

## Prayer Page

### Entrusting into God's Care

- Those in nursing homes/care centers
- 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

- Philip Hackbardt - recovering after surgery
- Gail (relative of Faye Sieck) - recovering after surgery
- Dale Stonewall - recovering at Cottage Grove after fall
- Marlen (friend of Ken Zenor) - health issues
- Joe (brother of Mary Vezina) - cancer
- Prudy Petersen - recovering at home
- Ethel Doehrmann - immunotherapy treatment
- Tom Stock - health issues
- Doug Knutson - immunotherapy treatment
- Rick Foreman - recovering at home after fall
- Deb Heitland - health issues
- Abi Clark - health issues

### Homebound

- Chuck Stoelting - Garnet Place

### Mourning, friends and family of

- Raymond (father of Lora Raymon) - died 7/11
- Obie (brother of Ben Mims) - died 7/4
- Larry Easler (husband of Sharon) - died 6/24
- Karen Schaub (wife of John) - died 6/22

### Serving Our Country

- Ben (son of Kroemers) - IA National Guard
- Devin (friend of Kroemers) - IA Army National Guard
- Jordan (grandson of Kim Neuhaus) - Army, deployed to Poland
- Mitchell & Benjamin (relatives of Schoens & Smiths) - US Navy
- Harrison (son of Siecks) - US Army, stationed in TX

## Servants of Worship

	Sunday, July 23	Sunday, July 30
<b>Elder</b>	Mark Holt	Mark Holt
<b>Usher (8:30)</b>	Randy Schmith	Mike & Dawn Thomas
<b>Usher (11)</b>	Ben Mims	Steve Hanchera
<b>Greeter (8:30)</b>	Nancy Owens, Carol Edwards	Joy the Comfort Dog
<b>Greeter (11)</b>	Drew & Carolyn Zimmerman	Joy the Comfort Dog
<b>Lector (8:30)</b>	Mark Bornemann	Arlen Breiholz
<b>Lector (11)</b>	Chuck Kroemer	Dave Johnson
<b>Video (8:30)</b>	Chris Frampton	Mitch Myers
<b>Video (11)</b>	Mike Diers	Michelle Hedtke
<b>Sound (8:30)</b>	Ken Cook	Karl Hoech
<b>Sound (11)</b>	Phil Hedtke	Phil Hedtke
<b>Acolyte (8:30)</b>	Landon Oja	Natalie Heller
<b>Acolyte (11)</b>	Ella Bricker	Tristan Bond
<b>Nursery (11)</b>	Rebecca Ballstaedt, Carolyn Zimmerman	Annie & Robby Russman
<b>Coffee</b>	Freeses	Kirkpatricks

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**July 23, 2023**  
**Eighth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**8:30 Service**

*Living and Sharing God's Love*

## Order of Service

Divine Service Setting IV

Organ Prelude & Ringing of the Bells

Call to Worship & Announcements

Hymn of Invocation

*How Firm a Foundation*

LSB #728

Invocation, Confession and Absolution

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Introit

Psalm 86

Kyrie

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Gloria in Excelsis

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 44:6-8

Gradual

*“Fantasy on Beach Spring”*

Handbell Solo

Epistle Reading

Romans 8:18-27

Alleluia and Verse

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Holy Gospel

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Apostle’s Creed

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Children’s Message

Hymn of the Day

*Eternal Spirit of the Living Christ*

LSB #769

Sermon

Prayer of the Church

Lord’s Prayer

Luther’s Morning Prayer

Benedicamus and Benediction

Closing Hymn

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

LSB #809

## Notes and Announcements

Let’s make a splash to celebrate a great first year of Family Faith Night! Join us for a **pool party at Bever Pool on Saturday, July 29** at 5:30-7:30 p.m. Family Faith Night is a ministry for children and their parents to attend together. We will resume this fall starting September 13. Our 2023-24 theme will be “God’s Living Water”!

**Elder Breakfast** - Bethany elders will serve breakfast between services on Sunday, August 6 in the Family Life Center! Please sign up at the Welcome Center if you plan to attend.

**Adult VBS** will be held August 14-17 at 9:00-11:00 a.m. All adults are welcome! The topic this year will be on the Apostles’ Creed. Please sign up at the Welcome Center if you plan to attend.

Next Sunday, July 30, we will have a “**Summer Sing**” during the 8:30 a.m. traditional service. Please join us for a time of worship filled with music as we prepare the start of a new choir season.

**Pancakes and Proverbs** is a ministry for fathers or father-figures and their children held on the first Saturday of each month. Plan to join us on August 5 at 8:00 a.m. for breakfast and family time!

Every Sunday we need six volunteers to serve in the **food pantry** at 12:30-3:00 p.m. There is a great need for food assistance in our community, and serving in the pantry is a fun way to live and share God’s love! Please sign up at [bethanycr.org/food-pantry](http://bethanycr.org/food-pantry).

**Missionary Presentation** - Missionary Rev. David Baker and his family will talk about their travels in Mongolia on August 2 at 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. at Zion Lutheran Church. All are invited to learn about Mongolia and hear about our brothers and sisters in this faraway country! Zion is located at 201 1st Avenue in Hiawatha.

**Stewardship Note: Romans 8:18** – “*For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.*” It is very easy to get caught up in the present and lose track of our ultimate destiny in the kingdom of God. St. Paul encourages us to keep eternity in mind. This certainly has an application to our support for the Gospel — if we keep our focus on “the glory to be revealed” we will see our tithes and offerings in a new light.

## Our Calendar This Week

<b>Today</b>	8:30 am Divine Service (Traditional)
	9:30 am Blood Pressure Check
	9:45 am Summer Sunday School
	11:00 am Divine Service (Contemporary)
	1:00 pm Food Pantry Open
	5:00 pm Emerging Adults
<b>Monday</b>	6:00 pm Stephen Ministry Continuing Ed.
	7:00 pm Elders Meeting
	7:00 pm Bible Study
<b>Tuesday</b>	9:00 am Walking for Exercise
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:00 pm High School Youth
<b>Thursday</b>	9:00 am Adult Bible Study
	9:00 am Walking for Exercise
<b>Saturday</b>	9:00 am Holy Yoga
	5:30 pm Pool Party - Bever Park
<b>Next Sunday</b>	8:30 am Divine Service (Traditional)
	9:45 am Summer Sunday School
	11:00 am Divine Service (Contemporary)
	12:15 pm Board of Education Meeting
	1:00 pm Food Pantry Open
	5:00 pm Emerging Adults

### Notes

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