

BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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✝ Ministers: All the People of Bethany ✝
Pastors: Casey Zesch, Kevin Haug, & Ray Tiemann
Children, Youth & Family Director: Kiesha Priem
2nd Sunday of Christmas ✝ January 5, 2025

INFORMATION FOR TODAY: (1) A **Cry Room** is available in the back of the sanctuary for Traditional Worship. A **Nursery** is located upstairs in Room 208 for parents & children (No Attendant). Worship is live-streamed in the nursery. (2) Children's bulletins & activity bags (take & return to rack), & home devotionals are available. (3) **Offerings are collected in Offering boxes at the entrances. We do not pass an offering plate.**

KEEP IN PRAYERS: Florine Bruns, Donald Eckhardt, Audrey Gold, Nic Jones, Dorothy Klier, Charles Kuenemann, Jordan Nimitz, Kiesha Priem, Madeline Sagebiel, Jarrod Stokes, Stacey York, & Korey Zenner.

ANNUAL REPORTS from Committees and Organizations are due! (non-financial reports). Please email information to Layne at layneblc@gmail.com

NEW DEVOTION BOOKS are available in the entrance areas.

January Special Offering: Der Stadt Friedhof

Der Stadt Friedhof Cemetery is overseen by a board of representatives from Bethany, Zion, & Holy Ghost Lutheran Churches. If you wish to contribute, you may use your Special offering envelope or a pew envelope, and make checks payable to Bethany Lutheran – noted "Cemetery".

MATCHING GRANT: The Hal & Charlie Peterson Foundation offers \$100k matching funds for businesses (not individuals) that donate to our Preschool Building Fund. If you or someone you know has a business that could make a donation, contact financial secretary Becky Dittmar, campaign chair Jody Donovan, or a pastor.

No Breakfast Bar or Sunday School today.

Next Sunday we resume Breakfast Bar & full Sunday School schedules for children, youth, & adults.

GriefShare begins January 9th. Class sessions will be each Thursday at 10:00am. 14 session program will end April 10th. Contact Pastor Ray or the church office for more information: churchofficeblc@gmail.com
830-997-2069

Returning in 2025! Dinner for 6

The Fellowship Committee Is bringing back Dinners for 6! This popular event was held a number of years back. Six individuals will be grouped together, by the Fellowship committee, to enjoy each other's company during the months of January, February, and March. It's open to both couples and single adults who would like to get to know other Bethany members in an informal, relaxed setting. Look for signup sheets in the Narthex and in front of the fellowship hall starting in December. Each month two people will host. It can be at anytime of the day the 6 people involved decide. It can be for brunch, lunch, supper! It will be up to that month's host if they want to have a meal in their home with the host providing the main dish and the other 4 people bring sides. Or the next month the host can decide to go out to a restaurant (Dutch treat). There are many possibilities such as meeting for coffee now that Fredericksburg has so many new, interesting coffee shops. With 3 different services at Bethany, there are many of us who only visit with the people who attend the service they do. It's another opportunity to gather in fellowship with other members of Bethany. We hope you will join us!



ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, January 26th. Annual reports will be available January 19th. Nominees are listed in the January newsletter.

ALL COMMITTEE MEETING

Sunday, February 2nd

Second Sunday of Christmas, January 5, 2025

8:15 Traditional Worship – includes livestream

10:30 Praise & Worship – Includes livestream

10:30 Traditional Worship in Sanctuary

Mon Jan 6	Facebook Prayer 4:00 WELCA Board
Tue Jan 7	9:00 Staff Meeting 4:00 Faith Foundations 4:30 Evangelism Committee 5:15 Bell Choir
Wed Jan 8	9:00 Quilters 4:00 Jumpstarts 6:00 Confirmation
Thur Jan 9	9:15 Preschool Chapel 10:00 GriefShare – room 205 1:00 Lydia Circle 3:45 Social Concerns 4:00 Faith Foundations 4:30 Chancel Choir 6:00 Preschool Board
Fri Jan 10	Fellowship Hall Reserved
Sat Jan 11	
Sun Jan 12	8:15 Traditional Worship – includes livestream 9:00 Breakfast Bar 9:15 Sunday School & Adult Classes 10:30 Praise & Worship – Includes livestream 10:30 Traditional Worship in Sanctuary

WORSHIP LEADERS

Worship Leaders: Pastor Casey Zesch & Pastor Ray Tiemann

Organists / Pianists: Marjorie Ottmers, Annabel Wilkinson

Chancel Choir Director: Chrissy Stuewe **Bell Choir Director:** Alicia Elrod

Praise & Worship Leader: Matt White

P&W Leader: Kids Sermon: