

## Prayer Page

### Thanksgiving

- Doug Knutson - immunotherapy treatment

### Entrusting into God's Care

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

### Healing

- Keith (relative of Mary Nanke) - test/health issues  
 - Aaron Moffett - recovering after eye surgery  
 - Marvie Foreman - upcoming surgery 2/21  
 - Luke (nephew of Sheryl Knutson) - in ICU in critical condition  
 - Kathy (sister of Mark Holt) - recovering after surgery  
 - Ron Prescott - health issues  
 - Betty Happel - recovering after surgery  
 - Kris Dunn - recovering after surgery  
 - Luci Stoelting - recovering after hospitalization  
 - Kevin Hansen - recovering at home after hospitalization  
 - Ray McGraw - recovering after surgery  
 - Kim Neuhaus - recovering after surgery  
 - Lora Raymon - recovering after surgery  
 - Carolyn Johnson - recovering after surgery  
 - Cindy Broadwater - recovering after hospitalization  
 - Kelly Johnson - healing  
 - Philip Hackbardt - recovering after surgery  
 - Ethel Doehrmann - immunotherapy treatment  
 - Deb Heitland - health issues

### Homebound

- Verlyn & Paul LeFevere

### Mourning, friends and family of

- Alice Hoffmeier (friend of Bethany Lutheran) - died 2/4  
 - Adam (friend of Cindy Goerdt) - died 1/20

### 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  
 - Devon (friend of Hedtkes and Chitticks) - deployed to Korea

## Servants of Worship

### Sunday, February 18

**Elder** Phil Hedtke  
**Usher (8:30)** Wade Ramsey, Ed Schumacher  
**Usher (11)** Greg Dunn, Steve Hanchera  
**Greeter (8:30)** Ed & Gloria Schumacher  
**Greeter (11)** Jim & Lissa Novitch  
**Lector (8:30)** Rick Foreman  
**Lector (11)** Dave Johnson  
**Video (8:30)** Chris Frampton  
**Video (11)** Stephanie Chittick  
**Sound (8:30)** Karl Hoech  
**Sound (11)** Ken Cook  
**Acolyte (8:30)** Annest Hoech  
**Acolyte (11)** Wynne Kroemer  
**Nursery (11)** Amy Smith, Maren Elm  
**Coffee** Schmiths

### Sunday, February 25

Rick Foreman  
 Pete Larson  
 Chuck Kroemer  
 Lorna Fischer & Norma Fillmore  
 Mark Nanke & Donice McDonald  
 Rick Thorington  
 Sheryl Knutson  
 Greg Dunn  
 Greg Dunn/Jack Zimmerman  
 Tyler Steggall  
 Phil Hedtke  
 Nile Kroemer  
 Annest Hoech  
 Annie & Robby Russman  
 Behrens

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**February 18, 2024**  
**The First Sunday in Lent**  
**8:30 a.m. Service**

*Living and Sharing God's Love*

## Order of Service

### Divine Service III

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn of Invocation

*The God of Abraham Praise*

LSB #798

Invocation, Confession & Absolution

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Introit

Psalm 91

Kyrie

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

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Old Testament Reading

Genesis 22:1-18

Epistle Reading

James 1:12-18

Holy Gospel

Mark 1:9-15

Nicene Creed

Hymn of the Day

*Christ, the Lord of Hosts, Unshaken*

LSB #521

Sermon

Prayer of the Church

Preface, Sanctus

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The Lord's Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini, Agnus Dei

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Distribution

*Through Jesus' Blood and Merit*

LSB #746

*O Jesus, King Most Wonderful*

LSB #554

Nunc Dimittis, Thanksgiving

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Salutation and Benedicamus

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Benediction

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Closing Hymn

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

LSB #809

## Notes and Announcements

Join Bethany friends for **Super Bowling** on Sunday, February 25 at May City Bowl (1648 Trent St. SW). We will meet at 2:00 and plan to bowl two games. Invite a friend and join us for a fun afternoon! The cost is \$6 per person, which includes two games and shoe rental. Please sign up at the Welcome Center to attend!

Participate in **Baby Bottle Boomerang!** Bridgehaven Pregnancy Support Center is a ministry that walks alongside parents before, during, and after pregnancy. Services offered at no cost to their clients include ultrasounds, life skills classes, material assistance, pregnancy and infant loss support, abortion recovery support, and more! Please pick up a bottle today, fill it with change, bills, or checks, and return it to Bethany by next Sunday, February 25.

In 2024 we are **reading through selected Bible passages** together as a congregation. This Lent we will read "The Life of Jesus" to go through the Gospels chronologically. This 45-day reading plan is used by permission from CPH from *The Lutheran Reader's Bible*. Pick up a "Life of Jesus" reading plan from the Welcome Center!

**Midweek Lenten services** are held on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. Join us before services for fellowship meals at 6:00 p.m. This Wednesday the high school youth will serve roast beef for dinner.

LWML is planning a casserole project to benefit Bethany Lutheran Food Pantry! The congregation is asked to **donate 10.5 oz. cans of chicken noodle soup** through March 10. We plan to make 90 casserole kits, which will be assembled at the LWML general meeting on March 10 at 2:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend!

We've cleaned out the preschool room and nursery! All items we no longer use are located in the high school youth room. **Bethany members may take any toys or books** that they fancy; we simply ask for a freewill donation. Items may be taken between services and from 12-12:30 p.m. today and next Sunday. You may also come in during office hours (8:00-4:00) this week February 19-22.

**Stewardship Note: Mark 1:13** – "And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him." God the Father cares for us in every situation as well. Jesus realized this and always acted from the basis of trust in God the Father's provision. This is likewise the basis for our life lived in Christ: God cares for us, so we need not act out of fear or greed.

## 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
<b>Monday</b>	6:30 am Coffee & Cocoa Outreach 10:00 am Women's Group 7:00 pm Bible Study
<b>Tuesday</b>	8:00 am Prayer in the Square 9:00 am Walking for Exercise 6:30 pm Handbells Practice
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:00 am Men's Bible Study 7:00 am Cottage Grove Devotion 6:00 pm Lenten Meal 6:15 pm Confirmation Class 7:00 pm Lenten Service
<b>Thursday</b>	9:00 am Adult Bible Study 9:00 am Walking for Exercise
<b>Saturday</b>	9:00 am Holy Yoga
<b>Next Sunday</b>	8:30 am Divine Service (Traditional) 9:30 am Blood Pressure Check 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Divine Service (Contemporary) 1:00 pm Food Pantry Open 2:00 pm Bowling Fellowship - May City Bowl

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

**Evangelism Challenge:** The February Evangelism Challenge is to send a card to a friend! Please pick up a card from the Welcome Center and send it to a friend to share true love—God's love!

**Today in Sunday School** our students are learning about "The Idle Idol." Atop Mt. Sinai, Moses receives the Law from God. Meanwhile, the Israelites grow impatient and convince Aaron to create a golden idol. When God sends Moses down from the mountain, Moses sees the people's wanton worship and smashes the stone tablets. The people are punished for their idolatry. Moses returns to Sinai to plead God's mercy for the people.