



# **Beaver Valley** **Lutheran Church** ELCA

Our Mission Statement: To GATHER as God's family, To GROW in Grace,  
To GO in Faith, Love & Service

**THE TIDINGS: A monthly Newsletter for Family & Friends of Beaver Valley - September 2025**



## **SEPTEMBER - NEWS**

**Worship** - Sundays, 9:30 a.m.

**Coffee Hour** – Sundays, 10:35 a.m.

**Wednesday Worship in the Fellowship Hall** – Wednesdays, 6:15 p.m.

**Labor Day** – Monday, September 1<sup>st</sup> - Offices Closed All Day

**Christian Education Committee Meeting** – Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m.

**Men's Breakfast** – Saturday, September 6<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 a.m. BVLC Fellowship Hall

**Rally Weekend** – Saturday September 6<sup>th</sup> & Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup>

**A Matter of Balance Class Begins** – Monday, September 8<sup>th</sup> – 3:00 p.m.

**Bible Study on Romans Begins** – September 8<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m.

**BVLC KIDS, God Squad, Confirmation Begins** – September 10<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 p.m.

**Church Council Meeting** – Thursday, September 11<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 p.m.

**WELCA Bible Study** – Monday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m. – Meeting Room

**Music & Worship Committee Meeting** – Wednesday, September 17<sup>th</sup> - 5:00 p.m.

**WELCA General Meeting** – Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup> - 10:45 a.m. – Choir Room

**Cholesterol & Heart Discussion** – Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup> – 10:45 a.m. – Choir Room

# September Highlights

**September 1<sup>st</sup>, Monday, ALL DAY – Labor Day, Church offices will be closed**

**September 3<sup>rd</sup>, Wednesday, 6:15 p.m. – Wednesday Worship with Holy Communion**



**September 4<sup>th</sup>, Thursday, 6:30 p.m. – Christian Education Meeting**



**September 6<sup>th</sup>, Saturday, 7:00 a.m. – Men's Breakfast in the BVLC Fellowship Hall**

**September 6<sup>th</sup>, Saturday, 3:00 p.m. – Rally Weekend Kickoff**

**September 7<sup>th</sup>, Sunday, 9:30 a.m. - Worship with Holy Communion at Beaver Valley Lutheran Church**

**Sundays, 10:35 a.m. – Coffee Hour – *Join everyone in the Fellowship Hall after the service for conversations and connections***



**September 7<sup>th</sup>, Sunday – Rally Weekend Continues (See flyer insert for details)**

**September 8<sup>th</sup>, Monday, 3:00 p.m. – Matter of Balance Class begins**

**September 8<sup>th</sup>, Monday, 6:30 p.m. – Bible Study on Romans Begins – We will meet on Mondays at 6:30 p.m., Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m., and Thursdays at 12:00 p.m.**

**September 10<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday, 6:15 p.m. – Wednesday Worship**

**September 10<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. – BVLC Kids, God Squad, & Confirmation**



**September 11<sup>th</sup>, Thursday, 7:00 p.m. – Church Council Meeting**

**September 14<sup>th</sup>, Sunday, 9:30 a.m. - Worship at Beaver Valley Lutheran Church**

**September 14<sup>th</sup>, Sunday, 10:35 a.m. – BVLC Kids**

**September 15<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025 – Pastor Josh Out of Office – Conference in Mitchell, SD**

**September 15<sup>th</sup>, Monday, 3:00 p.m. – Matter of Balance Class**



**September 15<sup>th</sup>, Monday, 6:30 a.m. – WELCA Bible Study**



**September 17<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday, 5:00 p.m. – Music & Worship Committee Meeting**

**September 17<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday, 6:15 p.m. – Wednesday Worship with Holy Communion**

