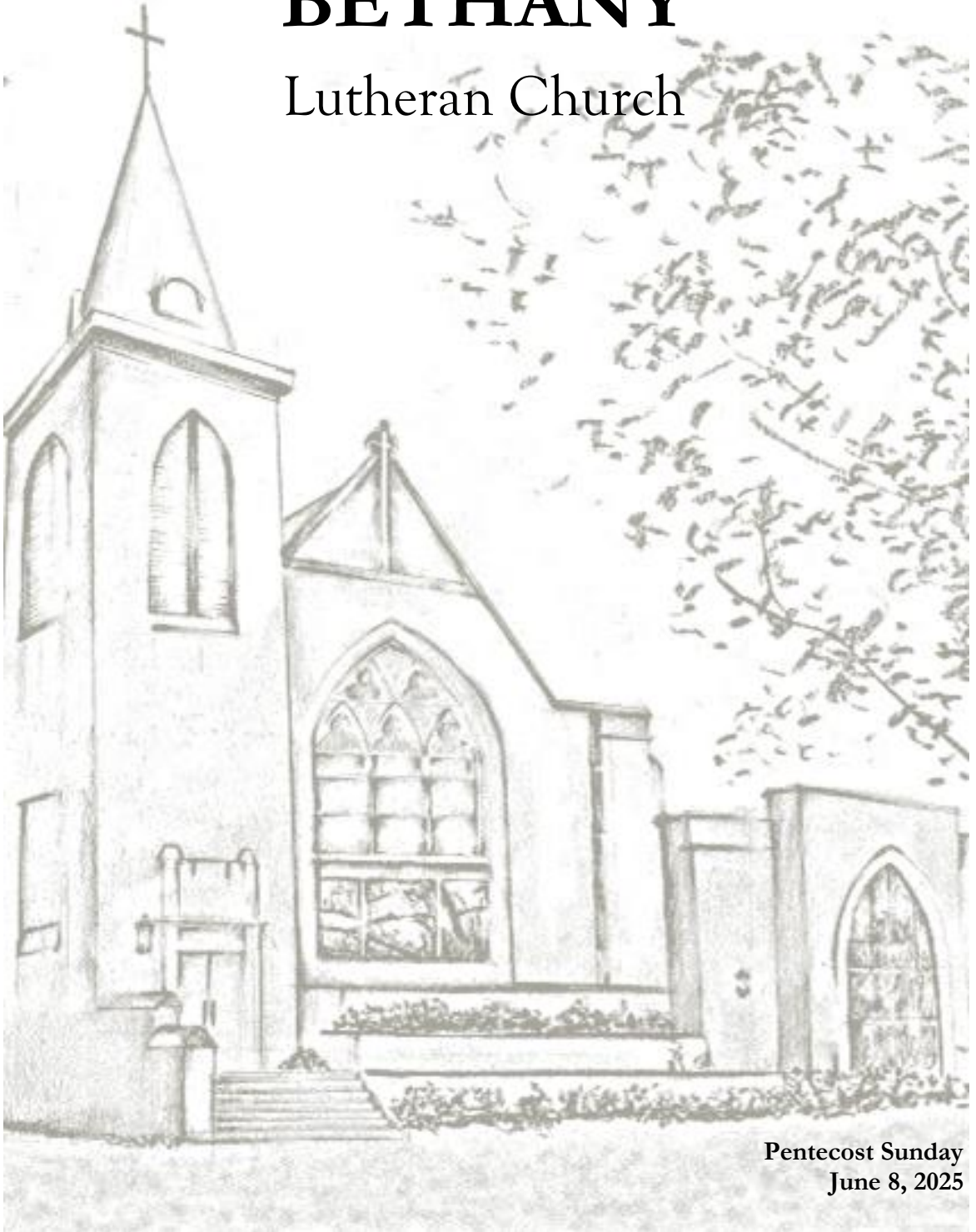


# BETHANY

Lutheran Church



Pentecost Sunday  
June 8, 2025

# 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](http://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 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.

## **As We Gather:**

The Holy Spirit is upon us, and we celebrate the birth of the Church on this Day of Pentecost! In ways both obvious and obscure, the Holy Spirit calls, empowers, and sends us for mission in the name of Jesus Christ. With this gift of the ever-present One, we are forever united in the power of the risen Jesus and we know we are never alone.

