

## Prayer Page

### Thanksgiving

- Donna Birkicht - recovered after surgery
- Karen Swalley - 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 - surgery on 4/19
- Merlin (grandfather of Dathan Hinrichs) - health issues
- Oliver (friend of Rick Heller) - ICU after car accident
- Joanne - cancer
- Stephen Stepanek - brain cancer treatment
- Mickie Sjullie - recovering after broken ankle
- Bonnie Breiholz - recovering after surgery
- Janelle Dunbar - recovering after surgery
- Doug Knutson - immunotherapy treatment
- Bonnie Bubke - personal issues
- Chuck Stoelting - recovering at Garnet Place
- Kim Neuhaus - recovering at home after surgery
- Rick Foreman - recovering at home after fall
- Deb Heitland - health issues
- Ethel Doehrmann - cancer treatment
- Abi Clark - health issues

### Homebound

- Tom Stock - at home

### Mourning, friends and family of

- Michele (sister of Melissa Loney) - died 4/10
- Don (father of Angie Pfeil) - died 4/8

### Serving Our Country

- Devin (friend of Kroemers) - serving IA Army National Guard
- 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

## Servants of Worship

	Sunday, April 16	Sunday, April 23
<b>Elder</b>	Mark Holt	Karl Hoech
<b>Usher (8:30)</b>	Mark Bornemann, Dathan Hinrichs	Pete Larson
<b>Usher (11)</b>	Greg Dunn, Steve Hanchera	Darrell Chiavetta
<b>Greeter (8:30)</b>	Nancy Owens, Carol Edwards	Ed & Gloria Schumacher
<b>Greeter (11)</b>	Rob & Sheila Willms	Tom & Debbie Mills
<b>Lector (8:30)</b>	Mark Bornemann	Arlen Breiholz
<b>Lector (11)</b>	Chuck Kroemer	Emily Kroemer
<b>Video (8:30)</b>	Jeff Gebert	Chris Frampton
<b>Video (11)</b>	Michelle Hedtke	Stephanie Chittick
<b>Sound (8:30)</b>	Ken Cook	Ken Cook
<b>Sound (11)</b>	Phil Hedtke	Aaron Moffett
<b>Acolyte (8:30)</b>	Alex Theriault	Madison Rinderknecht
<b>Acolyte (11)</b>	Evan Ranbarger	Natalie Heller
<b>Nursery (11)</b>	Anne Railsback, Susan Schoen	Emily Kroemer & Abi Clark
<b>Coffee</b>	Kirkpatricks	Schmiths

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JOHN 20:29

Have you believed  
because you have  
seen me? Blessed are  
those who have not  
seen and yet have

*believed.*

**April 16, 2023**  
**Second Sunday of Easter**  
**8:30 Service**

*Living and Sharing God's Love*

## Order of Service

Divine Service Setting III (pg. 184)

Musical Prelude, Ringing of the Bells

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn of Invocation

*This Joyful Eastertide* LSB #482

Invocation, Confession and Absolution

Introit Psalm 105, I Peter 2

Kyrie, Gloria in Excelsis

Salutation and Collect of the Day

First Reading Acts 5:29-42

Epistle Reading I Peter 1:3-9

Alleluia

Holy Gospel John 20:19-31

Nicene Creed

Hymn of the Day  
*Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus* LSB #531

Sermon

Prayer of the Church

Preface, Sanctus

Lord's Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini, Agnus Dei, Distribution

Distribution Hymns

*O Lord, We Praise Thee* LSB #617

*O Sons and Daughters of the King* LSB #470

Nunc Dimittis, Thanksgiving

Salutation, Benedicamus, Benediction

Closing Hymn

*Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won* LSB #490

## Notes and Announcements

**Food Pantry Spring Cleaning Challenge** - Let's fill the pantry shelves with cleaning products! Please donate laundry detergent pods, dish soap, glass cleaner, all purpose cleaner, hand soap, sanitizing wipes, paper towels, and dryer sheets by April 23.

Trustees will host a **Serve the Lord Day** this Saturday, April 22 at 8:00-11:00 a.m. Please come help care for the maintenance of our facilities! You may sign up for a project on the board by the Welcome Center to complete on Saturday or on your own time.

**An American Red Cross Blood Drive** will be held at Bethany on Thursday, April 27 at 1:30-5:30 p.m. To make an appointment, call 1-800-REDCROSS or visit [bethanycr.org/blood-drive](http://bethanycr.org/blood-drive).

Today Pastor Erickson will start a **Bible study** examining "A Chaste and Decent Life: An Update to 'Human Sexuality' 1981." This document has been published by our synod this year as an update of its first writing on human sexuality in 1981. While perceptions of human sexuality may change, God's design for it does not. This document and our study will equip Christians to speak of Christ into the darkness of today's culture where so many are falling into confusion and hopelessness. All adults are encouraged to attend this study **Sundays at 9:45-10:45 a.m.**

Please take a **Bible study survey by April 16** to help us expand the types and availability of Bible studies at Bethany. It can be taken online at [bethanycr.org/bible-study-survey](http://bethanycr.org/bible-study-survey) or complete a print copy from the Welcome Center and turn it in to the office.

Each Sunday we need **volunteers in the food pantry**. If you would like to serve, please sign up at [bethanycr.org/food-pantry](http://bethanycr.org/food-pantry).

**Stewardship Note - 1 Peter 1:3-4** – "He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you." We have an inheritance waiting for us, a treasure gathered where moth and rust do not destroy. That should change our perspective on the treasures of this earth. They are fleeting. They come and go. But we can use the treasures of this earth for the work of the kingdom that will not fade away.

## Our Calendar This Week

<b>Today</b>	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
<b>Monday</b>	6:00 am Coffee Outreach 10:00 am Women's Small Group
<b>Tuesday</b>	9:00 am Walking for Exercise 6:30 pm Handbells Practice
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:00 am Men's Bible Study 4:00 pm Cottage Grove Devotion 6:00 pm Confirmation Class 6:00 pm High School Youth 6:30 pm Vocal Choir
<b>Thursday</b>	9:00 am Adult Bible Study 9:00 am Walking for Exercise 11:00 am Senior Worship 7:00 pm Christian Faith Class 7:00 pm Women's Bible Study - at Chiavettas'
<b>Saturday</b>	8:00 am Serve the Lord Day 9:00 am Holy Yoga
<b>Next Sunday</b>	8:30 am Divine Service (Traditional) 9:30 am Blood Pressure Check 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Divine Service (Contemporary) 1:00 pm Food Pantry Open

Notes

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