**September 17<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. – BVLC Kids, God Squad, & Confirmation**



# September Highlights

**September 21<sup>st</sup>, Sunday, 9:30 a.m. - Worship with Holy Communion at Beaver Valley Lutheran Church**

**September 21<sup>st</sup>, Sunday, 10:35 a.m. – BVLC Kids**

**September 21<sup>st</sup>, Sunday, 10:35 a.m. – WELCA Meeting**

**September 22<sup>nd</sup>, Monday, 3:00 p.m. – Matter of Balance Class**

**September 24<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday, 6:15 p.m. – Wednesday Worship**

**September 24<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. – BVLC Kids, God Squad, & Confirmation**

**September 28<sup>th</sup>, Sunday, 9:30 a.m. - Worship at Beaver Valley Lutheran Church**

**September 28<sup>th</sup>, Sunday, 10:35 a.m. – BVLC Kids**

**September 28<sup>th</sup>, Sunday, 10:35 a.m. – Cholesterol & Heart Discussion in the Choir Room**

**September 29<sup>th</sup>, Monday, 3:00 p.m. – Matter of Balance Class**

Friends in Christ,

Greetings to each and every one of you from God our loving heavenly Father and our living Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. I hope and pray that this newsletter finds all of you well now that the children in our communities are making their way to school, and we are starting to get into some of our fall routines!



In the coming weeks, we are going to see many different activities taking place at Beaver Valley Lutheran Church. One of the newest activities is going to be Rally Weekend. Traditionally, families of faith have had Rally Sunday. Many times, Rally Sunday was associated with getting people to return to church and have a rally to celebrate seeing one another after summer vacation. Other times, this Sunday was associated with getting children and young adults signed up for Sunday school and other educational opportunities in the congregation.

This year, we are going to use the entire weekend to celebrate God's goodness to us at Beaver Valley Lutheran Church. We are going to have lots of music, games and fun to give thanks to God for all of the great things He has done and continues in, for and among us. As we have this celebration, we are also going to have an opportunity on Sunday morning (following worship) to share our time and talents by signing up to be parts of various teams and committees at Beaver Valley Lutheran Church. This is going to be an amazing weekend!

Along with Rally Weekend, we are also going to start a Bible study this month! I am super excited about this because I love doing Bible studies and see these times as great opportunities to connect with one another. The Bible study we will do during the month of September is going to focus on the book of Romans! I love the book of Romans and even spent some time memorizing much of this book of the Bible a few years ago. I am looking forward to sharing my passion for this book with all of you. We will have Bible studies on Monday evenings at 6:30, Wednesday evenings at 5:30, and we will also meet on Thursdays at 12:00. I am hoping one or more of those times will work for all of you.

As I have been working on my plans for the month of September, I have also been looking ahead to the rest of the year. I am looking for ways for us to connect as a family of faith, worship together and have some fun along the way. I know other groups within the congregation are doing the same things and coming up with some great ideas! If you have anything you think would be a great way for us to be together and worship our Savior, together, please let me know.

I also want to personally invite you to come and be a part of these amazing activities. I would love to see as many people as possible on September 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> and to also see many people take part in our Bible study times. As we take part in fellowship and spend time in God's word, we are empowered to live our lives in new and different ways and to share what God has given to us with others. In other words, we are strengthened to live the life God has in store for us.

Just a thought...

Pastor Josh



# BVLC RALLY WEEKEND

September  
6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup>

3:00 – 7:00 HEGG BROTHERS  
3:00 – 7:00 CRAFT AND BAKE SALE  
3:00 – 7:00 PORK LOIN BARBECUE  
4:00 – 6:00 DRIVE IN AND EAT  
4:00 – 5:00 CONTESTS  
WATERMELON EATING  
WATERMELON SEED SPITTING  
MINUTE TO WIN IT GAMES  
5:00 – 7:00 KICKBALL

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>

9:30 WORSHIP  
10:30 – 11:30 FESTIVAL OF BOOTHS  
10:30 – 11:30 CRAFT AND BAKE SALE  
9:30 – 12:00 HALLELUIA HOOLIGANS  
11:30 POTLUCK  
12:00 SOFTBALL

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Beaver Valley Lutheran  
Church  
26214 484<sup>th</sup> Ave  
Valley Springs, SD  
67068







# A MATTER OF BALANCE

MANAGING CONCERNS ABOUT FALLS

## Older adults commonly fear falling

As the No. 1 cause of injuries and death from injury, falls threaten the independence of older adults and often prove costly, as well.

A Matter of Balance helps adults 60 years old and up realize that falls — and the fear of falling — are controllable. The program provides information on ways to change your environment to limit risk factors that contribute to falling, and will help you find strength and balance exercises to reduce your chances of falling.



