

HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday April 2 9:00 am Worship Service

Maundy Thursday April 6 7:00 pm Worship Service

Community Cross Walk April 7 at Noon

Good Friday April 7 8 pm Tenebrae Service

No Saturday Vigil Service

Easter Sunday April 9 6:30 Easter (Son)rise Service 7:30 Easter Breakfast 9:00 Easter Worship Service

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PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE

Pastor Howard's Ponderings

The online Cambridge Dictionary explains the meaning of "journey" as an experience in this way: a set of experiences that someone has over a period of time, especially when they change the person in some way. On February 22nd the global church began a spiritual journey called Lent. Though Bethany cancelled Ash Wednesday worship, due to the winter storm, Jesus still called us to the Lenten discipline of fasting, prayer, and alms giving. During this forty-day period of Lent we journey from ashes on our foreheads reminding us of our mortality to the singing of Alleluias on Easter morning. The Lenten journey takes each of us on a different path, but all the variations lead to the empty tomb. Whatever your path is this Lenten season; fasting from that which does not bring joy to your life, enhancing your prayer life, or devoting more time to volunteering in an area that you're passionate about, you are drawn deeper into the relationship God has with you. Through our relationship with God, we are changed. I pray that this forty-day journey is changing you so that you are prepared to live out the Easter people calling Jesus invites you into. Easter people who are not afraid to share their faith in the Risen Christ, the Savior of the world. Easter people who boldly live in God's abundant LIFE. Easter people who know they are loved, worthy, wanted, seen, enough, and forever claimed by God. Easter people who are not afraid to stand up and be a voice/advocate for those being shoved into the shadows and silenced. Easter people who know that the resurrection promise surpasses all our shortcomings and failures. Easter people who are not afraid to LIVE with passion and gusto.

As we transition from the season of Lent to the season of Easter, I pray that God is changing us through our journeys. Changing us so that we desire God and trust in the promises God faithfully bestows. Changing us so that as we recognize our human failings and sin, we rejoice in the resurrection assurance that we too are created anew. Changing us so that our self-centered desires are turned outward compelling us to embrace all people in the unconditional love of Jesus. May we discover that through our journey, God has changed us into brilliant reflectors of God's image.

People of God, we're still on our Lenten journey. The crucifixion, cross, and death we have yet to engage with. However, the journey will continue and take each of us to the pinnacle of change. May we all receive this news with Alleluias on our lips.

Your sister in Christ, Pastor Maureen

WELCOME to Christ's Family!





Congratulations to Aiden Asher Stalzer and Ellie Marie Krause who were baptized in the name of our Triune God during worship on Sunday, March 19th. Aiden and Ellie we welcome you into the body of Christ and into your new family known as Bethany Lutheran! Welcome into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.



First Communion Retreat



WHO: Second graders and their parent(s)
WHEN: Saturday, April 1st
TIME: 1:30 – 5:30 p.m.
RECEIVE FIRST COMMUNION: Palm Sunday, April 2nd



Palm/Passion Weekend; Saturday, April 1st 5:30 p.m., Sunday April 2nd 9 a.m. Worship

Maundy Thursday, April 6th: Foot washing (2nd graders), Holy Communion, and Stripping of the Altar, **7 p.m.**

Good Friday Cross Walk, April 7th, Noon. Begins at the 1st United Methodist Church

Good Friday, April 7th: Tenebrae (Service of Darkness), 8 p.m.

NO Holy Saturday Worship April 8th

Easter Sunday, April 9th: "SonRise" Worship 6:30 a.m., Breakfast served by the youth; 7:30 a.m., Worship 9 a.m.

Maundy Thursday Service: Thursday, April 6th, 7 p.m.



With nightfall our Lenten observance ends, and we gather with Christians around the world to celebrate the Three Days (Triduum) of Jesus' death and resurrection. At the heart of the Maundy Thursday liturgy is Jesus' commandment to love one another. As Jesus washed the feet of his disciples, we are called to follow his example as we humbly care for one another, especially the poor and the unloved. At the Lord's Table we remember Jesus' sacrifice of his life, even as we are called to offer ourselves in love for the life of the world. Join us this Maundy **Thursday, April 6th, 7 p.m. service.** Come, gather as a

family as Pastor Howard washes the feet of the 2nd graders. Come, gather as a family around the Lord's Table and feast on the meal Christ prepares for us. Come, gather as a family as we witness the stripping of the altar reminding us how Jesus was stripped of his garments during his trial. Come, gather as a family as we enter the Triduum.

Community Cross Walk Friday, April 7th, Noon



The Iowa Falls community will gather at noon on Good Friday at the Iowa Falls 1st United Methodist Church. The area churches will take turns carrying the cross as we make our way to different locations around the Iowa Falls downtown. We will remember the crucifixion of Christ through spending time reading scripture and praying. Let us join together, over the noon hour, with our brothers and sisters in Christ remembering together the Passion of our Lord.

Good Friday's Tenebrae Service: Friday, April 7th, 8 p.m.



This service commemorates the suffering and death of Christ and dates from the eighth century. It represents the darkness that fell over the earth as the Son of God was crucified. Candles symbolize Christ, who is our Light and the Light of the world. The Christ or Paschal candle is also lit this evening. The tradition of the use of the Paschal candle dates back to the fourth century. We will rehear the seven last words of Christ spoken from the cross. After each reading of scripture, a candle will be extinguished and sanctuary lights are turned off until we

are in darkness. The extinguishing of candlelight, in a darkened church on Good Friday, portrays the fading light of the world as Christ was leaving it. The Paschal candle remains lit. The glow from the Paschal candle indicates that death only seems to triumph over Christ, and points toward the coming resurrection. After the altar candles have been extinguished and the Paschal candle is removed, the strepitus is heard. (The strepitus is a loud noise representing the earth shaking and the rocks splitting at Jesus' death; Matthew 27:51. The loud noise also foreshadows the "great earthquake" at the opening of Jesus' tomb on Easter morning; Matthew 28:2. This action also acknowledges that the meaning of the cross is fulfilled.) The Paschal candle is then returned to the chancel to portray the hope of the Resurrection. Following the Lord's Prayer, the service ends and we leave in silence.

Easter Worship; Sunday, April 9th



Join Bethany Lutheran as we proclaim the good news that Jesus is RISEN! That death could not hold Jesus in the tomb but God's love raised him from the dead. This joyous news will be proclaimed at a "Son-Rise" Holy Communion service; 6:30 a.m. Breakfast will be served at 7:30 by the youth of Bethany. The second Holy Communion celebration Easter worship will begin at 9 a.m. At both Easter services the children will have a surprise during the children's sermon. Invite your family and friends to join us for worship and

Wednesday Dinner Church RESUMES April 12th

Join us for a 30-minute worship service in the fellowship hall as we eat our suppers ~ including Holy Communion.



Resuming: Wednesday, April 12th Supper served: 6 p.m. A Visit to Ukraine: 6:00 p.m. Evening Activities: 7 p.m.

A Visit to Ukraine: Wednesday, April 12th, 6 p.m.



August of 2022, **Pastor John Sheahan** (Bergen Lutheran Church, Roland) went to Ukraine as a Chaplain. He spent over a week touring the war-torn country and visiting with the people. Pastor Sheahan will give a presentation about his trip and experience in Ukraine on Wednesday, April 12th, at 6 p.m. His hour presentation will be in lieu of worship. Pastor Sheahan will accept monetary donations which he will send directly to his contact in Ukraine for immediate relief.

Holy Hilarity Weekend: April 15th and 16th



WHO: EVERYONE
WHAT: Worship filled with jokes and laughter
WHERE: Bethany Lutheran Church
WHEN: April 15th/16th
WHY: JESUS IS RISEN! The devil and death no longer have a hold on us.



