jane Onken had her portable keyboard, and Miles Abramson led the flag ceremony. The picnic following the service had rave reviews!

We look forward to August 10th when we will be celebrating missions with Galen, Jill and Elikia Johnson. And then, on September 7th, we plan to have a reunion of people who were confirmed at Bethany. We have addresses for 233 former confirmands. We hope to see many of them at this special service! Rev. Paul Hedberg will be leading us in worship that Sunday.

If you know of anyone who should be on our Centennial Mailing List, please send a note or e-mail to the church office.

We are happy to tell you that the Cookbook has been sent to the printer! You will hear about it when it is ready for purchase. Our Centennial Memory Book is in the beginning stages. We hope you will take a little time to reflect on your connection to Bethany and to write down a few special memories. Please consider contributing to this collection of stories, and send your contribution to the church office as soon as possible.



Do you know?

When the first service was held in our current location?
Sun, Mar. 24, 1957

Who was pastor of Bethany when we began services in Richfield?
Warren Swanson

When the cornerstone was put into the new building in Richfield?

Bethany Centennial Cookbook



...coming soon!

BIRTHDAYS AUGUST

- 1 Paul Olfelt
- 6 Lindsey Miller (Y)
- 6 Lisa Miller (Y)
- 9 Prue Fagerstrom
- 10 Holly Schuveiller
- 13 Rebecca Hawkins (Y)
- 15 Jenna Olson (Y)
- 17 Nathan Herzog (Y)
- 19 Amanda Gramlich
- 20 Jenny Roderick (Y)
- 28 Meghan Kelly
- 29 Rick Johnson

SEPTEMBER

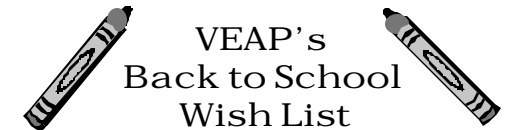
- 2 Wally Abramson
- 4 Sarah Amend-Marshall
- 8 Doris Campbell
- 8 Ana Peltzer (Y)
- 9 JoAnn Louisiana
- 13 Jane Onken
- 14 Violet Bosch
- 14 Stella Depuydt (Y)
- 17 Joe Amend-Marshall
- 17 Jessica Manning (Y)
- 18 Alex Abramson (Y)
- 30 Becky Newman



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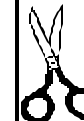
Volunteers Enlisted to Assist People

needs your help in providing school children with the basic necessities; School supplies, a backpack or calculator, and a \$15 gift certificate to buy socks or underwear.



Backpacks

- Spiral Notebooks: Wide & College Lined**
- Loose-Leaf Paper: Wide & College Lined**
- Rulers: 12 Inch with Metric**
- Scissors: Metal Fiskars Sharp Point**
- Folders: 2 Pocket, Solid Basic Colors**
- Markers: Waterbased & Nonpermanent**
- Pencil Boxes or Zippered Pencil Pouches**
- Calculators: Scientific**
- Colored Pencils: Packages of 12 or 24**
- Erasers: Full Size, Solid Color**
- #2 Pencils: Packages of 8-10**
- School Glue: Elmers White**
- Glue Sticks**
- Highlighters**
- Ink Pen Packages: Blue or Black Only**



All donations must be new items. VEAP cannot accept used items.

Needed Gift Certificates in \$15 denominations: Herberger's, Kohl's Marshall's/TJ max, Southdale, Target or Walmart

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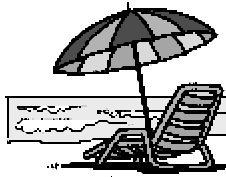


**Richfield Cattail Days
Saturday, September 20th
9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Volunteers needed to help at Bethany's booth. If you're able and willing to help for a shift, please contact Linda Peterson. Thanks.

