# **BETHANY** Lutheran Church

The Holy Communion The Holy Trinity June 12, 2022

# 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 <a href="https://www.bethanybatavia.org">www.bethanybatavia.org</a>. 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.

#### **Flowers**

Today's Altar flowers are given in Celebration of Pastor Steve and Liesa Ritter's 50th Wedding Anniversary.

# 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:

"O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!" Today we celebrate the holy Trinity. Paul writes that through Jesus we have peace with God, whose love pours into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, giving us lasting hope. We celebrate the gracious One-in-Three, eternal Three-in-One, as we worship in community; as we share water and word, bread and wine; and as we bring God's love and hope to our neighbors.

# + GATHERING +

PRELUDE: Antiphon – Prelude on a Theme of Brahms

Gordon Young

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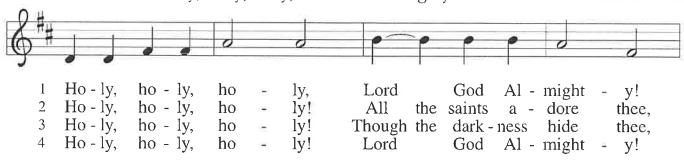
#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

- 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

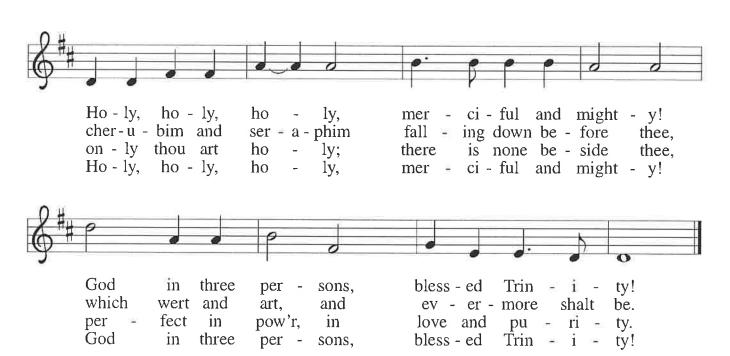
- P Most merciful God,
- We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.
  We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
  For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.
  Forgive us, renew 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.





Ear in the morn ing our song shall rise to thee. cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea; of sin - ful - ness thy though the eye glo - ry may not see, thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

# 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: Salvation Belongs to Our God



# PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray.
  Almighty Creator and ever-living God:
  we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One,
  and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three.
  Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity,
  and bring us at last into your presence,
  where you live in endless joy and love,
  Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
  one God, now and forever.

C Amen. We sit.

# + Word +

# FIRST READING: Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

Does not wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice?

<sup>2</sup>On the heights, beside the way,

at the crossroads she takes her stand; <sup>3</sup>beside the gates in front of the town,

at the entrance of the portals she cries out:

4"To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live.

<sup>22</sup>The LORD created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago.

<sup>23</sup>Ages ago I was set up,

at the first, before the beginning of the earth.

<sup>24</sup>When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water.

<sup>25</sup>Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth —

<sup>26</sup>when he had not yet made earth and fields, or the world's first bits of soil.

<sup>27</sup>When he established the heavens, I was there, when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,

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when he made firm the skies above,
when he established the fountains of the deep,
when he assigned to the sea its limit,
so that the waters might not transgress his command,
when he marked out the foundations of the earth,
then I was beside him, like a master worker;
and I was daily his delight,
rejoicing before him always,
rejoicing in his inhabited world
and delighting in the human race.

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

## PSALM 8

Spoken Responsively

- L O Lord our Lord,
  - how exalted is your name in all the world!
- Out of the mouths of infants and children your majesty is praised above the heavens.
- L You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, to quell the enemy and the avenger.
- C When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
- L what is man that you should be mindful of him, the son of man that you should seek him out?
- C You have made him but little lower than the angels; you adorn him with glory and honor;
- L you give him mastery over the works of your hands; you put all things under his feet:
- C all sheep and oxen,
  - even the wild beasts of the field,
- L the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
- C O Lord our Lord, how exalted is your name in all the world!