Confirmation Year End Celebration

The academic year flown by quickly! In celebration of a great year of confirmation, Pastor Howard will treat the confirmands to supper on Wednesday, April 26th at 7:00 p.m. The youth will determine the restaurant we attend. It's been a great year!

Faith Story Blast



You've discovered, in your email inbox, on Thursday afternoon a faith story from a Council member. Where is Jesus active at Bethany? When have you felt the activity of the Holy Spirit through your participation at Bethany? We hope you're enjoying these Thursday at 2:30 p.m. email blasts. May you too be drawn closer to the Holy Spirit's activity at Bethany through these stories. We'd love to share your Bethany faith story! Your story(ies) may be emailed to Pastor Howard: <u>revbethanyif@gmail.com</u> We look forward to reading how Jesus is active in your life!

Ministry Opportunity: Be a Confirmation Mentor!



Jack Duit, Grace Hartford, Brooks Hickman, Caden Kuker, Brady Lancaster, Drake Sanders, Ivy Sanders, and Nick Tibbs are preparing for their Affirmation of Baptism (Confirmation) on Reformation Sunday (October 29th). One of their requirements is to choose a mentor who will walk with them during the summer/fall. A mentor is a person of the same sex as the confirmand, may not be a family member, be a faithful worshiper, and a person the confirmand has prayerfully considered. The mentor will meet with their confirmand once a week in the summer, for five weeks, to journey together on faith topics: talking faith together; worship; learning; witness; and service (discussion sheets provided by Pastor Howard). The confirmands will write a faith review with the help from their mentor (due in August)

and complete a service project with their mentor (completed by late September). The confirmand and mentor will explain their servant project to the congregation at one worship service in October. The confirmands will ask their potential mentor, between May 1st and May 21st. Please, prayerfully consider this great ministry opportunity. If you DO NOT feel called to this important mentoring ministry, please let Pastor Howard know prior to May 1st. If Pastor Howard does not hear from you, the confirmation students will consider you a potential mentor.

Know of a Graduation?



If you are graduating this year, or know someone who is graduating, please let the church know: <u>bethanyiowafalls@gmail.com</u> (641) 648-3555. We will share in the May Beacon the graduate's: name, high school, school/college (or will be attending), degree, major (or plan on majoring in), and any honors bestowed. We will honor our 2023 High School Graduates on Sunday, May 21st.

Blessing of the Land

With the arrival of spring and fields soon to be planted, Pastor Howard would like to offer a blessing over your land. Please contact Pastor Howard if you would like her to do such a blessing service for you.

Pastor Howard is Going to Hungary!



Hungary is a companion synod of the Northeastern Iowa Synod (NEIS). Seven people have been selected from our synod to travel to Hungary and engage and build relationships with our Hungarian Lutheran brothers and sisters. Pastor Howard has the honor of being selected to participate as a representative of the NEIS in Hungary! They will leave on June 12th from Minneapolis to Paris then on to Budapest. They will return home on June 26th. What an exciting opportunity to have Pastor Howard represent, not only the NEIS, but Bethany Lutheran Church to the people of Hungary. Please keep Pastor Howard and the six other representatives in your

prayers as they prepare for this exciting trip.

THANK YOU to **Joan Hanson** for playing the piano for Pastor Howard during the Lenten Lunch worship Wednesday, March 22nd. You enabled us to give God thanks and praise through the lifting up of our voices in song.

THANK YOU to **EVERYONE** who was involved in preparing the Lenten Lunch on Wednesday, March 22nd. The loose meat sandwiches were delicious and fed us with nourishment for out Lenten journey.

THANK YOU to **EVERYONE** who assisted with +Brandon Stockdale's funeral (setting up chairs, traffic control, assisting during the funeral, setting up for lunch, serving lunch, and/or cleaning up). We prepared for a large crowd, and everyone was warmly welcomed and shown abundant hospitality. Thank you! Being in service to God and the Stockdale family lightens the weight of our own grief.