This award-winning program may be for you if you:

- Are concerned about falls
- Have fallen in the past
- Restrict activities because you're worried about falling
- Are interested in improving your flexibility, balance and strength
- Are at least 60 years old, ambulatory and able to problem solve

Join us to learn the steps you can take to prevent falls and continue enjoying your favorite activities.

This class is specifically designed to reduce the fear of falling and improve activity levels among community-dwelling older adults. The program is presented to a small group of 8-12 participants led by trained coaches.

The program enables participants to reduce the fear of falling by learning to view falls as controllable, setting goals for increasing activity levels, making small changes to reduce fall risks at home, and exercise to increase strength and balance. Classes are to have a minimum of 6 and Maximum of 14.

**Please call Beaver Valley Lutheran Church, (605) 582-3504, to get registered for this class.**

**Classes will begin September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025, 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm, and will run every Monday until October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Classes will be held in the BVLC – Fellowship Hall.**

**Beaver Valley Lutheran Church – 26214 484<sup>th</sup> Ave, Valley Springs, SD 57068**





**This year's event raised \$33,000.00 and will go toward the purchase of a "new" used truck for our maintenance team, and to improve many of our nurses' stations at Bethany Sioux Falls, Bethany Brandon, and Bethany Meadows.**

**The concern we have for our residents goes beyond maintaining their existing health...we long to improve the overall physical and mental health of every Bethany resident, as well as members of area communities who benefit from the activities we provide at our facilities.**



## Tidings Article Guidelines:

In an effort to get the Tidings, our monthly newsletter, out in a timely manner, we need all articles submitted to the office by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month.

If you are in charge of an event, please take pictures and submit a write-up regarding how it went. Everyone likes to see how active we have been.

All articles received after this deadline will be published in the following month's newsletter.

All articles can be submitted to the office email:

[office@beavervalleylutheran.org](mailto:office@beavervalleylutheran.org).

Thank you all for your help with this.



Newsletter

**DEADLINE**



## **September Mowing Schedule**

### **August 31<sup>st</sup> – September 6<sup>th</sup>**

Mowers – Nolan Schmidt, Jacob Fiscus, Blake Schmidt, Dan Feeken

Trimmers – Dale Hanson, Kevin Backer, Dave Schnabel

South Cemetery – Randy Nelson

### **September 7<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>**

Mowers – Nathan Johnson, Trevor Swenson, Rhett Kloth, Jack Kloth, Lauryn Kloth

Trimmers – Dale Hanson, Kevin Backer, Dave Schnabel

South Cemetery – Wright Family

### **September 14<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>**

Mowers – Wright Family

Trimmers – Dale Hanson, Kevin Backer, Dave Schnabel

South Cemetery – Randy Nelson

### **September 21<sup>st</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>**

Mowers – Bruce Bonander

Trimmers – Dale Hanson, Kevin Backer, Dave Schnabel

South Cemetery – Wright Family

### **September 28<sup>th</sup> – October 4<sup>th</sup>**

Mowers – Brenda Winter & Denis Andersen

Trimmers – Dale Hanson, Kevin Backer, Dave Schnabel

South Cemetery – Randy Nelson



## **September Watering Schedule**

### **August 31<sup>st</sup> – September 6<sup>th</sup>**

Susan Kruse

### **September 7<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>**

Alan Schmidt

### **September 14<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>**

Don & Peggy Weber

### **September 21<sup>st</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>**

Beth Flier

### **September 28<sup>th</sup> – October 4<sup>th</sup>**

Mary Lee

## **Men's Breakfast in the BVLC Fellowship Hall**

Saturday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00  
am. Come for breakfast,  
devotions, and Fellowship.



## **MEN'S BREAKFAST**



## Firing On All Cylinders...

Last fall, then-Church Council President David VandenHull asked for volunteers to take a look at the current methods used to engage our congregation to serve. Are those methods effective? User-friendly? Motivational? Communicated well? Welcoming of giftedness across the church family?

Over many months, our task force has tried to gather information through conversations with church members and council members, and reviewed the time and talent sheets and parish life group activity. Long story short, we concluded that the parish life group model, though good in theory, has fallen short in engaging people. We also had a “fresh eyes” look at our time & talent sheet that has been used for a number of years. We spent most of our time revamping this form to be an effective means to educate, motivate, and communicate all the ways that our church family members can “plug in” and be involved in the ministries of BVLC.

