

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
5th Sunday of Easter ✝ May 18, 2025

INFORMATION FOR TODAY: (1) A **Cry Room** is available in the back of the sanctuary for Traditional Worship. A **Nursery** is located 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: Florine Bruns, Allan Buchmeier, Oliver Deike, Kelly Dooley, Donald Eckhardt, Audrey Gold, Nic Jones, Logan Ketron, Jackie Kneese, Pr. Clarence Rose, Kelly Urbanec, Brandi Welgehausen, & Korey Zenner.

OUR SYMPATHY to Zander & Vonnice Maner upon the passing of Barbara Maner. Funeral was yesterday.

OUR SYMPATHY to Michele Willis upon the passing of her step-father, Charlie Masters.

OUR SYMPATHY to Donna Mittel upon the passing of her mother, Helen Brucks.

May Special Offering: Cross Trails Ministry

Our SWT Synod's Lutheran camping program is called "Cross Trails Ministry" and includes Camp Chrysalis (Kerrville), Ebert Ranch Camp (Harper), as well as many off-site and congregational programs for children, youth, and adults.

This monthly offering goes towards programming, April's offering was for capital improvements. Bethany has been a supporter of these camping ministries for decades, not only through financial gifts but through several work projects on site. To make a special offering, simply use the envelope in your member packet or a pew envelope on Sunday mornings. Please make checks to "Bethany Lutheran Church" noted "Cross Trail."

Last Breakfast Bar & Sunday School classes of the Spring will be today.

We will recess for the summer & return in August.
(Adult & Transition classes will continue into the summer)

Congratulations 2025 Graduates

Join us as we recognize Bethany's graduating Seniors, and bless them as they move to the next phase of their journey.

Brieanna Cruz
Bryson Durst
Kirsten Hartmann

Gage Collier
Calvin Grobe

BACCALAUREATE SERVICE for graduating Seniors will be this evening at 6:00pm, Holy Ghost Lutheran Church. Grads arrive at 5:15pm w/ graduation robe.

Upcoming Events:

May 26: Memorial Day (church office & Preschool closed)

June 1: WELCA All Circle Luncheon

June 7: Middle School Youth depart for Rainbow Trail

June 8: Pentecost Sunday – Wear Red

A Potluck Meal will follow late services in the Fellowship Hall



Fried Chicken will be provided through the Fellowship team. Please bring a side or dessert.

We will also recognize Bethany's graduates. There are gift baskets in the hallway to leave gifts or cards if you would like.

Youth Fundraiser: If you plan on going to the Crawfish Festival on Friday May 23rd or Saturday May 24th, the youth will be selling parking spaces in the Bethany parking lot. Parking is by donation, with a suggested donation of \$15. Thanks for your support.

Group Texts on Hold: Sorry for the inconvenience. Our texting app is no longer available. We are researching options & will have church group texts/notices returning soon.

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Recognition of Graduates

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
 11:45 Potluck Meal – Fellowship Hall
 6:00 Baccalaureate at Holy Ghost

Mon May 19	Facebook Morning Prayer
Tue May 20	9:00 Staff Meeting 10:00 Pastors Deanery 6:15 Church Council
Wed May 21	9:00 Ruth Circle 11:00 Fellowship Hall Reserved
Thur May 22	9:15 Preschool Chapel 4:30 Chancel Choir 5:30 Hennig Committee
Fri May 23	FISD High School Graduation Newsletter Deadline Parking Lot Closed – Crawfish Festival
Sat May 24	Parking Lot Closed – Crawfish Festival
Sun May 25	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 2:00 Fellowship Hall Reserved

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: Erik Iverson **Kids Sermon:** Beth Iverson