THANK YOU FROM THE FAMILY OF +BRANDON STOCKDALE: The family of +Brandon Stockdale would like to express our appreciation for the wonderful outpouring of support for us upon the passing of our son and brother. Thank you for everyone who was able to attend the visitation, funeral or celebration of life and to those who were able to simply express your words of support and encouragement. The wonderful outpouring of love that we felt with every card, message and phone call that we received was appreciated, even those who told us that they did not know what to say. We want to sincerely thank everyone at Bethany Lutheran Church for serving as the perfect hosts for the visitation and funeral and to Surls Funeral Home for taking care of everything we needed. Most importantly, thank you to everyone who has, and continues, to pray for us!

BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL Regular Meeting Sunday, February 12, 2023

Members Present:

Wanda Koehrsen, Robin Sampson, Carol Polzin, Ashley Kuker, Holly Carlberg, Jayne Becker, Brian Sauerbrei, Pat Kreiger, Pastor Maureen Howard,

Mike Klinfelder, a gift finder with the ELCA, spoke to the council in regards to "Leaving a Legacy". This involves people leaving a planned gift upon their death. More information will be gathered about this for further consideration by the council.

Robin called the meeting to order.

Reports:

Treasurer's report was given. Eric Brunson is working on an audit of the financial books. January Financial Reports stand for audit.

There was not a Secretary's report, due to the January meeting being the council retreat.

Committee Reports:

- See written reports for details.
- We are seeking assistance in updating the churches website

Business

Pastor Maureen is looking at a continuing education opportunity for 2 weeks in June in Hungary. She requested that the continuing education funds for 2023 be combined with those for 2024 to help cover this cost.
 Pat moved and Jayne second to combine the 2023 & 2024 continue education monies to help cover the cost of this continuing education opportunity.

Motion Carried

- Discussion of the Passion for Ministry Survey and how to move forward with this was held. It was decided to do the survey at church as a "special offering" of one's gifts. Prior to doing this, information about the various ministries will be presented to the congregation in the form of a brief testimonial during the Sunday service throughout Lent.
- The Riverside Conference annual meeting is to be held February 26th in Story City. Pastor and Carol will represent Bethany.
- 2023 housing allowance for Pastor Maureen for the IRS in the amount of \$29,000 was discussed. This is not extra pay, it is the amount allowed for housing that Pastor can report to the IRS and has to be approved by the council.

Carol moved and Holly seconded to approve these request.

Motion Carried

- Creating a Culture of Generosity is being put on hold for the time being.
- The Pork Loin Dinner has been scheduled for April 30th and will be carry out only. It was decided by the committee to raise the price from \$10 to \$12 for a meal this year.
- An update was provided on TeenServe which will be in Iowa Falls the last week of June.

Jayne moved and Ashley second to adjourn.

Motion Carried

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer

The next regular meeting will be Sunday March 12, 2023.

A TIME OF GIVING

As you all know, the ministries here at Bethany would not be possible without you and your financial support. Your continued support has allowed us to close the door on 2022 without having to stray from doing God's work through our ministries. We ask that you continue to prayerfully consider what you can give so that we can carry on with our ministries into the new year and beyond. Thank you.

Financial Report

Month	Income	Expenses	Net Income (Loss)
October	\$13,211.38	\$16,107.94	(\$2,896.56)
November	\$14,184.78	\$20,414.17	(\$6,229.39)
December	\$28,769.33	\$23,395.55	\$5,373.78
January	\$14,119.58	\$22,390.48	(\$8,270.90)
February	\$14,957.33	\$21,768.90	(\$6,811.57)
5 Months Total	\$85,242.40	\$104,135.23	(\$18,892.83)

Name of the organization: BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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13th Annual PORK LOIN DINNER Sunday, April 30th 4-6pm

Meal Includes: Smoked Pork Loin, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Glazed Carrots, Creamy Coleslaw, Apple Sauce, Pies, and Drink



Sponsored by Bethany Lutheran Church 2712 Washington Ave., Iowa Falls

BETHANY HAPPENINGS

LECTORS*GREETERS*COFFEE HOUR NEEDED: Worship Assistant for the March & April. If interested please sign up at the Narthex Desk, Call or email Brenda at the Church office 641-648-3555.

