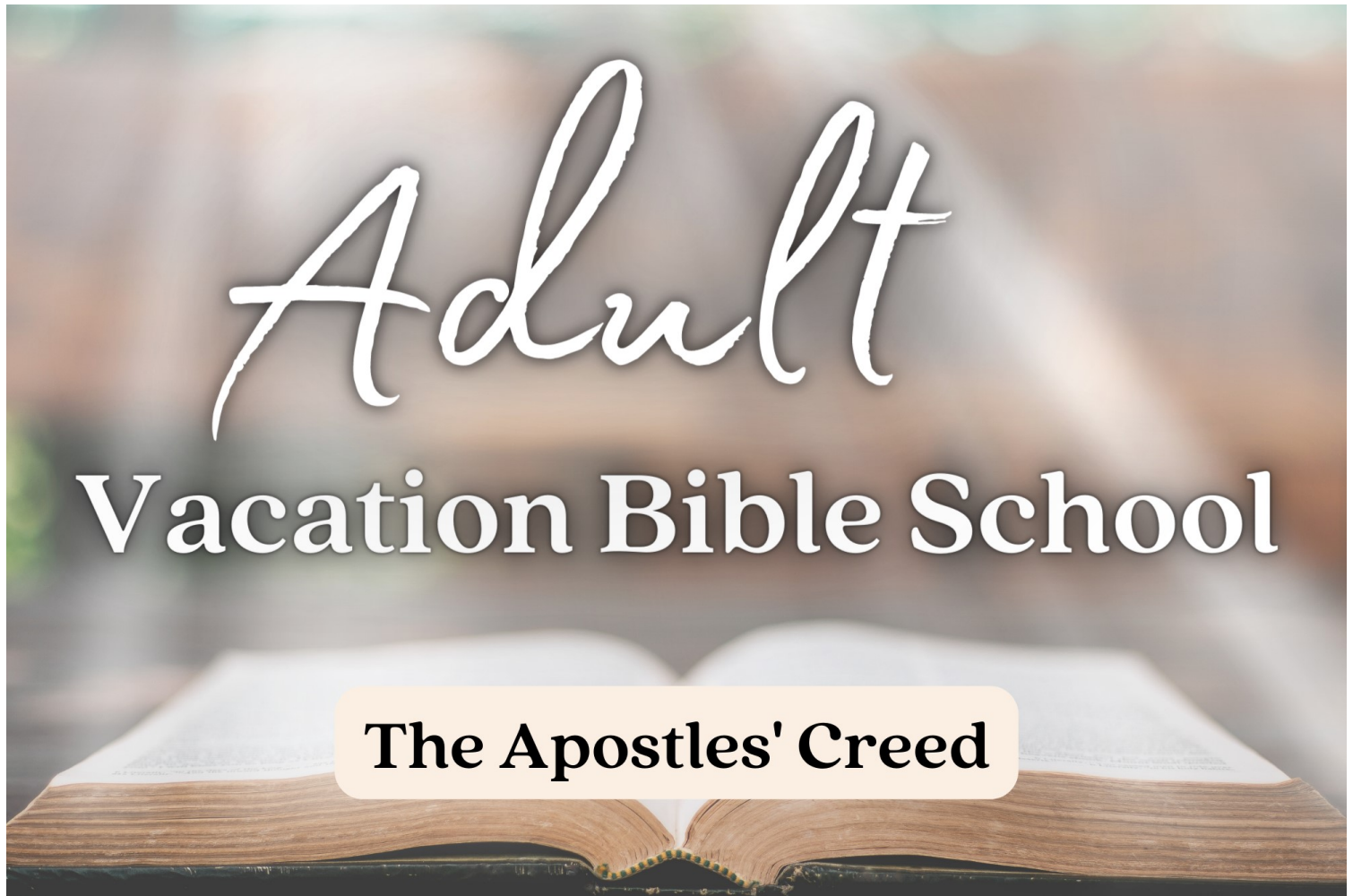


# Bethany Beacon

AUGUST 2023



## **Adult VBS: August 14-17**

All adults are invited to participate in Adult Vacation Bible School at Bethany! Adult VBS will be held August 14-17 at 9:00-11:00 a.m. Join us for a time of study, fellowship, refreshments, and Bible trivia.

The topic of study this year will be on the Apostles' Creed. If you plan to attend Adult VBS, please sign up at the Welcome Center, or call the church office at 319-364-6026.



**Bethany**  
Lutheran Church

*Living and Sharing God's Love*

One evening last week my wife was out of town visiting family and our son was at work when I sat down to eat dinner. The fish sticks were steaming hot on my plate and the Diet Coke was ice cold in my cup as I thanked our Lord for providing the meal that I was about eat. After saying "Amen." I grabbed my fork and was ready to dig in when I just happened to look out one of the windows in the front of our house. Our house is across the street from a small park, so most evenings when it isn't raining, I'm used to seeing children and their families playing on the swings and a giant bumblebee when I look out the window. But that evening I didn't see any children, but rather a man in the park curled up in the fetal position underneath a bush.

Now, I know that you are all thinking that I immediately burst out the door with my heart filled with the love of Jesus and ran over to the man. You probably are thinking that I made sure he wasn't hurt, told him Jesus was his Savior, saw him the next Sunday in church, and now am going to admonish all of you to help any unhoused people that you might see. But I'm not going to do that because that is not what happened.

While the love of Jesus is always in my heart, I didn't burst out the door. In fact, I sat there for a moment hoping that perhaps one of my neighbors might see him and help. Then I thought if I go help him, my fish sticks are going to get cold and my Diet Coke will get warm so my dinner won't be nearly as enjoyable – so maybe I should just let him rest. Next, I rationalized that if I go help him, eventually the park across the street will no longer be filled with kids playing on the swings, but rather with people sleeping. I'm sure my neighbors would love that!

But after all those thoughts, I realized that I had to go help him. But it wasn't because I knew that Christ died for my sin and that I wanted to share this love with someone. It was because I didn't want to be a hypocrite. You see, many of you know that Bethany has a food pantry that is open every Sunday that helps provide food and other essential supplies for scores of people every week. Also, the Evangelism Committee at Bethany has

been exploring options to help our neighbors by handing out sandwiches and Gatorade downtown in Green Square Park. In addition, I've been on several mission trips and service projects to help the unhoused and those in need in many and various ways. And so why was I so hesitant to help someone right across the street from my own home, when I take so much pride in how natural it is for our congregation to help others at or through the church? I'm not really sure if I have an answer to this question. Part of it the answer may be that we are, as Martin Luther says, simultaneously both sinners and saints. Part of the answer may be that I really just wanted to eat dinner. Regardless of why, I knew that it would be hypocritical to help people at church and not do it if front of my own house.

So, thinking about this, as well as the parable of the Good Samaritan and all of the commands of God to show mercy and help our neighbors, I went out to see if this man was all right. I ended up calling an ambulance for him, getting him a glass of ice water, and talking to him until the ambulance arrived and took him to the hospital.

As I went back to eat my dinner, I knew that I did the right thing, even if my actions weren't entirely motivated by the Gospel. But sometimes, that's the way life works. No matter how faithful we might be, we sometimes need the Law of God to get us to do the right thing. The Law of course does not justify us, only the Gospel is the power of God to save. And ideally all of our good works are motivated by Christ's love. But God gives us the Law for a reason. So, the next time you struggle to do what is right, don't be too discouraged with the struggle. Realize that you're not perfect, but that God still loves you. He has given you His Law so you can know His will and He forgives you through Christ when we don't do it. And also, in the grand scheme of things, cold fish sticks aren't all that bad.

