

Sunday School
Light Breakfast Snacks
Opening starts at 9:30am followed
by classes!

Sunday, September 14th



Bethany Free Lutheran Church
451 34th St.
Astoria, OR 97103

Worship With Us

8:45 A.M. Glad Tidings Radio 1370 A.M.

11:00 A.M. Worship Services

Live Stream

We live stream our 11:00 A.M. Sunday worship services on Subsplash. If you prefer Facebook we are still there. Sunday sermons are also posted the same day on our YouTube channel

<https://www.youtube.com/@bethanyfreelutheranastoria3012/featured>. You can find links to all of these on our website at www.bethanyfree.com



SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:30am-10:30am

Kindergarten- Adults

Learning God's Word



Sabbatical

Pastor Rich will be back Sunday, September 7th.

Deacons & Trustees Meeting

Deacons & Trustees will meet here at church, Tuesday September 9th, 5:30pm.

Bethany Sewing Ministry

The ladies of Bethany will meet September 4, 18 & 25 this month, Thursday mornings at 10am, downstairs at Bethany. All sewing skills are welcome or if you want to bring your other hand work and just fellowship. A lunch is provided. We work on quilts that are mostly sent to AFCLC Alaska Missions in Naknek, AK



They are always more than glad for any donations of fabric. Just drop by on one of the sewing days or contact the church and arrangements can be made.

Brown Bag Ministry

Every Wednesday, 11:00 am, we have our weekly Brown Bag Ministry which prepares brown bag lunches that are distributed in the community, we are always grateful for volunteers.



WMF Meeting

Women's Missionary Federation will meet, Thursday, September 11th, 11am at the church. All Ladies are Welcome, bring a lunch, dessert is provided.



Women's Evening Bible Study

WEBS will meet this month on 30th, at 7pm. Hosted by Brenda Carr at the parsonage.



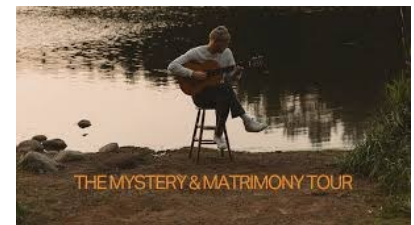
Opportunities to Serve

Check out the sign up sheets on the bulletin board. You can sign up to provide after church treats, flowers for the altar, greet and hand out bulletins before church or read the scriptures during church. If any of these sound like something you would like to do, sign up! Thank you!

Free Concert

We're excited to be the 5th stop on the Ryan Lee Jones Mystery & Matrimony tour! Opening the night will be Jeremy Elijah. Join us for an evening of live music, good company, invite some friends and neighbors and come take a look at our brand new Multipurpose Building. Friday, September 27th, 7pm.

You can find his music on his web site:



<https://www.ryanleejonesmusic.com/>

AFCLC Missions' Director

AFCLC World Missions' Director, Earl Korhonen, and his wife, Joan, will be in Astoria September 9-11. They are planning to have a presentation on the AFCLC World Missions on Wednesday, Sept 10th, at 7:00pm, at Bethany in the Fellowship Hall. We'll be having a dinner before at 6:00pm, the main dish will be provided. Please bring desserts & salads. The Korhonen's also plan on attending the Brown Bag and Sewing Ministries while in town.

Bethany Sewing Ministry meets every Thursday putting quilts together, the majority of the quilts are then sent to Naknek, Alaska and used for outreach. Here is a little look into how the quilts are used each year.

More information can be found at <https://aflchomemissions.org/alaska/>

QUILTS FOR ALASKA

The Alaska Ministry Team so appreciates all the quilts being sent to their base in Alaska. The quilts are passed out to people in Naknek, as well as taken to many area villages where they fly. Several boxes have been taken to a closed village (due to strong Russian Orthodox influence) and were welcomed there solely because of quilts. Quilts were also sent to villages where there has been severe flooding and people had lost nearly everything – the quilts were received with tears. Additionally, dozens of quilts are shared with international visitors to Naknek during fishing season.

Why Quilts:

- Giving warm, hand-made quilts is a great way to give a practical expression of God's love in the cold climate.
- People appreciate quilts.
- It opens doors to share the Gospel.

MAKING CONNECTIONS

The Net is the internet coffee house in Naknek, AK. It is a place where coffee is free and people from all over the world hear about the free gift of salvation.

“What is the ministry of The Net? It’s a sanctuary in a sea of chaos and unrest. It’s a place where strangers are treated like family. One young woman walking in breathed deeply, “This place smells like love.” Our table is laid with fresh coffee, hot cocoa, lemonade, water, iced tea and platters of fresh baked goods and a basket of packaged snacks and candies. A few tables with chairs, a well worn couch and coffee table invite guests to stay awhile. The walls hold bookshelves with Bibles, devotionals and Scripture tracts to feed the mind and nurture the soul. Board games and puzzles are stacked on an end table, and used clothing is piled on a table in the back room.

Everything is free. Sometimes people would come to the kitchen asking where the donation basket is. We would tell them it’s all a free gift to anyone who comes, just like God freely gives salvation to those who come to Him through Christ. We also told them that the food comes from our church family and friends down in the lower 48 who care for them and the difficulty of life during this season.”

Julie, A Net Volunteer

