

Prayer Page

Entrusting into God's Care

- Persecuted Christians and refugees
- Peace in Europe and throughout the world
- Project 24 students, Yvonne and Lorine

Healing

- Cindy Broadwater - recovering at Harmony after hospitalization
- Lee Heims - recovering after surgery
- Karl Hoech - recovering after surgery
- Jacqueline (daughter of C. Kroemer) - health issues
- Don (friend of Mary Vezina) - recovering after surgery
- Del Block - recovering after 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

- Dorothy Freese - Keystone Place

Mourning, friends and family of

- Lee Roesti (former music director) - died 11/18
- Darrel (father of Dawn Thomas) - died 11/11
- Aaron (friend of Linda Patten) - died 11/7

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 Mary Nanke.

Servants of Worship

Sunday, November 26

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| Elder | Rick Foreman |
| Usher (8:30) | Mike & Dawn Thomas |
| Usher (11) | Greg Dunn |
| Greeter (8:30) | Rick & Marvelene Foreman |
| Greeter (11) | Dick & Karen Hass |
| Lector (8:30) | Pete Larson |
| Lector (11) | Karen Swanson |
| Video (8:30) | Jeff Gebert |
| Video (11) | Michelle Hedtke |
| Sound (8:30) | Karl Hoech |
| Sound (11) | Aaron Moffett |
| Acolyte (8:30) | Wynne Kroemer |
| Acolyte (11) | Carolina Rinderknecht |
| Nursery (11) | Susan Schoen & Amy Smith |
| Coffee | Knutsons |

Sunday, December 3

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| Phil Hedtke |
| Mike Goerd, Ed Schumacher |
| Bens Mims, Steve Hanchera |
| Darrell & Naomi Chiavetta |
| Joseph & Anne Railsback |
| Nicholas Williams |
| Lori Dohrmann |
| Greg Dunn |
| Stephanie Chittick |
| Ken Cook |
| Aaron Moffett |
| Annie & Robby Russman |
| Mission Trip Youth |

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November 26, 2023

Last Sunday of the Church Year

8:30 Service

Living and Sharing God's Love

Order of Service

Divine Service IV

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn of Invocation

Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us LSB #851

Confession and Absolution LSB pg. 203

Introit II Peter 3 and Psalm 39

Kyrie LSB pg. 204

Gloria in Excelsis LSB pg. 204

Salutation and Collect of the Day

Old Testament Reading Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Gradual Organ Solo

“O People Rise and Labor”

Epistle Reading I Corinthians 15:20-28

Alleluia and Verse LSB pg. 205

Holy Gospel Matthew 25:31-46

Apostles’ Creed LSB pg. 207

Hymn of the Day

The Head That Once Was Crowned with Thorns LSB #532

Sermon

Prayer of the Church

Lord’s Prayer

Luther’s Morning Prayer

Benedicamus and Benediction

Closing Hymn

The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns LSB #348

Notes and Announcements

Midweek Advent services will be held December 6, 13, and 20. Please join us for these Wednesday Advent services at 7:00 p.m. Fellowship meals will be served before services at 6:00 p.m.

Advent devotional booklets are available at the Welcome Center. Please pick up a copy of “Peace Came to Earth” to take home.

Angel Tree is a ministry that provides gifts for children who have a parent who is currently incarcerated. Bethany’s Angel Tree is now up in the Gathering Area. Please pick up an angel ornament, sign out which angel you took, purchase a gift for the child listed, and bring a gift for the child to Bethany by Sunday, December 10.

Love to decorate? Please stay after 11:00 service today to help decorate the sanctuary for Advent and Christmas!

Help beautify the sanctuary for Christmas with poinsettias! Place your order at the Welcome Center by Sunday, December 17. Plants are \$10 each and may be given in memory of loved ones.

The Women's Guild is collecting 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 for gift cards in an envelope marked "Christmas Giving.”

Men’s Bible Study will meet at Bethany this Wednesday 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.

On Tuesday mornings at 8:00 we minister to people in Greene Square Park (downtown CR) by praying with them, sharing the Gospel, and handing out sack lunches. Please contact the church office if you would like to serve in this evangelism ministry.

The children's Christmas program will take place at 4:30 p.m. on Sunday, December 17. Please plan to attend this program as our Sunday School students share the story of the birth of Christ.

Schedule of 2023 Bethany Christmas Services
Sunday, December 24 - Sunday Divine Service at 10:00 a.m.
Sunday, December 24 - Christmas Eve Service at 4:30 p.m.
Sunday, December 24 - Christmas Eve Service at 11:00 p.m.
Monday, December 25 - Christmas Day Service at 10:00 a.m.

Our Calendar This Week

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| Today | 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 |
| Monday | 4:00 pm | Pickleball |
| | 6:30 am | Coffee and Cocoa Outreach |
| | 6:00 pm | Stephen Ministry Continuing Ed. |
| Tuesday | 8:00 am | Greene Square Neighbor Ministry |
| | 9:00 am | Walking for Exercise |
| | 6:30 pm | Handbells Rehearsal |
| | 6:00 am | Men’s Bible Study |
| | 6:00 pm | Confirmation Class |
| Wednesday | 6:00 pm | High School Youth |
| | 6:30 pm | Vocal Choir Practice |
| | 9:00 am | Adult Bible Study |
| | 7:00 pm | Christian Faith Class |
| Thursday | 9:00 am | Holy Yoga |
| | 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 |
| Saturday | 1:00 pm | Food Pantry Open |
| | 4:00 pm | Pickleball |
| | 8:30 am | Divine Service (Traditional) w/ Comm |
| | 9:45 am | Sunday School |
| | 11:00 am | Divine Service (Contemporary) w/ Comm |
| Next Sunday | 12:15 pm | Board of Education |
| | 1:00 pm | Food Pantry Open |
| | 4:00 pm | Pickleball |
| | 8:30 am | Divine Service (Traditional) w/ Comm |
| | 9:45 am | Sunday School |

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

Stewardship Note: Matthew 25:44 – “Then they also will answer, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?’” With this parable Jesus once again emphasizes that our good works come from who we are, not the other way around. Sheep do sheep works, and goats do goat works. So first things first: if we want to live more faithfully, let us come to Jesus, receive His gifts and ask Him to increase our faith!