Our work has been reviewed by both last year’s and this year’s church councils, by our interim pastor, John Dalen, and now by Pastor Josh. Tweaks have been made all along the way. We’ve also added a section to gather information needed from each person/family for our church directory.

Our church has been through a lot these past few years—a tornado, nomadic worship spaces, a rebuild, a retiring pastor, an interim pastor, and a new pastor. And praise God, we are seeing an influx of new families! Rather than wait until November when the time & talent sheets typically go out, we are suggesting a church-wide “reboot” for volunteer opportunities, and be intentional in filling and refilling ministry areas ASAP!

We are ready to roll! These new forms will be in the church bulletin on August 31, September 7, and 14. Take them home. Please give thoughtful and prayerful consideration. Your completed forms can be dropped in the collection box at the entrance to the fellowship hall.

One last note: Some people have mentioned that in the past, some years have been better than others with the use of collected information. It’s hard to hear that some were not contacted after volunteering to help. We are determined to do whatever we can to organize and distribute all of the “raised hands” information to the committees and ministry leaders.

Can you imagine a church where every person is involved in some way? Can you even imagine it? Let’s do it...

Questions? Contact Tammy Ford, Bonnie Nelson, Trish Steen, or Deb Moritz.





# **COVER YOUR TUSH**

**WELCA is sponsoring a "COVER YOUR TUSH" project which consists of collecting women's panties, boys' and girls' size 4-14 underwear to be donated to Shelter for Family Safety/Children's Home Society!!! Now is a great time to buy these items due to the back-to-school sales! Let's challenge our congregation and see how many we can collect!!!! Undergarments will be collected until August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025. Items can be placed in the grocery cart located near the South Entrance.**



# August Meals On Wheels

Meals On Wheels is a wonderful service project for Beaver Valley members. Serving others reflects love and humility, is a fundamental aspect of Christian faith and a way to honor God.

Brandon is a growing and an aging community. We are living twenty years longer than 90 years ago, so the need for assistance is greater. In Brandon, if a person would like to get MOW'S delivered to them, they connect with Active Generations of Sioux Falls. A social worker will go out to their home and decide if they are either elderly, disabled or physically unable to cook. Once a decision is made, they will get their meals delivered, and at the end of every month they get a bill with a suggested fee.

March 2026 is our next service month.

Thank you to the following members of BV for your time and use of your vehicle.

Mike and Heidi Schacht  
Rick and Christy Johnson  
JoAnn Keyser  
Sylvia Benson  
Jacqui Shoemaker  
Christy Marcotte and Wade  
Molly, Anick and Gabe Ring  
Don and Peggy Weber  
Dan and Gingi Hanson

Beth Flier/Church in Society

**Family Circus**

By Bill Keane



"Here you go, Dolly. Today's lunch is being delivered by 'Meals on Wheels.'"





# HEALING THROUGH COMMUNITY

Our Grief and Loss  
group is here to  
help you.

**TUESDAYS IN  
OCTOBER  
6:30 - 7:30 PM**

## GOOD GRIEF

Granger E.  
Westberg

Beaver Valley  
Lutheran  
Church  
(605) 582-3504  
Call to get  
registered.

"When someone is going  
through a storm, your silent  
presence is more powerful than  
a million, empty words."

-Thema Davis



YBL

"Hope  
Smiles from the threshold of the year to come.  
Whispering 'it will be happier'..."

- Alfred Tennyson



www.whatsyourstory.com



To the Confirmation Families at Beaver Valley Lutheran Church,

Greetings to each and every one of you from God, our loving heavenly Father, and our living Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. I hope and pray that your summer has gone well. I am truly looking forward to getting to know all of you better in the next few months!

It is time for Confirmation instruction to begin for the 2025-26 school year! I am so excited about this. I love teaching Confirmation and helping young people affirm their baptismal faith. This is such an important step in the life of your child and of your family, and I am blessed to be a part of it. I cannot wait to get started!

