

Prayer Page

Entrusting into God's Care

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

Healing

- Charlie (relative of Barb Deetz) - upcoming surgery
- Erin Wilson - recovering after surgery
- Ken Cook - recovering after hospitalization
- Marvie Foreman - recovering after surgery
- Patrick McCarley - recovering after surgery
- Harold Schoen - recovering after surgery
- Aaron Moffett - recovering after eye surgery
- Ron Prescott - health issues
- Kris Dunn - recovering after surgery
- Kevin Hansen - recovering at home after hospitalization
- Kim Neuhaus - recovering after surgery
- Lora Raymon - recovering after surgery
- Carolyn Johnson - recovering after surgery
- Cindy Broadwater - recovering after hospitalization
- Kelly Johnson - healing
- Ethel Doehrmann - immunotherapy treatment
- Deb Heitland - health issues

Homebound

- Verlyn & Paul LeFevere - at home

Mourning, friends and family of

- Ruth (aunt of Karl Hoech) - died 2/25
- Rodney Smith (relative of Betty Happel) - died 2/23

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, March 17

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| Elder | Randy Schmith |
| Usher (8:30) | Ed Schumacher, Dave Karsten |
| Usher (11) | Ben Mims, Steve Hanchera |
| Greeter (8:30) | Ken Armbrecht, Bev Rasmussen |
| Greeter (11) | Mickie Sjullie, Janine Schmitt |
| Lector (8:30) | Mark Elias |
| Lector (11) | Lissa Novitch |
| Video (8:30) | Chris Frampton |
| Video (11) | Mike Diers, Jack Zimmerman |
| Sound (8:30) | Karl Hoech |
| Sound (11) | Karl Hoech |
| Acolyte (8:30) | Annest Hoech |
| Acolyte (11) | Nile Kroemer |
| Nursery (11) | Brooke Oja, Sarah Potter |
| Coffee | Freeses |

Sunday, March 24

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| Karl Hoech |
| Dathan Hinrichs |
| Greg Dunn |
| Mark & Julie Elias |
| David & Elaine Behrens |
| Arlen Breiholz |
| Chuck Kroemer |
| Greg Dunn |
| Charles Clark |
| Tyler Steggall |
| Ken Cook |
| Carolina Rinderknecht |
| Sasha Knutson |
| Rebecca Ballstaedt & Dawn Mims |
| Knutsons |

Church Staff

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March 17, 2024
The Fifth Sunday in Lent
8:30 a.m. Service

Living and Sharing God's Love

Order of Service

Divine Service I

Welcome and Announcements

Invocation

Confession & Absolution

Opening Song

For God So Loved

Introit

Psalm 27

Song

Goodness of God

Kyrie

Salutation and Collect of the Day

Old Testament Reading

Numbers 21:4-9

Epistle Reading

Ephesians 2:1-10

Holy Gospel

John 3:14-21

Children’s Message

Song of the Day

Jesus Messiah

Sermon

Apostles’ Creed

Prayers of the Church

The Lord’s Prayer

Luther’s Morning Prayer

Benediction

Closing Song

Blessed Be Your Name

Notes and Announcements

Holy Week and Easter Services

Maundy Thursday (with communion) - March 28 at 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday - March 29 at 7:00 p.m.

Easter Sunrise - March 31 at 6:30 a.m.

Easter Traditional - March 31 at 8:30 a.m.

Easter Contemporary - March 31 at 11:00 a.m.

We are purchasing **new ESV Bibles, and a few additional LSB hymnals** for the Bethany sanctuary. Bethany members may donate Bibles and hymnals in honor or in memory of loved ones. If you would like to purchase Bibles or hymnals, please sign up at the Welcome Center. Bibles are \$12 each and hymnals are \$30 each. Payments may be made online at **bethanycr.org/giving** or by using a special giving envelope from the Welcome Center.

Beautify the sanctuary with Easter flowers! Tulips and daffodils are available to purchase in honor or memory of loved ones. Please sign up at the Welcome Center to order flowers. Plants cost \$14 each and checks may be made to Bethany LWML.

Bethany youth will serve **breakfast on Easter morning**, March 31 at 9:45-10:45 a.m. A freewill offering will be collected to fund their mission trip to Denver. Please sign up at the table outside the sanctuary to donate food items for the breakfast.

Join us for a children’s **Easter egg hunt** at 9:45 a.m. on March 31.

The final **midweek Lenten service** will be held this Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Join us before service for a fellowship meal at 6:00 p.m. This Wednesday the trustees will host a grill-out for dinner.

The March donation items of the month for Bethany Lutheran Food Pantry are **tissues, toilet paper, and paper towels**.

Senior Worship will not be held this month. Join us on April 18!

Please join us for the **LWML Cedar Rapids Zone Spring Event** on Saturday, April 13 here at Bethany. Our theme this year is “Sharing the Joy of God’s Love,” and Joy the Comfort Dog will be presented. Registration is at 8:30 with the event beginning at 9:00. The ingathering will benefit Bethany Lutheran Food Pantry. Items requested are canned meats such as canned chicken, tuna, Spam etc. Please sign up at the Welcome Center to attend.

Our Calendar This Week

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| Today | 8:30 am | Divine Service (Traditional) w/ Comm |
| | 9:45 am | Sunday School |
| | 11:00 am | Divine Service (Contemporary) w/ Comm |
| Monday | 1:00 pm | Food Pantry Open |
| | 6:30 am | Coffee & Cocoa Outreach |
| | 10:00 am | Women’s Group |
| Tuesday | 7:00 pm | Bible Study |
| | 8:00 am | Prayer in the Square |
| | 9:00 am | Walking for Exercise |
| Wednesday | 6:30 pm | Handbells Practice |
| | 6:00 am | Men’s Bible Study |
| | 4:00 pm | Cottage Grove Devotion |
| Thursday | 6:00 pm | Lenten Meal |
| | 6:15 pm | Confirmation Class |
| | 6:15 pm | High School Youth |
| Saturday | 7:00 pm | Lenten Service |
| | 9:00 am | Adult Bible Study |
| | 9:00 am | Walking for Exercise |
| Next Sunday | 9:00 am | Holy Yoga |
| | 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 |

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

Stewardship Note: Mark 10:45 – “For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.” Jesus gives everything He has: He gives Himself. That self-giving is the model for our giving in all aspects of our lives. In our family, in our church, and in the world at large, Jesus calls us to follow His example of self-giving. We can only do this if we are connected to His self-giving in faith.

March Evangelism Challenge: Send an Easter card to a resident at Harmony Cedar Rapids! Please stop by the table outside the sanctuary to select a resident and sign a card for them.