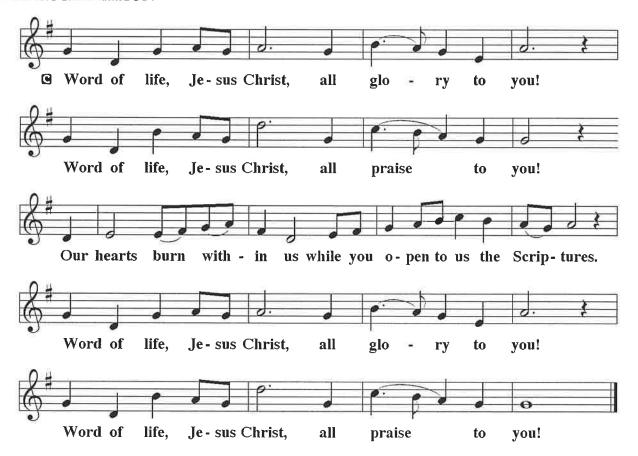
#### SECOND READING: Romans 5:1-5

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>2</sup>through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup>and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

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

#### We stand.

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



HOLY GOSPEL: John 16:12-15

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

[Jesus said:] <sup>12</sup>"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup>All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

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

We sit.

**SERMON** 

Pastor Jeff Mikyska John 16:12–15

We stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY: Come, Join the Dance of Trinity

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- 1 Come, join the dance of Trin i ty, be fore all worlds be gun—
- 2 Come, see the face of Trin i ty, new born in Beth le hem;
- 3 Come, speak a loud of Trin i ty, as wind and tongues of flame 4 With - in the dance of Trin - i - ty, be - fore all worlds be - gun,



in - ter-weav-ing of the Three, the Fa - ther, Spir - it, the crown of thorns out - side Je - ru - sa - lem. blood-ied by a then tell the Sav - ior's name. Pen - te - cost to peo - ple free at set of the Three, the sing the prais - es Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son. we



The u - ni - verse of space and time did not a - rise by chance, The dance of Trin - i - ty is meant for hu - man flesh and bone; We know the yoke of sin and death, our necks have worn it smooth; Let voic - es rise and in - ter-weave, by love and hope set free,



but as the Three, in love and hope, made room with in their dance. when fear con-lines the dance in death, God rolls a - way the stone. go tell the world of weight and woe that we are free to move! to shape in song this joy, this life: the dance of Trin - i - ty.

# NICENE CREED

- A Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:
- C We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

# PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.

# A brief silence.

- A One God, giver of life, you established peace through your Son and gave your church the hope of sharing in your glory. Enliven us by your Spirit to speak and act in love for the sake of the world. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.

Creator of all, you rejoice in creation and have given humankind responsibility for the works of your hands. Instill in everyone your Spirit of care for the earth, especially in areas threatened by ecological devastation (areas may be named). God of grace,

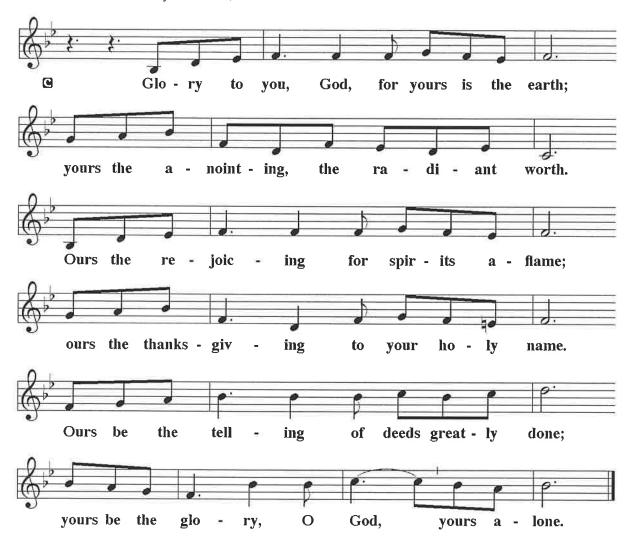
- C hear our prayer.
- A Loving Redeemer, you delight in the human race. Move the hearts of world leaders to seek wisdom, speak truth, and care for all endangered by poverty, prejudice, or violence. Further the work of international collaboration and peacemaking. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.
- A Abiding Comforter, you call out to all who live. Restore severed relationships and protect children who lack trustworthy caregivers. Grant hope to those who are experiencing fear, pain, or grief (especially). God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.
- A Holy Three, you are community and you create community. Build up ministries that support those who are isolated or lonely. Give endurance as we nurture vital relationships in our congregation and beyond. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.
- A Holy God, we remember your saints for their strong faith and witness, even unto death. Console grieving families. Stir up in us the resolve to end the sin of white supremacy and pursue the courageous path of justice. 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.

