

Bethany Church

Reach. Serve. Love.



SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP 9:30AM

Disposable masks are available at the welcome center desk.

Services livestream on Facebook every Sunday at 9:30 AM and remain available for viewing anytime.

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Bethany Doors will be open: Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Saturday & Sunday 8:00 am – 1:00 pm

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NEWS



**Remember to check
your mailboxes
during the summer!!**



Volunteers needed to serve coffee on Sunday mornings...sign-up sheet is by the office 😊

CALENDAR

Sunday, May 29 | COMMUNION

9:30 am **Worship Service | Baptism: Arthur Mauricio Paz**
10:45 am Coffee Time

Monday, May 30

10:00 am Memorial Day Service (Sanctuary)
1:00 pm Mission Quilters (Basement)
7:00 pm Deacon's Count



Sunday, June 5

9:30 am **Worship Service**
10:45 am Coffee Time

Sunday, June 5 – Wednesday, June 8 | Urban Plunge AFC Mission Trip (Sioux Falls)

1:00 pm Mission Quilters (Basement)

Thursday, June 9

6:00 – 8:00 pm Kailee Carlson Baby Shower (The Hub)

Sunday, June 12

9:30 am **Worship Service**
10:45 am Coffee Time

Sunday, June 19 | FATHER'S DAY | Baptism: Peter Aaron Horsager

3rd Sunday Offering: Building Fund – Restroom Remodel

9:30 am **Worship Service**
10:45 am Coffee Time



Monday, June 20

7:00 pm Deacon's Meeting / Elder's Meeting
8:20 pm Consistory Meeting (Library)

Sunday, June 26

9:30 am **Worship Service**
10:45 am Coffee Time

Monday, June 27

7:00 pm Deacon's Count

PRAYER



PRAYERS for HEALING, STRENGTH, PEACE:

- † Deanna Meints
- † Vivian Reiners
- † Lori & Alan Petersen
- † Bruce Hinrichs
- † Marlyn Andresen continues treatments at Mayo.
- † Ettie Goeman continues cancer treatments, while anticipating surgery.
- † Harlan Ruiter is at Carris Therapy Suites in Willmar, room #108.
- † Gary Slagter is recovering from pneumonia at Glen Oaks in New London.
- † Jennie Tebben continues to recover at the CCCC, she is off oxygen and doing much better.
- † Matt & Brittany Koenen (pregnancy). Baby will need surgery on day 2-3 of life to repair a narrowing / blockage in the small intestine, followed by 2-4 weeks in the NICU.
- † Earle Schoep, Darrell Schoep's father, had a heart valve replacement on Tuesday, May 24.

In Memory

Roger J. Sweep, 83, died Wednesday, May 11 at his home. His memorial service was Monday, May 16 at Bethany Reformed Church in Clara City. Memorials are preferred to Carris Health Hospice or American Cancer Society.

Cindy Klinghagen, 65, passed away on Friday, May 6, at the St. Cloud Hospital. Funeral service was held on Wednesday, May 11 at 10:30 am at Bethany Reformed Church.

Ruth Johnson, 89, passed away on Sunday April 24, at her residence. Funeral services were held on Wednesday, April 27 at 11:00 am at Bethany Reformed Church.

MISSION SPOTLIGHT



World Refugee Day is June 20. It is an international day to honor refugees around the globe and celebrate the strength and courage of people who have been forced to flee their homes to escape conflict, persecution, natural disasters and other factors that threaten their lives, while also lamenting the circumstances that led to their forced displacement and harrowing journeys to find refuge. World Refugee Day is an opportunity to build empathy and understanding for the plight of displaced people and to recognize their resilience, to pray for displaced people and their homelands, and to take time to discern how God is calling us, as Christ followers, to provide compassionate care for those seeking refuge.

SERVICE SPOTLIGHT

Service Spotlight. Opportunities to serve the YOUTH at Bethany.

Youth Board. The Youth Board is a committee that oversees the youth programs at Bethany. It is all things youth related! The board meets once a month before church on the 2nd Sunday of the month to discuss ideas and upcoming events for the youth. This committee is made up of 3 Consistory members and 3 members of the congregation, each serving a 3-year term. While these individuals serve on the committee, there are also many ways to tangibly support the youth of Bethany: driving and chaperoning for trips, mentoring our 10th & 11th grade students, leading small groups, making and helping serve meals on Wednesday nights, and helping supervise gym activities.

Sunday school & Wednesday Night Superintendents. The Superintendent is a 2-year term, for both Sunday & Wednesday programs. Invitations to serve are extended before the Annual Congregational Meeting each December. While these are two separate opportunities to serve, they are very similar in their duties. They both involve oversight of the daily operations of either the Sunday school or the Wednesday night activities, making sure things run smoothly, finding teachers, planning kickoffs and year end events, as well as coordinating with the Youth Pastor on calendars and cancellations.