RUTH CIRCLE: Second Wednesday of each month next meeting is April 12th at 7:00pm.

FAITH FORMATION: 2022/2023 Sunday school for ages pre-k through 6th grade from 10:15-11:15.

MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICE: 6:30pm, Wednesday Pastor Maureen Howard will be preaching under the theme "Sing with All the Saints in Glory". Mike Moehlman leading "Holden Evening Prayer".

3,4,5,6 CLUB: Every second Wednesday of the month, 7:00pm, Youth Group for 3-4-5-6 graders after the Lenten Wednesday worship, 6:30pm. Fun activities and service projects planned April 12th.

ACOLYTE NEEDED: For Sundays in April - June. If interested, please Call Brenda at the Bethany office at 641-648-3555 or Look it up online. Thank you!

FELLOWSHIP FUN NIGHT: We invite you to our monthly Fellowship Fun Night, 7:00pm. This will follow our weekly Lenten worship service starting at 6:30 p.m. Fellowship Fun Night will be a time fellowship with our Bethany family, a planned activity with a message, and a whole lot of fun for all ages. We will plan on doing Fellowship Fun Night on the 4th Wednesday of the month. Our next Fellowship Family Fun Night will be April 26th.

ALTAR FLOWERS FOR 2023: It's that time of year to think of Loved ones with Altar Flowers, In Memory of or In Honor of a Birthday, Anniversary, Family, Friends or To Have A Blessed Day. We still have **4 openings left** for 2023 the sign-up sheet is on the Narthex desk or call the church office. Thank You!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We need help at the Thrift Shop on Saturday, April 22nd. Please signup on the sheet in the Narthex.

BETHANY CARES AT EASTER: Easter is right around the corner. We want to continue to spread our love to those in need in our community. We are grateful the Church Women United gave us \$3,000 towards this worthy project. We challenge you to help us match that donation. To date we have received donations in the amount of \$1775. It Looks like we are \$1225 away from our Goal of \$3000 so **Please** consider giving a monetary donation to reach our goal, just note on your check that it is fore "Bethany Cares." Thank you for your generosity. Please note we will not be collecting food donations as in the past.

FIRST COMMUNION RETREAT: Pastor Howard will be hosting a Communion Retreat on Saturday, April 1st (1:30 p.m-5:30 p.m.). All children, along with their parent(s)/guardian(s), 2nd grade & older who have not gone through a training. The youth will receive their first Communion, with their family, on Palm Sunday, April 2nd.

BETHANY SCHOLARSHIPS: Applications are available for the 250 dollar Bethany Scholarship for graduating students entering their freshman year of college. Please reach out of the church office for an application. Applications are due April 15th. Any questions please contact Robin Sampson

PORKLOIN DINNER IN APRIL: We are planning our annual Pork Loin Dinner on **Sunday**, **April 30, 4-6 PM** this year **Carry Out & Delivery Only**. Please mark your calendars and look for your letter/ticket envelope at the beginning of April.

LWR HEALTH KITS: Lutheran World Relief health kits help refugees maintain personal hygiene while children, men and women live in exile. They also contribute to a new start for those who return home. Please add following four items to this plastic bag and return it to the church and place them in the World Relief Box in the Fellowship Hall. Our goal is 100 kits. Thank you! Linda Lehtola

1) wide tooth comb 2) metal nail clipper with file attached 3) two bath size bars of soap (4-5 oz) in original wrapping

Hardin County Emergency Food Pantry

The Hardin County Emergency Food Panty provides food, toiletries, hygiene products, and other essentials to individuals and families in need in Hardin County.

