

If we were to do every service associated with Christmas Day we would do four services: Christmas Eve, Christmas Midnight, Christmas Dawn and Christmas Day. Since that won't be the case, I have presented to you the lessons for each service along with a small summary courtesy of the LCMS. Please enjoy and have a Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year.

Pastor, Vickie and Matthew Frentz

CHRISTMAS EVE
(December 24, 2023)

Isaiah 7:10–14

1 John 4:7–16

Matthew 1:18–25



The Word of the Lord Is Fulfilled in the Flesh of Jesus

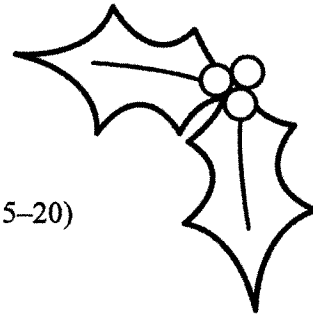
Though Ahaz would not ask, the Lord gives a sign to the House of David — “*the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel*” (Is. 7:14). With this promise, He signifies that salvation is by His grace alone. It is no work or achievement of man, but the Lord’s own work and His free gift. The promise is fulfilled as the Son of God is conceived and born of the Virgin Mary, and the sign is received in faith by the House of David in the person of Joseph (Matt. 1:20–24). “*Incarinate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary*” (Nicene Creed), God is with us (*Immanuel*) in the flesh of Jesus, Mary’s Son. Joseph believes that Word of God and so demonstrates a marvelous example in his immediate and quiet obedience, taking Mary to be his wife and caring for her in faith and love. He loves her because the love of God is manifest in this, that “*the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world,*” to be “*the propitiation for our sins*” (1 John 4:10–14).

CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT
(December 25, 2023)

Isaiah 9:2–7

Titus 2:11–14

Luke 2:1–14 (15–20)



The Light of Christ Shines Forth in the Darkness

Heaven and earth rejoice this night because the glory of the holy Triune God is manifested in the human birth of “*our great God and Savior Jesus Christ*” (Titus 2:13). In Him, the Father’s grace, mercy and peace rest upon the world. The silence of death is broken by this “*good news of great joy that will be for all the people*” (Luke 2:10). And all we who have gone astray like lost and wandering sheep, who have “*walked in darkness*” of doubt and fear and sinful unbelief, behold “*a great light*” in the nativity of Christ (Is. 9:2). In Him “*the grace of God has appeared*” (Titus 2:11). For this child of Mary who is born for us, this dear Son of God who is given to us, bears the burden of our sin and death in His own body to the cross. He thereby establishes a government of peace, “*with justice and with righteousness,*” which shall have no end; not by any work of man, but “*the zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this*” (Is. 9:7).

CHRISTMAS DAWN
(December 25, 2023)

Isaiah 62:10–12

Titus 3:4–7

Luke 2:(1–14) 15–20

Christ Jesus Reveals Himself in the Signs He Has Given to His Church

The Lord has not forsaken us. He has come to us and sought us out to save us (Is. 62:11–12), “so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life” (Titus 3:7). In Christ Jesus, conceived and born of Mary, “the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared” (Titus 3:4). Now He is lifted up in the Gospel, “a signal over the peoples” (Is. 62:10), that He might call us to rejoice in His salvation. St. Luke emphasizes the signs by which the shepherds once found Him: in Bethlehem, the City of David, “wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger” (Luke 2:12). The same Lord Jesus reveals Himself to us in the sure and certain signs of His Gospel. His Church is a true Bethlehem (House of Bread); for the Son of David, “a Savior, who is Christ the Lord” (Luke 2:11), feeds us with His body and His blood from the manger of His altar, wrapped in swaddling cloths of bread and wine. Let us ponder these mysteries and, like the shepherds, go about our vocations, “glorifying and praising God” (Luke 2:19–20).



