



Beulah Land

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Pastor's Message

Think of this. October is almost gone. That means that Thanksgiving is coming and Christmas is just around the corner. Time goes by so quickly, but one truth is always with us, the Lord walks right by our side no matter what time of the year, or how fast time seems to go by.

I want all of you to know that I appreciate that so many of the people from our church stopped by our open house last Sunday. It was very helpful for me to get to know all of you and we truly enjoyed visiting with each of you who stopped by.

In the last several months, I have been working to get know all of you, and to learn about what makes Beulah Presbyterian Church tick. It is clear to me that the Holy Spirit is present in all of our worship, fellowship and mission activities. I have gotten to experience the Beulah Apple Pie Day which was a fun and interesting experience and the pie was delicious. Lori and I walked in the Crop Walk along with about a dozen of other Beulah people. It was a rainy day which goes to show that the Holy Spirit's light can shine through the gray and gloom of a cloudy day in order to accomplish God's purpose. I had the chance to sit in on our confirmation class and saw the Spirit's light shine through the learning and faith of our young people.

Each week we now witness the gathering of "Team Jesus" and together get a simple lesson reflecting truth of the Gospel. We also get to witness the enthusiasm and joy in the hearts of our young people.

We are approaching the celebration of the 100th birthday of one of our members. Doris Kennedy will turn 100 in early November, and I am sure that many from Beulah will go to her party and share her special day with her.

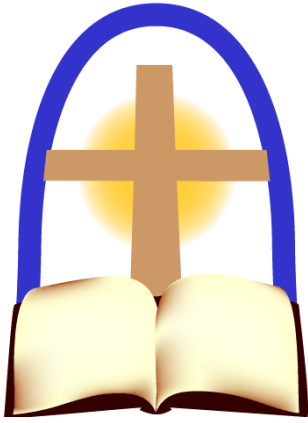
We are also in the process of formulating a new web-site for the church. We should be ready to launch this web-site within the next month or so.

I am very much looking forward to getting to know and sharing the Thanksgiving and Christmas traditions with the Beulah community.

I know that I have to leave fairly soon after worship is over, and so I miss the privilege of sharing in the coffee hour with all of you. But I have made it a point to be at the church plenty early so that I can visit with all of you before worship begins.

May God continue to allow the Holy Spirit to move in the life and activities of our church. I am filled with Joy at the opportunity to serve as you Pastor.

Pastor Tim



Confirmation Corner

We hope you have been following along with our lessons and strengthening your own faith along with the confirmands. Our lessons and the explanations below come from Spark House –“ re:form” curriculum. We continued with lessons from our Jesus Unit. Following are what we studied in our Lessons 22 & 23:

22. If Jesus was God, why did he have to die?

It is clear at the beginning of the Bible, in the very first chapters of Genesis, that because the human race turned away from God and sinned, we were cursed with mortality. This differentiates us from God who is immortal. We as humans die, but God does not.

But despite our human failings, God still desires to have an intimate relationship with us. He sent the Second Person of the Trinity (the Son) to become incarnate in Jesus. God embraced the full human experience, including death. God experienced death when Jesus was crucified, thus entering into the deepest and most tragic aspect of human life. In this way God reunited with us in a way we had not been since the Garden of Eden.

QUESTION TO YOU: If there had been no Jesus, what other way could God have sent his message of Love to us? What if Jesus lived longer and wasn't crucified, how would things be different?

23. Why did Jesus perform miracles?

The miracles are a big part of the Jesus story in the Gospels. Starting with his changing of water into wine at a wedding, Jesus performs miracles showing his power over nature (like calming a storm) and over human ailments (like leprosy and paralysis). Jesus' power to heal was also connected with his ability to forgive sins. Both of these abilities are a work of the Holy Spirit, which descended on Jesus at his baptism.

Jesus' miracles inspired awe in those who observed them. More importantly, Jesus was giving people a vision of God's Kingdom where there are no more ailments such as leprosy, paralysis, or demon possession.

QUESTION TO YOU: How would have Jesus' ministry been different if he hadn't performed any miracles? Would he have had a following then and now?

Worship Committee:



Beulah's Hymn Sing will be Sunday, November 18 at 6pm.
The Orion Swing Choir will perform! Refreshment will be served.

Communion will be celebrated on Sunday, November 25, Christ the King Sunday.



Head to Toes Project



The cold weather will be here soon! The Mission Committee is organizing the 6th annual Head to Toes Project. In the month of November, we will be collecting donations of new hats, scarves, mittens, and gloves. These donations, along with the snow boots that the committee purchases, will be delivered to the children in the Orion and Sherrard school districts who do not have the resources for the winter clothing. Thank you for your generosity in the years past and we look forward to your support again this year.