Mentoring. At Bethany, students entering their 10th grade year begin a two-year mentoring relationship with a mentor of their choosing. The mentor is a caring adult who shares time, conversation and experience for the growth and encouragement of the student. Mentoring is the act of helping someone learn. Mentors can serve as a teacher, friend, guide and encourager. At the same, this relationship is intended to be mutually beneficial. Both the mentor and the mentee commit to participate for a specified period of time. Bethany arranges for a two-year commitment with a scheduled minimum of one meeting per month. Materials to help bring direction to the mentoring relationship are provided. Both the mentor and the mentee receive these materials in a three-ring binder.

YOUTH NEWS

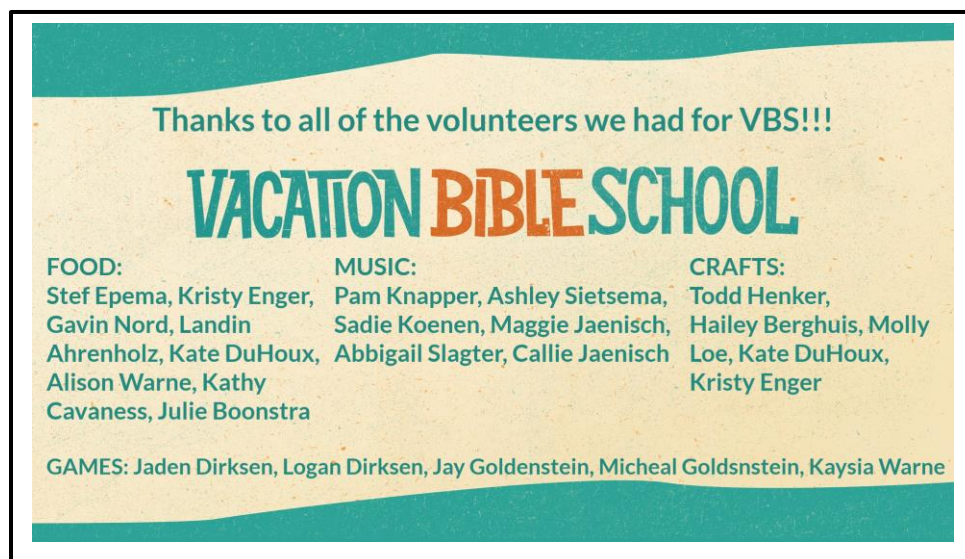
SIOUX FALLS MISSION TRIP

Pray for the youth going on the Urban Plunge trip to Sioux Falls on June 5- 8. We will leave at noon on Sunday the 5th and be back on the 8th mid-afternoon. Thank you to LeAnn Nord, Mindy Hinrichs, and Andrew DuHoux for being willing to drive and attend the trip.

Todd will be gone June 22-27 for a family event. Please pray for safe travels.

The Youth were asked again to serve corn as a fundraiser in the park at Prairie Fest on July 9th. Please look for information from your kids through text and on the website toward the middle of June. This is a great opportunity for youth to raise funds.

POWER CONNECTION - There will be more info coming in the June newsletter.



WORSHIP NOTES

VBS Children . . . YOU are a joy! Thank you for the fun in music during the week of Bible School! We are so proud of you for all the new songs you so quickly learned, and we pray that you will sing them all summer long. I'd like to encourage all of us to sing **this** one . . . often:

I WANT TO BE LIKE JESUS!

Give me a heart that's pure and true

Kind and loving in all I do

Full of mercy for all who come.

Running into the Father's arms.

I WANT TO BE LIKE JESUS!

I want eyes that see You.

I want ears to hear You.

Feet that follow after You.

I want to be just like YOU!

I WANT TO BE LIKE JESUS!

Thank you, Ashley, for teaching the music to the children with me, for encouraging all of us, and for being here for us! We love you and appreciate you!

And for the young ladies who stepped in to assist with the learning of the music: Sadie Koenen, Callie and Maggie Jaenisch, & Abbi Slagter! You brought energy and joy into the week and for you we are so grateful!

Keep a song in your hearts . . . ALWAYS! ~Pam

Psalm 150

Praise the LORD.

Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens.

Praise him for his acts of power; praise him for his surpassing greatness.

Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet,

Praise him with the harp and lyre, praise him with tambourine and dancing.

Praise him with the strings and flute, praise him with the clash of cymbals.

Praise him with resounding cymbals!

Let everything that has breath praise the LORD!

Praise the LORD!