CHRISTMAS DAY
(December 25, 2023)

Isaiah 52:7–10

Hebrews 1:1–6 (7–12)

John 1:1–14 (15–18)

The Living and Life-Giving Word of God Dwells Among Us in the Flesh

The Lord sends out His ministers of the Gospel to make disciples “of all the nations,” so that “all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.” For the Lord has “bared his holy arm” in the incarnate Christ (Is. 52:7, 10). The child in the manger, born of the Virgin Mary, is the very Word of God, the only begotten Son of the Father, “whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world” (Heb. 1:2). As “all things were made through him” (John 1:3), so are all things redeemed and made new in Him. In His body of flesh and blood, we behold “the radiance of the glory of God” (Heb. 1:3), “glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth” (John 1:14). He dwells among us in peace, that we might have life and light and salvation in Him. For by His Word of the Gospel, we are born again as the children of God, bearing His name and sharing His eternal life.



Silent Night Oh Holy Night.



The Confirmation class is planning a Christmas program during worship on Sunday December 17th at 9:00am.

Holiday Season Worship Schedule

*Advent Worship Wed, Dec. 6: Bethany at 7pm
Supper and Confirmation Class at 6pm*

*Advent Worship Wed, Dec. 13: St. Peter's at 7pm
Supper and Confirmation Class at 6pm*

*Children's Christmas Program
Sun, Dec. 17th 9am at Bethany*

*Children's Christmas Program
Sun, Dec. 17th 10:30am at St. Peter*

*Christmas Eve Worship
Bethany Joint Parish at 10:30am.
Bethany at 5:30PM with Communion
St. Peter's at 7:30PM with Communion*

No Christmas Day worship at Bethany or St. Peter

*New Year's Eve Worship
No Worship at Bethany
No Sunday school at St. Peter
10:30am Joint Parish worship at St. Peter*

Thank you for supporting the Community Thanksgiving Dinner. We are very fortunate and blessed to live in a community that is so willing to give of their time and resources to help others. Without the generous support of our community it would be impossible to carry on this mission. In the last thirty-five years we have gone from serving fifty meals to 330 this year, but the most important part is that because of your support we were able to give all of the freewill donations to the food shelf. In the near future we will be presenting the Lake City Food Shelf with a check for \$3437. Again we thank you and wish all of you a Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Bethany Lutheran Church
Thanksgiving Dinner Committee

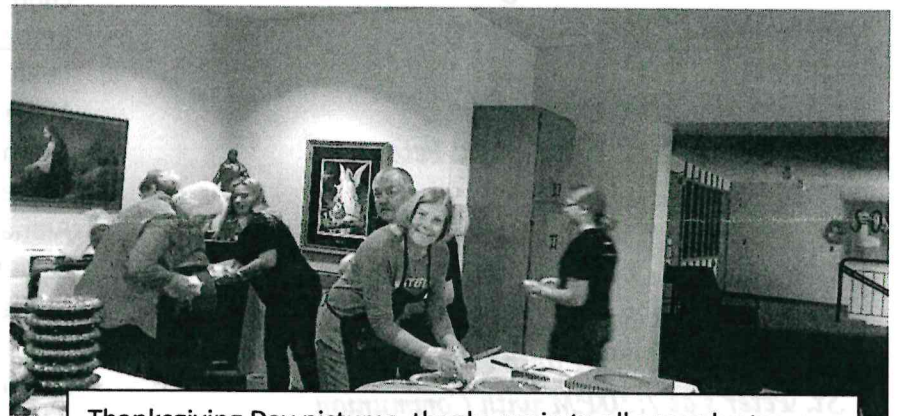
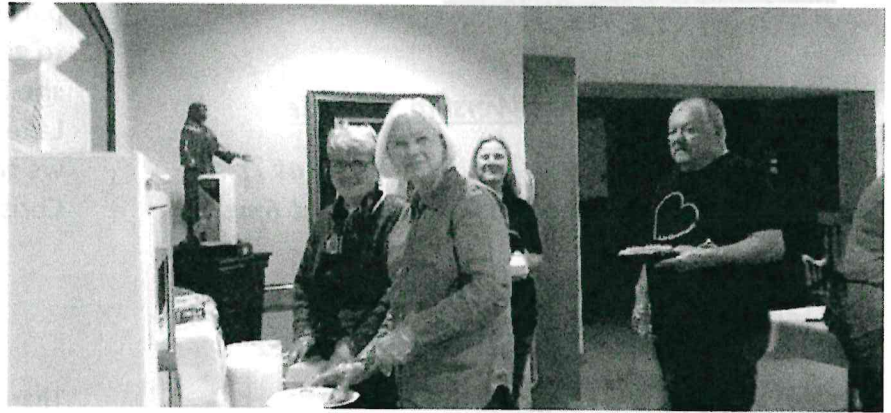
Thank you to the youth from both Bethany and St. Peter churches that helped with the Thanksgiving meal.