✝ Pastor Erickson



## Thanksgiving:

New Bethany members

Mark (brother of \*Anne Railsback)- recovered after surgery

Patrick (friend of \*M Vezina) - cancer treatment completed

## Illness, injuries, health issues:

Cindy (friend of \*Larsons)- hospitalization

Wendell (friend of \*Larsons)- health issues

Ezra (infant son of Ben Venteicher) - health issues

Luci (7 yr old relative)- seizures, drug induced coma

Gail (relative of \*Faye Sieck)- recovering after surgery

Nancy (sister of \*Julie Elias)- recovering after fall

Chuck (friend of \*Linda Patten)- health issues

Margaret (relative of \*Karl Hoech)- recovering after fall

Merlin (grandfather of \*Dathan Hinrichs)- health issues

Oliver (friend of \*Rick Heller)- recovering after accident

Gloria (granddaughter of \*Kim Neuhaus)- personal issues

Mickie (visitor) - recovering after broken ankle

Mary Jean (mother of \*Greg Dunn)- recovering after surgery

Kathy (sister of \*Mark Holt) - recovering after transplant

Jill (cousin of \*Karen Pfeffer) - recovering after transplant

Jim (brother of \*Ed Schumacher) - recovering after surgery

Don (friend of \*Mary Vezina) - recovering after surgery

Ann (relative of \*Elaine Behrens) - recovering after surgery

Lorena (sister of \*Brenda Heims) - recovering after surgery

Marcia (relative of \*Brenda Heims) - health issues

Jean (mother of \*Kristi Montague) - recovering after stroke

Trevor (son of \*Thomases) - recovering after hospitalization

Sylvia (aunt of \*Patricia Hinrichs) - health issues

Rhonda (friend of \*Larsons) - health issues

Teri (relative of \*Schoens) - health issues

Judy (relative of \*Brenda Heims) - health issues

Tom Mark (former member) - recovering after accident

Andrew (relative of \*B Heims) - recovering after surgery

Hayden (relative of \*Bonnie Bubke) - brain disorder

Gwendolyn- (friend of \*Karen Swanson) - terminal illness

John (nephew of \*Bonnie Bubke) - health issues

Ruth (friend of \*Velma Ziesemer) - health issues

Rod (nephew of \*Bonnie Bubke) - Parkinson's Disease

## Safety:

Jordan (grandson of \*K Neuhaus)- Army, deployed to Poland

Devin- (friend of \*Kroemers)- IA Army National Guard

Ben (son of \*Kroemers)- IA National Guard

Mitchell & Benjamin (relatives of \*Schoens & \*Smith)- U.S. Navy

Harrison (son of \*Siecks) - U.S. Army, stationed in TX

## Homebound members of Bethany:

Candi Engel - Heritage Care Center

\*Nadine Wax - at home

\*Del Block - The Gardens

\*Tom Stock - at home

\*Shirley Kellogg - Terrace Glen Village, Marion

\*Dorothy Freese - Keystone Place

\*Verlyn & \*Paul LeFevere- at home

\*Chuck Stoelting- Garnet Place

## Cancer/Hospice:

Francis (friend of \*Larsons) - hospice care

Joe (brother of Mary Vezina)-cancer

Joanne- cancer

Angie (friend of \*Deb Heitland)- cancer

Alice (friend of \*Brenda Heims) - cancer

Chuck (father of \*Jim Novitch) - cancer

Courtney (Monday am coffee friend) - cancer treatment

John (friend of \*Dunns) - chemo treatment

Ron (brother of \*Ray McGraw) - cancer treatment

Shauna (niece of \*Schmiths) - cancer

Tony (friend of \*Mike Thomas) - cancer

David (relative of \*Hasses) - cancer immunotherapy

Julie (friend of \*Brenda Heims) - cancer

Chad (son of \*Vicki Huschka) - leukemia

## Grief, family and friends of:

Alta Dort (former member)- died 7/14

Raymond (father of \*Lora Raymon)- died 7/11

Obie (brother of \*Ben Mims)- died 7/4

\*Larry Easler- died 6/24

\*Karen Schaub- died 6/22



## Prayer Chain

Are you a prayer warrior? If you would like to receive periodic prayer requests from the congregation via email, contact the church office at: [office.bethanycr@gmail.com](mailto:office.bethanycr@gmail.com) to be added to the prayer chain email list.

