

## Prayer Page

### Entrusting into God's Care

- LCMS Missionaries
- Kelly Johnson– life issues

### Healing

- Brandon (son of Nick & Joleen Trent)- recovering after surgery
- Mike Raymon– recovering after surgery
- Vern Happel - recovering after surgery
- Janelle Dunbar– recovering after procedure
- Tammy– cancer
- Lorna Fischer– recovering after hospitalization
- John- (relative of Donna Stranathan)- health issues
- Larry Kroemer– recovering after hospitalization
- Philip Hackbardt– recovering after surgery
- Jeannine Robinson– recovering after surgery
- Vern Piering– recovering after surgery
- Tom Larson - recovering after surgery
- Linda Patten - recovering after surgery
- Abi Clark - health issues

### Homebound

- Marge Grovert– Ridgeview Assisted Living

### Grief (family and friends of)

- Leon (brother of Barb Rocarek)- died 4/16
- Judy (aunt of Joleen Trent) died 4/12
- Bob (husband of Carolyn Sternowski) died 4/4

### Serving Our Country

- Charles Clark - IA National Guard
- Hunter (husband of Sarah Ealy) - IA National Guard
- Eli (brother of Ashton Berberich) - Marines
- Aiden (grandson of Foremans) - US Army
- Amber (daughter of Ann Balvanz) - US Army, Germany
- Ben (son of Kroemers) - IA National Guard
- Mitchell & Benjamin (relatives of Schoens & Smiths) - US Navy -
- Jordan (grandson of Kim Neuhaus) - IA National Guard

## Servants of Worship

### Sunday, April 26

<b>Elder</b>	Mark Holt
<b>Usher (8:30)</b>	Mark Bornemann
<b>Usher (11)</b>	Dick & Karen Hass
<b>Greeter (8:30)</b>	Barry & Amy Smith
<b>Greeter (11)</b>	Colby & Janine Schmitt
<b>Lector (8:30)</b>	Pete Larson
<b>Lector (11)</b>	Chuck Kroemer
<b>Video (8:30)</b>	Mitch Myers
<b>Video (11)</b>	Charles Clark
<b>Sound (8:30)</b>	Nicholas Williams
<b>Sound (11)</b>	Aaron Moffett
<b>Acolyte (8:30)</b>	Carter Oja
<b>Acolyte (11)</b>	Clare Brusius
<b>Nursery (11)</b>	Amy Smith Natalie Steggall
Coffee	Schmith

### Sunday, May 3

Rick Foreman
Tyler Steggall, Pete Larson
Chuck Kroemer Steve Hanchera
Tom & Debbie Mills
Michele & Nick Nystul
Nicholas Williams
David Johnson
Natalie Steggall
Mike Diers
Karl Hoech
Ethan Petrik
Carter Urban
Carson Theriault
Rachel Zittergruen Rebecca Ballstaedt
Youth

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

### Church Staff

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**I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture.**

*John 10:9*

**April 26, 2026**  
**Good Shepherd Sunday**  
**8:30 a.m. Service**

*Living and Sharing God's Love*

## Order of Service

Divine Service IV

Organ Prelude and Ringing of the Bells	
Call to Worship and Announcements	
Hymn of Invocation	LSB# 709
<i>The King of Love My Shepherd Is</i>	
Invocation, Confession and Absolution	LSB pg. 203
Introit	From John 10 and Psalm 95
Kyrie	LSB pg. 204
Gloria in Excelsis	LSB pg. 204
Salutation and Collect of the Day	LSB pg. 205
First Reading	Acts 2:42-47
Gradual	
<i>Good Shepherd Medley</i> (Harp & Piano Duet - Janet Hoech and Ryanne Molinari)	
Epistle Reading	I Peter 2:19-25
Alleluia and Verse	LSB pg. 205
Holy Gospel	John 10:1-10
Apostles' Creed	LSB pg. 207
Children's Message	
Hymn of the Day	please see insert
<i>My Shepherd Will Supply My Need</i>	
Sermon	
Prayers of the Church	LSB pg. 207
Lord's Prayer	LSB pg. 209
Luther's Morning Prayer	
Benedicamus & Benediction	LSB pg. 212
Closing Hymn	LSB #711
<i>Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us</i>	

## Notes and Announcements

Our **Garden Ministry** is looking for volunteers to lend a hand! The fresh produce grown in our garden helps support our Bethany food pantry and makes a meaningful difference in our community. Interested in getting involved? **Sign up at the Welcome Desk.** Contact Sheryl Knutson to learn more!

