

## 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

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany ✝ January 19, 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:** Diana Blount, Florine Bruns, Donald Eckhardt, Audrey Gold, Mary Heath, Nic Jones, Dorothy Klier, Jackie Kneese, Charles Kuenemann, Wilfried Mazanke, Jordan Nimitz, Kiesha Priem, Madeline Sagebiel, Jarrod Stokes, Stacey York, & Korey Zenner.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** today are given to the Glory of God by Gary & Denise Stehling in Memory of Rex Walter Stehling.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Travis & Shannon (Smith) Koenig upon the birth of baby girl, Clara Rose Koenig. Bethany grandparents are Ken & Tami Smith.

**OUR SYMPATHY** to Leland Geistweidt & family at the passing of his mother, Evelyn Geistweidt.

**A NEW FLOWER CALENDAR** is posted in the work room. If you would like to provide Altar or Hymn Board flowers to honor or remember a loved one, please sign up.

### **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. To date we have been gifted \$52,850 towards this grant.

**Ladies Luncheon tickets** for sale in the Narthex.

Full tables have all been sold, but individual tickets are still available.

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**GriefShare** class is now in session. Class is each Thursday at 10:00am in the Trinity room (205). Contact Pastor Ray or the church office for more information:

**churchofficeblc@gmail.com | 830-997-2069**

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### **ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

Next Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, ~ 11:45

**Annual reports** are available near the entrances.

Nominees are listed for church council, Bethany Foundation, Bethany Preschool Board, and the Nominating Committee. Summaries of ministry and mission in 2024 are presented by committees and staff. Some financial reports are included; other come Jan. 26.

### **ALL COMMITTEE MEETING, Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Would you be willing to commit to one year of service via committee organization & ministry planning? If so, we'll have a meeting for committees in the Fellowship Hall, Sunday February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 11:45am. We'll share info & discuss 2025.

Committees available to serve: Children Youth & Family (CYFM), Evangelism, Social Concerns, Stewardship, Fellowship, Property Management, BOAT, Traditional Worship, and Praise & Worship. The Preschool Board members are elected and Finance Committee members are appointed; otherwise, all committees are open to volunteers.

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**Martin Luther King Jr Day service** happens at noon tomorrow, Monday January 20, in front of the court house steps. The service is sponsored by the Gillespie County Ministerial Association.

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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

Mon Jan 20	<b>Facebook Prayer</b> 12:00 MLK Day Celebration – County Courthouse lawn
Tue Jan 21	9:00 Staff Meeting 4:00 Faith Foundations 5:15 Bell Choir 6:00 Church Council
Wed Jan 22	4:00 Jumpstart 6:00 Confirmation
Thur Jan 23	9:15 Preschool Chapel 10:00 GriefShare – room 205 4:00 Faith Foundations 4:30 Chancel Choir 5:00 "Fun after 5" for Non-Profits (incl. our preschool)
Fri Jan 24	<b>Newsletter Deadline</b>
Sat Jan 25	<b>11:00 Ladies Luncheon</b> Pastor Casey off campus wedding
Sun Jan 26	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 <b>11:45 Annual Congregational Meeting</b> 12:00 Youth Bowling

**WORSHIP LEADERS**

**Worship Leaders:** Pastor Casey Zesch & Pastor Kevin Haug

**Organists / Pianists:** Marjorie Ottmers, Annabel Wilkinson

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

**Praise & Worship Leader:** Matt White

**P&W Leader:** Beth Luckenbach **Kids Sermon:** Beth Luckenbach