## Bethany Prayers

Do you have prayer requests? Let us know if you would like your request added to the prayer list, the email prayer chain, or both. Call 319-364-6026 or email to [nurse.bethanycr@gmail.com](mailto:nurse.bethanycr@gmail.com).

## Tuesday, August 1

9:00 am Walking Exercise  
6:00 pm Evangelism Meeting

## Wednesday, August 2

6:00 pm High School Youth - Bowling  
6:30 pm Vocal Choir Rehearsal

## Thursday, August 3

9:00 am Adult Bible Study  
9:00 am Walking Exercise

## Saturday, August 5

8:00 am Pancakes and Proverbs  
9:00 am Holy Yoga - Opening Room

## Sunday, August 6

9:45 am Elder Breakfast  
1:00 pm Food Pantry Open  
5:00 pm Emerging Adults

## Monday, August 7

6:00 pm Trustees Meeting

## Tuesday, August 8

9:00 am Quilting  
9:00 am Walking Exercise  
7:00 pm Council Meeting

## Wednesday, August 9

1:30 pm Stephen Leader Meeting  
3:00 pm Comfort Dog Meeting  
6:00 pm High School Youth  
6:30 pm Vocal Choir Rehearsal

## Thursday, August 10

9:00 am Adult Bible Study  
9:00 am Walking Exercise  
6:00 pm Human Care Meeting

## Saturday, August 12

9:00 am Holy Yoga - Opening Room

## Sunday, August 13

12:15 pm Board of Education Meeting  
1:00 pm Food Pantry Open  
5:00 pm Emerging Adults

## Monday, August 14

9:00 am Adult VBS  
6:00 pm Stephen Ministry Supervision  
7:00 pm Elders Meeting

## Tuesday, August 15

9:00 am Adult VBS  
9:00 am Walking Exercise

## Wednesday, August 16

9:00 am Adult VBS  
4:00 pm Cottage Grove Devotion  
6:00 pm High School Youth  
6:30 pm Vocal Choir Rehearsal

## Thursday, August 17

9:00 am Adult VBS  
9:00 am Walking Exercise  
11:00 am Senior Worship

## Saturday, August 19

9:00 am Holy Yoga - Opening Room

## Sunday, August 20

1:00 pm Food Pantry Open  
5:00 pm Emerging Adults

## Tuesday, August 22

9:00 am Walking Exercise

## Wednesday, August 23

6:00 pm High School Youth  
6:30 pm Vocal Choir Rehearsal

## Thursday, August 24

9:00 am Adult Bible Study  
9:00 am Walking Exercise

## Saturday, August 26

9:00 am Holy Yoga - Opening Room

## Sunday, August 27

9:30 am Blood Pressure Checks - Office  
1:00 pm Food Pantry Open  
5:00 pm Emerging Adults

## Monday, August 28

1:30 pm LWML Board Meeting  
6:00 pm Stephen Ministry Continuing Ed.

## Tuesday, August 29

9:00 am Walking Exercise

## Wednesday, August 30

6:00 pm High School Youth  
6:30 pm Vocal Choir Rehearsal

## Thursday, August 31

9:00 am Adult Bible Study



## Sunday School

Sunday School starts with Rally Day on August 20! **Parents, please attend Rally Day with your child on August 20** to get them registered and meet their teacher. Join us in the Opening Room (lower level) at 9:45-10:45 a.m.

