

BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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✝ Ministers: All the People of Bethany ✝
Pastors: Casey Zesch, Kevin Haug, & Ray Tiemann
Children, Youth & Family Director: Kiesha Priem
3rd Sunday of Advent ✝ December 15, 2024

INFORMATION FOR TODAY: (1) A **Cry Room** is available in the back of the sanctuary for Traditional Worship. A **Nursery** is located upstairs in Room 208 for parents & children (No Attendant). Worship is live-streamed in the nursery. (2) Children's bulletins & activity bags (take & return to rack), & home devotionals are available. (3) **Offerings are collected in Offering boxes at the entrances. We do not pass an offering plate.**

KEEP IN PRAYERS: Larry Ahrens, Jeanette Beckmann, Florine Bruns, Donald Eckhardt, Helen Feller, Audrey Gold, Bev Hernandez, Nic Jones, Dorothy Klier, Charles Kuenemann, Jordan Nimitz, Kiesha Priem, Madeline Sagebiel, Mike Sagebiel, Jarrod Stokes, Stacey York, Korey Zenner.

ANNUAL REPORTS from Committees and Organizations are due by December 22nd (non-financial reports). Please email information to Layne at layneblc@gmail.com

BELLS TROOPS will gather this Thursday, December 19th.

December Special Offering: Emergency Aid Fund

Bethany's Emergency Aid Fund allows us to help locals as well as strangers in their time of need with food, gas, rent, utilities, & other necessities. If you'd like to contribute, please place a check, made payable to Bethany, in the December Special offering envelope, or in a pew envelope. Please mark checks "Emergency". Thank you much for your support.

MATCHING GRANT: The Hal & Charlie Peterson Foundation offers \$100k matching funds for businesses (not individuals) that donate to our Preschool Building Fund. If you or someone you know has a business that could make a donation, contact financial secretary Becky Dittmar, campaign chair Jody Donovan, or a pastor.

CHURCH TO CHURCH WALK: Thursday, December 19th. Walk will begin at Zion Lutheran Church at 6:00pm. Then proceed to Bethany, Holy Ghost, & St. Mary's

Festival of Christmas, Tuesday, December 24th

Candlelight Services with Communion

2:00pm Traditional in Sanctuary

5:00pm Traditional in Sanctuary
w/ chancel & bell choir

7:30pm Praise & Worship in Fellowship Hall
w/ Agape Road

Christmas Day: No Services

Community Dinner at Holy Ghost, Dec 25th, 11:00am-1:00pm. RSVP by December 19th, 830-997-2288. See Flyer at the door for more information. Interested in volunteering? Fill out the flyer & leave it on Layne's office door.

Sunday after Christmas, December 29th

10:30am, One Combined Service – sanctuary
(No Breakfast Bar or Sunday School)

THANK YOU to everyone who participated in the **Christmas journey**. Whether you helped set up or breakdown scenes, direct traffic, serve as an actor, or provided food: **YOU ARE APPRECIATED!!** We can't do it without you.

GriefShare begins January 9th. Class sessions will be each Thursday at 10:00am. 14 session program will end April 10th. Contact Pastor Ray or the church office for more information: churchofficeblc@gmail.com
830-997-2069

No Breakfast Bar or Sunday School

December 22nd, December 29th, or January 5th.

Adult Bible School & Transition class will still meet.

Third Sunday of Advent, December 8, 2024

8:15 Traditional Worship – includes livestream
9:00 Breakfast Bar
9:15 Sunday School & Adult Classes
10:30 Praise & Worship – Includes livestream
10:30 Traditional Worship in Sanctuary

Mon Dec 16	Facebook Morning Prayer
Tue Dec 17	9:00 Staff meeting 4:00 Faith Foundations 5:15 Bell Choir 6:00 Church Council
Wed Dec 18	11:00 Fellowship Hall Reserved 2:00 Capital Campaign
Thur Dec 19	8:00 Bells Troops 9:15 Preschool Chapel 4:30 Chancel Choir 6:00 Church to Church Walk – starts at Zion
Fri Dec 20	
Sat Dec 21	
Sun Dec 22	8:15 Traditional Worship – includes livestream No Breakfast Bar or Sunday School 10:30 Praise & Worship – Includes livestream 10:30 Traditional Worship in Sanctuary

WORSHIP LEADERS

Worship Leaders: Pastor Casey Zesch & Pastor Kevin Haug

Organists / Pianists: Marjorie Ottmers, Annabel Wilkinson

Chancel Choir Director: Chrissy Stuewe **Bell Choir Director:** Alicia Elrod

Praise & Worship Leader: Matt White

P&W Leader: Beth Luckenbach **Kids Sermon:** Beth Luckenbach