

WELCOME TO BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Welcome

In the name of Jesus Christ, we welcome you as we gather to hear God's holy Word and celebrate the meal of Holy Communion. We are blessed by your presence. As God welcomes all people through the saving grace of Jesus, so do we seek to welcome all God's people to be together in Christ – to love, to grow, and to serve.

Should you have no church home, you are invited to consider Bethany. If you have questions for the pastor or church office, please call at 630.879.3444 or visit our website at www.bethanybatavia.org. Welcome!

Assistance in Worship

For those who find it difficult to stand or prefer to sit during any part of the service, please feel free to remain seated.

Children's Resources

Children's worship bulletins are available in the narthex and from the ushers.

Nursery

While not yet staffed, the nursery is open for parents who may find it helpful. The nursery is located on the sanctuary level, where you will find a changing table, rocking chair and some toys. You can still hear the worship service through a speaker in the room. Ask an usher if you need assistance.

Cell Phones and Pagers

Please silence all cell phones and pagers. Thank you.

Holy Communion

In Holy Communion the crucified and risen Christ is present, giving his true body and blood as food and drink. All baptized Christians are invited to the table where Christ himself is host. If you desire to be baptized, or to learn more about Holy Baptism, please speak to the pastor.

As We Gather:

At weddings and celebratory events, the ones who are being celebrated are often unaware of what goes on behind the scenes. A wedding couple may not be told that the caterer had arrived five minutes before the reception, or that the DJ was having major technical difficulties. These are the kinds of things that are simply--and even sometimes mysteriously--handled in order to allow for the celebration to continue without a hitch. At a particular wedding in Cana centuries ago, a shortage of wine was handled by a wedding guest named Jesus, and at first, the only ones who knew about it were the servants. The bridegroom was even praised for the fine wine he offered his guests, and we can assume he may not have even known who had provided it! Through the revelation of this miracle and the miracle worker, the disciples believed in Jesus. Jesus' miracles continue to unfold around us today--even with water and wine in this very space. Jesus continues to fill our emptiness and to provide for us abundantly, whether we notice it or not. In all the ways our lives fall short, we can trust that Jesus is handling it.

+ GATHERING +

PRELUDE: "Thaxted"

by Gustaf Holst Arr. Weber

We stand.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.
- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

- P Most merciful God,
- We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.
- P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us and, for his sake, God forgives us all our sins.

 As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.



Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a-bout to turn,

APOSTOLIC GREETING

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE: Glory to God in the Highest



PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- Let us pray.
 Lord God, source of every blessing,
 you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son,
 who brought gladness and salvation to his people.
 Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him,
 Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

We sit.

+ WORD +

FIRST READING: Isaiah 62:1-5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. ²The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. ³You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. ⁴You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. ⁵For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

- L Word of God, word of life.
- C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 36:5–10 Daniel Kallman

The choir sings the Antiphon once; the congregation repeats and joins in singing as indicated.

ANTIPHON:



We feast up - on the a - bun-dance of your house, O LORD.

Your love, O LORD, reaches to the heavens, and your faithfulness to the clouds.

Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep; you save both humans and beasts, O LORD.

How priceless is your love, O God!

Your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

ANTIPHON

They feast upon the abundance of your house; you give them drink from the river of your delights. For with you is the well of life, and in your light we see light.

Continue your lovingkindness to those who know you, and your favor to those who are true of heart.

ANTIPHON

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12:1–11

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

- L Word of God, word of life.
- C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



HOLY GOSPEL: John 2:1–11

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the second chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. ⁹When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." ¹¹Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