The congregation is invited to the public examination of our confirmands today at 9:45 in the Family Life Center. We will celebrate the **Rite of Confirmation** at the 11:00 service next Sunday, May 3. God's blessings to our 2026 confirmation students: Claire Brusius, Brenna Godbey, Lucas Heller, Carter Oja, Addyson Stackhouse, Sydney Wilson, Everly Zimmerman and Jack Zimmerman!

A new session of **Christian Faith Class** will be starting **May 5 at 7:00 PM**. While this class is designed for those interested in joining the congregation, Bethany members who would like to deepen their understanding of the Christian faith are also welcome and encouraged to attend. **All adults are invited!** If you are interested in attending or would like more details, please contact Pastor Erickson at 319-364-6026 or [pastor.bethanycr@gmail.com](mailto:pastor.bethanycr@gmail.com)

The Trustees will host a **"Serve the Lord Day"** on **Saturday, May 16**. Please join us from 8:00-11:30 a.m. for indoor and outdoor work projects to help care for the maintenance of our facilities.

Our **Food Pantry** is collecting **12 oz cans of tuna** for the months of **April and May**. Tuna is a great source of protein and a much-needed staple for the families we serve. Donations can be dropped off at the church during regular hours or on Sundays. Thank you for helping us care for our community in a simple, meaningful way!

**Men's Bible Study** will meet at Lucky's for breakfast on Wednesday, April 29 at 6:00 a.m. Starting **Wednesday, May 6 at 6:00 a.m.** they will start a Bible study on the Gospels.

**Prayer group** meets every **Tuesday at 1:00 p.m.** at Bethany. All are welcome to join us for a weekly time devoted to prayer.

## Our Calendar This Week

<b>Today</b>	8:30 am	Traditional Service
	9:30 am	Education Hour
	9:30 am	Confirmands Public Examination
	11:00 am	Contemporary Service
	1:00 pm	Food Pantry Open
<b>Monday</b>	6:30 am	Coffee & Cocoa
<b>Tuesday</b>	8:00 am	Green Square Outreach
	9:00 am	Walking for Exercise
	1:00 pm	Prayer Group
	6:00 pm	Handbells Practice
	6:00 pm	Evangelism
	6:30 pm	Stephen Min. Cont. Ed @ St. Paul's
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:00 am	Men's Bible Study
	6:00 pm	Confirmation Class / H.S. Youth
	6:00 pm	Assemble Confirmation Stoles
	6:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal
<b>Thursday</b>	9:00 am	Adult Bible Study
	9:00 am	Walking for Exercise
<b>Saturday</b>	9:00 am	Holy Yoga - Lower Level
<b>Next Sunday</b>	8:30 am	Traditional Service/w Communion
	9:30 am	Education Hour
	11:00 am	Cont. Service/Confirmation/w Comm.
	1:00 pm	Food Pantry Open

**Save the date: Blood Drive Friday, May 29, 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.**  
On Friday, May 29 an American Red Cross blood drive will be held at Bethany. The drive will take place 12:00-5:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Sign up via the poster on the bulletin boards.

**Stewardship Note: 1 Peter 2:21 – "For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps."** Our heavenly Father wants us to grow into the image of His Son and to follow in His steps. Jesus suffered for us not only to redeem us, but also to show us what love looks like and to leave us an example of self-giving, sacrificial generosity. "Let us ever walk with Jesus, follow His example pure."