We sit.

OFFERING VOLUNTARY: Prelude on a Welsh Tune

Gordon Young

OFFERTORY SONG: Glory to You, God



We stand.

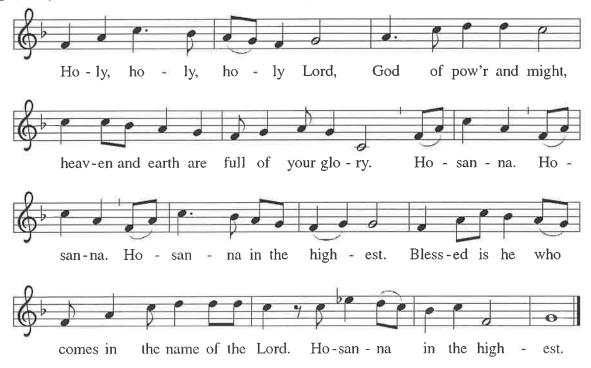
# OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A Let us pray. God of mercy and grace,
- C the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and 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, almighty and everliving God. You have revealed your glory as the glory also of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory.

And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



P Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign. You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory.

We praise you for the grace shown to your people in every age: the promise to Israel, the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the words of the prophets; and, at this end of all the ages, the gift of your Son, who proclaimed the good news in word and deed and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

- P For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.
- C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
- P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us.

  And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.
- C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we who share in Christ's body and blood, may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.
- C Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.
- 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.

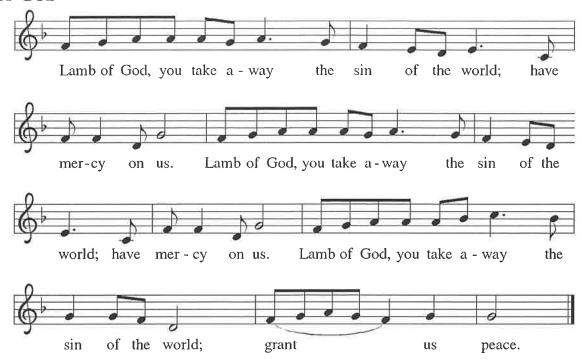
Give us this day our daily bread;

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.