Please Remember Our Shut-ins in Your Prayers.

Grace Day
601 Hawthorne Crossing Drive SE
Apt 213
Bondurant, IA 50035

Eleanor Garrison
c/o Dan Garrison
5921 Cambridge Dr
N. Richland Hills, TX 76184



Sonia Grafton
Avonlea Cottage
2021 1st St E, Room 26
Milan, IL 61264

**Doris Kennedy
4909 107th Ave
Milan, IL 61264

****Please Note:** You are invited to help **Doris Kennedy** celebrate her **100th Birthday on Sunday, Nov 11, 2-4** at the **United Methodist Church Hall, 2652 107th Ave, Preemption, IL.** No gifts please, but she does enjoy cards.

Prayer Requests:

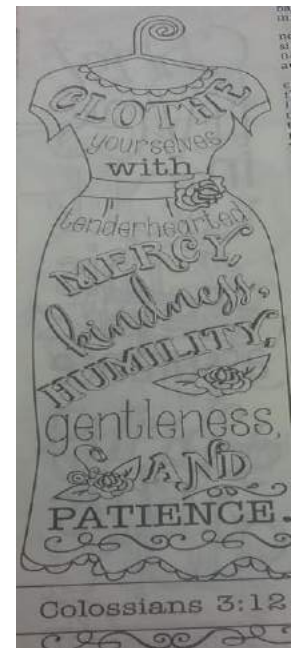
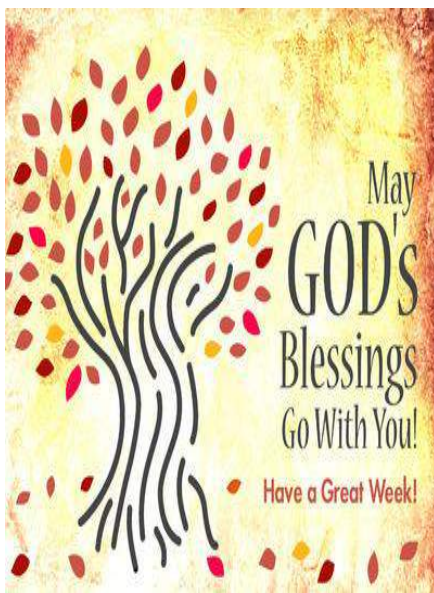
Robert DeVries
Bethany Spears

Dave Gould
Tom Spears

Gary Lovested
Alex Strandgard

Dylan Preston
Harriet Strandgard

Please alert us with additions or changes to our Prayer List – Thank you!



Deacon Ministry



During the month of September, Beulah deacons reached out to others as reported below:

Home Visits: 2

Hospital Visits: 0

Assisted Living/Nursing Home Visits: 2

Communion: 0

Funerals: 0

Cards: 41

Calls/Texts: 12

Food Delivered: 3

Good Deeds: 0

"All people smile in the same language." – from the book "Wings of Silver", page 26

Sherrill Hills, Secretary

CROP HUNGER WALK

ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME



CROP WALK PARTICIPANTS –

FRONT ROW: KACEY FRITZ, LYNN FRITZ, EMMA HOKE, JEAN DAVES, PASTOR TIM SNART, AND LORI SNART

BACK ROW: TIM FRITZ, WANDA CROSS, CARLA ZWICKER, & JON CROSS.

NOT PICTURED: CAROL BROWNING , JACOB PHELPS & FAMILY.



The rain on Sunday afternoon, October 7, did not deter the devoted Beulah Walkers from participating in the 47th annual QC

CROP Hunger walk. Beulah had 15 walkers participate this year who joined other walkers from 29 faith groups of the Quad Cities area. There are more than 1,000 CROP Hunger Walks that are held nation-wide. The QC walk is a 2, 4, or 6 mile bi-state walk that begins at the Freight House in downtown Davenport. The walk includes a loop on the Iowa side, crossing the Centennial Bridge, a loop on the Illinois side, and then crossing the Centennial Bridge again back to the Freight House. Each walker walked the distance they were comfortable with, but all were there for the common cause to help eliminate hunger.

Beulah church raised \$1,100 this year for the cause. The money raised helps to support local food pantries and the work of Church World Service, which helps fight hunger and poverty around the world. Thank you to all the walkers and to everyone for their generous donations.