<u>Bethany</u>	<u>St. Peter</u>
Leah Anderson	Aaron Betcher
Neveah Anderson	Chris Hansen
Elijah Finnigan	Marti Huneke
Vincent Finnigan	Autumn Marklevits
Alana Schmitz	Ayva Marklevits
Luke Roberson	Ethan Paradis
Madelyn Roberson	Isabella Paradis
Chloe Solum	
Spencer Solum	



Happy Birthday in December

- 1 Hannah Nolan
- 2 Trenten Corey
- 8 Brooklyn Senne
- 8 Michelle Solum
- 10 Dorie Gilman
- 10 Robert Linder
- 11 Henry Hough
- 11 Bobbi Lutjen
- 11 Nancy Nolan
- 12 Eric Carsten
- 12 Jaiden McDonnell
- 14 Dalton Houghton
- 16 Alexa Burkholder
- 18 Samantha Henning
- 22 Macy Kohrs
- 22 Kim Wood
- 23 Fern Axelson
- 23 Terry Waltman
- 24 Josh Gnotke
- 25 Denae Linder
- 27 Kris Abidin
- 27 Joe Denzer
- 27 Cally Powers
- 28 Irene Peper
- 30 Debra Schmidt
- 30 Corrine Stehr
- 31 Luke Roberson



Thanksgiving Day pictures, thanks again to all our volunteers.

December Anniversaries!

- Dale & Tammy Lee 5th
- Greg & Diane Holmstadt 27th
- Frank & Darleen Brand 29th
- Jeff & Jana Brand 31st



Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

DECEMBER 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Judges 9:33-57 Psalm 150 Acts 15:1-21 31					Joshua 15:20-63 Psalm 123 Acts 4:1-22 1	Joshua 16:1-17:2 Psalm 124 Acts 4:23-31 2
Joshua 17:3-18 Psalm 125 Acts 4:32-37 3	Joshua 18 Psalm 126 Acts 5:1-16 4	Joshua 19:1-31 Psalm 127 Acts 5:17-42 5	Joshua 19:32-51 Psalm 128 Acts 6:1-7 6	Joshua 20 Psalm 129 Acts 6:8-15 7	Joshua 21:1-19 Psalm 130 Acts 7:1-34 8	Joshua 21:20-45 Psalm 131 Acts 7:35-53 9
Joshua 22:1-20 Psalm 132 Acts 7:54-8:8 10	Joshua 22:21-34 Psalm 133 Acts 8:9-25 11	Joshua 23 Psalm 134 Acts 8:26-40 12	Joshua 24:1-18 Psalm 135:1-12 Acts 9:1-19 13	Joshua 24:19-33 Psalm 135:13-21 Acts 9:19-31 14	Judges 1:1-21 Psalm 136 Acts 9:32-10:8 15	Judges 1:22-2:5 Psalm 137 Acts 10:9-23 16
Judges 2:6-23 Psalm 138 Acts 10:24-33 17	Judges 3 Psalm 139 Acts 10:34-48 18	Judges 4 Psalm 140 Acts 11:1-18 19	Judges 5:1-15 Psalm 141 Acts 11:19-30 20	Judges 5:16-31 Psalm 142 Acts 12:1-17 21	Judges 6:1-18 Psalm 143 Acts 12:18-25 22	Judges 6:19-40 Psalm 144 Acts 13:1-12 23
Isaiah 7:10-14 Psalm 110:1-4 1 John 4:7-16 Matthew 1:18-25 Christmas Eve 24	Isaiah 52:7-10 Psalm 2 Hebrews 1:1-6 John 1:1-14 Christmas Day 25	Judges 7 Psalm 145 Acts 13:13-41 26	Judges 8:1-21 Psalm 146 Acts 13:42-47 27	Judges 8:22-35 Psalm 147 Acts 13:48-14:7 28	Judges 9:1-21 Psalm 148 Acts 13:8-18 29	Judges 9:22-33 Psalm 149 Acts 14:19-28 30



Thank you to Gerhardt Kohrs for the stone donated to the Bethany Cemetery.

