

Pastor's Corner: Spreading the Good News
July 2024

How often do we share our experiences about a delightful restaurant, a fantastic shopping spot, or an incredible vacation destination with our friends and family? We eagerly recommend these places because we want others to experience the joy and satisfaction we have felt. Why not approach sharing about our church, Bethel Methodist Community Church, in the same way?

In the Bible, Jesus instructs us to spread the good news of the Kingdom of God. In Mark 16:15, Jesus says, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation." Similarly, in Acts 1:8, He tells His disciples, "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." These verses remind us of the importance of sharing our faith and the love of God with others.

Our church is a place where we experience God's love, grace, and community. It's where we gather to worship, learn, and support one another. Just as we want our loved ones to enjoy the best dining or travel experiences, we should desire for them to know the peace and joy that comes from a relationship with God and a supportive church family.

Imagine the impact we could have if each of us took the time to invite someone to our church. It doesn't have to be a grand gesture. A simple text message, a phone call, or a heartfelt conversation can be incredibly powerful. Let's be intentional in our efforts to share the wonderful experiences we have at Bethel Methodist Community Church.

I challenge each of you to invite someone to our church this week. There's no exact science to this approach nor is it only for leaders in the church. **It's simple: BE YOURSELF!** Reach out to a friend, a neighbor, or even a current member. Share with them what makes our church special to you. Be inviting, loving, and caring in your approach. Let's spread the good news and extend our church family. Together, we can make a significant difference in the lives of others by simply getting the word out.

In Christ,

+Pastor Ben