## **BETHANY ANNOUNCEMENTS 8-5-18**

**Altar Flowers Today –** are given to God's glory by Dan & Ruth Anderson in honor of their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**Vacation** – Janeen will be out of the office on vacation Aug.  $6 - 11^{th}$ . Please call the office if you have pastoral needs during this time.

**Hymn Note –** We were unable to find a copy of "All God's Critters Got a Place in the Choir," and Claudia is not familiar with it. Apologies to the person who requested it! We'll sing the communion hymn we did not get to last week.

The New Church Directory Proof – is posted in the narthex. Please proofread your information and either put a checkmark next to your (or your families') name if everything is correct or make corrections directly on the proof sheet. Please do not checkmark or make corrections for others.

**Church Picnic –** This is always a fun time of fellowship and yummy food, so mark your calendar for Sun. Aug. 19th following the worship service, which will be at 10:30. There are sign-up sheets in the narthex to help with set-up, clean-up, cooks, and what to bring.

**Food Bank Focus** – The "urgent need" for August is protein products. Often our undernourished clients are craving protein so badly that they come to our door begging for a jar of peanut butter. They sit on the steps with a plastic spoon and eat it immediately. Examples are: canned meats - tuna, chicken, spam; jerky; different cheese products; peanut butter, etc.

**Volunteers Needed:** The Food Bank has several openings at this time. It is so crucial that we have enough people to keep it open. Please ask yourself if you can squeeze out about 2 1/2 hours per month. Some positions are a lot less time than that. It's very rewarding work. See Cathy Keyes or call 253-847-5469.

School Supplies –As back to school sales come up, please buy a few things to fill the boxes in the narthex. Pat Ward is the point person for Bethel and the Eatonville Family Agency will distribute in Eatonville. Simple things like paper, pencils, and pens are needed for both districts, and Eatonville especially needs backpacks.

## First Reading, Psalm 78:23-29

<sup>23</sup>So God commanded the clouds above and opened the doors of heaven,

<sup>24</sup>raining down manna upon them to eat and giving them grain from heaven.

<sup>25</sup>So mortals ate the bread of angels; God provided for them food enough.

<sup>26</sup>The LORD caused the east wind to blow in the heavens

and powerfully led out the south wind, <sup>27</sup>raining down flesh upon them like dust and flying birds like the sand of the seas,

<sup>28</sup>letting them fall in the midst of the camp and round about the dwellings.

<sup>29</sup>So the people ate and were well filled, for God gave them what they craved.

## Second Reading, John 6:24-35

<sup>24</sup>When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were [beside the sea,] they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

<sup>25</sup>When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" <sup>26</sup>Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. <sup>27</sup>Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." <sup>28</sup>Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" <sup>29</sup>Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." 30So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? <sup>31</sup>Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" <sup>32</sup>Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. 33For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." 34They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

<sup>35</sup>Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."