My Confirmation program is just a little different than other pastors. I believe that project-based learning is one of the best ways to help young people experience their faith. I do not just want to talk to or at the students. I want them to be actively engaged in their learning. Because of this, the first half hour that we are together will be lesson time, and the last half hour will be spent on a project to apply what we just learned. This has been a fun curriculum for me to write, and I am looking forward to sharing it with all of you.

As we prepare for these lessons, I also want to have a time to communicate information about our Confirmation program to students and families. I do this through what I call Confirmation orientation. This orientation session will be held on September 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. Parents and students are invited to come and learn more about Confirmation, my goals for the year, and expectations for our time together. I will hand out our schedule and allow time for us to have conversations together about what this year will look like.

Thank you for being a part of our Confirmation program! I am looking forward to seeing you on September 10<sup>th</sup>.

Pastor Josh



# 2025 Confirmation Calendar

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>
September 10 <sup>th</sup>	Confirmation Orientation
September 17 <sup>th</sup>	Introduction to Lutheranism
September 24 <sup>th</sup>	Commandments 1-3
October 1 <sup>st</sup>	Commandments 4-6
October 8 <sup>th</sup>	Commandments 7-8
October 15 <sup>th</sup>	Commandments 9-10
October 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Sacraments/First Communion Family Night
October 29 <sup>th</sup>	Reformation Party
November 5 <sup>th</sup>	Introduction to Creeds
November 12 <sup>th</sup>	Apostles' Creed Article 1
November 19 <sup>th</sup>	Apostles' Creed Article 2
November 26 <sup>th</sup>	No Confirmation Class
December 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Apostles' Creed Article 3
December 10 <sup>th</sup>	Service Project
December 17 <sup>th</sup>	Service Project
December 24 <sup>th</sup>	No Confirmation Class







# CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION 2025 - 2026

## Beaver Valley Lutheran Church

### Student Information:

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt size \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Preferred way to contact you: PHONE EMAIL TEXT (please circle)**

### Parent Contact:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone# \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Preferred way to contact you: PHONE EMAIL TEXT (please circle)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone# \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Preferred way to contact you: PHONE EMAIL TEXT (please circle)**

### Emergency Contact (other than parents)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies/Medical conditions or other concerns:

If I am not available, and a medical emergency arises, the supervising teacher has my permission to seek medical help at:

Hospital \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



## Fall 2025 BVLC KIDS Calendar

Sunday August 17<sup>th</sup>- **Blessing of the backpacks**

September 6-7<sup>th</sup>- **Rally Weekend**

Wednesday September 10<sup>th</sup>- Luke 15: 1-10 Lost Sheep and Lost Coin pg. 318

Sunday September 14<sup>th</sup>- Luke 15: 1-10 Lost Sheep and Lost Coin pg. 318

Wednesday September 17<sup>th</sup>- 1Timothy 2: 1-7 Pray for Everyone pg. 490

Sunday September 21<sup>st</sup>- 1Timothy 2: 1-7 Pray for Everyone pg. 490

Wednesday September 24<sup>th</sup>- Luke 16: 19-31 The Rich Man & Lazarus pg. 326

Sunday September 28<sup>th</sup>- Luke 16: 19-31 The Rich Man & Lazarus pg. 326

Wednesday October 1<sup>st</sup>- 2Timothy 1:1-14 Faith Passed Down pg. 494

Sunday October 5<sup>th</sup>- **Sing during church- No BVLC KIDS**

Wednesday October 8<sup>th</sup>- **No BVLC KIDS**

Sunday October 12<sup>th</sup>- **No BVLC KIDS**

Wednesday October 15<sup>th</sup>- Luke 18: 1-8 The Widow and the Judge pg. 334

Sunday October 19<sup>th</sup>- Luke 18: 1-8 The Widow and the Judge pg. 334

Wednesday October 22<sup>nd</sup>- Luke 18: 9-14 The Pharisee and the Tax Collector pg. 338

Sunday October 26<sup>th</sup>- 9<sup>th</sup> graders confirmed, Luke 18: 9-14 The Pharisee and the Tax Collector pg. 338

Wednesday October 29<sup>th</sup>- Luke 19: 1-10 Jesus and Zacchaeus pg. 342

Sunday November 2<sup>nd</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup> graders 1<sup>st</sup> Communion, **No BVLC KIDS**