The food pantry is supported by community donations,

SO WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Neede	ed foods:	<u>Needed H</u>	l <u>ygiene:</u>	
*Canned soup	*Tuna & Hamburger H	elper *Toilet Paper	*Diapers	
*Canned fruit	*Noodles & Pasta	*Paper Towel	*Conditioner	
*Canned meat	*Box Mac & Cheese	*Laundry soap	*Bath soaps	
*Peanut butter	*Cereal	*Dish soap	*Kleenex	
*Pasta sauce		*Shampoo	*Toothpaste & brushes	
<u>Other items exce</u>	epted: *Freezer food	*Canned and dried beans	*Canned vegetables	*Oatmeal
	*Rice	*Cleaners (409, disinfectant)		
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The food pantry is also in great need of monetary donations! Donations are accepted at the Hardin County Family Development Center located at 637 S. Oak Street in Iowa Falls.

> If you have questions about the food pantry, please call 641-648-5036. The Hardin County Emergency Food Pantry is owned and operated by Mid-Iowa Community Action, Inc.



REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

Tom Moravec, Audrey Knott, Connie Surls, Steve Trusty, Sandi Butt, Patty Andriakos - Celene Andersen's sister; Karen Rew - Friend of Kathy Dagit. Nathan Noriega - Brother of Tuyet Noriega & Uncle of Annaleah and Clarissa Cook. Frank Curtis - Brother-in-law of Diane Hansen & Sonja Bauer. Madison Craighton - daughter of a co-worker of Kathy Dagit. Bentley Anderson- grandson of Mike & Celene Anderson. Rick Meyer - Son of Mary Jones. Merle Reingardt - Friend of Randy & Darla Hansen. Scott and his daughter Christie - Cousins of Kathy Dagit.

Dan & Kathy Stockdale and Family as they mourn the death of their son +Brandon Stockdale.

REMEMBER THE BETHANY FAMILIES WITH PRAYER This month, ask God to protect, direct, and show favor to these members. Give thanks for their presence in this community

Week of April 2	Scott & Debra, Joshua Hoover Paul & Rita Hoversten Quinn & Kaitlyn, Finley, Kellen, Griffen, Merritt Hoversten Alyce Howard
Week of April 9	Pastor Maureen & Michael Howard Gary & Marilyn Huffine Dean & Corinne Hundahl Doug & Becky, Kirby, Zachary Hunt
Week of April 16	Crystal & Michael Inks Kyle & Kari, Lexa, Harli, Rana Janes Alicia & Logan, Layton Janes Bruce & Laurie Jeffries
Week of April 23	John &Shannon, David, Nicholas Jensen Marjean Jensen Adam & Rachel, Noah, Anna, Caleb Johnson Jerold Johnson
Week of April 30	Lorraine Johnson Marge Johnson Avis Johnson David & Susan, Grace, Faith, Hope Jones

04/01	Virginia Beckman	04/17	Brian Doering
04/03	Kassidy Krause	04/19	Michael Carter
04/03	Robert Wallace	04/20	Honoria Balogh
04/04	Wayne Dewey	04/20	Richard Meyer
04/06	Jayne Becker	04/21	Gail Cavner
04/07	Victoria Butt	04/21	Kris Farley
04/07	Deb Larson	04/21	Brady Lancaster
04/08	Hope Jones	04/22	Dick Larson
04/10	Nicholas Muller	04/23	Kim Hartford
04/13	Keith Conover	04/23	Alicia Janes
04/13	Graham Goodknight	04/24	Alexis Carlberg
04/13	Ron Hildebrand	04/25	Jacob Snyder
04/13	Kaytlyn Mulford	04/25	Savannah Trusty
04/13	Myles Sheahan	04/26	Mindy Ford 🛛 📻
04/14	Layton Janes	04/26	Rhett Sims 🔙
04/15	Jackie Ahrens	04/27	Renae Dewey
04/15	Kelly Cavner	04/28	Jon Lancaster
04/15	Kyle Meyer	04/30	Amber Lee

