

Bethany News

Holy Week begins with Palm/Passion Sunday and we remember cheers of the crowd at Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem only to be followed quickly by the same crowds calling for His crucifixion. The color of the day is scarlet and represents blood. The scarlet parament that we use was handmade and used on Bethany's first altar. The altar guild should take care that the chancel should not appear too festive, but may now use flowers in the worship space. Palms are the flower of choice, but pussy willows and forsythia may also be used to symbolize the resurrection.

Maundy Thursday is the first day of what is called the Triduum which will end on Easter evening. They are the three most sacred and important times of the church year. The colors for Maundy Thursday are either scarlet or white and the altar guild will follow the direction of the Pastor as to which is used. The day is named after a Latin word meaning to command referring to Jesus' words at the Last Supper. To emphasize the meal character of this sacrament we will use the common cup and unleavened bread. The bread is made by an altar guild member. At the conclusion of the service the altar is stripped in preparation for the Good Friday service and is symbolic of Christ's humiliation by the soldiers.

The original name for Good Friday was probably "God's Friday", it is a day to celebrate Christ's sacrifice on the cross. The altar can be left bare or covered with a black or scarlet parament which can be used as they symbolize blood and death. Flowers are not to be used on Good Friday. When the service of Tenebrae is used candles are extinguished after each reading to represent the darkness of the crucifixion.

The Vigil of Easter is the climax of our spiritual preparation during the period of Lent and Holy Week and it is filled with the contrasts of light and darkness, life and death and freedom and bondage. This is a day for baptism or the renewal of baptismal vows. The altar paraments will go from the black that is representative of death to white representing purity and completeness. Colorful plants and flowers may be used for this service.

Easter Sunday the festival of the Resurrection of our Lord is the queen of all church festivals. The altar paraments can be either white or gold. This is the only time in the year that gold is used and symbolized riches and glory. On this day flowers should be used abundantly, any color of flowers can be used, but the Easter lily should be the most predominate. Flowers should never be placed on the altar, they should direct attention to the altar, the baptismal font and the pulpit.

Praising God Together

Women's Bible Study
1st & 3rd Mondays of the month
April 4th & 18th
at 1:00 pm

call Rose Parrish (345-4010) with any questions

Happy Anniversary in April:

Roger & Lee Edwards 8th
Josh & Bobbi Lutjen 23rd

April Birthdays!

Vickie Frentz 5th
Nate Heise 11th
Greg Holmstadt 13th
Frank Brand 15th
Char Gnotke 15th
Tara Hough 16th
Dylan McDonnell 17th
Natalie Anderson 25th
Dan Holmstadt 25th
Kathy Lueders 26th
Lloyd Hyberger 30th

Holy Week Schedule:

April 14th Maundy Thursday **7:00pm** at Bethany with Holy Communion

April 15th Good Friday **7:00pm** at St. Peter

April 17th Easter Sunday **7:00am** at Bethany with Holy Communion and breakfast following worship

10:30 at St. Peter with Holy Communion and breakfast before worship.

April 2022

Bethany Lutheran Church

525 South Sixth Street
Lake City, MN 55041
651-345-2424

Pastor Steven Frentz

9:00am Worship Service

Secretary: Michelle Roberson
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www.bethanylutheranlakecity.com

LWML Lake Pepin Zone Spring Rally
April 9, 2022

Immanuel Lutheran Church – Potsdam
7134 HWY 247 NE, Elgin, MN

8:30 Registration \$10.00

9:00 Opening ... ends with Lunch

Speakers:

Immanuel Lutheran School, Plainview, MN
Rick Arguto, Principal, and teachers
Pam Arguto (5th – 6th),
Jacob Mikkelson (7th- 8th)

Bible Study by Pastor Ty Zucker, Red Wing

Gifts from the Heart for ILS: ... for classrooms: Thin black EXPO (white board) markers, Crayola or Rose Art thick markers, mouse pads, computer "mice" ... for Hot Lunch Program: gallon and sandwich zip baggies, napkins (any kind), gallon cans of fruit, spray oil ("Pam") ... for teachers: colored ball point pens, colorful EXPO markers (white board), letters and borders for bulletin board

Those that have entered the Church Triumphant
since 2011.