Regular class will resume on August 27. Sunday School is for all students in preschool through high school. Our theme for the 2023-2024 school year is "Growing in Christ." We look forward to seeing everyone again this fall. If you have any questions, please reach out to Kierra at [intern.bethanycr@gmail.com](mailto:intern.bethanycr@gmail.com).



## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

<b>8/1</b>	Eric Freese Marge Grovert Kora Urban	<b>8/9</b>	Deb Heitland Leisa Knudson	<b>8/16</b>	Mya Chamberlin Claire Brusius	<b>8/23</b>	Donna Birkicht Talan Robinson
<b>8/2</b>	Dustin Bricker John Hutcheson	<b>8/10</b>	Vern Happel Brenda Heims Pam Kaufman	<b>8/17</b>	Ryne Chamberlin Carolina Rinderknecht	<b>8/25</b>	Karen Pfeffer Dale Stonewall
<b>8/3</b>	Brad Easler		Sharon Ramsey	<b>8/19</b>	Elaine Willett Josh Bricker	<b>8/26</b>	Matt Rinderknecht Michelle Zerr
<b>8/4</b>	Gary Kaufman Spencer Kress	<b>8/11</b>	Ellen Holt	<b>8/20</b>	Paul LeFevere Nevaeh Duve	<b>8/27</b>	Janine Schmitt
<b>8/6</b>	Angie Pfeil Patty Fratzke	<b>8/12</b>	Del Block Josie Hester		Leo Hinz	<b>8/28</b>	Nylotis Moeller Drew Zimmerman
<b>8/7</b>	Dick Hass Ed Schumacher	<b>8/13</b>	Doreta Bogner Craig Riffey	<b>8/22</b>	E.J. Brink Nikki Stackhouse	<b>8/29</b>	Charles Stoelting
		<b>8/15</b>	Lucas Heller		Adalyn Gates	<b>8/30</b>	Pete Larson

<b>8/1</b>	Mike & Cindy Goerdt Robby & Andrea Russman	<b>8/6</b>	David & Lori Dohrmann	<b>8/14</b>	Ben & Dawn Mims
<b>8/2</b>	Corey & Nikki Stackhouse	<b>8/8</b>	Jim & Deb Heitland	<b>8/15</b>	Tom & Debbie Mills Tyler & Kaylee Hedtke
<b>8/3</b>	Greg & Kris Dunn	<b>8/11</b>	Cleo & Josie Hester Cody & Rebecca Ballstaedt	<b>8/16</b>	Joel & Katia Knutson
<b>8/4</b>	Mike & Amy Diers	<b>8/13</b>	Mark & Michelle Zerr	<b>8/29</b>	Josh & Marissa Keldgord

### Lutheran Hour Ministries at the Iowa State Fair

Lutheran Hour Ministries has a table at the Iowa State Fair, and Iowa District East is looking for volunteers to work the table! Two representatives are needed per shift on August 10, 12, 14, 16 & 18. Shifts are three hours long, and LHM will provide two fair tickets per shift. Contact the church office if interested.



### Family Faith Night

Family Faith Night is a ministry for students in preschool through 12th grade and their parents. We wrapped up our first year of Family Faith Night on June 14.

Let's celebrate a great first year! Join us for a family pool party on Saturday, July 29. Meet at Bever Pool at 5:30-7:30 p.m. We'll make a "splash" into next year's theme of God's Living Water!

Family Faith Night will resume on Wednesday, September 13 for the 2023-24 school year. All families are welcome! Please save the date and look for more information to come.



## Emerging Adults

Bethany has a ministry for emerging adults: those aged 18-26 years old. All emerging adults are encouraged to join us for Bible study on Sundays at 5:00 p.m. Our study will focus on different topics and issues we face at this age, and look at them with a Christian lens. Do you know any 18-26 year olds? Please invite them; we would love to have them! For more information, contact Kierra at [intern.bethanycr@gmail.com](mailto:intern.bethanycr@gmail.com).