04/14 Kathy & James Lyman 04/15 Laura & Darwin Hamilton 04/20 Ruth & Craig Turner 04/23 Holly & Dennis Carlberg 04/24 RD & Sonja Bauer 04/24 Michael & Elizabeth Dybevik

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Anniversary

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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2 Palm Sunday 9:00 Palm Sunday Worship Service/First Communion for Second graders/Live Stream 10:15 Sunday School	3 Pastor Maureen – Sabbath Day	4	5 Community Meal at UMC 12pm Lenten Lunch at Bethany Host: First Christian Church – Rev TJ Norman 7pm Choir Practice 8pm KIFG- Bethany Sunday Sermon	6 Maundy Thursday 1:00 Quilting 7:00 Maundy Thursday/ Worship Service	7 Good Friday <i>Church Office</i> <i>Closes at Noon</i> 12:00 Community Cross walk 8pm Good Friday/ Worship Service	8 No Service
9 Easter Sunday 6:30 (Son)rise Worship Service 7:30 Confirmation Breakfast until 9:00 9:00 Easter Sunday Worship Service/Choir Sings/Live Stream No Sunday School	10 Office Closed Pastor Maureen – Sabbath Day	11	12 6:00p Meal 6:15p Ukraine Presentation 7pm Activities/3,4,5,6 Club 7pm Ruth Circle No Choir Practice 7pm Confirmation 8pm KIFG- Bethany Sunday Sermon	 13 9am – 4th grade Kennel Club 1:00 Quilting & Quilt-Tiers 6pm Church Council Meeting 	14 Kennel Club pickup	15 5:30 pm Worship Service Joan Hanson
16 9:00 Holy Hilarity Worship Service /Brian Herrin/Live Stream 10:15 Sunday School	17 Pastor Maureen – Sabbath Day	18	19 6:00p Meal 6:15p Worship 7pm Confirmation 8pm KIFG- Bethany Sunday Sermon	20 1:00 Quilting & Quilt-Tiers	21	22 5:30 pm Worship Service
23 9:00 Worship Service /Brian Herrin/Live Stream 10:15 Sunday School	24 4:00 BCLW Meeting	25 5:00 Iowa Falls Historical Society Meeting	26 9:30-5:30p WIC Clinic 6:00p Meal 6:15p Worship 7pm Activities, Fellowship Family Night 7pm Choir Practice 7pm Confirmation Year End Celebration 8pm KIFG- Bethany Sunday Sermon	 27 1:00 Quilting & Quilt-Tiers 7pm Iowa Falls Historical Society Annual Meeting 	28	29 Pastor Maureen – Sabbath Day 5:30 pm Worship Service
30 9:00a Worship 4-7pm Pork Loin Dinner Carry Out & Delivery Only						

April



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS IN APRIL

SATURDAY 5:30

APRIL 1 Lector: Linda York

APRIL 8 No Service

APRIL 22 Lector:

APRIL 15APRIL 29Lector: Mark HansonLector:

MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 6 Lector: Jane Granzow Usher: Acolyte: Brady Lancaster

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 7 3-Readers: Carol Polzin, Mike Howard, Peg Bushore 1-Usher: Mike Bushore Acolyte: Brady Lancaster

IF INTERESTED IN FILLING AN OPEN SPOT PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT 641-648-3555. THANK YOU!