2011

Pat Harvey

2012

Marlys Heise

Dale Meier

Ron Quandt

Kathleen Lund

2013

Beverly Kohrs

Edith Wiebusch

Berdelle Holmstadt

Ervin Carsten

Don Wiebusch

2014

Walter Danckwart

2015

Donald Roberson

Geraldine Hoffman

Patricia Richardson

Ron Danckwart

Bob Koenig

Hilda Braatz

Orris Durland

2016

Dorothy Madsen

Bert Luhman

Ginny Anderson

Dale Wood

Flora Lowrie

Howard Boatman

Earlene Asleson

2017

Melvin Madsen

Bob Cliff

Maynard Stegemeyer

Jean Cox

Babe TerBorch

Pat Yennie

2018

Tim Moyer

Mert Kohrs

Bob Albers

Lois Palmer

Don Palmer

Kevin Lewis

Lee Nibbe

Carol Merckling

2019

Kermie Eppen

Mary Lou Waltman

Dick DeFrang

Bernice Willers

Stan Schuchard

Lucy Anderson

Florence Gerken

2020

Leona Cordes

Chuck Lombard

Sue Albers

Lance Brackee

Elaine Kohrs

Karen Hansen

Norbert Holst

Lyle Cordes

Ruth Grimm

Arlene Roberson

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Joint Bethany/St. Peter Youth Group

*Next meeting is April 24th at St. Peter Belvidere
following worship.*

2021

Gerri Eppen

Marlene Roschen

Chuck Grimm

Rollie Brown

John Lewis

Wayne Keeran

Verdell Yotter

Marie Lewis

Bud Anderson

Jean Dettmer



This is from the Escape room we visited in March. Unfortunately, we didn't escape in time. This group of eight is heading to Houston, TX to the LCMS National Youth Gathering in July 2022.

The Sunday school has raised \$1,178.50 since September 2021. With \$1000 we are going to purchase one cow, two goats, two ducks, three rabbits and four chickens through World vision. World Vision is the United Nations World Food Program's largest partner. These animals will be given to struggling families to provide eggs, milk, meat, and more.

Our new Mission will be through Mission Central for the support of displaced Ukrainians. Any offering dollars you designate to Sunday school will be going to those in the Ukraine who are being affected by the Russian invasion.

No Sunday school on:

April 10th (Confirmation),

April 17th (Easter)

Since the \$1000 goal was met Lisa and Kay are getting a pie in the face on the last day of Sunday school which is May 22nd. An Ice cream social hosted by the Sunday school will follow worship on May 22nd.

CELL PHONE NUMBERS..... With technology always changing, many people are switching to cell phones as their only phone. We'd like to update our records with this new information. Kindly call the office (651-345-2424) or send an email to: bethanylc4@hotmail.com Thank you!



January 19th, 2022 Bethany Lutheran Council

Pastor opened with prayer

Attendance 15

Secretary's Report-Approved as written

Treasures Report-Approved as written

Financial Secretary's Report- Approved as written

Trustee's Report-the 6th street renter is behind a bit on her rent but usually catches up. Some of the ceiling fans in the fellowship hall need replacing. An electrician has been contacted. It was noted that the 6th street renter does not always shovel sidewalk. Will ask the snow removal people to shovel it when they do the church, as we do not want to be liable.

Elder's Report-The Usher program was discussed and there will be a follow up to contact new and former members to volunteer to usher again. There will be an Usher schedule set up.

Education Report-enrollment is down. Mission money was given, a \$200 donation by Nita Keeran, in Memory of Wayne Keeran. It was suggested the Sunday School take one Sunday a month to serve the coffee and donuts and the money will be used for the mission projects.

Discipleship-\$1,000 was donated to Packing for the Weekend from the Hog Roast. Mission money has slowed in coming. It was suggested that we put more emphasis on missions one Sunday of the month as we did in the past. More information needs to be put in the Newsletter about missions and our commitment to Mission Central and Synod missions.

Cemetery Report- Sue Blumberg will be a new member of the committee. More are still needed.

