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# Parish Visitor

Belfield Lutheran Church · Daglum Lutheran Church · Medora Lutheran Church

## From the Pastor

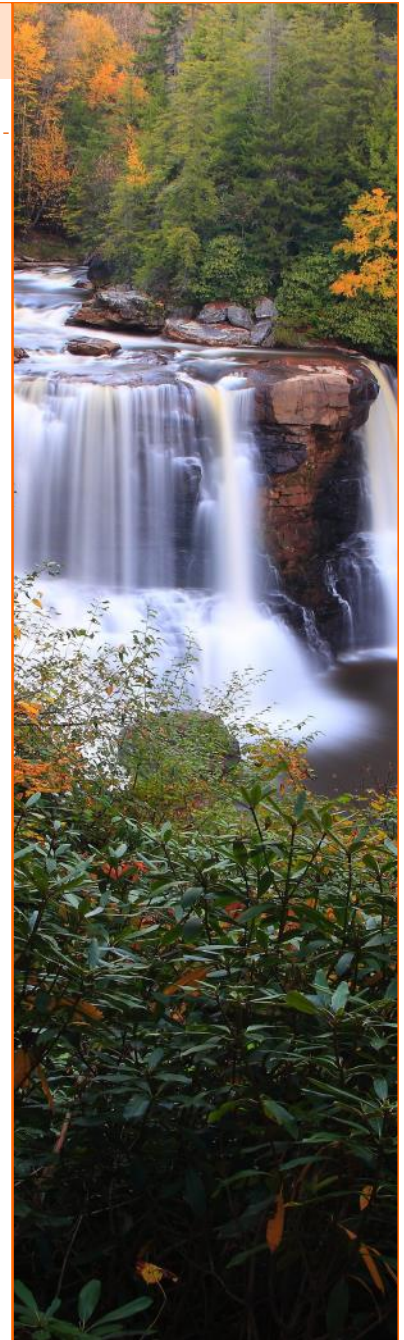
James 2:1-17 (God shows no favoritism)

Remember a big box of crayons with all the colors? Some were even colors I didn't know existed! Did you have a favorite color? Maybe your favorite color has changed over the years or maybe it has stayed the same. The favorites are easily recognizable. This box of crayons is one that contains crayons that are almost brand-new and others that are so short and stubby that they can barely still function as a crayon. They are all shapes and sizes and it becomes clear which are the favorites!

Are people that way? Who are your favorites? Do you choose them based on the way they dress or the way they look? Do you choose them based on their habits, their language, or their skills? Maybe you choose favorites because they think and look and act like you. James 2:1 states: "My brothers and sisters, do you, with your acts of favoritism, really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ?" as if to say, 'because it doesn't look like it! James calls partiality/favoritism a sin. James 2:9 "But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors."

Instead, Jesus reminds us to love ALL our neighbors. (Lev. 19:18, Matt. 19:19, Matt 22:39, Mark 12:31, James 2:8, etc.) Then, Jesus takes it one step further. In addition to "love your neighbor as yourself," Jesus says, "Love one another as I have loved you." (John 13:34-35) Not only are we to love others as we love ourselves (which can be great or not so good at times), we are commanded by Jesus to love others as God has loved us!

No matter the shape or size or color or ability or religion or lack of religion or any other differences of our neighbors, we are commanded to love all people following the example of Jesus. We can choose our favorite colors, and we might even have our favorite people, but showing no favoritism means we treat all people equally. When people are treated unfairly, James



### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Welca Fall Supper
- LYO
- First Holy Communion
- Baptism
- Sunday School

**Join us for the 2024 BLE Fall Supper October 6th, 4:30-7:00 PM**



tells us it doesn't look like we even believe in Jesus. (James 2:1)

It doesn't feel great when others are treated better, and I don't feel that great when others are treated worse than I am treated. However much we struggle as humans, the good news is that God shows no partiality!

