

## Prayer Page

### Entrusting into God's Care

- Dale & Bernice Stonewall - moved to VA
- Persecuted Christians and refugees
- Peace in Europe and throughout the world
- Project 24 students, Yvonne and Lorine

### Healing

- Lee Heims - upcoming surgery on 11/22
- Karl Hoech - upcoming surgery on 11/21
- Jacqueline (daughter of C. Kroemer) - health issues
- Don (friend of Mary Vezina) - recovering after surgery
- Del Block - hospitalization
- Jenn (relative of Mary Nanke) - recovering after surgery
- 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

- Nadine Wax - at home

### Mourning, friends and family of

- Darrel (father of Dawn Thomas) - died 11/11
- Aaron (friend of Linda Patten)- died 11/7
- Glennys Smith (sister of Betty Happel) - died 10/28

### 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

## Servants of Worship

Sunday, November 19      Sunday, November 26

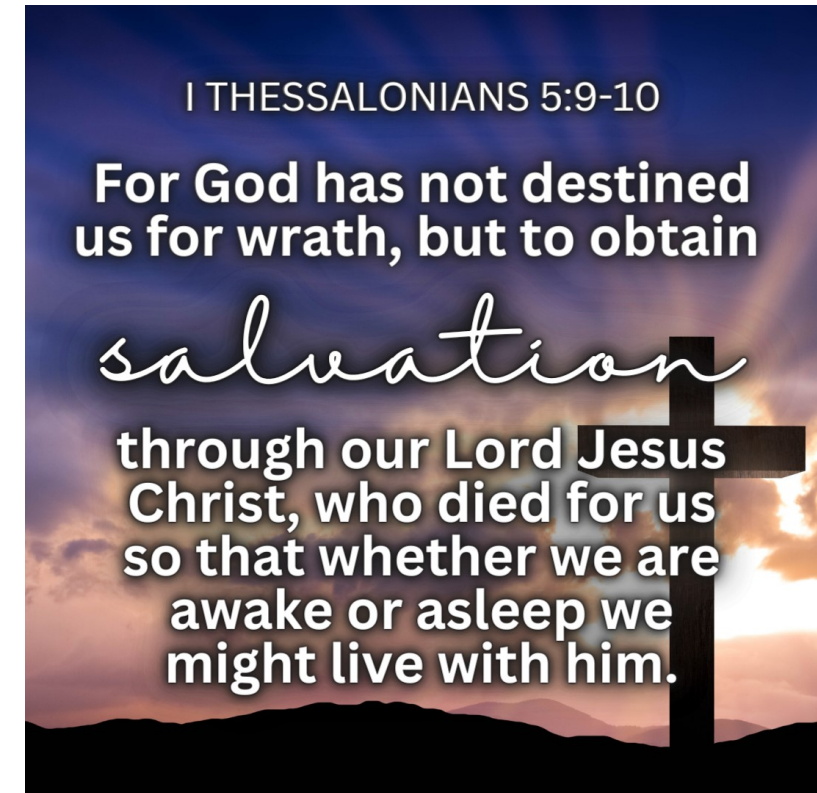
<b>Elder</b>	Phil Hedtke	Rick Foreman
<b>Usher (8:30)</b>	Dave Karsten, Mark Bornemann	Mike & Dawn Thomas
<b>Usher (11)</b>	Chuck Kroemer, Dave Johnson	Greg Dunn
<b>Greeter (8:30)</b>	Lorna Fischer & Cherie Miller	Rick & Marvelene Foreman
<b>Greeter (11)</b>	Mary Nanke & Donice McDonald	Dick & Karen Hass
<b>Lector (8:30)</b>	Rick Thorington	Pete Larson
<b>Lector (11)</b>	Lissa Novitch	Karen Swanson
<b>Video (8:30)</b>	Mitch Myers	Jeff Gebert
<b>Video (11)</b>	Mike Diers	Michelle Hedtke
<b>Sound (8:30)</b>	Ken Cook	Karl Hoech
<b>Sound (11)</b>	Phil Hedtke	Aaron Moffett
<b>Acolyte (8:30)</b>	Carolina Rinderknecht	Wynne Kroemer
<b>Acolyte (11)</b>	Annest Hoech	Carolina Rinderknecht
<b>Nursery (11)</b>	Brooke Oja & Maren Elm	Susan Schoen & Amy Smith
<b>Coffee</b>	Karstens	Knutsons

### Church Staff

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November 19, 2023

Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 Service

*Living and Sharing God's Love*

## Order of Service

Divine Service III

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn of Invocation

*Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray*

LSB #663

Invocation, Confession and Absolution

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Introit

Psalm 143

Kyrie

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Gloria in Excelsis

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

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Old Testament Reading

Zephaniah 1:7-16

Epistle Reading

I Thessalonians 5:1-11

Alleluia

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Holy Gospel

Matthew 25:14-30

Nicene Creed

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Hymn of the Day

LSB #804

*O Worship the King*

Sermon

Prayer of the Church

Preface, Sanctus

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Lord's Prayer

Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini, Agnus Dei

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Distribution

*Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared*

LSB #622

*The Day Is Surely Drawing Near*

LSB #508

Nunc Dimittis, Thanksgiving

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Salutation, Benedicamus, Benediction

LSB pg. 201

Closing Song

*Take My Life and Let It Be*

LSB #784

## Notes and Announcements

Plan to attend **Thankful Hearts, a worship concert** at Bethany to support and celebrate Bethany Lutheran Food Pantry! Please join us tonight at 7:00 p.m. for an evening of music and praise, and thanking God for His blessings. The concert is free and a freewill offering will be collected. Proceeds will fully benefit the pantry. This event is open to the community, so invite your friends!

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

Love to decorate? Please plan to stick around after 11:00 service next Sunday, November 26. We will **decorate the sanctuary for Advent and Christmas**, and helping hands will be appreciated!

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 now through December 10. Please put donations in an envelope marked "Christmas Giving."

**Men's Bible Study** will not meet this Wednesday, November 22. Class will resume at Bethany next Wednesday, November 29 at 6:00 a.m. The group is currently meeting in-person, but will move to online (Zoom) this winter. Please look for details to come.

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!

**On Tuesday mornings at 8:00 we hand out sack lunches and minister to people 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.

The **Angel Tree** will be up in the Gathering Area this Wednesday. Please pick up an angel, sign out which angel you took, purchase a gift for the child, and bring the gift to Bethany by December 10.

## Our Calendar This Week

<b>Today</b>	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
<b>Monday</b>	6:30 am Coffee and Cocoa Outreach
<b>Tuesday</b>	8:00 am Greene Square Neighbor Ministry 9:00 am Walking for Exercise 6:30 pm Handbells Rehearsal
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:00 pm Confirmation Class 6:00 pm High School Youth 6:30 pm Vocal Choir Practice 7:00 pm Thanksgiving Eve Service w/ Comm
<b>Thursday</b>	<i>Thanksgiving - Office Closed</i>
<b>Saturday</b>	9:00 am Holy Yoga
<b>Next Sunday</b>	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 4:00 pm Pickleball

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

**Stewardship Note: Matthew 25:30** – *“And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness.”* Why did the worthless servant act the way he did? Because of what he believed about the Master. He didn't trust or love the Master; so, his actions did not demonstrate love and trust, but rather hate and mistrust. It's the same with us, but in reverse: since we know our Lord God to be faithful and kind, we desire to serve Him and render faithful service with what He has given us.