Bethany Lutheran

Voters Meeting October 8, 2023

Attendance: 38

Secretary's Report: Read and approved

Treasures' Report: Read and approved

Financial Secretary's Report: One clarification and name change – The convention fund should be the youth convention fund. It was money left after the last convention. It was then approved.

Trustee's: General maintenance was done in the church. The parking lot will be repaired the week of Oct.10th. The cost was said to be \$4,730, There will be no parking until it is finished and dried. The door to the Pastors office on the northeast side will be open during office hours. The carpeted area of the church is in need of repair. It is a tripping hazard as it is buckled in several places. The replacement would be carpet tiles that could individually be replaced if needed. The June estimate was \$10,022 from Tony's of Wabasha. The Thrivent money could be used to pay some of the cost. The congregation voted to go ahead with the carpet project. The fellowship hall will be stripped and waxed the week of the 15th- 20th. Furniture will be moved after church on the 15th.

Elders: There will be regular quarterly meetings with Pastor and the Bethany and St. Peter Elders.

Education: There is no lower grade Sunday school. Hopefully there will be a preschool program next year. There are two 6th graders taught by Michelle Roberson, five 7th graders and 2 eight 8th graders taught by Pastor. There will be prayer partners assigned to these students. There is joint youth group with St. Peters.

Discipleship: The Block Party netted \$1350 to support Sarah Parrish on her 2-year mission journey to Costa Rica. The Garage Sale netted approximately \$1650 to be divided between two local youth missions. Half will go to Packing for the Weekend and the other half to the Lincoln High School Pantry. Both organizations support local youth in need. The anniversary planning is going well. Please spread the word to family and friends that have been past members here.

Pastor's Report: Confirmation with Pastor has started for 7th and 8th graders and the 6th graders are studying ways to share what they believe and answer questions their peers may ask. One funeral was performed for Eva Gnotke.

New Business: The 2024 budget was presented and explained. The Pastor gets a \$30,000 housing allowance as part of his salary for tax purposes. The Bethany St. Peters split will change to 55% Bethany and 45% St. Peters. With some small raises and a few increases for inflation the budget was passed at \$188,224. The congregation voted to hold the quarterly meetings after the service to give more people input.

The meeting was adjourned

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Blumberg, acting secretary

Dear Members of the Bethany Lutheran Church Family,

What a special celebration you are having! To say that for 75 years you have been in the business of sharing the Gospel of our Lord Jesus, the love of God the Father and the Joy of the Holy Spirit's inspiration with each other and the world around you.

Our years at Bethany are filled with wonderful memories especially the many groups and activities and events directed by our Lord for His people!

But the best memories and greatest joys come from the beautiful members of Bethany that we got to know in those 10+ years - (many now in Heaven!) You are the most dedicated, hard-working, inspiring and FUN people we have known!

The years since we left Lake City have been devoted to our children and grandchildren and my being a fulltime caregiver to Marlin , who has lived with Alzheimer's disease for the past 12+ years. While these years have had challenges, they have also been filled with total joy and strength from the Lord!!

Unfortunately we will be in Arizona by the time you have your big day , Nov 5th. But know that you will be in our thoughts and prayers that day as you have been in the past, and will continue to be in the future!

All our Love, In Christ
Marlin & Diane Gerdts

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4575 W 80th St Circle #218
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Winter Address

16537 E Montgomery Road
Scottsdale AZ 85262

From Paul's letter to the Galatians

"Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins to deliver us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen."

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF

	October	Year-to-Date	2023 Budget
ELDERS			
Pastor's Salary/Housing 65%	\$4,062.50	\$40,625.00	\$48,750.00
Pastor's Mileage 100% 50/50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,000.00
Pastor's Benefits 100% 50/50	\$2,669.92	\$24,029.28	\$30,957.50
Organist's Salary (\$ 55 Sunday)	\$220.00	\$2,255.00	\$3,670.00
Conference & Workshop	\$0.00	\$1,012.00	\$1,200.00
Guest Pastor (\$ 150)	\$150.00	\$450.00	\$900.00
Worship Supplies/Music/Postage	\$207.00	\$4,208.51	\$2,500.00
Secretary Annual Salary	\$1,302.96	\$13,029.60	\$15,635.52
Social Security/Medicare	\$116.51	\$1,173.49	\$1,380.00
Accounting Services	<u>\$37.50</u>	<u>\$976.59</u>	<u>\$800.00</u>
TOTAL	\$8,766.39	\$87,759.47	\$111,793.02
DISCIPLESHIP			
Operating Expense	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Central Mission	\$0.00	\$1,090.00	\$5,000.00
General Mission	\$0.00	\$5,434.48	\$5,000.00
Adopt a Student	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Scholarship	\$0.00	\$340.00	\$500.00
Local Missions	<u>\$1,700.00</u>	<u>\$3,590.91</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
TOTAL	\$1,700.00	\$10,955.39	\$11,500.00
EDUCATION			
Children's Education	\$0.00	\$918.89	\$2,000.00
Adult Education	\$0.00	\$252.54	\$500.00
Missions	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$115.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
TOTAL	\$-00	\$1,286.43	\$2,500.00
TRUSTEES			
Utilities	\$625.02	\$9,078.32	\$15,000.00
Church Supplies/Maintenance	\$1,012.92	\$5,379.80	\$4,500.00
Cleaning Service	\$756.00	\$7,386.00	\$9,000.00
Office Equipment/Maintenance	\$204.02	\$2,733.09	\$5,000.00
Insurance/Work-Comp	\$972.08	\$8,664.84	\$8,500.00
Capital Improvements	\$0.00	\$675.00	\$10,000.00
Rental Property Tax & Maintenance	<u>\$1,946.00</u>	<u>\$8,287.10</u>	<u>\$11,000.00</u>
TOTAL	\$5,516.04	\$42,204.15	\$63,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS	\$0.00	\$1,395.74	\$2,500.00
CEMETERY	\$0.00	\$2,975.00	\$0.00
TOTAL	<u>\$15,982.43</u>	<u>\$146,576.18</u>	<u>\$191,293.02</u>
BALANCE ON HAND	\$6,797.52		

BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH'S FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT

MONTH OF OCTOBER 2023

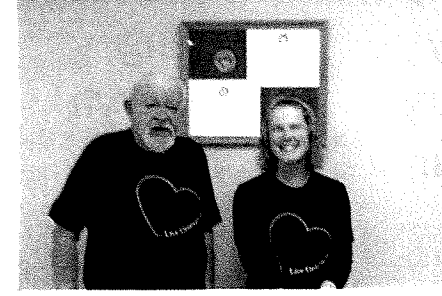
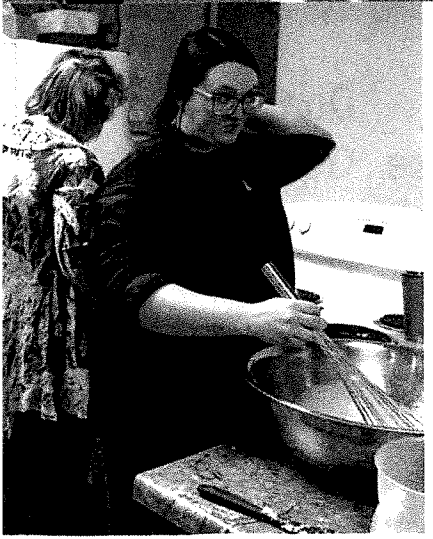
Category	Beginning Balance	IN	OUT	Ending Balance
St. Peters Church	\$ -	\$ 1,334.96	\$ (1,334.96)	\$ -
Current	\$ -	\$ 7,719.00	\$ (7,719.00)	\$ -
Capital Improvement	\$ 28,578.84	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ 28,628.84
Cemetery	\$ -	\$ 225.00	\$ (225.00)	\$ -
Altar Guild	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Easter Breakfast	\$ 464.35	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 464.35
Fellowship	\$ 3,715.36	\$ 141.00	\$ -	\$ 3,856.36
Garage Sale	\$ 468.97	\$ 1,862.67	\$ (1,736.00)	\$ 595.64
Block Party (Hog Roast)	\$ 774.59	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 774.59
House Rent	\$ 69,196.57	\$ 1,820.00	\$ (2,193.87)	\$ 68,822.70
Interest	\$ 4,112.17	\$ 113.91	\$ -	\$ 4,226.08
Memorial	\$ 6,079.70	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,079.70
Miscellaneous	\$ 1,182.45	\$ 10.00	\$ -	\$ 1,192.45
Mission Central	\$ -	\$ 135.00	\$ -	\$ 135.00
Missions	\$ -	\$ 390.00	\$ -	\$ 390.00
Sunday School	\$ 4,411.69	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,411.69
Thanksgiving	\$ 1,678.78	\$ 300.00	\$ (67.22)	\$ 1,911.56
Thrivent	\$ 9,183.69	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,183.69
Convention Funds	\$ 499.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 499.00
Endowment	\$ 70.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 70.00
CD's	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (42,663.24)	\$ (42,663.24)
TOTAL	\$ 130,416.16	\$ 14,101.54	\$ (55,939.29)	\$ 88,578.41