- Acts 10:34: "In truth I perceive that God shows no partiality."
- Deuteronomy 10:17: "For the Lord your God is the God of gods and Lord of lords, the great, mighty, and awe-inspiring God, showing no partiality and taking no bribe"
- Ephesians 6:9: "There is no favoritism with him"
- Romans 2:11: "For there is no partiality with God"

Therefore, YOU ALL are God's *favorite!!*

*Then Peter began to speak: "I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism." Acts 10:34*







Ava Redig • Bailee Ross

Camree Kling • Chance Kling

Gus Tessier • Mason Schmidt

Rex Hugelen • Sutton Johnson

Join us on October 27th, 2024

as we celebrate with the

confirmation students

affirming their baptism at

Belfield Lutheran Church.



Belfield Lutheran Church

# FALL Supper

**6TH OCTOBER**

Free Will Offering

**4:30-7:00 PM**

SERVING MEATBALLS,  
MASHED POTATOES,  
SALADS & DESSERTS

**St. Bernard's Parish Center**  
3rd Ave NE  
Belfield, ND





*For the Lord your God is God of gods and Lord of Lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who shows no bribes.  
Deuteronomy 10:17*



## First Communion

Jett and Klansy Oe and Madison Schmidt



Congratulations to Jett and Klansy Oe and Madison Schmidt (Belfield) as they joined us at the Lord's table of Holy Communion, on September 9th, 2024.

Jett and Klansy are the children of Doug & Katie Oe, Madison is the daughter of Mike and Melissa Schmidt. Welcome to the Lord's Table





## 2024 LYO – OCTOBER

Register now for the 2024 LYO Youth Gathering featuring Matt Schur!  
The event will be held at the Ramada Inn in Bismarck.  
Please contact Pastor Dawn for more information and to register.

**High School**  
**October 17-18**

**Middle School**  
**October 18-19**



*And masters, treat your slaves in the same way. Do not threaten them, since you know that he who is both their Master and yours is in heaven, and there is no favoritism with him.*  
*Ephesians 6:9*



## *Congratulations to Jayd & Danyka Novak*

Jayd Novak & Danyka Malkowski were married in Minot, ND on September 6th, 2024.



Photography by Hannah Photography

## *Belfield Lutheran Altar Guild*

**Thank you to Carmen Waldo and Anna Ross**

**For Serving in September**

**Serving in October**

**Shelly Dukart and Barb Newton**

**Anyone Can Join the Altar Guild! See Jean Franklin for details.**

## *In Memory of....*

A Memorial Service for Bambi Mansfield, 62, of South Heart was held Friday, September 27, 2024 at Stevenson Funeral Home in Dickinson with Pastor Dawn Busch officiating.

Bambi passed away on Monday, August 26, 2024 in Denver, Colorado.