Wednesday November 5<sup>th</sup>- Luke 20: 27-38 The Sadducees Question pg. 346

Sunday November 9<sup>th</sup>- Luke 20: 27-38 The Sadducees Question pg. 346

Wednesday November 12<sup>th</sup>- **Family Night**, 2Thessalonians 3: 6-13 Working Together pg. 486

Sunday November 16<sup>th</sup>- 2Thessalonians 3: 6-13 Working Together pg. 486

Wednesday November 19<sup>th</sup>- **Hand out Christmas Program parts**, Luke 23: 33-43 King on the Cross pg. 406

Sunday November 23<sup>rd</sup>- **Hand out Christmas Program parts**, Luke 23: 33-43 King on the Cross pg. 406

Wednesday November 26<sup>th</sup>- **No BVLC KIDS**

Sunday November 30<sup>th</sup>- **No BVLC KIDS**

Wednesday December 3<sup>rd</sup>- **Christmas Program Practice**

Sunday December 7<sup>th</sup>- **Christmas Program Practice**

Wednesday December 10<sup>th</sup>- **Christmas Program Practice**

Sunday December 14<sup>th</sup>- **Christmas Program**

\*\*\*We will do a service project during the beginning of December.



## Fall 2025 God Squad Calendar

Sunday August 17<sup>th</sup>- **Blessing of the backpacks**

September 6-7<sup>th</sup>- **Rally Weekend**

Wednesday September 10<sup>th</sup>- Luke 15: 1-10 Lost Sheep and Lost Coin

Wednesday September 17<sup>th</sup>- 1Timothy 2: 1-7 Pray for Everyone

Wednesday September 24<sup>th</sup>- Luke 16: 19-31 The Rich Man & Lazarus

Wednesday October 1<sup>st</sup>- 2Timothy 1:1-14 Faith Passed Down

Sunday October 5<sup>th</sup>- **Sing during church**

Wednesday October 8<sup>th</sup>- **No God Squad**

Wednesday October 15<sup>th</sup>- Luke 18: 1-8 The Widow and the Judge

Wednesday October 22<sup>nd</sup>- **First Communion Family Event (5<sup>th</sup> graders and their families)**, Luke 18: 9-14 The Pharisee and the Tax Collector

Wednesday October 29<sup>th</sup>- Luke 19: 1-10 Jesus and Zacchaeus

Sunday November 2<sup>nd</sup>- **5<sup>th</sup> graders 1<sup>st</sup> Communion**

Wednesday November 5<sup>th</sup>- Luke 20: 27-38 The Sadducees Question

Wednesday November 12<sup>th</sup>- **Family Night**, 2Thessalonians 3: 6-13  
Working Together

Wednesday November 19<sup>th</sup>- **Hand out Christmas Program parts**, Luke 23: 33-43 King on the Cross

Wednesday November 26<sup>th</sup>- **No God Squad**

Wednesday December 3<sup>rd</sup>- **Christmas Program Practice**

Sunday December 7<sup>th</sup>- **Christmas Program Practice**

Wednesday December 10<sup>th</sup>- **Christmas Program Practice**

Sunday December 14<sup>th</sup>- **Christmas Program**

\*\*\*We will do a service project during the beginning of December.

Specific details about the First Communion Family Event and the Family Night will come out as we get closer to those dates.





# SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION 2025 - 2026

## Beaver Valley Lutheran Church



Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Baptism Date \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_  
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Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Baptism Date \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

### Parent Contact:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone# \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Preferred way to contact you: PHONE EMAIL TEXT (please circle)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone# \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Preferred way to contact you: PHONE EMAIL TEXT (please circle)**

Emergency Contact (other than parents) Name of persons who may pick up this child from Sunday School

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies/Medical conditions or other concerns: \_\_\_\_\_

Does your child have an epi-pen? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

If I am not available, and a medical emergency arises, the supervising teacher has my permission to seek medical help at:

Hospital \_\_\_\_\_

I give permission to take my child's picture for classroom projects and/or church website \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

Would your family be interested in a Sunday School option on Wednesday nights? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# WELCA NEWS

WELCA has quite a few things going on that they would like to make everyone aware of. First off, for those of you who are unfamiliar with what WELCA is, here is a brief description:

Women of the ELCA (WELCA), the women's organization of this church, has thousands of participants in thousands of congregations. Together we are committed to growing in faith, affirming our gifts, supporting one another in our callings, and engaging in ministry and action that promotes justice and wholeness for all people.