FAMILY BLAZERS

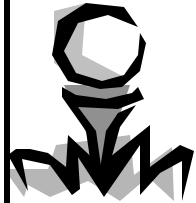
Our Wednesday night gatherings have been small but enthusiastic. Mini-golf was a challenge for all of us with many balls in the drink. We felt super "cool" on one of June's hottest days when we went to the ice arena. Movie night was great fun. Thanks to Ryan we made our own movies of



Bible stories. What a bunch of hams - Hollywood here we come. Mother Nature didn't cooperate for Beach Night so we hung out at the church and discovered all the unique properties of home-made gak.

Thanks to those parents who have joined us - we appreciate your support.

Paul and Faith



Congratulations

Elijah Lewis Depuydt was born on May 19th (one day before his due date) at 12:27 a.m. He weighed 10 lbs. 1 oz. and measured 20 1/2 inches long. Jake and Teresa are happy to have this big boy join their family and so is big sister Stella (age 20 months at the time of birth).



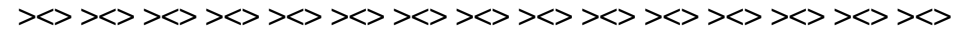
Greetings all,

Well we are now aware that our letters have NOT been getting to you for months now. We are going to look into this but we have already been re-working our address list. Computer troubles cause many things to get fixed OR BROKEN! So we are sort of starting over.

The last few days have been pleasantly busy. Last week was the annual meeting of the Covenant denomination. We went to Chicago as a family and enjoyed the "togetherness" with friends, colleagues and others. We TRULY ARE a part of something special.

May you feel the presence and provision of God today. Galen

Galen, Jill and Elikia (June 29)



Galen and Jill Johnson's Prayer Up-date July 2003

1) As I write this Tim Smith Jr. (son of Covenant missionaries Tim and Helen Smith) is on a respirator and in a drug-induced coma because of a work-place accident. He is still critical. We remember Tim Jr. as a 5 year old at Gbado-Gboketsa, Congo. Please join us to intercede for him. Pray also for his family who have gathered by his side.

2) This month takes Galen to Covenant Pines Bible Camp for 3 weeks. Please pray that the challenge of reaching Muslims for Christ will have an effect on campers and staff.

3) We are delighted to announce the rental of our house. A couple, who had been short-term missionaries, heard of the house from a Congo colleague and intend to stay the 3 years we will be in Burkina Faso. We praise God for his provision for all our needs.

PS. Point 2- Tim Smith Jr. died July 3 of complication related to the accident. The memorial service (held on his 23rd birthday) was very positive but I know that Tim Sr. and Helen are hurting emotionally. Please pray for them as they have this on top of settling back into the US culture after 4 years overseas. We are appreciative that they at least had returned to be with Tim Jr. a week before he died.

Galen, Jill and Elikia

MEMORIES by Margaret & Gundy

AUGUST 1978 — TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO.

Our Pastor, Rev. David Wilder is on vacation until August 25th. During this time, the pastor and his family will spend part of their time with other members of our congregation at the National Christian Congress, held in Big Sky, Montana. During our pastors absence, the following ministers will fill the pulpit. Sunday Aug. 6th, Rev. Donald Krause, Aug. 13th, Rev. Aanold Tamte, and on August 20th, Rev. C. Reuben Anderson. **SEPTEMBER 1978:** Sunday Morning, Sept. 3 - The message today is by our Youth Director, Phil Madsen. Phil and his wife, Linda, have spent the summer directing a canoe camp in Wis. Phil resumes his leadership of our youth program and Linda, will serve as a Jr. Hi League counselor. Today is their first wedding anniversary. Pastor Wilder is attending a family reunion in Crookston, MN. — Friday & Saturday, (Sept. 8&9) Minnehaha Academy's Annual Garage Walk Sale. Nine garages plus the school gym will be bursting with great buys. — Sunday, Sept. 17. Today is North Park Sunday. Bonny Browning a recent North Park graduate, will speak briefly this morning about her experiences there. — Saturday, Sept 23 - The wedding of Bonny Browning and Bob Kelly.

AUGUST 1953 — FIFTY YEARS AGO.