## Tour His Hands

His Hands Free Clinic invites us to a “Tours and Treats” event on Monday, August 21 at 5:30 p.m. The clinic staff will give tours and answer questions about the ministry. Plan for about an hour. His Hands is located at 1245 2nd Ave. SE. If you plan to attend the tour, please sign up at the Welcome Center by August 17.



## Thank You!

The family of Larry Easler would like to express their thankfulness for all the thoughts, prayers, memorials and cards. A big thank-you to Kris and the LWML ladies for the luncheon, and to Ronda and Pastor for their visits and prayers. We are truly blessed to be part of such a great Christian family.

## Mission Trip Opportunities

The Evangelism Board is currently researching mission trip opportunities for adult Bethany members for 2023 and 2024. We would like to do a domestic mission trip this year and an international trip in 2024. The Evangelism Board is working with Mission Central to help identify mission trip opportunities.

We would like to ask the congregation if they know of any upcoming domestic or international mission trips that we could join. If you know of opportunities, speak with Kierra Penney or Naomi Chiavetta, or contact the church office at [office.bethanycr@gmail.com](mailto:office.bethanycr@gmail.com). Your help and ideas are appreciated!



## Youth Bowling

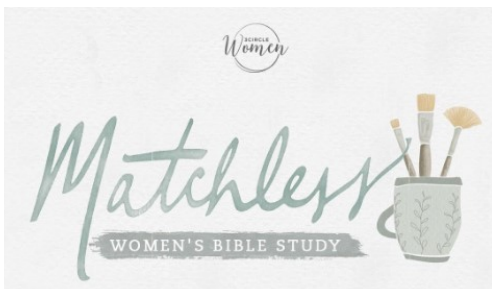
Join your friends for fun and fellowship at the lanes!

High school youth will go bowling on Wednesday, August 2. Please meet us at 6:00-7:30 p.m. at Cedar Rapids Bowling Center, located at 265 Blairs Ferry Rd. NE.



## Pickleball Tournament

Bethany hosted Lutheran fellowship at an LCMS area-wide Pickleball Tournament on Saturday, July 22!



## Women's Group

Women's group will resume at Bethany on Monday, September 11. All women are welcome to join us Mondays at 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. for fellowship and study! We will cover ten sessions on the book "Matchless" by Angie Smith. If you would like a book ordered, please contact Ronda at [nurse.bethanycr@gmail.com](mailto:nurse.bethanycr@gmail.com) by August 24.

## Vocal Choir

On July 30 we will have a special "Summer Sing" service during the 8:30 a.m. traditional service. Join us for this extra musical time of worship!



Like to sing? Make a joyful noise with us! A new choir season begins at Bethany on Wednesday, August 2. This is a great time to join choir. Our vocal choir will rehearse on Wednesdays at 6:30-7:30 p.m. If you are interested in joining, contact Ryanne Molinari at [organist.bethanycr@gmail.com](mailto:organist.bethanycr@gmail.com) for details.

## Council Connection

Welcome to the Council Connection! The purpose of this section is to keep you updated on status, decisions, and other happenings from the church council. Look for the latest in each month's Beacon. Our most recent council meeting was on June 13. Here are the highlights:

- **The organ is going to sound even better!** As a follow up to the organ work done last year, we are swapping out one set of 61 pipes to give the organ a fuller, more pleasing sound. This is financed by a generous memorial targeted at the organ and should (God willing) be done by Christmas.
- **Keep doing what we do well** - As part of vision action planning, we identified the ministries we intend to keep doing for the foreseeable future. These include:

Food pantry, Stephen Ministry, Joy the Comfort Dog, monthly senior worship, monthly Cottage Grove devotions, Monday morning women's group, Care Warriors, holy yoga / walking group, parish nurse, Sunday school, Christmas program, Confirmation, youth group, adult Bible classes, family faith night, Mother's and Father's Day recognition, support of two students in Kenya

- **A few areas to stop (for now)** - As part of Vision action planning, we identified the ministries we will pause on for the foreseeable future. These include:

Milestones, student Vacation Bible School, donations to Project 24 (pausing additional support of Project 24 boarding schools, but will continue support of our two students)

**Vision Action Plans have kicked off!** The congregation really came through with some fantastic ideas with how we can bring our vision to life. Over the next 1-2 years, we have several new ministries to begin. Some have already started! Watch for some of these exciting ways to get more involved. Contact any of the board chairs for more information.

