

Parish Newsletter **July 2025**



A MESSAGE OF FREEDOM

Since I will be on vacation in California when this newsletter comes out, I asked ChatGPT to write me a message of the hope of Freedom. This is what it gave me:

“True freedom is not found in doing whatever we please, but in walking closely with the will of God. As Psalm 119:45 reminds us, “I will walk about in freedom, for I have sought out your precepts.” When we seek and follow God's truth, we are released from the chains of sin, fear, and confusion. His Word lights our path and leads us into a life of purpose, peace, and joy. In His guidance, we discover a freedom that no circumstance can take away—a freedom rooted not in the absence of boundaries, but in the loving direction of a faithful Father.”

I pray you have a blessed Fourth of July as we celebrate the precious freedoms we fought so hard to have.

Al and Tracy Foss

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JULY READINGS

Sunday, July 6, 2025 4th Sunday after Pentecost	• Galatians 6:[1-6] 7-16 • Luke 10:1-11, 16-20	• Isaiah 66:10-14 • Psalm 66:1-9
Sunday, July 13, 2025 5th Sunday after Pentecost	• Colossians 1:1-14 • Luke 10:25-37	• Deuteronomy 30:9-14 • Psalm 25:1-10
Sunday, July 20, 2025 6th Sunday after Pentecost	• Colossians 1:15-28 • Luke 10:38-42	• Genesis 18:1-10a • Psalm 15
Sunday, July 27, 2025 7th Sunday after Pentecost	• Colossians 2:6-15 [16-19] • Luke 11:1-13	• Genesis 18:20-32 • Psalm 138

JULY SERVICE LEADERS

July 6 – Church in Hatton Park at 10 AM

July 13 – Pastor Brian Hanson

July 20 – Pastor Gary Graff (Communion)

July 27 – David Moeller

NEWSLETTER

Newsletter items can be sent to Tracy Foss at Tracy.L.Foss@gmail.com Newsletter deadline is usually the Tuesday before the last Sunday of the month. August newsletter deadline is 7-22-2025.

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SCRIPTURE READERS JULY

July 6 – No Service

July 13 – Paul Batesel

July 20 – Lora Cunningham

July 27– Bob Miess

NO SERVICE JULY 6TH

There is no church service on July 6th.

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JULY READERS

July 6 – None

July 13 – Wayne Reinhart

July 20 – Loretta Larson

July 27– Judy Stensland

CIRCLE

No circle.

CHURCH COUNCIL

The council will meet at the church at 5:30 on July 16th. 5:30.

ST. GIANNA'S

Since there is no circle of July 9th, Loretta has planned a trip for us to tour the ST. Gianna's Maternity Home in Warsaw, ND and also to bring them baby blankets. The plan is to leave the church at 10:30 AM on Wednesday, July 9th, stop in Grand Forks for lunch and continue on to Warsaw. If you are interested, contact Loretta Larson.

BAPTISM

There will be baptism for Tobias Holweger, son of Randy and Allison Holweger, on Sunday July 20th.

BETHANY LADIES- FROSTFIRE THEATRE OUTING

We are excited to have a large group of ladies going to the Empire Theatre in Grand Forks to attend the production of FAME put on by the Frostfire Theatre. The date of this event is July 23rd and the play is at 2:00 PM. More details to come later.

RED WILLOW QUILT AUCTION

It was decided to donate a baby themed basket to the Red Willow Auction this year. There will be a basket placed in the church basement and we are asking those who wish to contribute to bring a gift for a baby any time between now and July 27. Please bring items that could be used for either a boy or a girl. There is more information about the auction on the poster placed on the bulletin board in the church entrance.

REMINDER TO HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

The Osland Scholarship is available to seniors that are members of Bethany Church. Seniors need to write a letter of application which includes the name of the school they will be attending. The letter should be given to a council member. If you have questions about this you can ask a council member.

JANITORS/USHERS

We are still in need of a janitor/ushers for the month of September.

PRISON MINISTRY

The James River Regional Correctional Facility is still collecting yarn. They have also added a new project which is a knitted/crocheted heart pillow. So in addition to the yarn, they are asking for donations of polyester fiber-fill to help them with this project. You can bring the yarn and fiber-fill to church and leave it in the basement.

JANITOR/USHER SIGNUP

Please check the Janitor/Usher signup on the bulletin board in the entry way.

COFFEE AFTER CHURCH

If you have a certain Sunday sometime this year you would like to bring something to have with coffee after Church - please put your name on the list on the bulletin board in the entry.

YARN DONATIONS

If anyone has yarn, any type, that you want to get rid of, bring it to church, we will send it to the EaNDSWO convention in September, and from there it goes to prisons of ND, where they knit things to give or send away.

WEB PAGE

BethanyRuralHatton.com If you have anything you would like to put on the website contact Mark.

BULLETIN

Bulletin announcements can be sent to Lorrie Aamold Loaamold@hotmail.com or by leaving a message at 543-3806. Deadline for the bulletin is Thursdays.

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