Sunday Aug. 2. - Holy Baptism of Jan Sheloia Olfelt, daughter of Dr. & Mrs. Paul Olfelt, was performed in the morning service. — Aug. 3, Pastor Ahlberg and family will begin their vacation. Filling the pulpit in his absence will be Rev. John Nickerson on Aug. 9th, Rev. Arthur W. Anderson on Aug. 16th and Dr. George Vallentyne on Aug. 23rd. — Wed. Aug. 26. A Farewell Party for Dorothea & Willard Berggren, sponsored by the Church, Sunday School and the Hi-Leaguers. They are moving to Chicago as Willard is going to attend North Park. — From the Sun. Aug. 29th bulletin. Belated Congratulations to Frances (Vikingstad) Fieg and her husband, William. They were married on July 31st. **SEPTEMBER 1953;** From the Sunday, Sept. 6th bulletin - The rose on the pulpit today is in honor of little Lorraine Joy, the daughter of Phyllis & Andrew Reddie. Lorraine was born last Monday at the Swedish Hospital. — From the Sept. 13th bulletin; Today we welcome our new Director of Music, Mrs. Fern Gronneberg. — Sunday, Sept. 27. This morning, Joyce & Ray Anderson, brought their daughter, Beth Rae, to the Lord in Baptism. Also, Congratulations to Edward & Alice (Johnson) Smith, who were married yesterday.

AUGUST 1928 — Seventy Five Years ago.

From the Betania Vannen News — Come to church this evening (no date), the new lights will be used for the first time. Sunday School: Delia Pearson, (Laurelle Pearson's aunt) heads the Primary Dept., Mrs Paul Fredlund, the Cradle Roll, many classes for ages 8 to 18 years, Young Ladies Class, Mrs. O.B. Olson & David Sutherland,

Awesome August Activities

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The community and church family is invited to come and enjoy free, fun, family events on Wednesday evenings in August. These are opportunities for you to recreate with your friends and neighbors and to find out what Bethany Church has to offer you.

All activities begin at 6:30 and last until 8 p.m. with the exception of Movie night, which goes from 8 - 10 p.m.

<p>P I C N I C AUG. 6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• FREE HOTDOG SUPPER• LAWN GAMES	<p>C A R N I V A L AUG. 13</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• CREATIVE CARNIVAL GAMES USING CANS• FREE ICE CREAM• BRING A CANNED FOOD DONATION FOR THE FOOD SHELF
<p>C O F F E E H O U S E</p> <p>AUG. 20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• FREE COFFEE AND REFRESHMENTS• ENTERTAINMENT• SIGN UP TO BE THE ENTERTAINMENT! (SING A SONG, READ A POEM, LIP SYNC, ETC.)	<p>M O V I E N I G H T</p> <p>AUG. 27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• OUTDOOR MOVIE• FREE POPCORN• BRING A BLANKET AND BUG REPELLANT

Sponsored by the C.E. Board



BETHANY BUZZINGS by Marlys

Thanks to those contributing to the Covenant Women's "Thanks a Latte" fund raiser. We collected one hundred dollars!

In case you don't recognize her, it's really **Rosemarie** with newly colored hair. Looking great, but what does #235 mean?

Back on a June Sunday, someone wore his/her shirt on backwards, all through the worship service and coffee hour. **Who could it be?**

Father's Day in June: Did you see the photo at the coffee bar of a family and a cute little girl being held by her father? It was **Marie Mosal** - and she's still cute. And, Pastor was so excited celebrating Father's Day he almost forgot to take the offering.

Quilts Quilts Quilts Be sure you notice the bulletin board and the notices in the Sunday bulletins. We've already received an offer for two hand made ones. GREAT!

Did you hear **Galen** yell one day during the coffee hour? **Mary** shook hands with him. She didn't really break your hand, did she Galen?

Some woman in this church puts grated parmesan in her coffee and not cream. We won't tell who it is.

Congratulations to **Heather Sowl** who is at North Park University. She made the Dean's List with a 3.5 grade point or better. Way to go Heather!