Memorial Fund Breakdown	
Sound System	\$ 6,079.70
Undesignated	\$ -
Youth	\$ -
Total	\$ 6,079.70

Endowment Acct. Balance #1937	
Beginning Balance	\$ 6,024.40
Added This Month	\$ -
Interest Added	\$ 6.08
Ending Balance	\$ 6,030.48

St. Peter's Contribution	
Mileage	\$ -
Newsletter	\$ -
Concordia Plan	\$ 1,334.96
Total	\$ 1,334.96

NOTES	
\$901 in Capital Improvement designat- ed toward carpet.	
\$200 in Capital Improvement designat- ed for kitchen remodeling	
St. Peter's paid newsletter thru Dec.	



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Date: _____

Christmas from the Holy Bible

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Angels
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Savior

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Emmanuel
Hallelujah
Joseph
Manger
Shepherds

Birth
Flocks
Holy Spirit
Joy
Mary
Star

Christmas
Frankincense
Immaculate
King
Myrry
Virgin

Donkey
God
Inn
Lamb
Rejoice
Worship

St. Peter's News

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December Worship Assistants

Altar Care: LeAnn Bollum & Elaine Burfeind
Elder: Arlan Betcher



Remember in Prayer...

Please keep in your prayers:



Barb Hinck, Ashley Sexton, Meryl & Lois Watson, John Diercks, and the families of Elnor Bollum and Wes Paradis

Council Meeting

Council will meet on Monday, December 4th at 7:00PM. Let a council member know if you have a topic for discussion. Jonathan Huneke, Kevin Paradis, Jim Hansen, Marty Kehren, Arlan Betcher, Tony Betcher, and Roger Benrud.

Anniversary Cookbook Holiday Special

We are having a holiday special on our 150th Anniversary cookbooks. One cookbook for \$20 or two for \$30. Contact Pat Stemmann 651-380-8762 or Heidi Roberson 507-272-2647 if you are interested!

Mary Martha Events

Dec. 2nd at 9:00am we'll decorate the church for the Advent & Christmas season. There will be a meeting following to discuss 2023 activities.
January 8th at 1:00pm we'll take down the Christmas tree & decorations.
Jan. 22nd at 7:00pm we'll work on tie blankets.

Worship Schedule

10:30AM Sunday Worship (year round)
9:30AM Sunday School

Merry Christmas

Holiday Worship Schedule

Advent Worship

6pm supper & 7PM worship at Bethany Dec. 6th
6pm supper & 7PM worship at St. Peter's Dec. 13th

Christmas Eve Worship - Dec. 24th

10:30am worship at Bethany
No morning worship at St. Peter's
5:30PM at Bethany
7:30PM at St. Peter's

No Christmas Day worship

New Year's Eve Worship - Dec. 31st

10:30am worship at St. Peters with
Pastor Kohrs preaching
No worship at Bethany

Annual Meeting

Our Annual Congregational Meeting will be Sunday, Jan. 21st immediately following worship.

In Memory of

The urns in front of the church were donated in memory of Elnor Bollum by her family.

Youth Information



Sunday School Schedule

9:30AM Sunday School
PreK through 8th grades

All children are welcome to join at
anytime of the year!

No Sunday School

We will not meet for Sunday School on
December 24th or 31st.

December Acolyte Schedule

December 3: Aaron Betcher

December 10: Everett Hadler

December 17: Ayva Marklevits

December 24: Marti Huneke

December 31: Chris Hansen

*Schedules through January 2024 are located
on the bulletin board at the back of church.

