

Prayer Page

Thanksgiving

- Advent Season

Entrusting into God's Care

- Persecuted Christians and refugees
- Those suffering after the storm and during the pandemic
- The homeless & the unemployed
- Workers in the Church, at Bethany and throughout the World

Healing

- Carol Grimminger - hospitalization
- Carl (relative of Bonnie Bubke) - health issues
- Janet (mother of Jennifer Shoemaker)- recovering after surgery
- Marlys Jaspersen - recovering after fall
- Burt & Jan (friends of Bonnie Bubke) - health issues
- Charlotte (granddaughter of Karen Swalley) - health issues
- Cindy Broadwater - recovering after surgery
- Tracy Donels - recovering after surgery
- Emily Kroemer - back pain
- Ryan Urban - recovering after surgery
- Marcia (mother of M Rinderknecht & E Heller) - health issues
- Lee Rathje - broken wrist, recovering after fall
- Sharon Ramsey - recovering after surgery
- Faye Sieck - recovering after hospitalization
- Dale Stonewall - recovering at home after surgery

Shut-Ins

- Candi Engel - Garnet Place

Mourning

- Randy (friend of John Hamm) - died 12/12
- Fred Schuchmann - died 12/11
- Pastor Dana (brother of Melissa Loney) - died 11/25

Serving Our Country

- Ben - serving in the Iowa National Guard
- Mitchell & Benjamin (relatives of Schoens & Amy Smith)- serving in the U.S. Navy
- Tailor & Charlie (grandsons of Kim Neuhaus) - serving in U.S. Armed Forces
- Harrison (son of Rob & Faye Sieck) - serving in U.S. Armed

Servants of Worship

	Sunday, December 19	Sunday, December 26
Elder	Jim Novitch	Phil Hedtke
Ushers (8:30)	Dave Karsten, Pete Larson	Ed Schumacher
Ushers (11:00)	Dick & Karen Hass	Dave Johnson
Lector (8:30)	Rick Foreman	Mark Bornemann
Lector (11:00)	Lissa Novitch	David Johnson
Video (8:30)	Jeff Gebert	Chris Frampton
Video (11:00)	Mike Diers	Michelle Hedtke
Sound (8:30)	Ken Cook	Ken Cook
Sound (11:00)	Darin Elm	Phil Hedtke
Acolyte (8:30)	Kellen Volden, Jackson Rinderknecht	Tristan Bond, Ella Bricker
Acolyte (11:00)	Carter Kirkpatrick, Taylor Theriault	Conner Kirkpatrick, Camden Brusius
Coffee	Melinda Crow	Bill & Tina Freese

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December 19, 2021
Fourth Sunday in Advent
8:30 a.m. Service

Living and Sharing God's Love

Order of Service

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn

Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending LSB #336

Invocation, Confession and Absolution

Introit Luke 1 & I Samuel 2

Kyrie, Salutation and Collect of the Day

Old Testament Reading Micah 5:2-5a

Epistle Reading Hebrews 10:5-10

Alleluia

Holy Gospel Luke 1:39-45

Nicene Creed

Hymn of the Day

The Angel Gabriel Came from Heaven LSB #356

Sermon

Prayers of the Church

Preface, Sanctus

Lord's Prayer, The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini, Agnus Dei

Distribution

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel LSB #357

Now Tell Us, Gentle Mary Phil Hedtke

O Little Town of Bethlehem LSB #361

Nunc Dimittis, Thanksgiving

Farewell and Godspeed to the Crow Family

Salutation and Benedicamus, Benediction

Closing Hymn

Tell Out My Soul, the Greatness of the Lord LSB #935

Notes and Announcements

A **Children's Christmas Program** will take place today at 4:30 p.m. After the program, celebrate with us at a "Birthday Party for Jesus" in the Family Life Center.

Advent Midweek Services "Advent Answers to Hard Questions" are held on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. Last week's Blue Christmas service was postponed due to weather and will be held this Wednesday, December 22. We will look into the question, "Why Would Jesus Cry?" Before service (5:45-6:45) Stephen Ministers will serve a meal in the Family Life Center.

Christmas Eve services will be held at 4:30 p.m. and 11:00 p.m. (communion at 11:00) on Friday, December 24.

Christmas Day service with communion will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, December 25.

Christmas Giving - The Women's Guild is distributing Christmas gifts (Hy-Vee gift cards) to bless Bethany members. Please consider contributing to your fellow members at Christmas by placing your donation in the offering plate in the back of the sanctuary marked "LWML Christmas Giving."

Angel Tree - Thank you to everyone who participated! Angel Tree gifts were distributed to families last week.

Food Pantry - Current items needed are toilet paper, paper towels, liquid hand soap, laundry detergent, tissues, and shampoo. The donation table is located outside the sanctuary.

Prayer Partnership - If you have signed up to be part of a prayer partnership, please check your email early each week throughout the season of Advent. For more details, contact Jim Novitch, Ronda Anderson, or Pastor Erickson.

Our Calendar This Week

Sunday
8:30 am Divine Service (Traditional) w/ Comm
9:45 am Adult Bible Study - FLC
9:45 am Sunday School - Lower Level
11:00 am Divine Service (Contemporary) w/ Comm
1:00 pm Food Pantry Open
4:30 pm Children's Christmas Program

Monday 10:00 am Women's Small Group - Mr. Beans

Tuesday 6:30 pm Handbell Practice

Wednesday
5:45 pm Advent Meal
6:00 pm Confirmation Class
7:00 pm Blue Christmas Service

Thursday 9:00 am Adult Bible Study

Friday
4:30 pm Service of Lessons and Carols
11:00 pm Service with Communion

Saturday 10:00 am Service with Communion

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Notes

Church Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.