Un Voyage a la Belgique! **Ryan Kelly** is off to Belgium for his senior year of high school. He has prepared a terrific brochure giving his background, information about Belgium, and other interesting facts. Ask to see his brochure. You'll be impressed. **HAVE A GREAT YEAR, RYAN! WE'LL MISS YOU.**

JOIN THE CHOIR

Bethany Choir's season will begin with a rehearsal on August 20th from 6:30 - 8 pm. Regular rehearsals start September 3 at the same time. The first Sunday to sing will be Sept 7th for the Centennial Celebration.



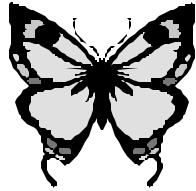
Bake and Craft Sale

Join the crafters on Saturday, September 20, to make items for the November 22 sale. New craft ideas are welcome. Watch for exact times in the Sunday bulletins. A silent auction will probably be conducted in connection with the craft and bake sale. Please consider what you might donate. Proceeds go toward the general budget (deficit). Call Betty S. for further discussion. JT

MEMORIES continued

(Virginia Vining's Father), Young Men's Class, Bible Class, Pastor O. B. Olson. — Dorcas meeting of Aug. 24th, was held at Lake Harriet. The program consisted of 2 duets by Mrs. Arthur Swanson and Mrs. Fred Johnson. Pastor Olson gave the message. — At the Board meeting of the 27th, Pastor Olson requested that men of the church meet on Sept. 10th to discuss starting a men's group. Also, a decision was made to dedicate our new pulpit on Tithing Festival Sunday. **SEPT. 1928.** - From Betania Vannen News: The church interior is all new, painting & decorating of the walls and ceiling, new lighting fixtures have been installed and new opera chairs in the gallery. Opera chairs were installed by the men of the church under the supervision of Henning Johnson and N. P. Nelson. A new pulpit has been ordered, it will be a memorial to John Pearson, (Laurelle's grandfather), given to the church by his children. — From the Sept. 10th Board meeting. Pastor Olson has been invited to speak at the St. Cloud, MN Church the first Sunday in Nov. — At the Young Peoples meeting held on Sept. 18th. Motion made to have a reception for the Confirmation class on Sept. 25th.

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August

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3 9:30 Worship	4 Jadon F.	5 Amber F. 9:30 Prayer Group	6 Paige F.	7 Amy F.	8 Crystal F.	9 Prue F.
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		6:45 Executive Board Meeting	6:30 Awesome Picnic			
10 9:30 Worship	11 Bill F. 6:00 Richfield Women of Today	12 Catherine F. 9:30 Prayer Group	13 Paul F. 6:30 Awesome Carnival	14 Rosemarie F.	15 Faith G.	16 Peter G.
Mission Event						
17 9:30 Worship	18 Carmen G.	19 Craig G. 9:30 Prayer Group	20 Pam G. 6:30 Choir 6:30 Awesome Coffee House	21 Mike G.	22 A. J. G.	23 Vicki G.
Teen Challenge						
24 9:30 Worship	25 Mike G.	26 Margaret G. 9:30 Prayer Group	27 Aleck G. 6:30 Awesome Movie Night	28 June G.	29 Richard G.	30 Ann H.
31 Worship						



September

2003

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	1 Dale H.	2 Christian H. 9:30 Prayer Group	3 Elizabeth H.	4 Tim H.	5 Carole H	6 Scott H.
		6:00 Richfield Women of Today	6:30 Choir			
		===== MEALS ON WHEELS =====				
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Confirmat ion Reunion	6:00 Richfield Women of Today	6:45 Executive Board Meeting	6:30 Choir			
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Elijah D's dedication Broadcaster deadline			6:30 Choir			
21 Worship	22 Jill J.	23 Galen J. 9:30 Prayer Group	24 Elli J. 6:30 Choir	25 Sue J.	26 Rick J.	27 Ruth J.
						Women's Retreat at
28 Worship	29 Emily J.	30 RoxAnn K. 9:30 Prayer Group				
Cov. Pines						