*Worship lies at the heart of the Christian life. It is in worship that we express our theology and define our identity. It is through encountering God within worship that we are formed and transformed as the people of God. One of the glories of the Lutheran Church is its liturgical worship. Liturgy refers to the patterns, forms, words, and actions through which public worship is conducted.*

*The people's responses are in bold.*

*This type of note, offering directions about the service is called a "rubric," which comes from the Latin word rubrica (red) – referring to a time when these instructional notes were always written in red.*

## + GATHERING +

*Worship often begins with an instrumental piece of music, during which the congregation can prepare their minds and hearts for worship.*

**PRELUDES:** God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind

Donald Rotermund

David Christiansen

Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling

Donald Busarow

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*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,

C **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves.**

**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.**

*We stand and face the processional cross.*

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN:** God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind

**ELW #400**



1 God of tem - pest, God of whirl - wind, as on Pen - te -  
2 God of blaz - ing, God of burn - ing, all that blocks your  
3 God of earth - quake, God of thun - der, shake us loose from  
4 God of pas - sion, God un - sleep - ing, stir in us love's



cost de - scend! Drive us out from shel - tered com - fort;  
pur - pose, purge! Through your church, Christ's liv - ing Bod - y,  
leth - ar - gy! Break the chains of sin a - sun - der,  
rest - less - ness! Where the peo - ple cry in an - guish,



past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser - vice,  
let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice,  
for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us;  
may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;



there with Christ to bear the cross, there with Christ to bear the cross!  
kin - dle us to speak your truth, kin - dle us to speak your truth!  
make us one in Christ our Lord, make us one in Christ our Lord!  
claim us for your king - dom's work, claim us for your king - dom's work!

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Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

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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.

*The Gloria, or some other song of praise, centers the service on the God we gather to praise in our worship.*

**HYMN OF PRAISE: Worthy Is Christ**

Richard Hillert

♩ This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,  
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. ① Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was  
slain, whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.  
♩ This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,  
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. ② Pow-er, rich-es, wis-dom, and  
strength, and hon-or, bless-ing, and glo-ry are his.  
♩ This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,  
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. ① Sing with all the peo-ple of God, and

join in the hymn of all cre-a - tion: Bless- ing, hon-or, glo- ry, and  
might be to God and the Lamb for- ev - er. A - men.  
☩ This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu - ia,  
al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia. II For the Lamb who was  
slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu - ia.  
☩ This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.  
Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

*The prayer of the day, or collect, is appointed for each Sunday and “collects” or captures the theme of the day or season of the Church year. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the scriptures for the day.*

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth.

By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

*We sit.*

# + WORD +

*During the Easter season this reading is often from The Acts of the Apostles which is a record of the founding of the Christian church following the resurrection and ascension of Jesus.*

## **FIRST READING: Acts 2:1–21**

When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup>All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

<sup>5</sup>Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup>Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?” <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, <sup>11</sup>Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” <sup>12</sup>All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” <sup>13</sup>But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.”

<sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. <sup>15</sup>Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. <sup>16</sup>No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: <sup>17</sup>“In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. <sup>18</sup>Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. <sup>19</sup>And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. <sup>20</sup>The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day. <sup>21</sup>Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

L Word of God, word of life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*The psalms are prayers that Jesus used and cover every mood of humanity's relationship with God and one another. The biblical book of Psalms is the hymnal of ancient Israel, many written for use in temple worship.*

**PSALM 104:24-34, 35b**

Hal H. Hopson

REFRAIN: God the Spirit dwells among us. Alleluia, Amen!

L O LORD, how manifold | are your works!\*

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full | of your creatures.

C **Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too man- | y to number,\*  
creatures both | small and great.**

L There move the ships, and there is | that Leviathan,\*  
which you have made for the | sport of it.

C **All of them | look to you\*  
to give them their food | in due season.**

REFRAIN

L You give it to them; they | gather it;\*  
you open your hand, and they are filled | with good things.

C **You hide your face, and | they are terrified;\*  
you take away their breath, and they die and return | to their dust.**

L You send forth your Spirit, and they | are created;\*  
and so you renew the face | of the earth.

C **May the glory of the LORD en- | dure forever;\*  
may the LORD rejoice in | all his works.**

REFRAIN

L He looks at the earth | and it trembles;\*  
he touches the mountains | and they smoke.

C **I will sing to the LORD as long | as I live;\*  
I will praise my God while I | have my being.**

L May these words | of mine please him;\*  
I will rejoice | in the LORD.

C **Bless the LORD, | O my soul.\*  
Hal- | lelujah!**

*This reading, taken from the New Testament, is typically from a letter (epistle) to the early Church, the Acts of the Apostles, or the Revelation to John.*

**SECOND READING: Romans 8:14–17**

<sup>14</sup>For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. <sup>15</sup>For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" <sup>16</sup>it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup>and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ — if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.



L Word of God, word of life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*We stand.*

*The Gospel acclamation, or sometimes sequence hymn, moves us toward the summit of the Liturgy of the Word – the reading of the Holy Gospel. Gospel means “good news” – specifically the “good news of Jesus.”*

**SEQUENCE HYMN:** Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song

**ELW #403**



1 Like the mur - mur of the dove's song, like the chal - lenge of her  
2 To the mem - bers of Christ's bod - y, to the branch-es of the  
3 With the heal - ing of di - vi - sion, with the cease - less voice of



flight, like the vig - or of the wind's rush, like the  
vine, to the church in faith as - sem - bled, to our  
prayer, with the pow'r to love and wit - ness, with the



new flame's ea - ger might: come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.  
midst as gift and sign: come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.  
peace be - yond com - pare: come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.

Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944

Music: BRIDEGROOM, Peter Cutts, b. 1937

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*This reading is taken from one of the four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, or John), which depict the life, teachings, death, resurrection, and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. We stand for the Gospel reading to show the particular importance placed on Jesus' words and actions.*

**HOLY GOSPEL:** John 14:8–17, 25–27

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Philip said to [Jesus], "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." <sup>9</sup>Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? <sup>10</sup>Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. <sup>11</sup>Believe me that

*(Reading continues on the next page.)*

I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. <sup>12</sup>Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. <sup>13</sup>I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. <sup>14</sup>If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

<sup>15</sup>If you love me, you will keep my commandments. <sup>16</sup>And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. <sup>17</sup>This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

<sup>25</sup>I have said these things to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup>But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. <sup>27</sup>Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*We sit.*

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*The sermon directly follows the Gospel because it is to be grounded in the scriptures. It illuminates the day's scriptural readings and relates them to daily life.*

**SERMON**

Pastor Jeff Mikyska

*We stand.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY:** Gracious Spirit, Head Our Pleading

**ELW #401**



*Njo - o kwe - tu, Ro - ho mwe - ma, M - fa - ri - ji we - tu.*

- 1 Gra - cious Spir - it, heed our plead - ing, fash - ion us all a - new.
- 2 Come to teach us, come to nour - ish those who be - lieve in Christ.
- 3 Guide our think - ing and our speak - ing done in your ho - ly name.



*Tu - fu - ndi - she ya mbi - ngu - ni, tu - we wa - tu wa - pya.*

It's your lead - ing that we're need - ing, help us to fol - low you.  
Bless the faith - ful, may they flour - ish, strength - ened by grace un - priced.  
Mo - ti - vate all in their seek - ing, free - ing from guilt and shame.

*Refrain*



*Njo - o, njo - o, njo - o, Ro - ho mwe - ma.*  
Come, come, come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.



*Njo - o, njo - o, njo - o, Ro - ho mwe - ma.*  
Come, come, come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.

- 4 Not mere knowledge, but discernment,  
nor rootless liberty;  
turn disquiet to contentment,  
doubt into certainty. *Refrain*
- 5 Keep us fervent in our witness,  
unswayed by earth's allure.  
Ever grant us zealous fitness,  
which you alone assure. *Refrain*

Text: Wilson Niwagila; tr. Howard S. Olson, b. 1922

Music: NJOOKWETU, ROHO MWEMA, Wilson Niwagila

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*The word “creed” comes from the Latin “credo” for “I believe.” First formulated at the Council of Nicaea in 325 AD and confirmed in 381 AD, the Nicene Creed reflects what Christians believe regarding the relationship between the Father, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit: The Holy Trinity.*

## **NICENE CREED**

**L** 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.**

*We pray for ourselves and particularly on behalf of others. In our prayers we pray for the Universal Church, all who govern, the welfare of the world, the concerns of our community of faith, including those who are in need or suffer, and for the departed. We are reminded in prayer that we are part of a larger fellowship, the Church – the Body of Christ.*

## **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

**L** God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence.*

- L We pray for the church. Continue to inspire our sharing of the gospel and equip us to tear down the barriers we have erected. Make our welcome expansive, intentional, and open to loving challenge. Hear us, O God.
- C **Your mercy is great.**
- L We pray for creation. Allow fire to burn safely in habitats where it's needed and quench flames when they threaten to run wild. Protect forests, prairies, and grasslands from destruction by natural forces or human misdeeds. Safeguard firefighters and rescuers in their dangerous work. Hear us, O God.
- C **Your mercy is great.**
- L We pray for courts and legislatures. Write your commandments on our hearts, and inspire all who govern to lead with love over retribution. Unite judges, lawyers, and systems of justice in a desire for reconciliation. Hear us, O God.
- C **Your mercy is great.**
- L We pray for the sick in body, mind, or spirit. Lift up all who have been bowed low by circumstances or internal strife. Bring to wholeness those who cry out to you in need. Hear us, O God.
- C **Your mercy is great.**
- L We pray for this congregation. Raise up in us a deep desire to live out our baptismal promises and to support those of all ages in our shared journey of faith. Hear us, O God.
- C **Your mercy is great.**
- L We offer thanks for the faithful departed who now rest in you. Let their lives encourage our own daily living. Console us with the promise of eternal life. Hear us, O God.
- C **Your mercy is great.**

*The prayers conclude:*

- 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 share Christ's peace with each other as a sign of charity and unity in preparation for the Holy Communion.*

### PEACE OF CHRIST

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C **And also with you.**

*We greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

*We sit.*

*Having confessed our sins, received forgiveness, listened to the Word of God and shared in the peace, we are prepared for the drama and miracle of the Holy Communion. At the offering we gratefully offer back to God some of what he has given us, symbolically in the gifts of bread and wine prepared at the table and the money we give.*

**OFFERING MUSIC:** Rushing Wind, dancing Flame

Matthew H. Corl

Rushing wind, dancing flame, Spirit of God to your church you once came.  
Even now, breathe on us all; inspire us to serve as we hear your call.