SUNDAY 9:00 APRIL 2 Palm Sunday Lector: Finley Hoversten Usher: Greeter: Coffee Host:(3)Communion: Peg Bushore Acolyte: Grace Hartford

APRIL 9

6:30a Sonrise Service Lector: Mike Howard Usher: Greeter: (3)Communion: 6:30a Sonrise Service Acolyte: Brady Lancaster Crucifer:

9:00a Easter Service Lector: Gary Huffine
Usher: Gary & Marilyn Huffine
Greeter: Gary & Marilyn Huffine
(3)Communion: Kathy Dagit
9:00a Easter Service Acolyte: Brooks Hickman Crucifer:

APRIL 16 Lector: Usher: Greeter: Roberta Meyer Coffee Host: Kukers/Doerings (3)Communion: Acolyte: Zachary Doering

APRIL 23

Lector: Peg Bushore Usher: Greeter: Roberta Meyer Coffee Host: Mike & Peg Bushore (3)Communion: Acolyte:

APRIL 30 Lector: Usher: Greeter: Roberta Meyer Coffee Host (3)Communion: Kathy Dagit Acolyte:

Daily Bible Reading

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APRIL	OLD TESTAMENT	NEW TESTAMENT	PSALMS	PROVERBS
1	Lev 24:1-25:55	Mark 10:13-31	44:9-26	10:20-21
	Lev 26:1-27:34	Mark 10:32-52	45:1-17	10:22
	Num 1:1-54	Mark 11:1-26	46:1-11	10:23
4	Num 2:1-3:51	Mark 11:27-12:17	47:1-9	10:24-25
5	Num 4:1-5:31	Mark 12:18-37	48:1-14	10:26
6	Num 6:1-7:89	Mark 12:38-13:13	49:1-20	10:27-28
7	Num 8:1-9:23	Mark 13:14-37	50:1-23	10:29-30
8	Num 10:1-11:35	Mark 14:1-21	51:1-21	10:3-32
9	Num 12:1-13:33	Mark 14:22-52	52:1-9	11:1-3
10	Num 14:1-15:21	Mark 14:53-72	53:1-6	11:04
11	Num 15:22-16:40	Mark 15:1-47	54:1-7	11:5-6
12	Num 16:41-18:32	Mark 16:1-20	55:1-23	11;7
13	Num 19:1-20:29	LUKE 1:1-25	56:1-13	11:08
14	Num 21:1-22:21	Luke 1:26-56	57:1-11	11:9-11
15	Num 22:22-23:30	Like 1:57-80	58:1-11	11:12-13
16	Num 24:1-25:18	Luke 2:1-3	59:1-17	11:14
17	Num 26:1-65	Luke 2:36-52	60:1-12	11:15
18	Num 27:1-28:31	Luke 3:1-22	61:1-8	11:16-17
19	Num 29:1-40	Luke 3:23-38	62:1-12	11:18-19
20	Num 30:1-31:54	Luke 4:1-30	63:1-11	11:20-21
21	Num 32:1-33:56	Luke 4:31-5:11	64:1-10	11:22
22	Num 34:1-35:34	Luke 5:12-26	65:1-13	11:23
23	Num 36:1-Deut 1:46	Luke 5: 27-6:11	66:1-20	11:24-26
24	Deut 2:1-3:29	Luke 6:12-36	67:1-7	11:27
25	Deut 4:1-49	Luke 6:37-7:10	68:1-18	11:28
26	Deut 5:1-6:25	Luke 7:11-35	68:19-35	11:29-31
27	Deut 7:1-8:20	Luke 7:36-8:3	69:1-18	12:01
28	Deut 9:1-10:22	Luke 8:4-21	69:19-36	12:2-3
29	Deut 11:1-12:32	Luke 8:22-39	70:1-5	12:04
30	Deut 13:1-15:23	Luke 8:40-9:6	71:1-24	12:5-7

Our Purpose at Bethany Lutheran is to reach out to others and spread God's Word.

Our Vision at Bethany Lutheran is to

Know Christ and to make Christ known by Welcoming! Growing! Serving!

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- 1. Jesus is Lord and Savior.
- 2. We are saved by grace through faith in Christ Jesus.
- 3. All are welcome.
- 4. Our foundation is in scripture.
- 5. As a family of faith, we serve others and one another in Christ's love.
- 6. Through prayer we go where the Holy Spirit leads to proclaim Christ.



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