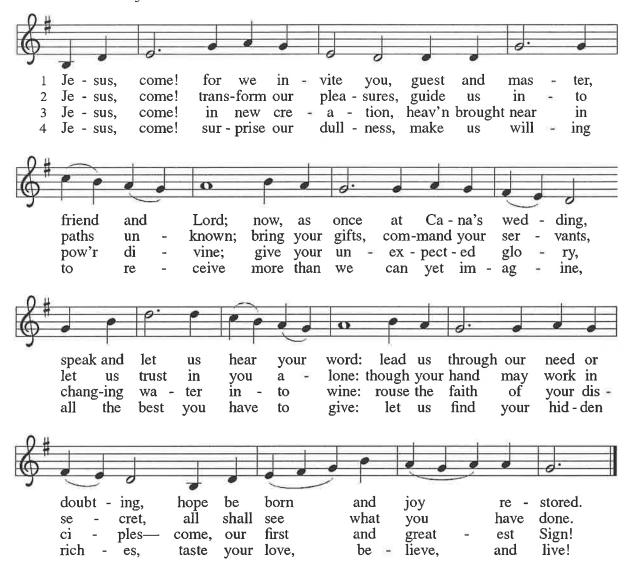
- P The Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

We sit.

SERMON

Pastor Jeff Mikyska John 2:1–11

HYMN OF THE DAY: Jesus Come! For We Invite You



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Music: UNION SEMINARY, Harold Friedell, 1905−1958
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APOSTLES' CREED

- P Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:
- C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that God has made.

A brief silence.

- A By your Spirit, activate within your church gifts of faith, healing, and prophecy. Unite those who profess your name across congregations, denominations, and geographic boundaries. Open our hearts to recognize and celebrate surprising miracles. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.
- A Your creation reflects your generosity. Bless farmers, migrant farmworkers, orchard-keepers, ranchers, and all who tend the abundance of the land. Protect food and water sources from destruction, that all can eat and drink and be satisfied. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.
- A By your Spirit, grant wisdom, knowledge, and discernment to those who hold leadership positions at any level. Direct policymakers toward compassionate decisions that build up safe and just communities. Lead all authorities in seeking and serving the common good. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.
- As Jesus provided generously in a moment of need, provide generous gifts of healing for those in need this day (*especially*). Provide abundantly for all who are hungry or thirsty, all seeking shelter, and all who seek peace. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.
- A You see us for who we are and you delight in us. Embrace those struggling with self-worth, wrestling with self-identity, or facing significant life transition. Remind us that nothing can separate us from your love. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.
- A You bless us through the spiritual gifts of the saints who have gone before us. We give thanks for the life of Martin Luther King Jr. and all who have modeled the way of courageous faith (especially). God of grace,
- C hear our prayer
- P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, Trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

+ MEAL +

We sit.

OFFERING MUSIC: When Christ's Appearing Was Made Known

Coelius Sedulius

When Christ's appearing was made known, King Herod trembled for his throne; But he who offers heavenly birth Seeks not the kingdoms of this earth.

The eastern sages saw from far And followed on his guiding star; By light their way to light they trod, And by their fits confessed their God. Within the Jordan's sacred flood The heavenly Lamb in meekness stood That he, of whom no sin was known, Might cleanse his people from their own.

And oh, what miracle divine, When water reddened into wine! He spoke the word, and forth it flowed In streams that nature ne'er bestowed.

For this his glad epiphany All glory unto Jesus be, Whom with the Father we adore, And Holy Ghost forevermore.

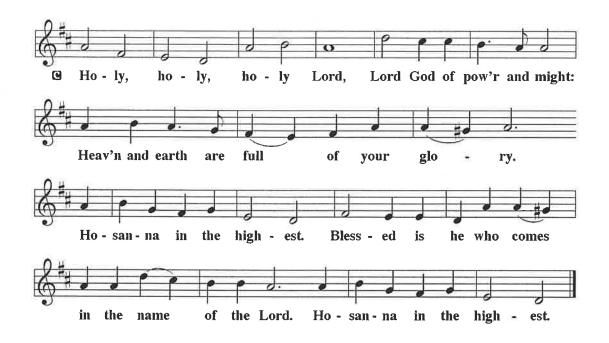
We stand.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A Let us pray. Merciful Father,
- C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give God thanks and praise.
- P It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. Sharing our life, he lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to his own brilliant light. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



P Blessed are you, O holy God: you are the Life and Light of all.