Pastor's Report-June 2-4 is the district Convention at Concordia St. Paul. Vicki Frentz will be our delegate. July 9-13 will be the National Youth Gathering. 3 adult leaders and 5 youth will be attending. St Peters has decided to form a partnership with Royal Family and their mission to Liberia. It could be something Bethany could think about doing. March 27th Pastor will be gone and Pastor Ron Stehr will be visiting pastor. A long letter was read from Pastor Cordes of St. Johns to all the Lake City churches still using cable to share their services. They are wishing to update equipment and it would cost \$6,000 to upgrade the equipment in our office. He is looking for ways to make this happen. Many ideas were listed and Bethany decided to work on upgrading our equipment first. Terry Schmitz will contact Isaac Corey and Barry Thompson to work on ideas and what is needed to upgrade our equipment. There has been a Reader schedule sent out covering several months.

New Business-Donna Roschen will be taking over Melissa McDonnell's position as Financial Secretary. Donna requested a Lap Top computer and the software needed to fit the flash drive Melissa left her. The computer would be passed on to whoever is elected to the position in the future. This was approved. Election of officers is coming up and many positions need to be filled. Some can be re-elected and others need replacing. The search goes on. The next council meeting will be March 16th after the Lenten service. The next Voters meeting will be in April.

The meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer,

Respectfully submitted
Sue Blumberg

BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH'S FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT

MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2022

Category	Beginning Balance	IN	OUT	Ending Balance
Plate	\$ -	\$ 1,407.96	\$ (1,407.96)	\$ -
Current	\$ -	\$ 6,147.00	\$ (6,147.00)	\$ -
Capital Improvement	\$ 25,309.26	\$ 125.00	\$ -	\$ 25,434.26
Cemetery	\$ 12,672.87	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,672.87
Debt	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Easter Breakfast	\$ 464.35	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 464.35
Fellowship	\$ 2,645.03	\$ 65.50	\$ -	\$ 2,710.53
Garage Sale	\$ 1,568.93	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,568.93
Hog Roast	\$ 611.91	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 611.91
House Rent	\$ 57,701.18	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (586.84)	\$ 58,614.34
Interest	\$ 633.17	\$ 9.80	\$ -	\$ 642.97
Memorial	\$ 7,404.50	\$ (115.00)	\$ -	\$ 7,289.50
Miscellaneous	\$ 1,413.00	\$ 1,550.00	\$ -	\$ 2,963.00
Mission Central	\$ -	\$ 125.00	\$ (125.00)	\$ -
Missions	\$ 330.00	\$ 150.00	\$ -	\$ 480.00
Sunday School	\$ 4,724.63	\$ 280.00	\$ -	\$ 5,004.63
Thanksgiving	\$ 566.58	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 566.58
Thrivent	\$ 8,280.64	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,280.64
2022 Convention	\$ 448.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 448.00
Endowment	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
CD's	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (40,000.00)	\$ (40,000.00)
TOTAL	\$ 124,774.05	\$ 11,245.26	\$ (48,266.80)	\$ 87,752.51

Memorial Fund Breakdown	
Sound System	\$ 7,174.50
Undesignated	\$ (115.00)
Total	\$ 7,059.50

Endowment Acct. Balance #1937	
Beginning Balance	\$ 5,142.96
Added This Month	
Interest Added	
Ending Balance	\$ 5,142.96

St. Peter's Contribution	
Mileage	\$ -
Newsletter	
Concordia Plan	\$ 1,270.96
Total	\$ 1,270.96

NOTES	
\$901 in Capital Improvement design-	
nated toward carpet.	
\$200 in capital improvement design-	
nated towards kitchen remodeling	
St. Peter's pd newsletter thru June	

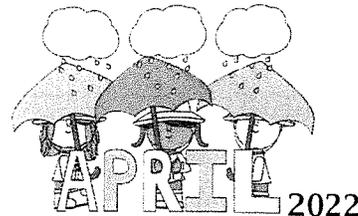
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TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF

	Feb.	Year-to-Date	2022 Budget
ELDERS			
Pastor's Salary/Housing 65%	\$4,062.50	\$8,125.00	\$48,750.00
Pastor's Mileage 100% 50/50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,000.00
Pastor's Benefits 100% 50/50	\$2,541.93	\$5,083.86	\$30,500.00
Organist's Salary (\$ 55 Sunday)	\$220.00	\$440.00	\$3,670.00
Conference & Workshop	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00
Guest Pastor (\$ 150)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$900.00
Worship Supplies/Music/Postage	\$505.50	\$563.25	\$2,500.00
Secretary Annual Salary	\$1,265.00	\$2,530.00	\$15,180.00
Social Security/Medicare	\$113.61	\$227.21	\$1,200.00
Accounting Services	<u>\$382.25</u>	<u>\$390.84</u>	<u>\$500.00</u>
TOTAL	\$9,090.79	\$17,360.16	\$110,400.00
DISCIPLESHIP			
Operating Expense	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Central Mission	\$125.00	\$260.00	\$5,000.00
General Mission	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00
Adopt a Student	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Scholarship	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Local Missions	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$1,222.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
TOTAL	\$125.00	\$1,482.00	\$11,500.00
EDUCATION			
Children's Education	\$175.88	\$175.88	\$2,000.00
Adult Education	\$0.00	\$86.12	\$500.00
Missions	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
TOTAL	\$175.88	\$262.00	\$2,500.00
TRUSTEES			
Utilities	\$1,738.80	\$2,962.59	\$11,000.00
Church Supplies/Maintenance	\$566.00	\$1,334.04	\$4,000.00
Cleaning Service	\$734.00	\$1,468.00	\$9,000.00
Office Equipment/Maintenance	\$1,036.08	\$1,373.43	\$3,500.00
Insurance/Work-Comp	\$714.66	\$1,429.32	\$8,500.00
Capital Improvements	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$12,000.00
Rental Property Tax & Maintenance	<u>\$586.84</u>	<u>\$995.10</u>	<u>\$9,000.00</u>
TOTAL	\$5,376.38	\$9,562.48	\$57,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS	\$132.78	\$289.76	\$2,000.00
CEMETERY	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL	<u>\$14,900.83</u>	<u>\$28,956.40</u>	<u>\$183,400.00</u>
BALANCE ON HAND	\$30,390.53		

St. Peter's News

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April Worship Assistants

Altar Care: Heidi Roberson & LeAnn Bollum

Elder: Brock Marklevits

Remember in Prayer...

Please keep in your prayers:



Barb & Delmar Hinck

Ashley Sexton

Elnor Bollum

Meryl & Lois Watson

Stan & Marilyn Diercks

Madonna Thomforde



WELCOME
WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE

Welcome New Members

With a warm welcome to St. Peter's, Maddie & Eric Hokanson and their son Brent have become members of our congregation.

April Council Meeting

Council meets Monday, April 7 at 7:00PM. Let a council member know if you have a topic for discussion. Council: Jonathan Huneke, Kevin Paradis, Jim Hansen, Marty Kehren, Becca Bollum, Brock Marklevits & Paul Burfeind.

Camp Omega

If you are interested in Camp Omega for your family or your child(ren) this summer, there are brochures at the back of church for you to take home or check out their website.



Worship Schedule

9:30AM Sunday School

10:30AM Sunday Worship

Communion is the first & third
Sundays of each month.

Mid-Week Lent Supper & Worship

April 6 - 6PM supper provided by our youth
7pm worship at St. Peter's



Palm Sunday & Confirmation

April 10th - 10:30AM Palm Sunday worship
with Confirmation



April 14 - Maundy Thursday worship with
communion at Bethany at 7PM

April 15 - Good Friday worship
at St. Peter's at 7PM

April 17 - Easter Sunday worship 9AM at
Bethany and 10:30AM at St. Peter's

Youth Information



Sunday School Schedule

9:30AM Sunday School
PreK through 8th grades

If you are able to teach please let Jackie know (651) 385-0176 - jackiebetcher@gmail.com or sign up via the link she emailed to all parents. Children are welcome to join at anytime of the year!

No Sunday School on Easter, April 17th.