Rushing wind, whirling around us, blowing down walls of the world that divide us;  
Dancing flame, consuming fire, sparking commitment to lead and inspire.

Rushing wind, dancing flame, burn in our souls so that we may proclaim  
To all the world, in every tongue the Good News of Jesus, our Savior, God's Son. Alleluia!

*We stand.*

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

P Let us pray.

C **God of goodness and growth, all creation is yours, and your faithfulness is sure.  
Word and water, wine and bread: these are signs of your abundant grace.  
Receive the gifts we bring, and nourish us to proclaim your abiding love in our  
communities and in the world, through Jesus Christ, our strength and our song.  
Amen.**

*In the Great Thanksgiving, we do what Jesus himself asked us to do: thank God and recall all that God has done for us in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. The Great Thanksgiving, or Eucharistic Prayer, is a long prayer with four parts. Each of these four parts corresponds to a different action of Jesus at the Last Supper, where he took, blessed, broke, and gave bread and wine as sacraments of his body and blood. We begin the Great Thanksgiving with the Sursum corda, meaning "Lift up your hearts."*

**GREAT THANKSGIVING**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

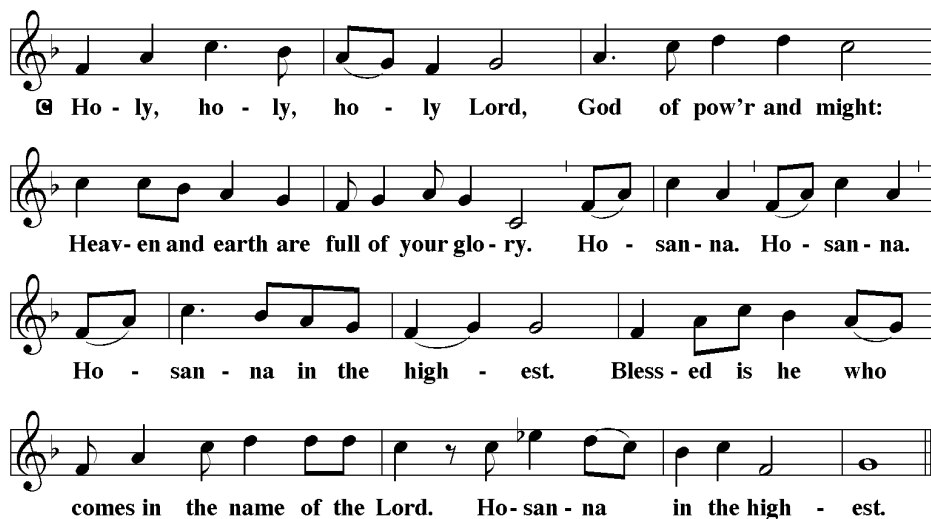
C **We lift them to the Lord.**

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;  
who rose beyond the bounds of death and, on this day, as he had promised,  
poured out your spirit of life and power upon the chosen disciples. At this the whole  
earth exults in boundless joy. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*The Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy) is the hymn of praise that never ceases before God and is based on Isaiah 6:3.*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

*We recall God's acts of salvation history. The presider says the "Words of Institution" that Jesus said at the Last Supper.*

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.  
You promised not to leave us as orphans. Daily we live in the presence of your Holy Spirit.  
We are never outside of your grace and love. This meal is for us a daily occurrence.

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.

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, gracious Father, 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,  
the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection,  
that we who receive the Lord'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.**

*We pray together the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples to pray. The link between our daily bread and the spiritual food we receive in the Eucharist is an ancient connection.*

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 These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

C **Thanks be to God.**

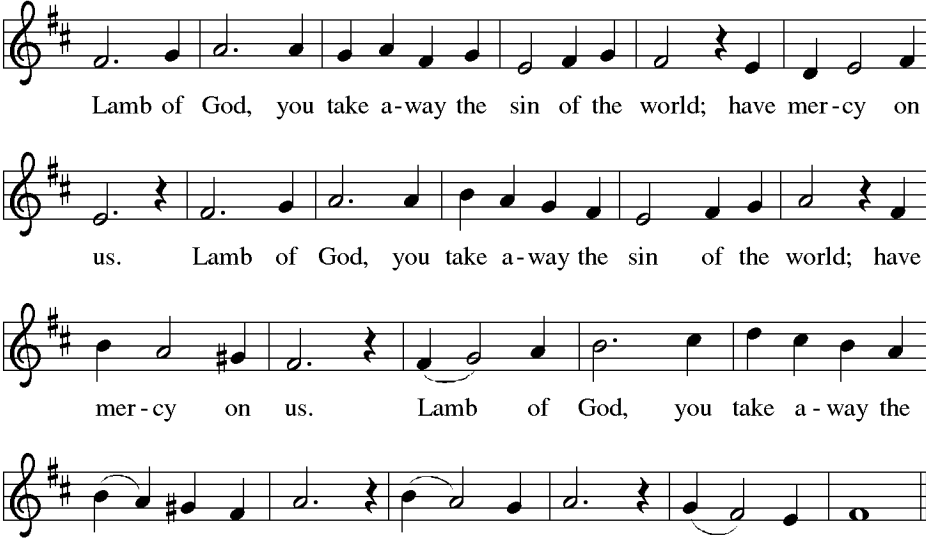
P All are welcome at the Lord's table. Come, for all is now ready.

*We sit.*



*Echoing both John 1:29 and Revelation 5:6, this song addresses the risen Christ giving himself away at this table as the true Lamb.*

## AGNUS DEI



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on  
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

## COMMUNION

*Our Lord Jesus Christ welcomes you to his holy banquet. The crucified and risen Christ is present in the Lord's Supper, giving us his true body and blood as food and drink. White grape juice, a non-alcoholic alternative, are the cups in the center of each wine tray, and gluten-FREE rice wafers are available upon request.*

# MUSIC FOR THE COMMUNION

HYMN: United at the Table

ELW #498

*Refrain / Estribillo*



U - ni - dos en la fies - ta, la a - le - grí - a  
U - nit - ed at the ta - ble: all our joy is



se ha - ce can - ción. U - ni - dos en la fe,  
joined in song. U - nit - ed in the faith:



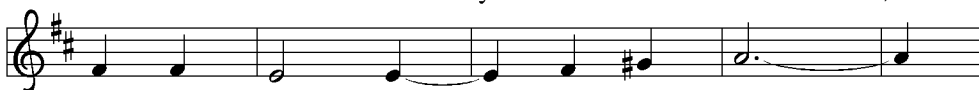
la a - le - grí - a se ha - ce o - ra - ción.  
all our joy to God be - longs.



1 Can - ta - re - mos al Se - ñor  
1 We will praise God, we will sing  
2 We will praise God, we will feast  
3 We will praise God, we will play



a - le - lu - yas con him - nos y sal - mos,  
al - le - lu - ias with hymns and with psalm - o - dy;  
at the boun - ti - ful ta - ble of life and grace;  
al - le - lu - ias with rhy - thm and in - stru - ments;



por - que gran - de es el a - mor  
we will praise God for the love  
we will praise God and give thanks  
we will praise God for the love

*Refrain / Estribillo*



que en no - so - tros por siem - pre mos - tró.  
that sus - tains us e - ter - nal - ly.  
for com - mu - nion with ev - 'ry race.  
that in - vites all cre - a - tion to dance.



- 1 Ho - ly Spir - it, truth di - vine, dawn up - on this soul of mine;
- 2 Ho - ly Spir - it, love di - vine, glow with - in this heart of mine;
- 3 Ho - ly Spir - it, pow'r di - vine, for - ti - fy this will of mine;
- 4 Ho - ly Spir - it, peace di - vine, still this rest - less heart of mine;
- 5 Ho - ly Spir - it, right di - vine, king with - in my con - science reign;



breath of God and in - ward light, wake my spir - it, clear my sight.  
 kin - dle ev - 'ry high de - sire; purge me with your ho - ly fire.  
 by your will I strong - ly live, brave - ly bear, and no - bly strive.  
 speak to calm this toss - ing sea, stayed in your tran - quil - i - ty.  
 be my guide, and I shall be firm - ly bound, for - ev - er free.

Text: Samuel Longfellow, 1819–1892

Music: SONG 13, Orlando Gibbons, 1583–1625

*We stand.*

### POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

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

C **Amen.**

L Let us pray. We thank you, O God, that you have strengthened our hearts through this feast of life and salvation. Shine the light of Christ on our path, that we may do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

*Sending reminds us that every Sunday worship gathering is a cycle, existing for a time and then dispersing. We arrive at the “sending” after traveling from the rite of gathering to the word and meal. We heard and proclaimed the Word; we were nourished at the Meal; and now we complete the cycle. We have encountered the living Christ in this place and are empowered for ministry in the world.*

## + SENDING +

### BENEDICTION

P The Spirit of God dwells within us. Almighty God: Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless us now and forevermore.

C Amen.

### SENDING HYMN: Give Thanks to God on High

Anniversary Hymn



1.	Give thanks to God on high	for	saints of	oth - er	days,	whose
2.	Their vi sion long ful - filled,	our	prayer is	still the	same;	up -
3.	New tasks to - day are	ours	who serve	a world in	pain,	new
4.	Give thanks to God on high	for	all the	fu - ture	sends,	in



hope	it was	to live	and die	in love's	con - sum - ing	blaze, for
on	their work	of	faith to build,	their word	of truth pro - claim,	for
calls	to chal - lenge	all	our pow'rs	of heart	and hand and brain,	for
praise	of Christ	to	live and die	who calls	his ser - vants	friends, for



Christ	and his	king - dom,	his	glo - ry	and his	praise.
Christ	and his	king - dom,	and	for his	ho - ly	name.
Christ	and his	king - dom,	while	life and	breath	re - main.
Christ	and his	king - dom,	whose	glo - ry	nev - er	ends.

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### DISMISSAL

L Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

### POSTLUDE: Come Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire

Johann Sebastian Bach

## LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

The Rev. Jeffrey Mikyska, Presiding Minister  
Doug Boehm, Worship Leader  
Mark Waldron, Organist  
Dennis Schuett, Reader  
Doug Clark, Ian Gutierrez, A/V  
Kristen Garrity, Norma Pieratt, Altar Guild  
Jackson Carter, Acolyte  
Ralph Beck, Jon Habegger, Steve Deller, Ushers  
Doug Boehm, Linda Sullivan, Sue Colella,  
Comm. Asst's  
Festival Choir  
Ellie Carter, Violin; Morgan Hutchens, Flute

## STAFF

Jeffrey Mikyska, Senior Pastor  
Mark Waldron, Director of Music  
Alan Spear, Organist  
Darlene Hutchens, Church Administrator  
Susan Jarocki, Administrative Assistant  
Emma Hess, Youth Director  
Ed McQuillan, Financial Secretary

## YOUR CONGREGATION COUNCIL MEMBERS

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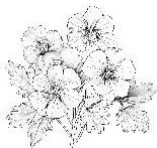
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## 2025 Pentecost Geranium Dedications



### In Memory of:

### Given By

<i>Our Parents</i> .....	Ralph & Ruth Beck
<i>Edward Beil</i> .....	Janice Beil
<i>Jim Boland</i> .....	Karen Boland
<i>Mr. &amp; Mrs. Lewis C. Clark/Langdon &amp; Margaret Reynolds</i> .....	Douglas Clark
<i>Loved Ones</i> .....	Norm & Nancy Freedlund
<i>Loved Ones</i> .....	Bill & Debbie Garrison
<i>Dorothy, James &amp; Jay Habegger</i> .....	Jon & Marsha Habegger
<i>Frank &amp; Agnes Henschler, Art &amp; Hillie Schultz</i> .....	Ken & Judy Henschler
<i>Loved Ones</i> .....	Dale & Julie Howard
<i>Toini Johnson</i> .....	Lois Keyes
<i>Parents &amp; Family</i> .....	Rich & Nancy Kreis
<i>Israel Lopez, Sr.</i> .....	Lopez Family
<i>Dave McConnaughay</i> .....	Marilyn McConnaughay
<i>Vi &amp; Don Spaniol &amp; Johnny/John &amp; Shirley Nash</i> .....	Jeff & Sandy Nash
<i>All my Family</i> .....	Jackie Page
<i>Our Mother's</i> .....	Roger & Norma Pieratt
<i>Family</i> .....	Ed & Diane Schalk
<i>Dave McConnaughay</i> .....	Jerry & Marsha Schuster
<i>Loved Ones</i> .....	Mal Seagren
<i>Frank Kohout/Tom Thomassen</i> .....	Thomassen Family
<i>Patrick Garlow</i> .....	Dorothy Thorsen
<i>Gerry "Papa" Beck</i> .....	The Toles' Family
<i>Paul &amp; Marilyn Wagenknecht</i> .....	Pastor Jerry & Peg Wagenknecht
<i>Elmer &amp; Pauline Rohrbacher; Richard Rohrbacher</i> .....	Pastor Jerry & Peg Wagenknecht
<i>My Jack</i> .....	Bev Waterfield

### In Honor of:

### Given By

<i>Our Children &amp; Grandchildren</i> .....	Ralph & Ruth Beck
<i>Children &amp; Grandchildren</i> .....	Jan Bristow
<i>Our Children</i> .....	Bill & Debbie Garrison
<i>Our Family &amp; Loved Ones</i> .....	Kristen Garrity
<i>Our Grandchildren, Tyler, TJ, Erin, and Melanie</i> .....	Ken & Judy Henschler
<i>My Family</i> .....	Kris Kaar
<i>Marsha, Jerry, Owen &amp; Molly Schuster</i> .....	Marilyn McConnaughay
<i>All my Family</i> .....	Jackie Page

<i>Sons .....</i>	<i>Roger &amp; Norma Pieratt</i>
<i>Marilyn McConnaughay.....</i>	<i>Jerry &amp; Marsha Schuster</i>
<i>Our Parents.....</i>	<i>The Toles' Family</i>
<i>My Children &amp; Spouses/Grandchildren &amp; Spouses &amp; Great Grandchildren .....</i>	<i>Bev Waterfield</i>

