



Bethany Banner

Bethany Community Church, 201 Birch Avenue, Grandview, Washington- October, 2021

A Note from Elder Gretchen Lange:

I like coffee. In fact I really like coffee. My parents were coffee drinkers when I was growing up so I knew it was an acceptable practice. In fact, the very first latte I ever had was with my mom and dad in Yakima. They had found this cute little place that made these coffee drinks (and it wasn't Starbucks) so they took me one day when I was visiting them. It was something they looked forward to especially in retirement. Maury's family are coffee drinkers also. Any time you were visiting any of the aunts and uncles (the Ragsdale family was large and many were local when I married into the family) the first thing you were asked was, "Coffee?". It was a great way to get connected. This past weekend there was a service for one of Maury's cousins and the pastor brought a few tears to my eyes as he mentioned one of Katherine's joys was entertaining family and friends with coffee. We will remember her that way for sure. How does all this seem important in the BCC newsletter? Well before Covid hit our shores, I was enjoying coffee several times a week at the Safeway Starbucks. It started out when Diane Fortune and I got our first Grandview Starbucks drink way back in I don't know what year. It was the day the SB opened there at Safeway. Quite exciting! As time went on several of us would gather there at Safeway with our coffee (or tea) and visit. This usually happened after church on Sunday but expanded to other days of the week, too. It was a time to share with each other. Many of those meeting were from Bethany but others joined occasionally. Then BAM! That was that. No more getting together face-to-face for many months. Coming to our rescue was our heroine Alix. She set up a Zoom meeting and we began meeting on Zoom almost every day. We kept track of everyone by visiting and encouraging and we are still doing that. You can have coffee or tea or eat breakfast if that floats your boat (see how I got the boat theme in there?). It has been a highlight for many and depending on how good or bad you feel, it is bound to uplift your spirits. Hebrews 10:25 says: Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another and all the more as you see the Day approaching. I hope you have enjoyed my ramblings. This theme was suggested by my sister-in-law, Debi. She is a pretty wise person I think.

FROM OUR VISITATION PASTOR JOAN SOUDERS:

This has been an interesting month for visiting those who are living in care communities. One day the facility is open and less than 24 hours later it is back in lock down. In spite of all of the changing rules. I have been able to help them welcome Fall with a gift package of Hot Apple Cider mix and the reminder in Psalms 17:8. King David was noticed by these words. "Keep me as the Apple of your eye; hide me in the Shadow of your wings". As much as I miss the person to person contact, it is our shared Faith in an everlasting God that keeps us connected.

You're invited to come home

Join us at the dedication and open house of the

New Grandview High School

Saturday, October 2, 2021

Dedication: 11:00 a.m. Open House: 11:30 – 1:00 p.m.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS, OCTOBER, 2021

HEAD USHER: Tim Smith

LAY ASSISTANTS—(Please no handshaking)

Oct. 3: Alix Carlson

Oct. 10:

Oct. 17: Robin Smith

Oct. 24: Kathy Ellertson

Oct. 31: Dale Burgeson

OCTOBER GREETERS:

Oct. 3: Maxine Ballinger

Oct. 10: Irene Beaulaurier

Oct. 17: Karen Gustafson

Oct. 24: Polly McKinney

Oct. 31: Ida Mains

Welcome Back to the Fall Season From Christian Ed.

Sunday, Sept. 12, begins Bethany's Christian Education Programs. We would like to offer Sunday School for ages 5 through 99.5 year olds. We will need some volunteers in this area. [Terry Dahlstrom](#) will be leading the adults. (In the basement in person and on Zoom.) Mari Larney has volunteered to teach the 7th grade through 12th grade. (In the Youth Room or possibly joining the adults in the basement.) For Kindergarten through 6th grade, we have Vianney and Jennifer Larney, as their work schedules allow, in the Elementary Room. We need a volunteer for the Sundays these young ladies have to work.)

Adults and possibly High School students: [Standard Lesson Commentary 2020-2021 & 2021-2022](#). Also, we will have Videos with Discussions between quarters. We will be starting with The Spring Quarter 2021. This quarter is titled "Prophets Faithful to God's Covenant". These lessons highlight the faithfulness of God, who reveals to his people their need to be faithful to Him.

The Elementary Students will be learning about Jesus using the [Noah's Park Children's Church](#) curriculums for both Sunday School and Children's Church. We have the Red, Green, and Blue Curriculums to choose from with stories, puppets, and crafts. In addition to a volunteer to help on Sunday mornings when Jennifer and Vianney are working, we also need four or five volunteers to rotate Sunday mornings during worship for Children's Church. Our leaders would only miss Worship one Sunday a month if we can get enough volunteers. (Terry will be the substitute if someone can't make it at the last minute.)

Mid-Week Youth

We want to thank all of our volunteers who have graciously volunteered to provide food for the Youth on Wednesday evenings. If you would like to provide financial support that would be gratefully accepted. In order to connect with our Youth, on the third Wednesday of each month we are going to have a Potluck Supper with the Youth, (I know some of the adults have an event in Prosser,) followed with a short devotion for the adults while the Youth do their activities with Mari.

BIBLE STUDIES

8:00 a.m. Tuesdays, Souder's men's Bible study.

1:30 p.m. Wednesdays, women's Bible study with Janet White.

7:00 p.m. Wednesdays, women's Zoom Bible study with Alix/Terry.



ADVANCEMENT EVENT

TUESDAY OCTOBER 12, 2021

RSVP LOFRIENDS.ORG OR 509-882-1899

THANK YOU

FOR YOUR PARTNERSHIP

(From Frontier Fellowship)

Dear Mission Committee:

Thanks so much for your recent gift to Frontier Fellowship. We appreciate you partnering with us. One of my staff, Jonna Reeder, lives in Seattle if you would like a visit from us. Jonna is one of our best mobilizers to connect churches with Central Asia. She served there for almost 20 years. Blessings, Rev. Richard Haney

LIFE OPTIONS EVENT

Please register on line or by phone. Contact Maxine Ballinger if you need help. Registration needs to be done by Sunday, October 3.



Happy Fall:

We are thankful that none of the youth have been affected by Covid and everyone has remained healthy. For the month of October we are planning a Halloween party for the last Wednesday of the month. We are in need of candy for some "goody" bags. If you would like to donate a bag or two, please drop them off at the front office. God's love. Mari and the Youth.



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Darlene Todd
- 6 Isai Nunez
- 9 Jean Wyckoff
- 11 Don Olmstead, Jr.
- 11 Martin Larney
- 19 Ernesto Nunez
- 24 Amy Lara Nunez
- 29 Carolyn Bren

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 7 Don and Ann Bentley

OCTOBER, 2021

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

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3 10 Worship,& Communion Joan Souders	4	5 8 AM Men's Bible Study	6 1:30 pm Women's Bible study 5:30-7:30 Youth 7 pm- Zoom Bible study	7 9am -Prayer Team	8	9
10 10 Worship COFFEE HOUR	11	12 8 AM Men's Bible Study	13 1:30 pm Women's Bible study 7 pm- Zoom Bible study	14 9am -Prayer Team	15	16
17 10 Worship	18	19 8 AM Men's Bible Study 6:00pm Team meetings 7:00 SESSION	20 6 pm- All- church potluck & study 7 pm- Zoom Bible study with Terry D.	21 9 am -Prayer Team	22	23
24 10 Worship	25	26 8:00 a.m Men's Bible Study	27 1:30 pm Ruth Circle 5 pm. DEACON Meeting 7 pm- Zoom Bible study with Terry D.	28 6:30 am Priscilla Circle 9 am -Prayer Team	29	30
31 10 Worship						