7th & 8th Grade Confirmation Details

Confirmation for St. Peter & Bethany 7th & 8th graders is every Wednesday from 6-7PM at Bethany Church, with the exception of December 13th we will meet at St. Peter's prior to Advent worship. We will not meet during Christmas break on December 27th or January 3rd.

Youth Group • 6-12th Graders

Youth group will not meet in December. Our next meeting will be after worship at St. Peter's on January 21st.

Musicians Wanted

Musicians and/or singers to add to our Christmas Eve celebration and our Children's program. If you play an instrument or sing as a solo, duet, trio, etc we want you! Let Pastor know what piece you will perform by Dec 10. We have a lot of musical talent in our churches, & we want that talent shared with your Church family. No secular music, please.

Giving

Missions

St. Peter's missions donation goal for 2023 is \$10,000 to send to various missions throughout the year. This year we have raised a little over \$8,000. If you wish to donate write "missions" on your donation.



ONLINE giving

We offer the option to give recurring gifts online through First Farmers & Merchants Bank. Contact our church treasurer, Tony Betcher to set this up.



Children's Christmas Program & Potluck

The Sunday School Children's Christmas program will be December 17th during worship at 10:30am. There will be a potluck to follow. Bring a dish to pass. Free will offering designated to seminary food bank.

Anniversaries in December

Dec. 5th: Milt & Jamie Kehren

Dec. 11: Eugene & Sherri Betcher

Dec. 28: Dave & Kay Betcher

Birthdays in December

Dec. 3: Harvey Huneke

Dec. 4: Elaine Burfeind

Dec. 5: Elaine Diercks

Dec. 7: Alexis Betcher

Dec. 9: Teresa Jacobson

Dec. 12: John Hinck

Dec. 17: Matthew Betcher

Dec. 19: Jessica Kehren

Mark Kohrs

Dec. 20: Faith Bollum

Dec. 27: Bonnie Buck



Dec. 28: Heather Grobe

Dec. 29: Kathy Thomforde

Dec. 30: Rachel Watson
Scott Hokanson

Bethany Lutheran Church/St. Peter's Lutheran Church

December 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 9:00am Worship with Holy Communion at Bethany 9:30am SS at St. Peter 10:30am Worship at St. Peter	4 1:00pm Women's Bible study at Bethany 7:00pm Council meeting at St. Peter	5	6 6:00pm Confirmation class 6:00pm Advent Supper 7:00pm Worship All at Bethany	7	8	9
10 9:00am Worship at Bethany 9:30am SS at St. Peter 10:30am Worship at St. Peter	11	12	13 11:00am Bible study 6:00pm Confirmation class 6:00pm Advent Supper 7:00pm Worship All at St. Peter	14	15	16
17 9:00am Worship at Bethany 9:30am SS at St. Peter 10:30am Worship/ Christmas program at St. Peter potluck following	18 1:00pm Women's Bible study At Bethany	19	20 11:00am Bible study With Pastor at Bethany 5:30pm Confirmation class at Bethany Prayer Partner Christmas Party	21	22	23
24 10:30am Joint Parish worship at Bethany 5:30pm Christmas Eve at Bethany w/communion 7:30pm Christmas Eve at St. Peter w/communion	25 Merry Christmas No Worship at Bethany or St. Peter 	26	27 No Confirmation Class	28	29	30
31 Happy New Year No Worship at Bethany No SS at St. Peter 10:30am Joint Parish Worship at St. Peter	Bethany Lutheran 525 S 6th Street Lake City, MN 55041 651-345-2424		Pastor Steve Frenz 651-448-8561 630-846-1909 PastorFrenz@hotmail.com			

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Sun Dec 3rd - Bob Roschen

Ushers: Mark Abel, Barry Thompson

Sun Dec 10th - Nancy Cliff

Sun Dec 17th - Tess Holmstadt

Acolytes: Sunday Dec 3rd 9am - Alana

Wednesday Dec 6th 7pm - Vincent

Sunday Dec 10th 9am - Kambrie

Sunday Dec 17th 9am - Greta

Sunday Dec 24th 10:30am - Elijah

Sunday Dec 24th 5:30pm - Neveah



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