<b><u>In Celebration of:</u></b>	<b><u>Given By</u></b>
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<i>Ellie's High School and Jack's 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduations .....</i>	<i>Mike &amp; Katie Carter</i>
<i>Our Grandchildren.....</i>	<i>Bill &amp; Debbie Garrison</i>
<i>Our Sons, Daughter-in-Laws, &amp; Grandchildren.....</i>	<i>Dennis &amp; Ellen Grashorn</i>
<i>Family &amp; Friends .....</i>	<i>Fred &amp; Ann Holch</i>
<i>Friends &amp; Family .....</i>	<i>Dale &amp; Julie Howard</i>
<i>McQuillan Family .....</i>	<i>McQuillan Family</i>
<i>Grandchildren, Alek, Nicole &amp; Allison .....</i>	<i>Steve &amp; Jonelle Mickelson</i>
<i>All my Grandchildren .....</i>	<i>Jackie Page</i>
<i>God's Continued Blessings.....</i>	<i>Ray &amp; Nan Phillips</i>
<i>Two Granddaughter's High School Graduations.....</i>	<i>Steve &amp; Liesa Ritter</i>
<i>The Love and Grace of Jesus.....</i>	<i>Jim &amp; Cheri Sager</i>
<i>Owen and Molly.....</i>	<i>Jerry &amp; Marsha Schuster</i>
<i>Charley's 1<sup>st</sup> Birthday.....</i>	<i>Thomassen Family</i>
<i>Grandson's Graduation.....</i>	<i>Dorothy Thorsen</i>
<i>Family &amp; Friends .....</i>	<i>The Toles' Family</i>
<i>Family .....</i>	<i>Virden Von Qualen</i>

<b><u>Just Because:</u></b>	<b><u>Given By</u></b>
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<i>.....</i>	<i>John &amp; Marilyn Cornwell</i>
<i>.....</i>	<i>Jan Meling</i>
<i>.....</i>	<i>Ted Richoz</i>



## 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:**

**Shyla Carbone, Diane Ekstam, Bob Novy, Diane Garland, Dottie White,** Mary Bradtmueller, Sandy & Dale Christianson, Cindy Gustafson, Anna Jackson, Mike & Deb Hruby, Karin Johnston, Luke & Diane Land, Joan Munro, Mindy Nicoloff, Dorothy Patzer, Maureen Scollen, George & Shirley Striedl, Bev Waterfield, Sandi Wilcox, Brigitte Winkler

### **Please pray for those who are homebound and those in a care facility:**

#### **Shirley Grant**

Mark Anderson

Marie Holtz

Bill Keele

Pam Klingberg

Wanda Krentz

Jay & Carol Wierz

#### **Harry J. Ekstam, Holmstad**

Bria, Geneva

Harry J. Ekstam, Holmstad

Heritage Woods

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

Owen Schuster

Steven Surdyski

### **Please pray for our family and friends:**

#### **Veronica Herbst**

#### **Ken Munch**

Gina

Michael Roberts

Redeemer Lutheran Church, Somerset, KY

Tina Motter

Grace Pope

Alex Greiff

Greg Hall

Kate and Family

Mick

Sherri Benson

Jan

Andrea

Joe Morgan

Laurie Lombardo

Mary Ellen Wolmer

Lisa Flyte

Phil Steadman

Bruce Rusev

Josh Schrepfer & Family

Fred Boehm

Cindy Smith

Andrea Young

Animals in Shelters

John Guidarelli

Nancy Bouloukos

Rich White

Holly Davison Davis

Kathy Wilson

Rev. Tim Robertson from Gloria Dei Church

Lilly

#### **Friend of Julie Howard**

#### **Father of Darlene (Billy) Hutchens**

Employee at Heritage Woods

Friend of Janice Reynolds

Pastor Steve & Liesa Ritter's family attend this church

Sister of Jackie Page

Mother of Nan Phillips – Celebrating her 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday

