

Bethany Lutheran Church

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September 2023



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Note from the Pastor:

I hope you have had a good summer. As we enter into September, we return to Fall routines. Vacations are over and Fall sports begin. Soon school will start and kids and grandkids get into a schedule. I hope you have had wonderful summer busy with travel, or quiet times enjoying the long days of sunlight.

Now that September is here, I hope you will plan to continue to be part of the ministry we share at Bethany Lutheran. Rally Sunday will be Sunday September 17. We will gather for worship at 9:00 AM and we will be wrestling with what does God's New Testament say to us right here and right now.

Children's Sunday School will begin on October 1 from 10:00 to 10:45 AM. Kids age 3 to 5th grade are welcome to learn Bible Stories that tell about God's amazing love for us.

As we enter into Fall, we have the chance to renew those Spiritual practices that give us life. I look forward to seeing you in worship and in Sunday School. Make Bible reading and prayer a part of your life. If you haven't read scripture in a while, restart your Bible reading by starting with the Gospel of Mark (the shortest Gospel). Reading Mark, you get reminded of Jesus' ministry, from Jesus' baptism by John the Baptizer to the story of the Resurrection on Easter.

We believe that God is still acting in our world. We are renewed in our faith when we hear God's word spoken and when we seek to live it out.

May God bless you this Fall.

Pastor Chris

September 2023

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | | 1 | 2 |
| 3 9:00 AM Worship Svc w/Holy Communion 10:00 AM Fellowship Pastor Chris | 4 | 5 9:00 AM Quilting & Prayer Shawls | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 5:00 PM BBQ 6:00 PM Outdoor Worship Svc w/Holy Communion Pastor Carl |
| 10 | 11 | 12 9:00 AM Quilting & Prayer Shawls | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| 17 9:00 AM Worship Svc 10:00 AM Men's Pancake Breakfast Rally Sunday Pastor Chris | 18 | 19 9:00 AM Quilting & Prayer Shawls 6:00 PM Church Council Meeting | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| 24 9:00 AM Worship Svc 10:00 AM Fellowship/Confirmation Class Pastor Carl Food Shelf Sunday | 25 | 26 9:00 AM Quilting & Prayer Shawls | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |

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Team Bushinger: Darren & Lynn Bushinger, Bruce Ford, Leone Johnson, Carla Fritz-Wolff, Mark & Mary Schlangen, Norma Pantzke, Florence Jones, Darline Molde, Irene Oldenburg

October 2023

Team Richmond: Wendy Richmond, Mike LuConic, Chuck & Char Stockman, Randy & Janet Beinhorn, Joanie Miller, Steve Ahlrich & Barb Anderson, Bob Miller & Becky Wetch, Dorothy Radke, Synde Dehmer



Sep 5th Glen & Theresa Welters
Sep 6th John & Phyllis Nelson
Sep 8th Don & Heddie Wolbeck
Sep 8th Lucas & Tania Hendrickson
Sep 29th Jerry & LaRaine Blomker

Sep 2nd Garrett Olson
Sep 2nd Jackie Wiherski
Sep 7th Ethan Petersen
Sep 10th Amanda Bramstedt
Sep 12th Hunter Richmond
Sep 12th Carol Larson
Sep 16th Florence Jones
Sep 18th Elliott Oberton
Sep 23rd Wendy Richmond
Sep 26th Tom Bjorge

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Sunday School: Bethany's Sunday School will start with a special church service on Sunday, September 17 at 9:00. Regular Sunday School will then be held the first and third Sundays of every month starting on October 1st, from 10:00-10:45 am. Kids age 3 to grade 5 are welcome at Sunday School to learn Bible stories that tell about God's amazing love for us!

Confirmation: Bethany Confirmation classes are for grades 5-7 and will begin on Sunday, September 24th. The area of concentration for study for the 2023 - 2024 year will be the New Testament. Classes meet after the church worship service on the second and fourth Sundays of the month. Please let the church office know if your son or daughter will participate in the 2023/24 confirmation class. All are welcome!

Vacation Bible School 2023 was a wonderful celebration of Jesus' light and love. The theme was "Stellar, Shine Jesus' Light", and was filled with powerful Bible stories, great music, awesome experiments to learn about our world, fun games, and of course, great food. 36 children attended this year, as well as many, many helpers. We collected \$209.30 for local food shelves. A great week, indeed! Thanks to everyone who helped make it happen!

Men's Pancake Breakfast: will begin again on September 17, after the worship service.

Outdoor Worship: The final Outdoor Worship Service for 2023 will be on September 9, with a BBQ at 5:00 PM and the service at 6:00 PM. Bring a lawn chair. There will be no Sunday Worship Service on September 10.