

Prayer Page

Thanksgiving

- Carol Grimminger - recovered after surgery

Entrusting into God's Care

- Persecuted Christians and refugees
- Those suffering after storms and during the pandemic
- Peace in Europe and throughout the world
- Project 24 students, Yvonne and Lorine

Healing

- Dave Johnson - upcoming surgery 3/13
- Karen Swalley - recovering after surgery
- Lora Raymon - recovering after surgery
- Doug Knutson - immunotherapy treatment
- Bonnie Bubke - personal issues
- Mary Jean (mother of Greg Dunn) - recovering after surgery
- Jill (cousin of Karen Pfeffer) - recovering after heart transplant
- Elaine Cook - recovering after hospitalization
- Kathy (sister of Mark Holt) - recovering after lung transplant
- Philip Hackbardt - back pain
- Del Block - health issues
- Chuck Stoelting - recovering at Cottage Grove after fall
- Kim Neuhaus - recovering at home after surgery
- Rick Foreman - recovering at home after fall
- Pat Krekeler - recovering at home after hospitalization
- Deb Heitland - health issues
- Ethel Dohrmann - cancer treatment
- Candi Engel - recovering at Heritage Care Center
- Stephen Stepanek - brain cancer treatment
- Abi Clark - health issues

Homebound

- Shirley Kellogg - Terrace Glen Village, Marion

Mourning, friends and family of

- Melba Davison - died 2/28
- Jerry (father of Missy Gingrich) - died 2/12
- Mike (brother-in-law of Rick Foreman) - died 2/1

Serving Our Country

- Mitchell & Benjamin (relatives of Schoens & Smiths) - US Navy
- Harrison (son of Siecks) - US Army, deployed to Poland
- Jordan (grandson of Kim Neuhaus) - National Guard, deployed

Chancel Flowers are given by Shari Mehlhoff in memory of Mark Mehlhoff's birthday.

Servants of Worship

	Sunday, March 5	Sunday, March 12
Elder	Phil Hedtke	Mark Elias
Usher (8:30)	Pete Larson, Randy Schmith	Dave Karsten
Usher (11)	Dick & Karen Hass	Darrell Chiavetta
Greeter (8:30)	Pete & Kris Larson	Randy & Joni Schmith
Greeter (11)	Karen Schmidt & Rita Tiedt	Colby & Janine Schmitt
Lector (8:30)	Rick Thorington	Mark Elias
Lector (11)	Lori Dohrmann	Karen Swanson
Video (8:30)	Chris Frampton	Greg Dunn
Video (11)	Greg Dunn	Greg Dunn
Sound (8:30)	Darin Elm	Ken Cook
Sound (11)	Aaron Moffett	Phil Hedtke
Acolyte (8:30)	Landon Oja	Alex Theriault
Acolyte (11)	Madison Rinderknecht	Camden Brusius
Nursery (11)	Rebecca Ballstaedt & Brooke Oja	Erin Heller & Natalie Heller
Coffee	Kirkpatrick	Freese

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“Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.”

John 3:3

March 5, 2023
Second Sunday in Lent
8:30 a.m. Service

Living and Sharing God's Love

Order of Service

Divine Service Setting III (pg. 184)

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn

The God of Abraham Praise LSB #798 (1, 4, 6, 7, 9)

Invocation, Confession and Absolution

Introit Psalm 105

Kyrie, Salutation and Collect of the Day

Old Testament Reading Genesis 12:1-9

Gradual

The Lamb Handbell Ensemble

Epistle Reading Rom. 4:1-8, 13-17

Verse

Holy Gospel John 3:1-17

Nicene Creed

Hymn of the Day

O God, Our Help in Ages Past LSB #733 (vv. 1-6)

Sermon

Prayers of the Church

Preface, Sanctus

Lord's Prayer, The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini, Agnus Dei

Distribution

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus Handbell Ensemble

O Lord, We Praise Thee LSB #617

Salvation Unto Us Has Come LSB #555 (1, 2, 6, 9, 10)

Nunc Dimittis, Thanksgiving

Salutation and Benedicamus, Benediction

Hymn

Jerusalem, My Happy Home LSB #673

Notes and Announcements

Lent at Bethany - Midweek services are held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays in Lent. The theme for our midweek services this year is *You Meant It For Evil, But God Meant It For Good*. Meals are served at 6:00 p.m. before each service.

Interested in becoming a church member at Bethany? Or would you like to learn more about the Christian faith? **Christian Faith Class** will meet on Thursdays at 7:00-8:30 p.m. starting March 23. All are welcome to attend. Please sign up at the Welcome Center. For more information about the class, contact Pastor Erickson.

Men's Bible Study will meet at Lucky's on 16th for breakfast this Wednesday, March 8 at 6:15 a.m.

Join us for the **LWML Cedar Rapids Zone Spring Servant Event** at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church (Iowa City) on April 1. Arrive at 8:30 a.m. for registration followed by lunch and the program. The ingathering will be newborn care packages for Bridgehaven Pregnancy Support Center. If you plan to attend, sign up at the Welcome Center by March 20. For details, contact Nancy Owens.

Bethany LWML thanks the congregation for supporting our food pantry by donating casserole ingredients. If you signed up, please put your donations in the shopping cart by March 12.

If you would be interested in helping **plant a garden** at church to grow food for the **food pantry**, please contact Dawn Thomas.

Willing to help with **funeral meals** at Bethany? Find a sheet at the Welcome Center to sign up or to indicate willingness to continue helping. Contact Kris Larson for details about funeral meals.

Staff Updates - We welcome our new Office Administrator, Tina Freese, and our new Financial Manager, Anne Railsback.

John 3:16 – **“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.”** This is perhaps the most well-known and beloved verse in the New Testament, for good reason. This simple Gospel message is the foundation for our whole life, including our new life in Christ. This new life is characterized by thankfulness and devotion to our Father who has provided for us so lavishly in Christ.

Our Calendar This Week

Today	8:30 am Divine Service (Traditional) w/ Comm 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Divine Service (Contemporary) w/ Comm 1:00 pm Food Pantry Open 4:00 pm Pickleball
Monday	6:30 am Coffee Outreach 10:00 am Women's Bible Study 1:30 pm LWML Board Meeting 6:00 pm Trustees Meeting
Tuesday	9:00 am Walking for Exercise 6:00 pm Evangelism Meeting 6:30 pm Handbells Practice
Wednesday	6:15 am Men's Bible Study - at Lucky's on 16th 6:00 pm Confirmation Class 6:00 pm High School Youth 6:00 pm Lenten Fellowship Meal - FLC 7:00 pm Lenten Service 7:45 pm Vocal Choir
Thursday	9:00 am Adult Bible Study 9:00 am Walking for Exercise 7:00 pm Women's Bible Study
Saturday	9:00 am Holy Yoga
Next Sunday	8:30 am Divine Service (Traditional) 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Divine Service (Contemporary) 12:15 pm Board of Education Meeting 1:00 pm Food Pantry Open 2:00 pm LWML General Meeting 4:00 pm Pickleball

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