Prayer Page

Thanksgiving

- Donna Stranathan - recovered after surgery

- Cherie Miller - recovered after surgery

Entrusting into God's Care

- Ron (brother of Ray McGraw) hospice care
- Tom Stock hospice care
- Persecuted Christians and refugees
- Peace in Europe and throughout the world
- Project 24 students, Yvonne and Lorine

Healing

- David (father of E. Heller & M. Rinderknecht) - recovering after surgery - Sarah (daughter of Henkelmanns) - health issues - Rick Foreman - recovering after surgery - Philip Hackbardt - recovering after surgery - Dale Stonewall - recovering after fall - Ethel Doehrmann - immunotherapy treatment - Doug Knutson - immunotherapy treatment - Deb Heitland - health issues - Abi Clark - health issues Homebound - Shirley Kellogg - Terrace Glen Village, Marion

Mourning, friends and family of

- Chad (friend of Stepaneks) - died 10/3

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

Chancel flowers today are provided by Karl and Janet Hoech. They are given to the glory of God with thanksgiving for seventeen years of marriage and for the gift of a daughter.

Servants of Worship

	Sunday, October 15 Sunday, October 2		
Elder	Phil Hedtke	Rick Foreman	
Usher (8:30)	Mark Bornemann, Mike Goerdt	nn, Dathan Hinrichs	
Usher (11)	Dave Johnson, Chuck Kroemer	Greg Dunn	
Greeter (8:30)	Tom & Debbie Mills	Amy & Barry Smith	
Greeter (11)	Colby & Janine Schmitt	Drew & Carolyn Zimmerman	
Lector (8:30)	Nicholas Williams	Mark Elias	
Lector (11)	Karen Swanson	Lissa Novitch	
Video (8:30)	Chris Frampton Mitch Myers		
Video (11)	Mike Diers Charles Clark		
Sound (8:30)	Nicholas Williams Karl Hoech		
Sound (11)	Phil Hedtke		
Acolyte (8:30)	Ella Potter	Nile Kroemer	
Acolyte (11)	Sasha Knutson	Ella Potter	
Nursery (11)	Brooke Oja & Anne Railsback	Annie & Robby Russman	
Coffee	Schmiths	Knutsons	

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MATTHEW 22:14 FOR MANY ARE CALLED. BUT FEW ARE

October 15, 2023 **Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost** 8:30 Service

Living and Sharing God's Love

Order of Service

Divine Service III

Welcome and Announcements

We Praise You, O God

Hymn of Invocation O God, Our Help in Ages Past LSB #733 Invocation, Confession and Absolution LSB pg. 184 Isaiah 61 & Psalm 146 Introit Kyrie LSB pg. 186 Gloria in Excelsis LSB pg. 187 Salutation and Collect of the Day LSB pg. 189 Old Testament Reading Isaiah 25:6-9 Epistle Reading Philippians 4:4-13 Alleluia and Verse LSB pg. 190 Matthew 22:1-14 Holy Gospel LSB pg. 191 Nicene Creed Hymn of the Day LSB #803 Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee Sermon Prayers of the Church LSB pg. 194 Preface, Sanctus Lord's Prayer Words of Our Lord LSB pg. 197 Pax Domini, Agnus Dei Distribution At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing LSB #633 Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me LSB #683 Nunc Dimittis, Thanksgiving, Benediction LSB pg. 199 Closing Hymn

LSB #785

Notes and Announcements

Looking for ways to become involved in the congregation? There are opportunities for everyone to use their time and talents at Bethany! The **ministry fair** will be held today between services. Ministry leaders will be available in the Family Life Center at 9:45-10:45 to answer questions and help you sign up. If you couldn't make it to the fair, contact the church office to learn more about Bethany ministries and how to get connected with them.

Stewardship packets are available to pick up today. Please prayerfully consider your tithes and offerings for 2024 and return your pledge card to Bethany on October 29.

The **item of the month** for Bethany Lutheran Food Pantry is facial tissues. Please donate facial tissues during the month of October! Boxes may be placed on the table located outside the sanctuary.

Senior Worship will be held this Thursday, October 19. Join us for service at 11:00 a.m. followed by a fellowship luncheon. Please contact the church office if you plan to attend.

A **lock-in will be held for youth in 6th-12th grade** on October 27. The lock-in will start at 7:00 p.m. on Friday and end at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday. If you plan to attend, please contact Darin or Kierra!

Trustees will host a **Serve the Lord Day on Saturday, October 28.** Plan to come help care for the maintenance of our facilities that day! There will be a variety of projects for volunteers to work on. Please sign up for projects on the board at the main entrance.

This Wednesday, October 18, our **men's Bible study** will meet for fellowship and breakfast at 6:15 a.m. at Lucky's on 16th. Men's Bible study will return to Bethany on October 25 at 6:00 a.m.

Mark your calendar: a **congregational voters' meeting** will take place after services on Sunday, November 12.

Plan to attend **Thankful Hearts**, a worship concert at Bethany to benefit Bethany Lutheran Food Pantry. Join us on November 19 at 7:00 p.m. for an evening music, praise, and gratitude to God, thanking Him for the blessings He freely gives to us.

The American Red Cross held a **blood drive** at Bethany on Friday. Thank you to everyone who donated blood!

Our Calendar This Week

Today	9:45 am 9:45 am 11:00 am	Divine Service (Traditional) w/ Comm Sunday School Ministry Fair Divine Service (Contemporary) w/ Comm Food Pantry Open
Monday	10:00 am	Coffee and Cocoa Outreach Women's Group Bible Study on Parables
Tuesday		Greene Square Neighbor Ministry Handbells Rehearsal
Wednesday	4:00 pm 6:00 pm 6:00 pm	Men's Bible Study - at Lucky's on 16th Cottage Grove Devotion Confirmation Class High School Youth Vocal Choir Practice
Thursday		Adult Bible Study Senior Worship
Saturday	9:00 am	Holy Yoga
Next Sunday	9:30 am 9:45 am 11:00 am	Divine Service (Traditional) Blood Pressure Checks Sunday School Divine Service (Contemporary) Food Pantry Open

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

<u>Stewardship Highlight:</u> Today's stewardship video highlights the Bethany Lutheran Food Pantry.

<u>Stewardship Note:</u> Matthew 22:5 – "But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business." The invitation to join God in His feast and in His work is easily ignored. The rest of life seems so much more pressing, and we always think that there will be another time when we can catch back up with God. But what joys are we missing when we set aside God's invitation to join Him in His plans and purposes? What inheritance are we trading for the world's bowl of pottage?