

Mission: We are called to be Christ's Light...in all things we are committed to seeking & following God's will and not our own. Believe It! Live It! Come to it!

Sunday, October 4th 9:00 am OUTDOOR worship

Dress cozy, bring a chair and face covering and we'll safely warm each other up in a spirit of prayer and worship. Linda will again be present to play music.



Trick or Treat for the Hungry

Help stock the Barneveld Community Food Pantry!

Wednesday, October 21st

5:30pm-7pm

Confirmation students and parent/small group leaders will safely walk through town only picking up items left on front porches. Kids will NOT ring door bells or knock this year. You can also drop off items at BLC on October 21st.

High Demand items include:

sugar, salt, cereal, corn, peas, black beans, pasta, pasta sauce, tomato products, canned pasta, white rice, instant and boxed potatoes, Mac n cheese, canned fruit and juice, chunky & cream soups, crackers, T-paper, laundry

All Saints November 1st



November 1, 2020 we will celebrate All Saints Day. We will read names of the recently baptized and resurrected and light candles during worship. People are invited to submit names of loved ones you would like a candle lit for as we believe that they truly live with our Redeemer and all the saints!

**Please submit names to the church office
by**

Sunday October 25th

Email: barneveldlutheran505@gmail.com

Call Office 924-8621 or Marcia 574-8182



FAITH FORMATION NEWS!

Sunday School (K-4th grade) will be working on bible stories from home as we start the year. Packets and videos prepared by Megan and Alycia will be sent out shortly.

Confirmation class will begin in person Wednesday, October 7th in the building with small group leaders Gregg, Anne, Danielle, Jeff and Melissa.

Bridge students will meet online starting October 7th in small groups with Jay and Sateash.

If you have not registered for these programs yet, the sign-up can be found on our website.

Dear BLC Family,

I recently came across an article about someone who lived for 9 years above the Arctic Circle in Norway. When you get that far north, toward the end of November, the sun sinks below the horizon only to resurface again two months later. The two months of complete darkness is bookended by months of mostly darkness. This person was given three pieces of advice by someone born and raised there:

1. *Don't snooze your alarm clock in the morning.*
2. *Get outside and breathe in as much fresh air as you can, every day.*
3. *Be social.*

The author's point in the article was that as we head into our winter/dark time, nobody knows exactly what will happen with the pandemic, but that things will probably get worse before they get better. *We need to be mindful of each other especially now in these challenging days when the weather and darkness will force us in doors.*

Norwegians have a deep affinity for outdoor activity throughout the year...they've adapted to the conditions they find themselves. They also have a word for the concept of unpaid, voluntary, orchestrated community work: **dugnad**. It's from the old Norse word *duganor*, meaning "help" or "support." A *dugnad* could be, for example, an organized cleanup effort of the school grounds or cemetery or a barn-raising.



If there ever was a time to call upon the *dugnad* spirit within us, this might be the time. How do we actively think about, **ADAPT** and plan to look out for one another during the cold months ahead? What might be some safe, easily accessible, outdoor activities we can do spatially distanced? Who in our lives might appreciate some extra outreach via the phone or over a mug of hot chocolate? How will we share these ideas and opportunities with one another?

This fall and winter will not be easy for many of us.

How can our congregation help people stay active and connected in this time? Our church council is open to your ideas and input as we work together in the spirit of *dugnad*!

FAITH FORMATION NEWS!

Our little ones in Sunday School (K-4th grade) will be working on bible stories from home as we start the year. Megan and Alycia will record videos that our families will use along with activity packets when it works best for their family schedules. Confirmation class will begin in person (October 7th) in the building and Bridge students will meet online in small groups with Jay and Sateash. *We are grateful for all our Faith Formation Teachers and the time*



We are planning an outdoor service for **Sunday, October 4th at 9:00am**. Dress cozy, bring a chair and face covering and we'll safely warm each other up in a spirit of prayer and worship. Mark your calendars!

We continue to stream worship on Facebook on Sunday mornings at 9:00am (you don't need a FB account to tune in). Please stay connected to BLC through emails, Facebook, phone calls and newsletters. Let's utilize that advice as we adapt to these times: **Don't hit the snooze alarm, get outside and stay social!**

With you a Christian. For you a Pastor.

PJ