

Prayer Page

Thanksgiving

- Doretta Bogner - employment found
- Jordan (grandson of Kim Neuhaus) - returned from deployment
- Prudy Petersen - recovered after fall

Entrusting into God's Care

- Andrea - (relative of Steggalls) teaching in Bulgaria
- David - (friend of Angela Yuza) cancer
- Rachel - (Bethany neighbor) cancer
- Students and staff as they return to school
- Michelle Hedtke - employment search
- Those in nursing homes/care centers
- Persecuted Christians and refugees
- Peace in Europe and throughout the world
- Project 24 students, Yvonne and Lorine

Healing

- Rick Foreman - recovering after surgery
- Craig (relative of Dawn Thomas)- cancer
- Cherie Miller - recovering after surgery
- Donna Stranathan - recovering after surgery
- Philip Hackbardt - recovering after surgery
- Dale Stonewall - recovering after fall
- Ethel Doehrmann - immunotherapy treatment
- Tom Stock - health issues
- Doug Knutson - immunotherapy treatment
- Deb Heitland - health issues
- Abi Clark - health issues

Homebound

- Candi Engel - Heritage Care Center

Mourning, friends and family of

- Francis (friend of Larsons) - died 8/18

Serving Our Country

- Ben (son of Kroemers) - IA National Guard
- Devin (friend of Kroemers) - IA Army National Guard
- Mitchell & Benjamin (relatives of Schoens & Smiths) - US Navy
- Harrison (son of Siecks) - US Army, stationed in TX

Servants of Worship

Sunday, September 17 Sunday, September 24

Elder	Phil Hedtke	Mark Elias
Usher (8:30)	Mike Goerdt, Ed Schumacher	Mike & Dawn Thomas
Usher (11)	Steve Hanchera, Darrell Chiavetta	Chuck Kroemer
Greeter (8:30)	Pete & Kris Larson	Wade & Sharon Ramsey
Greeter (11)	Anne & Joseph Railsback	Dave & Kay Karsten
Lector (8:30)	Mark Bornemann	Rick Foreman
Lector (11)	David Johnson	Emily Kroemer
Video (8:30)	Chris Frampton	Greg Dunn
Video (11)	Mitch Myers	Charles Clark
Sound (8:30)	Karl Hoech	Nicholas Williams
Sound (11)	Aaron Moffett	
Acolyte (8:30)	Annest Hoech	Wynne Kroemer
Acolyte (11)	Carolina Rinderknecht	Annest Hoech
Nursery (11)	Carolyn Zimmerman, Susan Schoen	Emily Kroemer, Abi Clark
Coffee	Freeses	Schmiths

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September 17, 2023
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
8:30 Service

Living and Sharing God's Love

Order of Service

Divine Service III

Welcome and Announcements	
Hymn of Invocation	
<i>Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us</i>	LSB #851
Confession and Absolution	LSB pg. 184
Introit	Psalm 143
Kyrie, Gloria in Excelsis	LSB pg. 186
Salutation and Collect of the Day	LSB pg. 189
Old Testament Reading	Genesis 50:15-21
Epistle Reading	Romans 14:1-12
Alleluia and Verse	LSB pg. 190
Holy Gospel	Matthew 18:21-35
Nicene Creed	
Hymn of the Day	LSB #867
<i>Let Children Hear the Mighty Deeds</i>	
Sermon	
<i>The Accounting</i> - Romans 14:12	Rev. Dennis McManus
Prayer of the Church	
Preface, Sanctus	LSB pg. 194
Lord's Prayer	
The Words of Our Lord	
Pax Domini, Agnus Dei	LSB pg. 197
Distribution	
<i>Jesus Sinners Doth Receive</i>	LSB #609
<i>Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior</i>	LSB #627
Nunc Dimittis	LSB pg. 199
Thanksgiving	LSB pg. 200
Salutation and Benedicamus	
Closing Hymn	
<i>Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven</i>	LSB #793

Notes and Announcements

Thank you to Rev. Dennis McManus for preaching today and for sharing a presentation on Project 24 during the education hour.

Men's Bible Study has resumed and is now meeting in person! All men are welcome to join us. The group meets on Wednesdays at 6:00 a.m. in the Adult Education Room. In this study, men are currently diving deeper into our Sunday lectionary readings.

The food pantry donation item of the month is toilet paper! Please bring in rolls of toilet paper throughout September.

Are you interested in becoming a Bethany member? Christian Faith Class will be held starting at the end of September. All are welcome to take the class, and those who are not yet members will be invited to join the congregation. If interested, contact the church office, or Pastor Erickson at pastor.bethanycr@gmail.com.

Bethany hats, t-shirts, and sweatshirts are available to order! Please sign up at the Welcome Center by September 24. Hats are \$9, t-shirts are \$18, crewneck sweatshirts are \$20, and hooded sweatshirts are \$25. Pay in cash or online at bethanycr.org/giving.

Please join us next Sunday, September 24 as we will celebrate **20 years of Stephen Ministry at Bethany!**

On October 1 we will join Lutheran churches around the world in celebrating **LWML Sunday**. The 2023 theme is "The King is Coming." On October 1 see the LWML display in the Gathering Area to learn more about ways to be involved in the women's guild.

The **LWML Zone Event**, "Thanks Be To God," will be held at St. Paul's in Marion on Saturday, September 30. Registration is at 8:30 and the event begins at 9:00 a.m. Please sign up for this event at the Bethany Welcome Center by September 24.

Beginning September 24, Pastor Erickson will lead Sunday adult Bible study in a new topic: **"Called to Vote."** This study DOES NOT tell us which political party to vote for, but will spark thoughtful, biblical conversations about voting in a democracy and our duty to do so as Christian citizens. It reminds us that "we go to the polls informed by God's Word and our own best thinking. But we should never forget to distinguish between the two." All adults are welcome on Sundays at 9:45 a.m. in the Family Life Center.

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
	12:15 pm	Board of Education Meeting
	1:00 pm	Food Pantry Open
Monday	5:00 pm	Emerging Adults
	6:30 am	Coffee & Cocoa Outreach
Tuesday	10:00 am	Women's Group
	7:00 pm	Bible Study on Parables
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Handbells Rehearsal
	6:00 am	Men's Bible Study
Thursday	3:30 pm	Cottage Grove Devotion
	6:00 pm	Confirmation Class
	6:00 pm	High School Youth
	6:30 pm	Vocal Choir Practice
	9:00 am	Adult Bible Study
Friday	11:00 am	Senior Worship
	9:00 am	Holy Yoga
Saturday	8:30 am	Divine Service (Traditional)
	9:30 am	Blood Pressure Checks
	9:45 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Divine Service (Contemporary)
	1:00 pm	Food Pantry Open
Sunday	5:00 pm	Emerging Adults

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

Stewardship Highlight: Today's video features Bethany Lutheran Food Pantry.

Stewardship Note: Romans 14:7 – "For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself." We just don't belong to ourselves — we belong first of all to God, and through Him, we belong to our neighbors. We are here to serve God in our service to one another. God has called you to this service through your vocation: as a Christian you serve others in the church, as a neighbor you serve others in society, and as a son or daughter, husband or wife, father or mother, you serve your family.