



**Beacon News**  
**July 25, 2021**



**Miracles**  
**by Walt Whitman**

Why, who makes much of a miracle?  
As to me I know of nothing else but miracles,  
Whether I walk the streets of Manhattan,  
Or dart my sight over the roofs of houses toward the sky,  
Or wade with naked feet along the beach just in the edge of the water,  
Or stand under trees in the woods,  
Or talk by day with any one I love, or sleep in the bed at night with any one I love,  
Or sit at table at dinner with the rest,  
Or look at strangers opposite me riding in the car,  
Or watch honey-bees busy around the hive of a summer forenoon,  
Or animals feeding in the fields,  
Or birds, or the wonderfulness of insects in the air,  
Or the wonderfulness of the sundown, or of stars shining so quiet and bright,  
Or the exquisite delicate thin curve of the new moon in spring;  
These with the rest, one and all, are to me miracles,  
The whole referring, yet each distinct and in its place.

To me every hour of the light and dark is a miracle,  
Every cubic inch of space is a miracle,  
Every square yard of the surface of the earth is spread with the same,  
Every foot of the interior swarms with the same.

To me the sea is a continual miracle,  
The fishes that swim—the rocks—the motion of the waves—the  
ships with men in them,  
What stranger miracles are there?



## [Our Church Calendar](#)

Our activities and events are linked below.

### **Sunday, July 25, 9:30 a.m. Worship**

We will continue to have our worship livestreaming on our YouTube Channel beginning at 9:25 a.m. The Prelude will begin at 9:25 a.m. You may view our worship live, or after as a recording here:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8eSD2DkUpaCDCwaqXnnrqw>

### **Monday, July 26, 9:30 a.m. Cover Girls quilting group**

### **Tuesday, July 27, 8:30 a.m. First Word for Men Bible Study**

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89315542297?pwd=Q0txRmFyK3k3d3BQQiJOYUZjN3NuUT09>

Meeting ID: 893 1554 2297

Passcode: 200544

### **Wednesday, July 28, 6:30 p.m. Finance Committee**

### **Sunday, August 1, 9:30 a.m. Worship**

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## [Ways to Connect and Share](#)



**On Sunday, August 8—we will have our Sunday Worship & Lunch together at Estabrook Park that day.** We will gather for worship at **10:30 a.m.** and follow worship with a BYO lunch or you can request a Boxed Lunch!. RSVP by calling the church office or [using this link here to RSVP](#) and to request a **Subway** Boxed Lunch for you and your loved ones. Please share the event created on your Facebook, too. Invite friends and family to join!



Help with Hephatha Lutheran's Summer Youth Work Program by bringing in individually wrapped, non-perishable snacks and drinks throughout July. Summer work program runs through August. Thank you! (Office hours Mon-Thurs 8am-2pm.)



### **Altar Flower Sign up is back!**

A sign-up form has been created to sign up just the same as if we were in our gathering area! There can be two names (or more if you email the office separately) for each week that flowers will be in the church. Click on the link below to go to the sign-up sheet and when we get close to the day of your donation, Kate will email you for a dedication to be in the Beacon for the week.

The cost of flowers is \$35. You may send a check to the office marked "Altar Flowers."

[Altar Flower Sign Up](#)



**This week altar flowers are given to the glory of God in honor of Sandy and Terry Johannes celebrating their 33<sup>d</sup> wedding anniversary!**



**We have a number of members who would love to hear from you! Each week we will publish the name and address of someone who is missing the fellowship of Bay Shore.**

Please send a card or email to let them know you care.

This week we are thinking of:  
**Mary Haker**  
**2816 W. Range Line Circle**  
**Mequon, WI 53092**



**Please keep in prayer:** We continue to remember the Martineau family. They have truly appreciated getting a meal twice a month prepared with love by us! See the link below to sign up. Wednesdays are the day that works the best for their family.

<https://mealtrain.com/v1n5ny> Please make sure and read the special instructions about food preferences, timing for delivery and so on.



For the next few weeks we are going to share

**Reflections on Gratitude** for Bay Shore.

Each week someone will share why they are grateful for Bay Shore. This week we hear from Joanne Bischmann.

**Joanne Bischmann, wife of Rob, mother of Max, Hank, Sam and Jack! (Daughter of Joe and Virginia Besasie)**



*This last year, while we have all been dealing with lock downs, face masks and zoom calls I tried to appreciate the good that came from it. A few of the things I came to appreciate were more people washing their hands, the awakening to flexible work schedules and take out from any restaurant – not just pizza and burgers. And while I missed the ritual and community of going to Bay Shore Lutheran Church’s building, I found that I suddenly felt more of the many hidden strengths and activities of Bay Shore. One of those “out of sight, out of mind” strengths is the Bay Shore Lutheran Church Foundation. The work of the Foundation is constant and their work is silently making a difference.*

*Here’s just a sampling of their efforts: funding building and maintenance repairs, purchasing music for the choir and books for Soup’R books, providing meals to Hephatha and supporting Vacation Bible school; planting trees in Sherman Park and contributing to Lutheran Campus Ministry projects. The list goes on and on. The Bay Shore Lutheran Church Foundation is a vital component of our life as a congregation. I’m grateful for the people who have contributed to it and those that support it with their time and talents.*



## Ways to Grow and Learn



### **Save the Date — Soup'R Books Discussion on September 19**

Soup'R Books — Bay Shore's book-discussion program — begins its eighth season this fall and will return to in-person meetings, including a shared meal prior to the book discussion. All are welcome to participate, without charge.