All women attending our church are part of WELCA and we would love to see more of you attend our monthly meetings. Below is a synopsis of what we have in store for the remainder of this year.

**September 6<sup>th</sup> - WELCA and all members will be doing a Craft & Bake Sale, bring items to the church prior to 9/6**

September 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:35 am – WELCA meeting in the Choir Room

October 17<sup>th</sup> Lefse Prep Day

October 18<sup>th</sup> we will make the lefse

October 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:35 am – WELCA meeting in the Choir Room

November 8 or 9, Krumkake and Rosette making day

November 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:35 am – WELCA meeting in the Choir Room

December 6<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup> (Tentative) - WELCA will be hosting a Christmas Home Tour. Anyone interested in having your home on the tour, please contact WELCA co-chairs Jeannelle (605) 201-8011 or Twyla (605) 595-4772. This would consist of your home being decorated for Christmas and welcoming people to tour it!!! There will be refreshments served at the church during the tour.

\*WELCA is sponsoring a "COVER YOUR TUSH" project which consists of collecting women's panties, boys' and girls' size 4-14 underwear to be donated to Shelter for Family Safety/Children's Home Society!!! Now is a great time to buy these items due to the back-to-school sales! Let's challenge our congregation and see how many we can collect!!!! Undergarments will be collected until August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025. Items can be placed in the grocery cart located near the South Entrance.

\*Grace our Tables will be held in the Spring of 2026. For those who are not familiar with this, it consists of: you choose to decorate a table as you like,



picnic, holiday, vintage, modern, farm, summer, whatever theme you like. You set the table with dishes and accessories of your choosing. Then, you can invite your friends to sit at your table, you can purchase the table if you want, or others can sit at your table by purchasing their own ticket. Menu to be decided on at a later time. Usually, we have had the program consist of each person who decorated a table to tell about it. A fun evening of fellowship and friendship.

\*Sylvia demonstrated cutting the plastic bags from stores and how Renner Lutheran church makes sleeping mats for homeless people and third-world countries to be used as a barrier between the ground and the person. If anyone is interested, visit with Sylvia. They do this on Mondays at Renner Lutheran from 1-3 if anyone is interested in learning and/or helping!!

**The Brandon Food Pantry is in need of the following items:**

- Small boxes of fruit snacks
- Pizza sauce and pizza crusts
- Cereal
- Small cans of beef stew
- Small bottles (32 oz) laundry detergent
- Boxes of hot chocolate
- Instant potatoes



## **Birth**

### **Announcement!!!**

Please give a warm Beaver Valley Welcome to Daxton DeHart Hanson!!! Daxton made his arrival on August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025, weighing 7lbs 20z. His parents are Derek and Erica Hanson. Over the moon Grandparents are Dale and Krista Hanson. Congratulations to all!!!



If you know of someone who would like to be included in God's Creators student away from home mailing list, please send their current snail mail address to the church office or contact Ardell Johnson [princessann@alliancecom.net](mailto:princessann@alliancecom.net).

Also looking for someone with some machine sewing skills that could help with sewing colorful fabric sample materials onto cardstock for making cards. Thanks in advance for helping with this mission project.



### **PRAYER GARDEN PROJECT UPDATE**

The Prayer Garden continues to progress! The four granite benches have been installed and we continue to work on the irrigation. It is so nice to see the beauty of the prayer garden developing with all the different plants, shrubs and trees that have been planted! A continued thank you for all that has been given! Thank You, Everyone!  
The Outdoor Committee

### **Dates to Remember:**

September 6 & 7 – Rally Weekend  
September 8 – A Matter of Balance Class Begins  
September 8 – Bible Study on Romans Begins  
September 28 – Heart & Cholesterol Discussion  
October 7 – Grief Class Begins  
November 11 – The Art of Sourdough Bread Making (Tentative Date)  
November 17 – Parenting Class  
December 3 – Advent Supper Before Worship  
December 6 & 7 – WELCA Christmas Tours (Tentative Dates)  
December 10 – Advent Supper Before Worship  
December 17 – Advent Supper Before Worship  
December 24 – Christmas Eve Services @ 4 & 8 pm