By your powerful word you created all things.

Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations.

Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son.

He is your Light, shining in our darkness and revealing to us your mercy and might.

In the night in which he was betrayed,

our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;

broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,

and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore,

his preaching and healing, his dying and rising, and his promise to come again, we await that day when all the universe will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light.

By your Spirit bless us and this meal, that, refreshed with this heavenly food, we may be light for the world, revealing the brilliance of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

C Amen.

- P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:
- C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

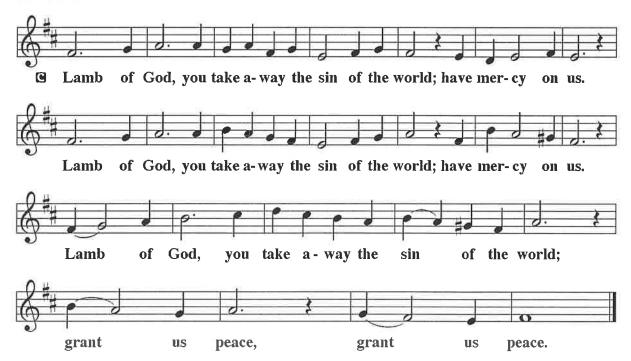
and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

- P The gifts of God for the people of God.
- C Thanks be to God.
- P Come, for all is now ready.

We sit.

LAMB OF GOD



COMMUNION

Our Lord Jesus Christ welcomes you to this meal of the baptized. The crucified and risen Christ is present in the Lord's Supper, giving us his true body and blood as food and drink.

Gluten-FREE rice wafers are available upon request and for those desiring it, non-alcoholic wine cups are in the center of the tray.

MUSIC FOR THE COMMUNION

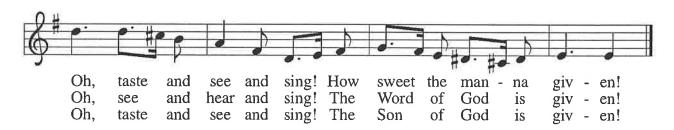


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Music: GREENSLEEVES, English ballad, 16th cent.

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We stand.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

A Let us pray.

Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

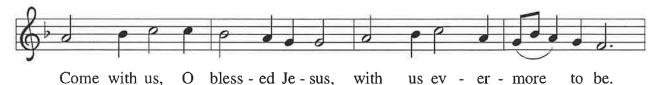
+ SENDING +

BENEDICTION

- P Almighty God: Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
- C Amen.

SENDING HYMN: Come with Us, O Blessed Jesus

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And, in leav - ing now thine al-tar, let us nev - er - more leave thee!



Let thy bright ce - les - tial cho-rus nev - er cease the heav'n-ly strain;



but in us, thy lov-ing chil-dren, come with peace, good will to reign.

Text: John Henry Hopkins Jr., 1820-1891

Music: WERDE MUNTER, Johann Schop, 1600-1665

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Allegro

Benedetto Marcello

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

The Rev. Jeffrey Mikyska, Presiding Minister Allison Mikyska, Assisting Minister Alan Spear, Organist
Mark Waldron, Reader
Ann Holch, Ruth Beck, Altar Guild
Allison Mikyska, Mark Waldron, Communion Assistants
Michael Goro, Adam Goro, Acolytes
Ryan Pieratt, A/V
Ralph Beck, Jon Habegger, Ushers
Festival Choir

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LET US PRAY

We pray for all who are hospitalized in our greater community and for those who are serving them.

