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A WORD FROM OUR PASTORAL STAFF

February is known to be the month of Love. What does that really mean? There are a lot of people who love to watch the big football game this month. There are probably more who love the food that is present at said game. Maybe we lean more to thinking about the love we have for our spouse. There is the obvious history of why we would refer to love during this month. None the less it brings our attention to the word "Love".

There are many words for love in the Greek language. I would like to point out three of them. Philia, Eros, and Agape. They can be defined as friendship, passionate and selfless love towards others. The greatest commandment as stated in Matthew 22 says to Love the Lord your God with all heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. The word being used here is Agape. We are to selflessly love God with everything we are. When we are able to love like this, love will spill into our friendships and our relationship with our spouse. When we Agape, we will Philia and Eros. So, this month let the focus of who you are be on Loving God with all that you are and watch how that love will spread to your other relationships.

~Pastor Josh Potter

Church Events

- Feb. 1 - Lunch Bunch
- Feb. 3 - Grandparent potluck
- Feb. 5 - House of Prayer
- Feb. 8 - GriefShare starts
- Feb. 13 - Grandparent Matters starts
- Feb. 17 - Game Night
- Feb. 18 - Church Night @ NNU Basketball
- Feb. 19 - Church Leadership Elections
- Feb. 20 - Office Closed
- Feb. 21 - 50-UP
- Feb. 26 - Kid Worship Service (evening)

Look what's happening...

If you missed the Sunday morning announcement, our Church Board extended an invitation to Pastor Derek Elkins from Casper, Wyoming to be our next Lead Pastor. Pastor Derek has accepted and his wife, Jessica and daughters, Marissa, Savannah & Emma, will be headed to Idaho in early March. They hope to sign on a house March 3, so be in prayer that transaction goes smoothly and that they have safe travels here. Be watching to see if they will need help moving in. Praising God for this next chapter in Bethel's history!

Lunch Bunch - We will meet in the Fellowship Hall on Feb. 1st at Noon. Bring a sack lunch. Call Bertie @ 208-800-7541 if you have any questions.

50-UP Feb. 21st @ 5:45pm - Entertainment this month will be Mangums Music. We will be serving Sweet Treats. Please sign-up at the Welcome Desk if you can come and if you need a ride.

Family Game Night - Friday, Feb. 17 @ 6pm - EVERYONE is invited to join in. Please bring a favorite game and a snack to share. We'll also have Pickleball and Corn Hole setup in the gym. Don't prefer games? Come for the fellowship!

Church Elections - Sunday morning, February 19
Plan now to help us elect our church leaders for the next church year. All members age 15 and older are encouraged to vote. If you are unsure if you are a member of Bethel, feel free to call the church office. A sample ballot will be available Sunday, February 12th.

Embrace Grace - our next class is scheduled to start Wednesday, March 1 @ 6:30pm. Embrace Grace is a ministry that helps moms that find themselves in an unexpected pregnancy find hope and compassion in the church. There is a 12 week bible study followed by a baby shower for each of the girls. Talk with Dedra Matson if you'd like to be a part of this ministry.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- **Safety Team: we need volunteers to help keep watch during Sunday/Wednesday services and special events. See Pastor Bob.**
- **Media Desk: we need volunteers to run the slides during 2nd service and anybody interested in helping with our Live Stream. See Eric Steiner or Lynn Nicholson.**
- **Fellowship Time: we need people to make coffee and serve and clean-up refreshments during Sunday fellowship. See Crystal Nielsen for that schedule.**

Heritage Builders

EQUIPPING & SUPPORTING GRANDPARENTS
IN THEIR BIBLICAL ROLE AS THEY LOVE &
INTERACT WITH THEIR GRANDCHILDREN



Grandparent Matters Class starts again!

Monday, February 13 from 6:30-8:00pm. The curriculum we will be studying is "Grandparenting Matters" and we will meet in the home of Bob & Sharon Pilkinton for 6 Mondays. Workbooks are \$7 each. Talk with Pastor Kym if you have questions.

Grandparent Ministry Potluck

We will be hosting a reunion potluck on Friday, February 3 at 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Come for this fun time of encouragement and fellowship and bring a main dish and side/dessert to share.

GriefShare starts Wednesday, February 8 from 6:30-8:30pm ~ Room 106

It may be hard for you to feel optimistic about the future right now. If you've lost a spouse, child, family member, or friend, you've probably found there are not many people who understand the deep hurt you feel. This can be a confusing time when you feel isolated and have many questions about things you've never faced before. GriefShare groups meet weekly to help you face these challenges and move toward rebuilding your life.

Workbooks cost \$20 each and sign-up is at the Welcome Desk. Childcare can be made available if you register ahead.