

## Prayer Page

### Thanksgiving

- Veterans that have served our country

### Entrusting into God's Care

- Dale & Bernice Stonewall - moving to VA on 11/14
- Darrel (father of Dawn Thomas) - hospice care
- Persecuted Christians and refugees
- Peace in Europe and throughout the world
- Project 24 students, Yvonne and Lorine

### Healing

- Jenn (relative of Mary Nanke) - upcoming surgery 11/13
- Shirley Kellogg - recovering after broken hip
- Ellie (relative of Lynn Madsen) - cancer treatment
- Kelly Johnson - healing
- Jim (friend of Dave Johnson) - cancer treatment
- Bonnie Breiholz - recovering after surgery
- Joni Schmith - recovering after surgery
- Philip Hackbardt - recovering after surgery
- Ron Prescott - recovering after surgery
- Rick Foreman - recovering after surgery
- Ethel Doehrmann - immunotherapy treatment
- Doug Knutson - immunotherapy treatment
- Deb Heitland - health issues
- Abi Clark - health issues

### Homebound

- Candi Engel - Heritage Care Center

### Mourning, friends and family of

- Glennys Smith (sister of Betty Happel) - died 10/28
- Ron (brother of Ray McGraw) - died 10/13

### 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
- Jordan (grandson of Kim Neuhaus) - IA National Guard

**Chancel flowers** today are provided by Chuck and Emily Kroemer in celebration of their anniversary.

## Servants of Worship

### Sunday, November 12

<b>Elder</b>	Karl Hoech
<b>Usher (8:30)</b>	Wade Ramsey
<b>Usher (11)</b>	Dick & Karen Hass
<b>Greeter (8:30)</b>	Ed & Gloria Schumacher
<b>Greeter (11)</b>	Jim & Lissa Novitch
<b>Lector (8:30)</b>	Rick Foreman
<b>Lector (11)</b>	Emily Kroemer
<b>Video (8:30)</b>	Jeff Gebert
<b>Video (11)</b>	Charles Clark
<b>Sound (8:30)</b>	Nicholas Williams
<b>Sound (11)</b>	Aaron Moffett
<b>Acolyte (8:30)</b>	Wynne Kroemer
<b>Acolyte (11)</b>	Sasha Knutson
<b>Nursery (11)</b>	Susan Schoen & Amy Smith
<b>Coffee</b>	Freeses/Behrens

### Sunday, November 19

Phil Hedtke
Dave Karsten, Mark Bornemann
Chuck Kroemer, Dave Johnson
Lorna Fischer & Cherie Miller
Mary Nanke & Donice McDonald
Rick Thorington
Lissa Novitch
Mitch Myers
Mike Diers
Ken Cook
Phil Hedtke
Carolina Rinderknecht
Annest Hoech
Brooke Oja & Maren Elm

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**November 12, 2023**  
**Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**8:30 Service**

*Living and Sharing God's Love*

## Order of Service

Divine Service I

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn of Invocation

*Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying*

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Invocation, Confession and Absolution

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Introit

Psalm 84

Kyrie

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Hymn of Praise

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

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Old Testament Reading

Amos 5:18-24

Gradual

Bethany Vocal Choir

“Sing to the Lord of Harvest”

Epistle Reading

I Thessalonians 4:13-18

Alleluia and Verse

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Holy Gospel

Matthew 25:1-13

Children’s Message

Hymn of the Day

LSB #355

*O Savior, Rend the Heavens Wide*

Sermon

Offertory

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Apostles’ Creed

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Prayers of the Church

Lord’s Prayer

Luther’s Morning Prayer

Benediction

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Closing Song

*Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers*

LSB #515

## Notes and Announcements

A **congregational voters’ meeting** will take place today. Please join us at 12:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center. All members are encouraged to attend this meeting. The meeting agenda, next year’s budget proposal, and nominations for officers are posted on the bulletin board by the front entrance of the church.

Plan to attend **Thankful Hearts, a worship concert** at Bethany to support and celebrate Bethany Lutheran Food Pantry! Join us on Sunday, November 19 at 7:00 p.m. for an evening of music and praise, thanking God for His blessings. A freewill offering will be collected, with proceeds fully benefitting the pantry.

**Thanksgiving Eve Service with communion** will be held on Wednesday, November 22 at 7:00 p.m. Please plan to join us for this special service as we gather for worship in thankfulness.

**Senior Worship** will be held this Thursday, November 16. Service is at 11:00 a.m. followed by a fellowship luncheon. Please call the church office at 319-364-6026 if you plan to attend this service.

The November **donation item of the month** for Bethany Lutheran Food Pantry is potatoes. Please bring in potatoes next month and place them on the collection table located outside the sanctuary.

The **November Evangelism Challenge** is to perform an act of kindness! Pass along the love of Jesus to a friend or neighbor, and tell us what you did. Find the post in our Facebook group and share your act of kindness in the comments!

The Women's Guild will collect money for Hy-Vee gift cards for Bethany members in need. Please consider contributing to your fellow members at Christmas by placing your donation in the offering plate November 19-December 10. Please put donations in an envelope marked "Christmas Giving."

**On Tuesday mornings at 8:00 we hand out sack lunches in Greene Square Park in downtown Cedar Rapids.** We could use more volunteers! If you would like to serve in this ministry, please contact the church office to get involved.

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

## Our Calendar This Week

**Today**

8:30 am Divine Service (Traditional)  
9:45 am Sunday School  
11:00 am Divine Service (Contemporary)  
12:30 pm Congregational Voters’ Meeting  
1:00 pm Food Pantry Open  
4:00 pm Pickleball

**Monday**

6:30 am Coffee and Cocoa Outreach  
10:00 am Women’s Group  
6:00 pm Stephen Ministry Supervision  
7:00 pm Elders’ Meeting  
7:00 pm Bible Study on Parables

**Tuesday**

8:00 am Greene Square Neighbor Ministry  
9:00 am Walking for Exercise  
6:30 pm Handbells Rehearsal  
7:00 pm Council Meeting

**Wednesday**

6:00 am Men’s Bible Study  
4:00 pm Cottage Grove Devotion  
5:30 pm Confirmation Class  
6:00 pm High School Youth  
6:30 pm Vocal Choir Practice

**Thursday**

9:00 am Adult Bible Study  
9:00 am Walking for Exercise  
11:00 am Senior Worship  
7:00 pm Christian Faith Class

**Saturday**

9:00 am Holy Yoga

**Next Sunday**

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  
4:00 pm Pickleball  
7:00 pm Thankful Hearts Worship Concert

**Stewardship Note: Matthew 25:4** – “*But the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps.*” Why did they take flasks of oil with them? Because they listened to the Bridegroom’s words and believed what He said. Our actions always start with and flow from our beliefs. What do your actions in the realm of stewardship say about what you believe?