Please pray for those who are part of the life of Bethany who struggle with illness and other concerns:

Carlene Altman, Keith Altman, Doug Andrews, Mary Bradtmueller, Bill Dahlman, Rich Franzen, Anna Jackson, Karin Johnston, Luke & Diane Land, Bill Lechnick, Bob Novy, Hershel Pruitt, Louise Pruitt, Judi Spear, Gretchen VanKempema

Please pray for those who are homebound and those in need of a care facility:

Helen Anderson Michaelsen Health Center, Holmstad Mark Anderson Silverado Memory Care, St Charles Dorothy Carlson Michealsen Health Center, Holmstad Nita Chevalier Michealsen Health Center, Holmstad

Lois Elfstrom Aurora, IL

Marilyn Georgeson Park Manor, Holmstad

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Wanda Krentz Harry J. Ekstam, Holmstad
Walt Meinert Harry J. Ekstam, Holmstad
Mildred Miller Reserve of Geneva, Geneva

Joan Olson Michealsen Health Center, Holmstad

Pat Quast Asbury Gardens

Judi Spear Arden Courts of Geneva, Geneva
Joyce Stran GreenFields of Geneva, Geneva

Please pray for all those serving in the military who are connected to our congregation

Please pray for our family and friends:

Sherry & Floyd Anderson Beth Richard's Parents

Pastor Paisley LeRoy Pastor at Bethlehem Church, St. Charles

Bill Garrison Husband of Debbie Garrison
Pastor Tim Kohlmeier Brother of Mark Kohlmeier

Charlene Novy Mother of Bob Novy

Bill Parkhurst Friend of Bill and Lynn Drymiller

Barbara Garrison Bill Garrison's mother

Linda Bennett Friends of Ken and Judy Henschler

David Ohlson Friend of Kathy Richmond

Paul Mazen

Lynn & Bob StrohFriends of Jackie PageBaby ThomasNeighbor of Jan BristowEd BonnesCousin of John & Karol ClarkBonnie PalshisSister-in-Law of Doug Boehm

Heather Staudacher, Dr. Mark Staudacher and family, Friend/Coworker of Beth Richard

Phil Lynn Dreymiller's brother

Kathy Dee's Family

Mary Jo Benstein's Family

Teri Figura

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Susan Sheley Daughter of Hershel and Louise Pruitt

Bonnie Friend of Pastor Jeff

Carole W. Friend of Ann & Fred Holch
DeAnne & Gary Niece & Nephew of Shirley Grant

Laura Friend of Pastor Jeff

Rabbi Margaret Frishklein

Brad Blue

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Sister of Sue & Bob Novy

Brother-in-law of Bob & Sue Novy

Daughter of Diane Schalk

Brother-in-law of Marty Offutt Gruber

Father of Dan Stahl

Please pray for those who mourn the passing of:

William (Bill) Gates

Nadia Perkins

Colleen Stephens

Marion Youngquist

Steve Voss Misty

Ellen Tucker Shirley Fox Family friend of the Coopers

Kim Carlson's sister

Friend of Pastor Jeff and Gail Pam Klingberg's Sister-in law Shirley Grant's Sister-in-law

THIS WEEK AT BETHANY

Sunday, January 16		
9am	Worship	Sanctuary
	Ribbon Cutting	•
10am	Coffee Hour	Fellowship Hall
10:30am	Sunday School	Ministry Center, 2 nd Floor
	Noteworthy Acoustic Concerts	
Monday, January 17		
	Bethany Walking Group	Ministry Center Gym
	Troop 6 Leaders	
-	Worship & Music	
Tuesday, January 18		
• • •	Bethany Walking Group	Ministry Center Gym
	Quilters	
Wednesday, January 19		-
	Bethany Walking Group	Ministry Center Gym
	Vasa Committee Meeting	
	. 150th Anniversary Team	
-	Youth Bells	
-	Confirmation	
-	Youth 2:19	F
Thursday, January 20		
	Bethany Walking Group	Ministry Center Cym
	Bell Choir	
	Festival Choir	
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7 pm	Boy Scout Troop 6	· ·
7:30nm	BSA – Order of the Arrow	Gym/Vlahn Room
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Friday, January 21		
8:30am	Bethany Walking Group	Ministry Center Gym
Saturday, January 22		
	Men's Basketball	
8pm	. AA	Fellowship Hall
Sunday, January 23		
9am	. Worship	Sanctuary
	Budget Forum	
	. Coffee Hour	
	. Sunday School	