

## Prayer Page

### Thanksgiving

- baptism of Evelyn (daughter of Mercedes Henderson & Trent Cox)

### Entrusting into God's Care

- Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca  
- Kelly Johnson— life issues

### Healing

- Jeff Stranathan- cancer  
- Linda Patten - health issues  
- Elda Joyner - recovering after hospitalization  
- Leonard Tiedt— recovering at Cottage Grove after fall  
- Larry Kroemer— recovering after hospitalization  
- Beth Wright— recovering after surgery  
- Karen Swalley— health issues  
- Mike Raymon— recovering after surgery  
- Vern Happel - recovering after surgery  
- Janelle Dunbar— recovering after procedure  
- Philip Hackbardt— recovering after surgery  
- Vern Piering— recovering after surgery  
- Tom Larson - health issues  
- Abi Clark - health issues

### Homebound

- Carol Grimminger— Cottage Grove

### Grief (family and friends of)

- Elaine (wife of Ken Cook)- died 5/24  
- Gerald (father of Joesph Railsback) - died 5/19

### 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  
- 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, May 31

**Elder** Rick Foreman  
**Usher (8:30)** Mike Goerd  
**Usher (11)** Dick & Karen Hass  
**Greeter (8:30)** Joy the Comfort Dog  
**Greeter (11)** Joy the Comfort Dog  
**Lector (8:30)** Rick Thorington  
**Lector (11)** Dave Johnson  
**Video (8:30)** Greg Dunn  
**Video (11)** Charles Clark  
**Sound (8:30)** Karl Hoech  
**Sound (11)** Phil Hedtke  
**Acolyte (8:30)** Jack Zimmerman  
**Acolyte (11)** Carson Theriault  
**Nursery (11)** Susan Schoen  
Amy Smith  
Coffee Railsback

### Sunday, June 7

Steve Hanchera  
Tyler Steggall, Pete Larson  
Chuck Kroemer  
Doug Knutson  
Rick & Marvelene Foreman  
Rick & Erin Heller  
Rick Foreman  
Karen Swanson  
Natalie Steggall  
Jack Zimmerman  
Nicholas Williams  
Aaron Moffett  
Carter Urban  
Evie Zimmerman  
Rebecca Ballstaedt  
Dawn Mims  
Youth

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

## Church Staff

**Pastor:** Rev. Michael Erickson pastor.bethanycr@gmail.com  
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**11:00 Music:** Luke Viertel music.bethanycr@gmail.com



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**May 31, 2026**  
**Trinity Sunday**  
**8:30 a.m. Service**

*Living and Sharing God's Love*

## Order of Service

### Divine Service I

Organ Prelude- *Come, Creator Spirit* & Ringing of the Bells

Call to Worship and Announcements

Opening Hymn

*All People That on Earth Do Dwell* LSB# 791

Invocation, Confession and Absolution LSB pg. 203

Introit From a Liturgical Text and Psalm 16

Kyrie LSB pg. 204

Hymn of Praise LSB pg. 204

Salutation and Collect of the Day LSB pg. 205

First Reading Genesis 1:1-2:4

Handbell Gradual - *It Is Well With My Soul*

Second Reading Acts 2:14a, 22-36

Alleluia and Verse LSB pg. 205

Holy Gospel Matthew 28:16-20

Children's Message

Hymn of the Day

*The Church's One Foundation* sts 1-5 LSB# 644

Sermon

Offertory (from Divine Service Setting III) LSB pg. 192

Athanasian Creed

Prayers of the Church LSB pg. 207

The Lord's Prayer LSB pg. 209

Luther's Morning Prayer

Benediction LSB pg. 212

Closing Hymn

*Holy, Holy, Holy* LSB# 507

Postlude - *We All Believe in One True God* arranged by Flor Peeters

## Notes and Announcements

Help us bless the **military members** on our prayer list with a **special care package!** We are collecting snacks, toiletries, notes of encouragement, and other small items to remind our service members that they are loved, supported, and being prayed for by their Bethany family. The deadline **has been EXTENDED to Sunday, June 14** — giving everyone another opportunity to participate! Please check the sign-up sheets outside the sanctuary for needed items and return donations to Bethany by June 14. Let's come together to share Christ's love and encouragement with those serving our country.

May is **New Helper Month for Green Square Outreach!** Are you looking for a way to serve others in our community? Have you thought about helping hand out meals at Green Square? **Sign up at the Welcome Counter to be paired with a "buddy"** to try it once and learn more about this meaningful opportunity to serve on a Tuesday morning from 8-9 am.

**Vacation Bible School** is right around the corner, and we're looking for **enthusiastic volunteers** to help make it an amazing week for our kids! If you are available **June 22–25 from 5:00–8:00 PM**, we'd love for you to consider serving in this fun and meaningful ministry opportunity. Whether you enjoy helping with games, crafts, music, snacks, small groups, or simply encouraging kids, there's a place for you! Questions about volunteering? Contact Kierra for more information. **Look for the sign up outside the Sanctuary.**

Join your Bethany friends at the ballpark on **Sunday, July 12** to see the **Cedar Rapids Kernels** take on the South Bend Cubs at 1:05. Special ticket pricing for Bethany members of \$10 per ticket for adults and kids under 18 are free! Kids 12 and under also get a free hot dog, popcorn, and drink courtesy of the Kernels. **Please sign up at the Welcome Center by Monday June 22** to join us at the ballpark.

Food Pantry donation items for **June & July are toilet paper and paper towels.** Thank you for your generous donations to our Bethany Food Pantry!

The **front entry doors** will be replaced during the week of June 8–12. Daily operations should experience minimal disruption, but if the front entrance is temporarily unavailable, please use the back entrance.

## Our Calendar This Week

**Today**  
8:30 am Traditional Service  
9:30 am Education Hour  
11:00 am Contemporary Service  
1:00 pm Food Pantry Open

**Monday**  
6:30 am Coffee & Cocoa  
1:00 pm LWML Board Meeting  
6:00 pm Trustees  
6:00 pm Stewardship Meeting

**Tuesday**  
8:00 am Green Square Outreach  
9:00 am Walking for Exercise  
1:00 pm Prayer Group

**Wednesday**  
7:00 pm Chrisian Faith Class

**Thursday**  
9:00 am Adult Bible Study  
9:00 am Walking for Exercise  
6:00 pm Human Care

**Saturday**  
9:00 am Holy Yoga - Lower Level

**Next Sunday**  
8:30 am Traditional Service  
9:30 am Education Hour  
9:30 am Garden Ministry Meeting  
11:00 am Contemporary Service  
12:00 pm Mission Trip Meeting  
1:00 pm Food Pantry Open

Don't forget to bring in **cans and plastic bottles** next Sunday to help support the youth. Please look for the signs at the garage.

**Stewardship Note: Matthew 28:19–20** – “**Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.**” Behold the threefold Name of God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We are baptized into this Name. We have been made a part of God's family. Now, we are called to live in harmony with our new family, to be godly and live in God's image. As God is loving, kind and generous, so are we all called to be.