

Bethany Lutheran Church

Gathering

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Sovereign God, raise your throne in our hearts. Created by you, let us live in your image; created for you, let us act for your glory; redeemed by you, let us give you what is yours, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

We Hear God's Word

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Announcements

Welcome to Worship: A special word of welcome to guests in our midst. Please sign the Guest Register and do come again. Looking for a church home? We invite you to become a part of the family of Bethany.

Hearing Assistance Devices: are available for your use during the worship service. Please ask an usher or the person working with the sound system if you would like to try one.

Invitation to Holy Communion: All who are baptized and believe Jesus is present in the bread and wine and trust in the words "given and shed for you" are welcome to come and partake in the Holy Meal. Children who do not commune are invited to come with their family and receive a baptismal blessing.

Prayer Request: Mariam Lang, Gene Lostetter, Eunice Kanne, Fran Anderson, Charles Trittelwitz, Dean Selander and Jane McLain as they recover from surgery, and the family of Nick Karels during their time of loss.

Continuing Prayer Concerns: Andy Dahlberg, Eric Hermansen, families of military who have served or are currently serving our country. Missionaries Allan & Marie Krahn and family.

Thank You: to the choir for providing us with special music this morning.

Financial Peace University: Jake and Lindsay Grass will be facilitating a small group study of methods for becoming debt free. The course will begin TODAY here at Bethany Lutheran Church at 6:00 pm and will continue for 13 weeks. For registration please contact Jake or Lindsay at 320-629-3951 or speak to them at worship today.

Hay Ride: We will meet for a hay ride today at 2:00pm. Join us for fellowship, food and an enjoyable hay ride. We will meet in the parking lot at the high school at 2pm.

Men's Breakfast/BS: will be Friday October 24th at 6:30am at the Espresso Cabin.

WELCA: there will be a meeting for WELCA – Circle Chairs and Executive Board (2008 & 2009 Elected) on October 22, 2008 at 7pm at Church.

Church Basement Ladies: will be Saturday October 25th, we will be leaving at 1:00 pm sharp. If you have not already done so please pay Ruby for your tickets as soon as possible.

Advent Devotional: We are looking for 26 people to share a story of a time when you have experienced the light of Christ in your life. These will be compiled into a devotional that will be made available for all members of Bethany to use during the Advent season leading up to Christmas. Please contact Bethany Walker (715-689-3121) if you are willing to submit a story. They are due by Sunday, November 16.

Yes We Can: Do you have bags of aluminum cans at home that you've been meaning to get rid of but can't find the time? Would you like to help the youth group attend the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans? We've got a solution to both of these issues; simply donate your aluminum cans to the youth group! Please put your cans in the trailer by the basketball hoop or if you have a lot and need them picked up call Nate 689-3121.

The Week Ahead (October 20-26)

Date	Event	Time	Place
Tuesday	Council Meeting	7:00 p.m.	Church
Wednesday	Confirmation	5:30 p.m.	Church
	Choir	6:00 p.m.	Church
	Youth Group	6:30 p.m.	Church
Friday	Men's Breakfast and Bible Study	6:30 a.m.	Espresso Cabin
Sunday	Sunday School	9:30 a.m.	Church
	Worship	11:00 a.m.	Church
	Financial Peace U.	6:00 p.m.	Church

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Our Mission Statement: "To Spread the good news of the saving grace of Jesus Christ to our community and neighbors and to nurture and strengthen the faith of, and care for, our members."