THANKS

Ladies of Bethany – Thank you for serving at mom’s funeral. ~Family of Ruth Johnson

Prayer Shawl Ministry members,
Thanks for the prayer shawl I received after my shoulder surgery. What a comfort it has been during the long healing & the ongoing therapy. Such a warmth & such a beautiful reminder of the love and all the prayers spoken on my behalf. Thanks ~ Vera Pampuch

Thank you for your donation to MACCRAY After Prom – Your generosity makes this a memorable event for everyone.

Rural Mental Well-Being

RESOURCES FOR OUR FARMING COMMUNITIES



MN FARM & RURAL HELPLINE

For those struggling with stress, anxiety, depression or suicidal thoughts. Free, confidential, and available 24/7.

Phone: 833-600-2670
Text: FARMSTRESS to 898211
Email: farmstress@state.mn.us

MENTAL HEALTH MINNESOTA

Mental Health Minnesota works to help people in their journey toward mental health recovery and wellness.

Phone: 800-432-8781
Text: MN to 741741

Consistory Positions & Committees 2022

President

Pastor Matthew Miller

Vice President

John Madsen

Clerk

Chuck DeGrote

Chairman of the Deacons

John Hagemeyer

General Fund Treasurer

Riley Aeikens

Mission Fund Treasurer

Ryan Wubben

Building Fund Treasurer

David Hinrichs

Cemetery Fund Treasurer

Wade Buss

Worship Committee

*Cory Sietsema

Kim Sandry

Jeff Asche

Pam Knapper

Leadership Committee

*Chuck DeGrote

Brad Hebrink

Riley Aeikens

John Madsen

John Hagemeyer

Pastor Matt Miller

Education & Youth Committee

*Riley Aeikens

Wade Buss

Nate Bourne

Todd Henker

Mission/Outreach Committee

*Calvin Harms

Scott Ruiter

Ryan Wubben

Fellowship/Congregational Care

*Roger Knapper

Ron Thomton

Jeremy Aeikens

Property Committee

*David Hinrichs

John Hagemeyer

Randy Klinghagen

JUNE



Anniversaries

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| 3 Paul & Angie Beck | 19 Mark & Kathy Lalim |
| 4 Joel & Deb Folkerts | 20 Russ & Marcia Onnen |
| 5 Harvey & LaRae Koenen | 20 Paul & Krista Childers |
| 7 Dan & Nikki Niemeyer | 20 Ivan & Emily Paz |
| 8 Bryan & Kristi Caspers | 22 Justin & Kara Dirksen |
| 8 Jim & Gloria Hilbrands | 22 Ernest & Mary Ellen Folkerts |
| 8 Jerry & Lois Kløver | 23 Allen & Deanna Stutelberg |
| 12 Kurt & Maria Koenen | 25 Marlin & Dianne Ammermann |
| 15 Aaron & Shannon Ahrenholz | 25 Terry & Renae Epema |
| 17 Ed & Pam Zurn | 28 Al & Lois Ahrenholz |
| 18 John & Brenda Madsen | 30 Lee & Carin Hagemeyer |

Birthdays

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|--------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| 1 Dalen Caspers | 12 Ben Henker | 16 Lennyn Nelson |
| 1 Rick Sommers | 12 Shawn Koenen | 18 Dennis Boike |
| 2 Erma Andresen | 12 Hudson Nord | 18 Janet Sweep |
| 3 Dylan Dirksen | 12 Amanda Pauling | 18 Mason Ashburn |
| 3 Amber Wieberdink | 12 Carly Hagemeyer | 20 Nikki Niemeyer |
| 4 Geneva Grussing | 12 Arron Enger | 21 Lorraine Fokken |
| 5 Vera Rozeboom | 13 Harlis Emkes | 21 Rhiannon Enger |
| 5 Pam Knapper | 13 Todd Henker | 23 Janet Asche |
| 5 Amy Grussing | 14 Allan Meints | 25 Joel Folkerts |
| 6 Kurt Koenen | 14 Paige Andreas | 25 Whitney Nelson |
| 7 Kash Bourne | 14 Katherine Schwitters | 25 Elaine Vreeman |
| 7 Kooper Bourne | 14 Tia Schwitters | 26 Dawn Johnson |
| 7 Isaac Strommer | 14 Caitlyn Buss | 28 Deb Stutelberg |
| 8 Darren Melin | 14 Blakely Wrede | 28 Braxtin Hinrichs |
| 8 Barry Schwitters | 15 Chuck Ammermann | 29 Clarice Ammermann |
| 10 Dale Petersen | 15 Kathryn Klinghagen | 30 Chuck DeGrote |
| 11 Brad Hebrink | 15 Karen Bulthuis | 30 Donna Barney |
| 11 Paul Koenen | 16 Julie Boonstra | |
| 11 Margo Rath | 16 Jack Boonstra | |