Orion Food Pantry Holiday Meals



There will be a sign-up sheet in the narthex for food donations to support the Thanksgiving and Christmas meals. Place your name on the list of items and tear off the slip of paper matching the item. **Then bring all items to church by November 4** and Jan will deliver them to the Orion Food Pantry. Thank you for your support. -Mission Committee

Peanut Brittle Fund Raiser

The Mission Committee will again be selling home-made peanut brittle to raise funds for their 2018-2019 Mission Projects. The primary benefactors of this fund raiser are the needy children who receive boots through our Heads to Toes project. The price is \$15 for a 1 lb. pkg, and \$8 for a ½ lb. pkg. Delivery will be on Sunday Nov 18 and Sunday Dec 16. Please contact Wanda Cross (jwcross84@hotmail.com or 309-714-8089) to order your peanut brittle.



Apple Pie Day 2018



Beulah Presbyterian Women's group send a big THANK YOU to all who participated in another successful Apple Pie Day!

Many hands made the morning go quickly.

One hundred twenty-six pies were sold with a profit of over \$1,300.

This means that a dozen needy charities will receive support from all your hard work!

Beulah continues to share God's blessings.



God's got good things ahead for you! "For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope." Jeremiah 29:11

This Month Our Outside Sign Read:

- *Jesus is the greatest gift. Thank you God.*
- *Live a life filled with love.*
- *Have you read your Bible today?*
- *The Bible is a light on my path.*

Thank you Carol for weekly updating this sign for all our neighbors to read!

Remember Our Veterans on November 11th and Every Day!

What Is A Veteran?
A "Veteran" - whether active duty, discharged, retired, or reserve - is someone who, at one point in his life, wrote a blank check made payable to "The United States of America," for an amount of "up to, and including his life."



Good Advice and Knowledge

- ♥ Grow in faith. Grow in love.
- ♥ Have God with you on the solid ground, in a shaky world.
- ♥ Two things **you** can control: **attitude and effort**.
- ♥ If the grass is greener on the other side, fertilize yours.
- ♥ Opportunity knocks once. Temptation bangs forever.
- ♥ Where there is no vision, there is no hope.
- ♥ LOVE is what you do.
- ♥ Tomorrow can change, if we act today.
- ♥ Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away.
- ♥ You have to have understanding to have acceptance and then love.
- ♥ Be curious, NOT judgmental.
- ♥ The past is where you learned the lesson. The future is where you apply the lesson.
- ♥ Effort is the true source of **pride** – not results.
- ♥ It doesn't matter what others are doing, it only matters what YOU are doing.
- ♥ In the midst of movement and chaos, keep stillness inside of you.

September		
Worship	Giving	Attendance
09/02/18	\$ 1,923.00	39
09/09/18	\$ 1,092.00	52
09/16/18	\$ 1,760.00	46
09/23/18	\$ 922.00	53
09/30/18	\$ 1,082.00	35



Blessed Harvest

- ❖ So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. *1 Corinthians 3:7*
- ❖ Work with your hands and pray with your heart.
- ❖ Some of us grow up playing with tractors. The lucky ones still do!
- ❖ Give thanks with a grateful heart.
- ❖ Farming looks mighty easy when your plow is a pencil and you're a thousand miles from the corn field.
- ❖ You are the world to your world.
- ❖ Don't let hate win.
- ❖ Laughter sparkles like a splash of water in sunlight.
- ❖ Generosity is a tributary of kindness.
- ❖ When you're talking, you are not learning. When you are listening, you are learning.
- ❖ Advice from a tractor: Plow ahead. Pull your weight. Cultivate lasting friendships. Work hard. Don't blow a gasket. Be outstanding in your field. Keep your derriere in gear.



WISHING ALL OUR FARMERS A SAFE AND HAPPY HARVEST!

November 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4 Daylight Saving Ends Fall Back	5	6 Andrew Atkins	7	8	9	10
11 Veterans Day Doris Kennedy's 100 th Birthday	12	13	14 Zane White	15 Greg Wendt	16	17
18	19	20	21	22 Thanksgiving	23	24 James Gross
25	26 Deb McBride	27	28	29	30	

December 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Trenton Zwicker
2 Lane Krueger Rachael Sandhaas-Hoke	3 Jon Cross	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 Jerome Bina	12	13 Cynthia Peterson-Castro	14	15
16	17 Gloria Paulsen	18	19	20 Sierra Krueger Taylor Krueger	21 Winter Begins	22
23 Jim Neumann	24 Maryan Wherry	25 Jesus Christ	26	27	28 Dale Seaholm	29
30	31					

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Mission Statement:

Working together for spiritual growth to glorify, praise, worship, and share God's love.

Vision:

Beulah is:

- A Christ-centered family of faith.
- Flexible in learning and listening to God.
- Serving the Lord with gifts and talents through multi-generational engagement.
- A Landmark Church, visible in the community, vibrant in ministry and impacting the world.
- A destination for continual growth.

Slogan:

Love, Thrive, and Grow for the Glory of God.

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