

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

4th Sunday after Epiphany ✝ January 29, 2023

INFORMATION FOR TODAY: (1) A **Cry Room** is available in the back of the sanctuary for Traditional Worship. (2) Children's bulletins & activity bags (take & return to rack), hearing aids, & home devotionals are available. (3) **Offerings are collected in Offering boxes at the entrances. We do not pass an offering plate.**

KEEP IN PRAYERS: Carol Eckhardt, Audrey Gold, Heide Kemper, Bobby Klein, Vonnie Maner, Donna Mittel, Mike Myers, Vic Nixon, Ron Kunz, & Robert Wolf.

THANK YOU: The Women of the ELCA thank Bethany congregation for its support for the Fair Trade product sales over the last few years. The money raised sent quilts and other supplies around the world. Thank you for your generosity, and we may resume that program at a later date.

MINISTRY OF THE WEEK: Fredericksburg Church

January Special Offering: Der Stadt Friedhof

Der Stadt Friedhof Cemetery is overseen by a board of representatives from Bethany, Zion, & Holy Ghost Lutheran Churches. Bethany representatives are Max Beckmann & Ralph Rode. If you wish to contribute, you may use your Special offering envelope or a pew envelope, and make checks payable to Bethany Lutheran – noted "Cemetery".

Shoe Collection

Have you cleaned out your closet lately? Your unused shoes have value! The Fbg United Methodist Youth Mission Team is collecting gently worn, used and new shoes to help fund their summer mission trip to rural Alaska. They're looking for all types of shoes: sneakers, boots, dress shoes, sandals, athletic shoes, Crocs, cleats, casual shoes - any pair of shoes without tears or holes is usable! Every pair you donate turns into funds for the mission trip, is kept out of landfills and the shoes get a second life with those in need in developing countries. A donation box is located in the Bethany Narthex. Thank you for your support!

Bethany Youth Led Service Today

Join us in the Fellowship Hall at 10:30am, Sunday January 29th for a Praise & Worship service planned, coordinated, & led by Bethany Youth members.

ALL COMMITTEE MEETING, FEBRUARY 5th

Would you be willing to commit to one year of service via committee organization & planning? If so, we'll have a meeting for committees in the Fellowship Hall, Sunday February 5th at 11:45. We'll share info & discuss 2023.

NEW MEMBER CLASSES: A "Discovery Bethany" lunch and class is scheduled for February 12th after worship and "Discover Lutherans" on February 19th. More info to come!

FIRST COMMUNION CLASS will be Sunday, April 2nd from 11:45-3pm. Children 4th grade and older may attend. They'll have their First Communion at the Maundy Thursday evening service on April 6th at 7:00pm. Kids will plan on baking bread during Sunday School on March 26.

Grief Share on Thursdays

GriefShare classes are every Thursday. Participants meet at either 10:00am or 6:00pm in room 207. For information, contact the church office.

TOWN HALL MEETING POSTPONED

The Council and Preschool-Building-related committees want to consider a feasibility study for a community capital campaign and bring that information to the congregation at a Town Hall meeting. They, therefore, are postponing next Sunday's town hall meeting until they have more information to share on feasibility.

Library Close Out: Books

Since it is rarely used, we will be closing our small church library in the triple room, #207. Please feel free to take & keep any books you might enjoy.

Church Council Installed

Today at the 10:30 services we will introduce the 2023 Church Council.

2023 Council Members are:

Dave Brown	Tim Dahlstrom	Deanna Christensen
Brenda Doerre	Becky Dittmar	Lyle Johansen
Katie Jung	Sheila Donovan	Troy Ottmers
Mike Stolpe	Danny Flink	Eileen Whited

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany, January 29, 2023

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
11:45 Youth Bowling – Middle School & High School

Mon Jan 30	Facebook Morning Prayer
Tue Jan 31	9:00 Staff Meeting
Wed Feb 1	4:00 Jumpstart 5:00 Confirmation
Thur Feb 2	9:15 Preschool Chapel 9:30 Leah Circle 10:00 GriefShare Class 4:00 Faith Foundations 4:30 Chancel Choir 6:00 GriefShare Class
Fri Feb 3	
Sat Feb 4	
Sun Feb 5	All Committee Meeting 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 11:45 All Committee Meeting

WORSHIP LEADERS

Worship Leaders: Pastor Ray Tiemann & 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: Bethany Youth **Kids Sermon:** Bethany Youth

Summertime Fun! Please contact Kiesha about registration Info. Day Camp Info not available yet.

- o Middle School at Rainbow Trail June 10-17
(current 6th-7th grade)
- o High School at Rainbow Trail July 8-15
(current 8th-12th grade)
- o 2nd-5th Grades at Camp Chrysalis July 23-28
- o Day Camp @Bethany July 31-Aug 4

T-SHIRT FUNDRAISER

Bethany will be selling T-Shirts with the church logo and mission statement printed on them.

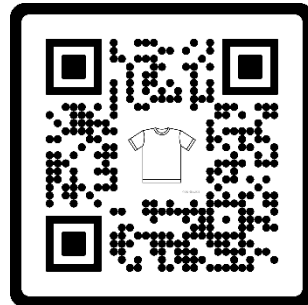
\$20 Short Sleeve,

\$27 Long Sleeve.

Use the QR Code.

Online orders only.

All money raised will help our youth attend Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp & Camp Chrysalis.



Yard Hearts return in February. Use the link for more information, or check out the February newsletter.

First Bibles will be presented on Palm Sunday

April 10th, to our 2 year olds and 3rd graders. The 3rd grade Bibles will be displayed outside of the Fellowship Hall, starting March 27th, for people to hi-light and share their favorite verses with the kids. This is a way to celebrate God's story with each other and for the kids to know that they are a part of something much bigger than themselves.

2 year olds are:

Reagan Doerre
Finley McCall
Brylee Pape
Ladd Ristau
Hattox Villatoro

3rd Graders:

Klara Atkins
Stanton Cantwell
Grayson Durst
Mia Fowler
Bryant Gold
Keaton Gold
Wade Giles
Ezra Graham
Calen Holland
Chase Lombardi
Kinsley Magee
Alayna Pape
Ravis Parker
Callie Rabke
McKenzie Robison
Boen Stone
Abigail Warriner

If you do not see your child on this list, please contact the church office! Sometimes our records are not complete.