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**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MEMBERS AND  
FRIENDS OF B.V. ON THEIR SPECIAL DAY!**

Angela Arndt	9/1	Chad Fechner	9/17
Zoey Berghorst	9/1	Angie Holz	9/17
Jeffrey McPadden	9/1	Chris Surdez	9/17
Briana Waldner	9/1	Heather Nelson	9/18
Janet Andersen	9/2	Katelyn Burkman	9/19
Ruth Tieszen	9/2	Diana Albers	9/20
Brian Andersen	9/5	Ashley Olesen	9/21
Jeffrey Hansen	9/6	Luke Fiscus	9/22
Fern Fechner	9/7	Rylee Steuerwald	9/22
Luke Feeken	9/8	Sondrea Borth	9/23
Spencer Wegner	9/8	Emily Pillatzki	9/23
Sonja Hanson	9/9	Dave Schnabel	9/23
Anthony Surdez	9/9	Barb Swanson	9/24
Joy Nelson	9/10	Oaklynn Guischer	9/25
Krista Hanson	9/11	Lisa Hanisch	9/25
Justin Myers	9/11	Brayden Rust	9/27
Judy Richards	9/11	Jessica Green	9/28
Kara Shroll Blue	9/11	Janna Kloth	9/28
Doug Sieck	9/11	Abbey Erickson	9/29
April Boucher	9/15	Dan Larson	9/29
Dustin Guischer	9/15	Shelly Renken	9/29
Tom Hanson	9/15	Douglas Clark	9/30
Kelly Kruse	9/16		





# 2025



	SEPTEMBER 7	SEPTEMBER 14	SEPTEMBER 21	SEPTEMBER 28
<b>Upper Greeters:</b>	Michael Gross & Phoenix Gross	Bruce & Lynne Bonander	Alan & Ellen Schmidt	Kathy Reisenweber & Judy Richards
<b>Lower Greeters:</b>	Lowell & Mary Johnson	Jessica Gross & Acadian Gross	Scott & Sarah Rust	Ann Beesley & Sally Rosin
<b>Acolyte:</b>	Cannon Halsberma	Tucker Kiefer	Luke Fiscus	Ben Anderson
<b>Lectors:</b>	Mary Lee	Kenny Muller	Dennis Moritz	Will Kruse
<b>Children's Sermon:</b>	Pastor Josh Schunk	Pastor Josh Schunk	Pastor Josh Schunk	Pastor Josh Schunk
<b>Ushers:</b>	Ron & Jeanne Nelsen	Dale & Krista Hanson	Marvin Burkman & Gary Parker	Harlan & Linda Gjoraas
<b>Communion Servers:</b>	Larry & Ardell Johnson, Peggy Weber	NONE	Rick & Christy Johnson, Mabel Wilcox	NONE
<b>Communion Preparers:</b>	Heidi and Mike Schacht <b>Wed. Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> - Joel &amp; Beth Flier</b>	NONE	Heidi and Mike Schacht <b>Wed. Sept 17<sup>th</sup> - Joel &amp; Beth Flier</b>	NONE
<b>Communion Bread:</b>	Harley Drew	NONE	Harley Drew	NONE
<b>Nursery:</b>	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE
<b>Media:</b>	Lucas Maunu	David Vanden Hull	Dan Feeken	Corey Maunu
<b>Flags:</b>	Joel Flier	Hansel Family	Gary Parker	Joel Flier
<b>Church Bells</b>	Marvin Burkman	Marvin Burkman	Marvin Burkman	Marvin Burkman
<b>Offering Counting:</b>	Dan Feeken Kevin Backer	Kevin Backer Kelly Wright	Dan Feeken Marvin Burkman	Dale Hanson Dave Schnabel

**Note: If you are unable to serve on the date assigned or need to make changes to the schedule, swap dates with someone assigned to the same category and let Jacqui know at the church office email at [office@beavervalleylutheran.org](mailto:office@beavervalleylutheran.org) or call (605) 582-3504.**



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