*(If you would prefer to participate virtually, please let Kate know at least 24 hours in advance, so arrangements can be made.)*

The first date is **Sunday, September 19 at 5 o'clock.**

*The Hate U Give*, by Angie Thomas.

After being a witness to a shooting, Starr, a black girl with a white boyfriend, struggles to navigate between the different worlds of her suburban school and her home neighborhood.

Also, save the date for another Soup'R Books Discussion on Sunday, November 14.

## Ways to Serve and Give



### **Share The Knowledge !**

Often, when people are damaging the environment, it is because they don't have the facts, or haven't considered a particular course of action. Share some of the ideas we have been sharing each week with your friends - if each of them takes on board just one point, the effect could

be immense. And if they share it on too, think of the mass chain reaction. Let's work together to make the world a better place.



**BAY SHORE HAS TEXT TO GIVE!**  
(855) 461-0194

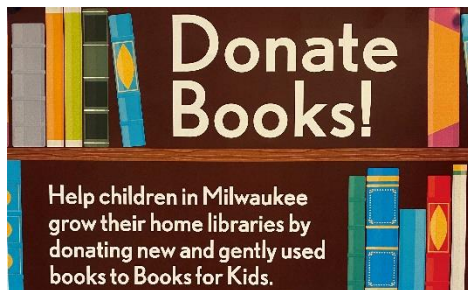
You can quickly and easily make a one-time or recurring donation to Bay Shore!

**OR, simply download the GivePlus app from your phone's app store and search for Bay Shore Lutheran Church.** You will then be all set to give whenever the time is right. When you download the app there are several areas where you can choose to give from the general fund to Hephatha appeals to Lutheran World relief! It's quick and EASY!



**How Amazon Smile program works:**

1. Open the Amazon app on your phone
2. Select the main menu (=) & tap on "AmazonSmile" within Programs & Features
3. Select "Bay Shore Lutheran Church" as your charity
4. Follow the on-screen instructions to activate AmazonSmile in the mobile app



**Next Door is celebrating the 30th birthday of Books for Kids.** For more than three decades, it has provided more than a million free books to countless children and their families. Next Door is an early childhood education ministry that been operating for over 50 years on two campuses, one on 29th St. and a second one at 60th and Capitol. We are hoping to collect at least three books per month for more than 1300 children next year. There is a book bin with

posters and stickers for children (and adults) who donate books. Books can be new or gently used and will be sanitized before chosen by children at Next Door. Thanks for your donations. Keep children reading!



**Mark Your Calendar: Ride Run Walk Registration NOW OPEN!**

*Join all of your friends on the morning of Saturday, September 25 for the Outreach for Hope 2021 Ride Run Walk (formerly the Family Bike Ride), and help FUNdraise \$150K for grants to central city congregations in the Greater Milwaukee Synod! Visit our website to learn more! [www.ofhrrw.org](http://www.ofhrrw.org) Pastor Sarah will be walking. Come along or sponsor Pastor.*

## Readings for Sunday, July 25, 2021

### **OLD TESTAMENT READING 2 Kings 4:42-44**

*Today's reading is part of a larger section of 2 Kings that describes the miracles of Elisha, the successor to Elijah. Here the prophet gives food to a hungry crowd. Though there is not enough food to go around, Elisha trusts God, who provides enough and even more to satisfy the need.*

<sup>42</sup>A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to [Elisha,] the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." <sup>43</sup>But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the LORD, 'They shall eat and have some left.'" <sup>44</sup>He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the LORD.

### **NEW TESTAMENT READING Ephesians 3:14-21**

*We have been rooted and grounded in the love of Christ, which surpasses all human knowledge. Because Christ dwells in our hearts, our lives are continuously strengthened and empowered by the ongoing presence of the Spirit.*

<sup>14</sup>For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, <sup>15</sup>from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. <sup>16</sup>I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, <sup>17</sup>and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. <sup>18</sup>I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, <sup>19</sup>and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

<sup>20</sup>Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, <sup>21</sup>to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen

### **GOSPEL READING John 6:1-21**

*In John's gospel, the miracles of Jesus are called "signs," because they reveal the true character of God. As such, they remain within the mystery of God and cannot be brought under human control.*

<sup>1</sup>Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. <sup>2</sup>A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. <sup>3</sup>Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. <sup>4</sup>Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. <sup>5</sup>When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" <sup>6</sup>He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. <sup>7</sup>Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." <sup>8</sup>One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, <sup>9</sup>"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so

many people?” <sup>10</sup>Jesus said, “Make the people sit down.” Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. <sup>11</sup>Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. <sup>12</sup>When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, “Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.” <sup>13</sup>So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. <sup>14</sup>When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, “This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.”

<sup>15</sup>When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

<sup>16</sup>When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, <sup>17</sup>got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. <sup>18</sup>The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. <sup>19</sup>When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. <sup>20</sup>But he said to them, “It is I; do not be afraid.” <sup>21</sup>Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

[Click here](#) to see our Order of Worship including all readings, to be used at home while watching the services on our YouTube Channel. You can also save some paper and use this on your smart device as well if you attend in person.

## Stay in Touch



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