### BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

110 West Austin Street, Fredericksburg, Texas Phone 997-2069 www.bethanyfbg.com

♣ Ministers: All the People of Bethany ♣ Pastors: Casey Zesch, Kevin Haug, & Ray Tiemann Children, Youth & Family Director: Kiesha Priem Baptism of Our Lord ♣ January 12, 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

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.

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

**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

# 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 26<sup>th</sup>. Annual reports will be available January 19<sup>th</sup>. Nominees are listed in the January newsletter.

#### **ALL COMMITTEE MEETING**

Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Epiphany, January 12, 2025

8:15 Traditional Worship – includes livestream 10:30 Praise & Worship – Includes livestream 10:30 Traditional Worship in Sanctuary

Mon Jan 13	Facebook Prayer
MOIT Jail 13	
	5:15 Stewardship Committee
Tue Jan 14	Pastors Deanery in Comfort
	4:00 Faith Foundations
	5:15 Bell Choir
	6:00 Hope Circle
Wed Jan 15	9:00 Staff Meeting
	4:00 Jumpstarts
	6:00 Confirmation
Thur Jan 16	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 17	Fellowship Hall Reserved
Sat Jan 18	
Sun Jan 19	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
	10.00 Traditional Worship in Cancidary

#### **WORSHIP LEADERS**

Worship Leaders: Pastor Kevin Haug & Pastor Ray Tiemann
Organists / Pianists: Marjorie Ottmers, Annabel Wilkinson
Chancel Choir Director: Chrissy Stuewe Bell Choir Director: Alicia Elrod
Practice & Worship Leader: Matt White

**P&W Leader:** Mary Evans **Kids Sermon**: Mary Evans