- Evangelism - domestic mission trip, international mission trip, quarterly service projects, feeding the homeless in downtown Cedar Rapids
- Education - Expanding Bible studies, Pancakes and Proverbs, youth mission trip, guest speakers, field trips for confirmands to Concordia, mentorships between Bethany families or older members / Sunday School students
- Human Care - Adding fresh produce to food pantry, increased emphasis on Stephen Ministry, focus on member care calls / emails
- Stewardship - New member mentorship, intergenerational project, congregational testimonials on church-life connections

**Time and Talents** - Have you filled out our Time and Talents survey? Practicing Christian stewardship includes using your God-given gifts and talents to serve. The survey allows church leadership to best match opportunities with congregational talents. Please take a few minutes to fill it out on our website at [www.bethanycr.org](http://www.bethanycr.org) and click on the "SERVE" tab.

**Taking the Word on the road** - We are selecting potential trips for Bethany members to join. If you feel called to spread the Word in that manner, please contact Kierra Penney for further information.

Church Statistics	June 2023	Year to Date
Average Sunday Attendance	175 Souls	178 Souls
Total Revenue	\$35,522	\$252,962
Total Expenses	\$44, 581	\$244,332



## Lutherans for Life Event at Bethany

Lutherans for Life will host “Issues As We Age” at Bethany on Saturday, September 16. We are all aging, but if you feel you have more years behind you than ahead of you, this event is for you. “Issues As We Age” will be a workshop giving information on coping with the spiritual, physical, medical, legal, and ethical aspects of the latter years of life.

The event begins at 8:30 a.m. and will conclude around 1:00 p.m. Brunch will be served at 11:00 a.m. Rev. Andrew Noble, Pastor of St. Paul’s Lutheran in Marion and Rev. Michael Salemin, Executive Director of Lutherans For Life are the featured speakers. All are welcome to attend (not just Lutherans)! We are all united in facing the same issues in our twilight years.



Please register for this community workshop by September 7.

Registration forms will be available at the Welcome Center at Bethany, or print a form online at [www.bethanycr.org/lutherans-for-life](http://www.bethanycr.org/lutherans-for-life).



## Stuff Etc.

Have any quality “stuff” around your house you would like to get rid of? Bethany now has an account at Stuff Etc., the consignment store located at 252 Blairs Ferry Rd. NE. Bethany will receive 40% of the final sale price of items. Items in totes are accepted Tuesday through Saturday (only one tote at a time, please) and furniture is accepted seven days a week. When you drop off items, please provide Bethany’s consignor number which is 42223.

## Bethany Lutheran Food Pantry

**Have a truck? Every Friday, volunteers pick up food from HACAP, then deliver it to Bethany. We need people with a pickup truck to pick up on the first, second, or third Friday of the month.** The HACAP Food Reservoir is located at 1515 Hawkeye Drive in Hiawatha. Our pickup time is 9:00 a.m. on Fridays, and the time commitment is typically about 1-2 hours. When you bring the food to Bethany, a few volunteers are available to help you unload and stock the pantry shelves. If you would like to take on one (or more) of these days, speak with Pete Larson for details, or contact the church office at 364-6026.



**Thank you to Mark Holt for developing a software program for the food pantry!** Having a digital database (rather than using pen and paper to re-record names each week) makes the check-in process much smoother, and allows the registration person to have conversations with our pantry neighbors.