April Acolytes

April 3: Karl Meyer

Wed, April 6: Isabella Paradis

April 10: Aaron Betcher

April 17: Ethan Paradis

April 24: Everett Hadler

*Schedules are located at the back of church

Sunday School Mission Project

The Sunday school children chose Feed My Starving Children as our mission project for the year. Monetary donations can be sent with the kids each Sunday or made online with our team link. For every \$88 raised we feed 1 child for a year. The kids will be packaging meals and delivering the donations on May 14th at 2pm in Chanhassen. Please sign up via the link that Jackie emailed. Children K-3rd grade must be accompanied by an adult (1 adult to 1 child ratio), grades 4-6th are 1:3 ratio.

Youth Group

Youth Group will have their monthly meeting at St. Peter's on April 24th after worship.

Easter Egg Hunt & Donations



The children's Easter egg hunt will be on Palm Sunday, April 10th during the Sunday school hour. There will be a movie starting at 9:30AM & the egg hunt at 10AM. All children are welcome! Kids under Sunday school age must be accompanied by an adult. We are asking for egg filler donations. Please place any egg filler donations in the box at the back of church.

Giving

April Mission Highlight

Our April Mission highlight will be through Missions Central for the support of displaced Ukrainians affected by the Russian invasion. If you would like your offering dollars designated to this mission please put Ukraine in the memo line of your offering check.



ONLINE giving

We offer the option to give recurring gifts online through First Farmers & Merchants Bank. Contact Becca Bollum, our treasurer to set this up. rebecca.mellmann@hotmail.com



VBS 2022

July 18-22, 2022 - St. Peter's will again be hosting VBS with Camp Omega staff running the weekly program. Parent volunteers will be providing meals and helping out each day. Watch for details and sign up forms in April. If you would be interested in housing our three counsellors that week let Tara our secretary know or contact her with any questions.

Birthdays in April

April 1 - Ray Williams

April 2 - Peyton Paradis

April 4 - Aaron Betcher

April 5 - Vickie Frenz

April 7 - Brianna Beshirs

April 9 - Craig Bollum
Deanna Tupper
Matt Schafer

April 11 - Kurt Brinkman

April 22 - Jason Juers

April 24 - Amber Greseth
Arelene Cowles

April 25 - Emily Benrud
Kevin Thomforde

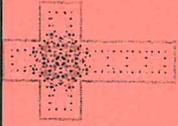
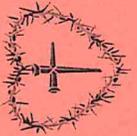
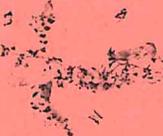
April 26 - Bruce Dahling
Connie Rankin

April 27 - Tony Betcher

April 30 - Meryl Watson

Anniversaries in April

April 2 - Pam & Rodney Brusse

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>He is RISEN</p> <h1 style="margin: 0;">April 2022</h1>						
<p>3 9:00am Worship Sunday school</p>	<p>4 1:00pm Women's Bible study</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6 Lenten Worship at St. Peter Belvidere 6:00pm Supper 7:00pm Worship</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8 15 Good Friday 7:00pm Worship at St. Peter Belvidere</p>	<p>9</p>
<p>10 Palm Sunday Confirmation Sunday 9:00am Worship with Holy Communion No Sunday school</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13 14 Maundy Thursday 7:00pm Worship with Holy Communion at Bethany</p>	<p>14 Maundy Thursday 7:00pm Worship with Holy Communion at Bethany</p>	<p>15 Good Friday 7:00pm Worship at St. Peter Belvidere</p>	<p>16</p>
<p>17 Easter 7:00am Worship at Bethany With Holy Communion No Sunday school Breakfast following 10:30am Worship at St. Peter – Breakfast before</p>	<p>18 1:00pm Women's Bible study</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 7:00pm Combined Voter/Council Meeting</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>
<p>24 9:00am Worship Sunday school</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>
						

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Elders: April 10th: Chuck Holmstadt

April 14th: Elwood Gnotke

April 17th: Greg Holmstadt

Ushers: Bob Roschen & Fred Day

Acolytes:

April 3rd 9am: Tyler Nolan

April 10th 9am: Adam Bolduan, Alana Schmitz

April 14th 7pm: TBD

April 17th 7:am: (Easter) Simon Brand, TBD

April 24th 9am: Neveah Anderson

Readers:

Tess Holmstadt

Pastor

Pastor

Pastor

Nancy Cliff

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