*May God's  
perpetual light  
shine upon her*



*For God does not show favoritism.  
Romans 2:11*

## *In our ongoing prayers...*

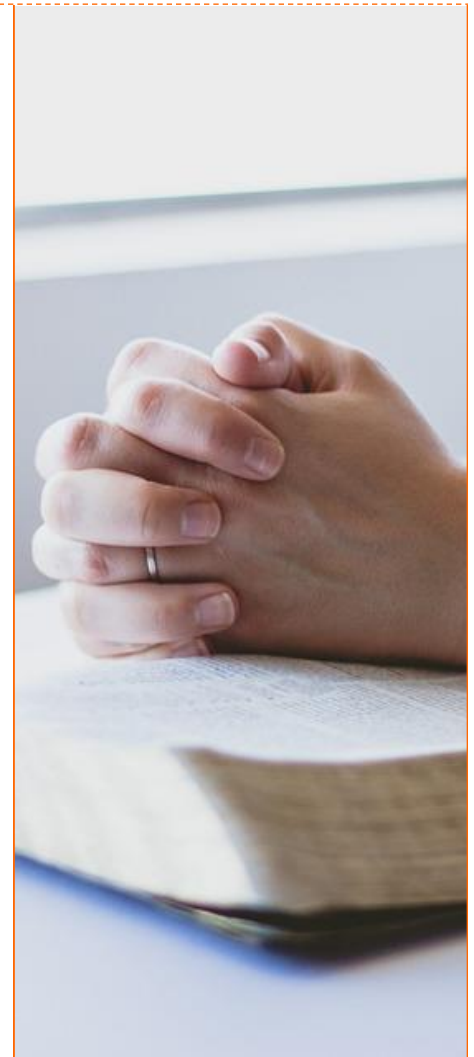
### *Remembering those in our prayers:*

**Remembering those in our prayers:** Family of Bambi Mansfield, Families of Violet & Conrad Olson, The Durgin triplets, Darren Hanson, Jean Franklin, Emma Hlibichuk, Bert Salo, Lynn Peterson, Christine Perrin, Denise Tibbs, Cody Northrop, Loren Bock, Randy Wolfram, Russell Sandaker, Randy Urban, Tom Adams, Duane Tessier, Madella Brinkman, Shirley Olson, Gerry Suomala, JoAnne Suomala, Mary Knotts, Shelly Dukart, Delores Roy, Cord Kessel, Halle Blain, Marilyn Oyhus, Mark Trechock, Craig McLaughlin, Josephine Shypkoski-Thompson, Mindy O'Brien, Johnny Syminow, Lincoln Lee Johnson,

Please continue to pray for those who have lost their jobs, those with mental illness, those seeking Sobriety, those struggling with infertility, all troops including PFC Cole Potter, and their families & those working for peace in our world.

### *Please help us keep this prayer list active.*

To add a loved one to the prayer list for next month's issue, please fill out a prayer request slip during worship, making sure to indicate your desire to have the request published in the newsletter, and place it in the offering basket or email us at [newsletter@belfieldlutheran.org](mailto:newsletter@belfieldlutheran.org)





# Baptism

Elowyn Shirley Mohler



We rejoice with Michelle Doughty and Jared Mohler as their daughter Elowyn was baptized September 8th in Belfield. Elowyn Shirley Mohler was born July 3, 2024 in Dickinson. Her baptismal sponsors are Jordan Hutzenbiler and Jesse Mohler.

*We welcome you into the Lord's family, Elowyn!*

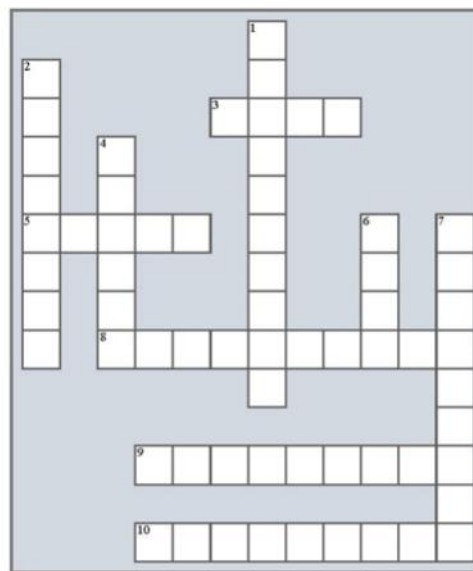
*My brothers and sisters, believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ must not show favoritism.  
James 2:1*

**Join us for  
Sunday School in  
Belfield!**

**9:15 a.m. Sundays at  
Belfield Lutheran  
Church**



## James 2:1-13 Crossword Puzzle



### Across

3. Lacks love
5. Triumphs over judgment
8. Disobey/Go astray
9. Teaches the royal law
10. What partiality is

### Down

1. Discrimination/Bias
2. Church
4. Lord/Anointed one
6. Unselfish benevolence
7. Misuse God's or Jesus' name



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## October 2024 Worship Schedule

6	8:30 a.m.	Medora Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Belfield Worship
	11:45 a.m.	Daglum Worship
13	8:30 a.m.	Medora Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Belfield Worship
20	8:30 a.m.	Medora Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Belfield Worship
	11:45 a.m.	Daglum Worship
27	8:30 a.m.	Medora Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Belfield Worship

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