# LAMB OF GOD

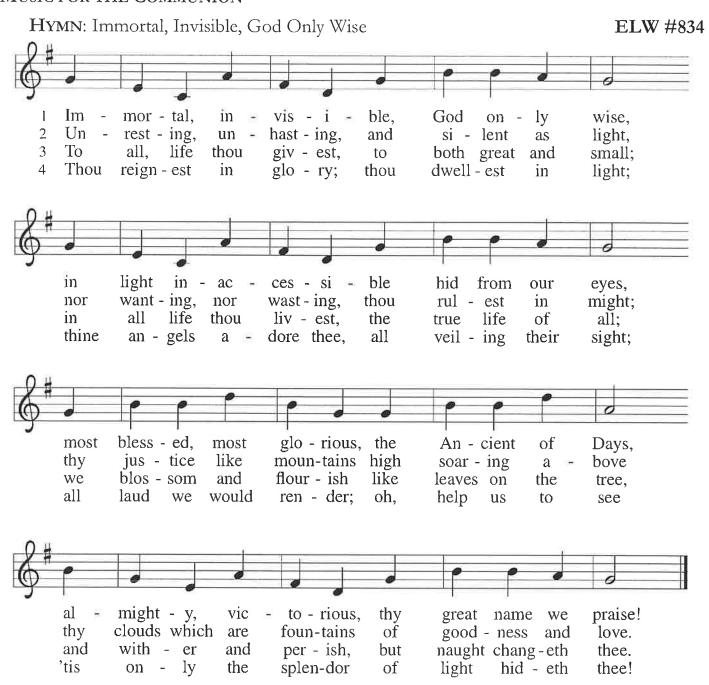


# **COMMUNION**

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



Text: Walter Chalmers Smith, 1824–1908, alt. Music: ST. DENIO, Welsh traditional



- 1 Come, thou al might y King, help us thy name to sing;
- 2 Come, thou in car nate Word, mer ci ful, might y Lord;
- 3 Come, ho ly Com fort er, thy sa cred wit ness bear
- To thee, great One in Three, e ter nal prais es be



praise; Fa - ther all - glo - ri - ous, o'er help all vic us to our prayer at - tend. Come and thy peo - ple bless, and give thy al - might - y this glad hour! Thou who rule art, now in Thy sov-'reign maj - es - ty hence ev - er - more! may we in



come and reign o - ver An - cient of Days. ri - ous, us, thy righ - teous-ness on de scend. word suc-cess, and let ev - 'ry heart, nev - er from us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r. ter - ni - ty love and glo - ry see, and to e = a dore.

Text: source unknown, c. 1757, alt.

Music: ITALIAN HYMN, Felice de Giardini, 1716-1796

#### 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 Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

# PRESENTATION TO HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

P Let us pray.

C Lord, we lift these graduates up to you and ask for your mighty blessings to rain down. Show them success in life and allow them to be respected and appreciated in all that they do. Grant them to feel the joys of accomplishment after hard work, but also keep them focused on knowing that you are the source for all successes in life. Give them courage, unbending faith, strong values, and a generous heart. Keep their Christian foundation a part of all decisions made and bless them with bountiful opportunities. We ask these things in your name. Amen.

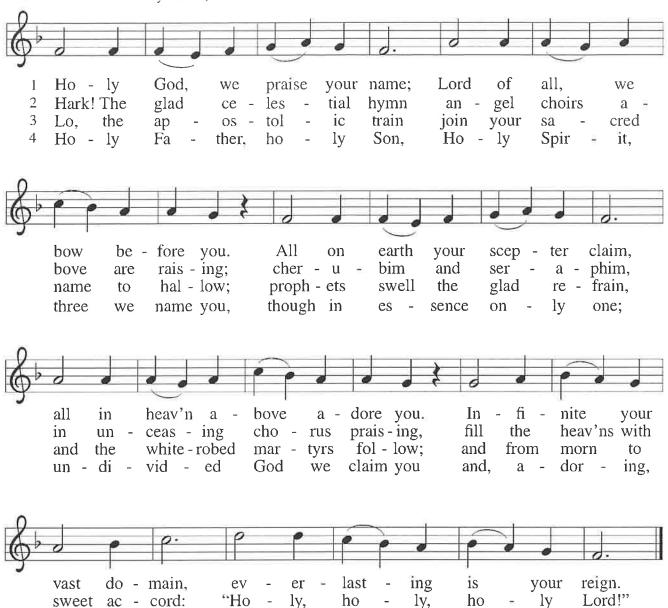
# **CHURCH COUNCIL PRESENTATION**

# + SENDING +

## BENEDICTION

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

C Amen.



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#### **DISMISSAL**

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

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**POSTLUDE**: Bachiana on an Ancient Chorale

Gordon Young

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#### LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

The Rev. Jeffrey Mikyska, Presiding Minister Mal Seagren, Assisting Minister Alan Spear, Organist Ann Holch, Reader Fred Holch, Doug Clark, A/V Carol Thomassen, Jan Bristow, Altar Guild Eva Holzl, Jack Holzl, Acolytes Jon Habegger, Tom Schuman, Ushers Mal Seagren, Paulette Smigo, Dorothy Thorsen, Comm. Ass't

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Director of Worship/Music
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Steven Ritter, Visitation Pastor
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#### LET US PRAY...