**Our garden is growing! Check it out at the back doors by the playground.** The produce will be shared with food pantry neighbors. We appreciate the partnership with Feed Iowa First in helping us establish the garden and delivering fresh, locally-produced vegetables to Bethany Lutheran Food Pantry.



## Cottage Grove Devotions

Bethany hosts a time of devotion, scripture reading, and hymn singing once a month at Cottage Grove Place. Residents are invited to attend this event on the third Wednesday of each month at 4:00 p.m.

What a blessing for us to be able to connect with our Cottage Grove neighbors in this way each month!

## Joy's Journal

Dear Bethany FURiends: Even though it is summer, I am still going to school! I spend my Monday mornings at "Summer Academy" at Trinity. I get to visit the students in their classrooms and they give me lots of pets and attention. I am looking forward to the school year when I will go back to Trinity weekly on Thursday mornings and seeing Bethany students at Sunday School, too!

I am still learning over the summer too - my training group of dog FURiends and their people meet weekly in different places around town to practice our commands, greet strangers, and perfect our skills. My people and I are always excited to share about my ministry with others! If you or someone you know would like a visit from me, please reach out at [comfortdog.bethanycr@gmail.com](mailto:comfortdog.bethanycr@gmail.com).



 Joy



## Join us for Senior Worship

Thursday, August 17

Service at 11:00 AM | Luncheon to follow





## Attention Thrivent Members!

If you are a Thrivent member, you are able to apply for a \$250.00 gift card from Thrivent Action Teams twice each year. Just complete a quick online form explaining what you would like to use the funds for, and Thrivent mails you your gift card.

Tina Freese was able to purchase \$250.00 of personal care items using a Thrivent gift card including tissues, toilet paper, bar soap, shampoo, deodorant, body wash, dish soap, paper towels, dryer sheets, hand soap and laundry soap. Log into your account at [thrivent.com](http://thrivent.com) and go to the Thrivent Action Teams tab!

## Sewing Quilts for World Relief

On Tuesday, August 8, the Special Projects Committee will tie quilts for Lutheran World Relief in the Family Life Center at 9:00 a.m. to noon. Stop in for an hour or stay the whole time; we appreciate any time you can give! Bring a sack lunch for fellowship after quilting. Contact Betty Happel or Donna Bogner for details.



## Especially For You

Join the Bethany Lutheran Church team! The “Especially For You” Race Against Breast Cancer will be held on Sunday, October 1. The race starts at 8:00 a.m. at Mercy Hospital. There is the option to do a family 1-mile walk, a 5K walk, or a 5K run. Register for \$34.40 (registration price increases August 24).

Why support the cause? The Especially for You® Fund may be lifesaving if the inability to pay prevents you or someone you know from seeking breast-care and gynecological services. Since October 1991, as a result of the annual Especially for You Race Against Breast Cancer, free mammograms and other breast-care and gynecological services have been provided to area individuals in need.



Join our team!  
[www.bethanycr.org/efy](http://www.bethanycr.org/efy)



## Announcements

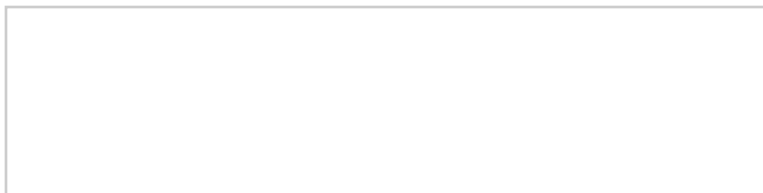
Announcements for the September Beacon are due Thursday, August 24. To submit, please give details to Communications Coordinator Maren Elm. You may email her at [comm.bethanycr@gmail.com](mailto:comm.bethanycr@gmail.com), or complete a form at [bethanycr.org/announcement-request](http://bethanycr.org/announcement-request).



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**Sunday Mornings**

8:30 am	Traditional Service
9:45 am	Education Hour
11:00 am	Contemporary Service

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