Friend of Pastor Jeff & Gail Mikyska

Friend of Bill & Debbie Garrison

Friend of John & Karol Clark

Brother to Sandra (Jeff) Nash

Fox Valley Beekeepers

Sister of Sandra Nash

Neighbor of The Lumsden Family

Friend of Ed Schalk

Mother of Mia (Chris) Rusev

Requested by the Bond Family

Friend of Bethany

Friend of Don & Deb Hunt

Brother of Chris (Mia) Rusev

Friends of Julie Howard

Brother of Doug Boehm

Friend of Nan Phillips

Niece of Chris & Mia Rusev

Avy Lumsden

Husband of Niece of Lynn (Bill) Dreymler

Sister-in-Law of Tara Shannon

Son of Dottie White

Friend of Mark Waldron & Ian Gutierrez

Mother of Lori Wilson

Friend of Pastor Jeff & Debbie Garrison

Neighbor of Dorothy Thorsen



Rocci  
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 Jacki Ortegel  
 Pat McDonald  
 Sofie  
 Owen Laible  
 Pam Waers  
 Terri Wells  
 Rosi  
 Neil Weir  
 Jim Martin  
 Lili  
 Carl C.  
 Student at Genoa-Kingston High School  
 Marcia McDugle  
 Molly & Mike Updyke  
 Vicki Johnson  
 Bonnie & Jim Hines  
 Kristen Benakis  
 Pat Pydo  
 Marilyn  
 Tracy Clark  
 Loda George Ricker  
 Katie Taylor  
 Rick Gaston  
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 Lizzie Bork  
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 Sue S.  
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 Mary Jo Benstein's Family  
 Susan Sheley  
 Bonnie  
 Carole W.  
 Tammy English  
 Jerry Martin  
 Teri Prokes  
 Tony Prokes  
 Ed Stahl

Friend of Beth Lawniczak Conley  
 Friend of Bob & Sue Novy, Jan Bristow & Marsha Habegger  
 Family Friend of Pastor Jeff and Gail Mikyska  
 Friend of Pastor Jeff  
 Brother-in-Law of Suzanne Grashorn  
 Friend of Bob & Sue Novy  
 Brother of Lois Benson  
 Friend of Sue DeLong  
 Friend of Lynn Dreymler  
 Friend of Janice Reynolds  
 Friend of Todd Toles  
 Brother-in-Law of Tom & Dee Schuman  
 Friend of Tom & Dee Schuman  
 Friend of Bethany Walking Group

Friend of Bob & Sue Novy  
 Daughter/Son-in-Law of George & Shirley Streidl  
 Sister-in-Law of Val Schalk  
 Parents of Suzanne Grashorn  
 Friend of Bob & Sue Novy  
 Friend of John & Laura Peterson/Marty Offutt-Gruber  
 Friend of Tom & Dee Schuman  
 Sister of Tara Shannon  
 Friend of Fred & Ann Holch  
 Great Niece of Ken & Judy Henschler  
 Friend of Ann Holch  
 Friend of Paulette Smigo  
 Friend of Julie Howard  
 Son-in-Law of Shyla Carbone  
 Friend of Bob & Sue Novy  
 Friend of Linda Sullivan  
 Friend of Luke & Diane Land  
 Friend of Beth Richard  
 Friend of Schuman Family  
 Daughter of Ann Holch  
 Son of Aaron Anderson

Lynn Dreymler's brother  
 Teri Figura  
 Teri Figura  
 Daughter of Louise Pruitt  
 Friend of Pastor Jeff  
 Friend of Ann & Fred Holch  
 Daughter of Shirley Streidl  
 Father of Nicki McVey  
 Sister of Sue & Bob Novy  
 Brother-in-law of Bob & Sue Novy  
 Father of Dan Stahl

**Please pray for those who mourn the passing of:**

Pastor Amos  
 Dottie & Nate Smith

Nepali Covenant Church  
 Sister & Brother-in-Law of Sue (Chuck) Bauer

## THIS WEEK AT BETHANY

### Sunday, June 8

9am ..... Worship ..... Sanctuary  
10am ..... Coffee Hour ..... Fellowship Hall

### Monday, June 9

8:30am ..... Bethany Walking Group ..... Ministry Center Gym  
12:30pm ..... Staff Meeting ..... Conference Room

### Tuesday, June 10

8:30am ..... Bethany Walking Group ..... Ministry Center Gym  
9am ..... Quilters/Prayer Shawl Ministry ..... Fellowship Hall  
5:30pm ..... Executive Team ..... Conference Room  
6:30pm ..... Girls BSA Troop 606 ..... Vlahn Room/Gym  
7pm ..... Fox River Radio League ..... Fellowship Hall

### Wednesday, June 11

8:30am ..... Bethany Walking Group ..... Ministry Center Gym  
10am ..... Senior Advocacy Group ..... Library  
11:30am ..... Marketing Meeting ..... Conference Room  
7pm ..... Men's Basketball ..... Ministry Center Gym

### Thursday, June 12

8:30am ..... Bethany Walking Group ..... Ministry Center Gym  
4:30pm ..... Swedish American Children's Choir Choir Room/Library  
6:30pm ..... Boy Scout Troop 6 ..... Gym/Vlahn Room

### Friday, June 13

8:30am ..... Bethany Walking Group ..... Ministry Center Gym  
9:45am ..... Food Pantry Serving ..... Batavia Food Pantry

### Saturday, June 14

7:30am ..... Men's Basketball ..... Ministry Center Gym  
10:30am ..... Al-Anon ..... Library  
10:30am ..... Al-Ateen ..... Lower Level  
8pm ..... AA ..... Fellowship Hall

### Sunday, June 15

9am ..... Worship – Baptism ..... Sanctuary  
10am ..... Coffee Hour ..... Fellowship Hall