Celebrating New Life:

Congratulations to Pr. Jerry and Peg Wagenknecht on the birth of their great grandson, Kade James Halek, born on March 31st.

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, Ralph Beck, Mary Bradtmueller, Rich Franzen, Robert Granquist, Ellen Grashorn, Deb Hruby, Anna Jackson, Karin Johnston, Luke & Diane Land, Bill Lechnick, Bob Novy, Louise Pruitt, Val Schalk, Maureen Scollon, Judi Spear, George & Shirley Striedl, Pat Sullivan, Pastor Jerry Wagenknecht

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

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

Lois Elfstrom Aurora, IL Pam Klingberg Heritage Woods

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

Joan Olson Michaelsen Health Center, Holmstad

Asbury Gardens Pat Quast

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

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

Please pray for our family and friends:

Barbara Garrison

Kade James Halek

Great Grandson of Pr Jerry & Peg Wagenknecht Terry Most Brother-in-Law of Fred Holch **Bob Neavins** Father of Becky Klitzkie Friend of Katie Robertson Kenzie

Rebecca and family God-Daughter of Beth Lawniczak Nephew of Pastor Jeff & Gail Josh Braun

Great Niece of Tom & Dee Schuman Landri Pazzotta

Counsin of Norm Freedlund Jim Freedlund Bill Norman Cousin of Judy Henschler Kate Friend of Karol Clark Friend of Ed Schalk Dan

Bill VanSanten Former Member of Bethany and Friend of

Norm and Nancy Freedlund

Peter Piccony's Father Gary Piccony

Loy Williams Friend of Ann & Fred Holch

Steve Novy Cousin of Bob Novy Floyd Anderson Beth Richard's Father

Bill Parkhurst Friend of Bill and Lynn Dreymiller

Bill Garrison's mother

Paul Mazen Ed Bonnes

Bonnie Palshis

Cousin of John & Karol Clark Sister-in-Law of Doug Boehm

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

Phil

Kathy Dee's Family Mary Jo Benstein's Family

Susan Sheley Bonnie Carole W.

DeAnne & Gary Rabbi Margaret Frisch Klein

Brad Blue

Megan Campbell
Diane Ekstam Johnson

Tammy English Jerry Martin Tina Motter Teri Prokes Tony Prokes Kelli Robertson

Wolfgang Smailus

Ed Stahl

Lynn Dreymiller's brother

Teri Figura Teri Figura

Daughter of Louise Pruitt Friend of Pastor Jeff

Friend of Ann & Fred Holch Niece & Nephew of Shirley Grant

Friend of Pastor Jeff Friend of Lois Benson

Granddaughter of Scotty & Maureen Scollon

Mother of Mary Helen Ekstam Daughter of Shirley Streidl Father of Nicki McVey Sister of Jackie Page 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:

Mickey Waldron Hubert Maxa, Sr. Scott Snively Scotty Scollon Hershel Pruitt Father of Mark Waldron Cousin of Pastor Jeff & Gail Friend of Pastor Jeff & Gail

# This Week at Bethany

	Worship Coffee Hour	
12pm	Bethany Walking Group Hope Circle Marketing Team – Zoom Meeting	. Library
9am	Bethany Walking Group Quilters Executive Team Fox River Radio League	Fellowship Hall Conference Room
Wednesday, June 15 8:30	Bethany Walking Group	Ministry Center Gym
6:30pm	Bethany Walking Group Boy Scout Troop 6 BSA - Order of the Arrow	Ministry Center Gym/ Vlahn Room
Friday, June 17 8:30am	Bethany Walking Group	Ministry Center Gym
9am	Men's Basketball Altar Guild Fox Valley Court Watch Al-Anon Al-Ateen Movie Night	Fellowship Hall Lower Level Library Chapel Fellowship Hall
	Worship Coffee Hour	