

BETHESDA NEWS

Welcome to Worship!

June 21, 2026

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

"A community caring for all God's people, being transformed by Christ's love,
serving others as a witness of God's grace and peace."

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BMC Website: www.bethesdamc.org

WORSHIP SERVICES

Can be viewed/listened to live...

† Livestream @ <http://bethesdamc.org/watch-live>

† Facebook

† KOOL Radio 103.5 FM at 11:30 a.m.

† Local Cobalt Cable Channel 3207

Reminder...

† The east doors will remain open during office hours 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Monday through Thursday. If you drop off items in the Et Cetera room and
need to have the north door unlocked, please call the office.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

<i>Sunday, June 21</i>	SLCC Senior High Camp, Viborg, S.D. 8:45 a.m. Deacons Meet 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:40 a.m. Sunday School
<i>Monday, June 22</i>	SLCC Senior High Camp, Viborg, S.D.
<i>Tuesday, June 23</i>	SLCC Senior High Camp, Viborg, S.D. 9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting 7:00 p.m. Board of Deacons & Pastors
<i>Wednesday, June 24</i>	SLCC Senior High Camp, Viborg, S.D. 12:00 p.m. Bulletin Announcements Due
<i>Thursday, June 25</i>	SLCC Senior High Camp, Viborg, S.D. Central Plains Mennonite Conference Annual Meeting
<i>Friday, June 26</i>	SLCC Senior High Camp, Viborg, S.D. Central Plains Mennonite Conference Annual Meeting Church Offices Closed
<i>Saturday, June 27</i>	Central Plains Mennonite Conference Annual Meeting
<i>Sunday, June 28</i>	SLCC 5 th & 6 th Grade Camp 1, Viborg, S.D. Central Plains Mennonite Conference Annual Meeting 8:45 a.m. Deacons Meet 9:30 a.m. Worship Message: Mark Janzen Music: Marilyn Kroeker, Pianist/Worship Band Offering to God 10:40 a.m. Sunday School 7:30 p.m. Katelyn & Jaden Sharing

CHURCH FAMILY

Please keep in prayer those with health concerns, grief, or family needs:
Rachelle Schweitzer, Bryan Bechtel, Alton Friesen, Elly Siebert (Margie Siebert's granddaughter) and Kevin Vaught.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Central Plains Mennonite Conference Annual Meeting

June 25-28: Pray for those preparing for Central Plains Annual Meeting June 25-28 in Mountain Lake, Minn. The conference will focus on "Reconciliation As Witness" with Betty Pries as the keynote speaker. We pray that it will be a meaningful time full of worship, fellowship, connections and thoughtful work. Please keep the following delegates and attendees in your prayers as they attend conference this coming week: Connie Bechtel, Pastor J Epp, Arlin Hiebner, Kara Janzen, Tara Maltsberger, Steve Michel, Bev Quiring, Frank Steckly, Joy Steckly, Pastor Andrea Wall and Norm Yoder.



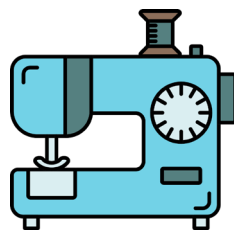
Jaden & Katelyn Regier Sharing

June 28: Mark your calendars for Sunday, June 28 when Jaden and Katelyn Regier will be hosting an open house and sharing on their work in Chiang Rai, Thailand. The event will start at 7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Enjoy a famous Thai dessert and a few other Thailand goodies.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Summer Craft & Sewing Days

Tuesday, July 7: Every Tuesday in the month of July from 1 to 5 p.m. we will have a craft and sewing day to get projects ready for BWM and the MCC Sale. We will be cutting and sewing backings, piecing and sewing quilt tops, making School Kit Bags and working on Quiet Books. That's where the non-sewers can plug in. So invite your friends and let's work to get ready for our Winter Sewing Days.



RESCHEDULED: Day Trip to Newton

July 20: The Bethesda Women's Ministries Day Trip to the MCC Material Resource Center in Newton, Kan. recently had to be postponed. So here is another chance to go! Sign up on the BWM bulletin board.

NEW DATE: Monday, July 20, 2026

TIME: Leave church parking lot at 6:00 a.m. Return around 8:30 p.m.

HOW: Sign up on the BWM bulletin board in the east hallway. We will travel in either the church van or several cars.

QUESTIONS: Call Carol Janzen at 402.366.7984

As volunteers for the day we may process a variety of projects from packing Relief Buckets to checking School Kits or folding comforters for the baling machine. The Material Resource Center functions to process and ship quality material resources for MCC both domestically and internationally. Volunteers provide the manpower while taking part in MCC's ministries.

YOUTH MINISTRIES

Swan Lake Christian Camp Dates



Mark your calendars now and sign up for camp this summer at Swan Lake Christian Camp! Your child/children can attend Swan Lake Christian Camp at NO CHARGE. To register, go to www.myslcc.com, and check the appropriate church scholarship amount. Bethesda Mennonite Church will be billed at the end of the summer for those who attended.

Summer 2026 Dates

(Grades Based on '25-'26 School Year)

9th – 12th Grade: June 21-26

5th & 6th Grade 1: June 28 – July 2

3rd & 4th Grade 2: July 6-9

Day Camp 3 (Age 5 – 2nd Grade): July 10

7th & 8th Grade 2: July 12-17

5th & 6th Grade 2: July 26-31

Swan Lake Christian Camp Reminder

Just a reminder for parents, there is a form on the church website that should be filled out if your child plans to attend Swan Lake Christian Camp this summer. At bethesdamc.org under the menu you will find a “Ministries” listing, give it a click and you will then see the Swan Lake Christian Camp heading and the form can be found there. And if your driving kids to camp, snap a group photo at the camp sign like Melissa Goertzen and Jeri Janzen did when Maylee and Stella Chrisman and Maggie Schlautman attended Day Camp at Swan Lake because it's cute, I like to put them in the bulletin and I have Faith Journals to fill.



Reserving the Church Van



As a reminder, the church van is available for transporting kids to and from Swan Lake Christian Camp this summer. Forms for the driver and passengers need to be filled out and are available on the church website (bethesdamc.org) under the 'Child Protection' tab and then click on the 'Driving History/Record Release Form' under 'Volunteer Forms'. Contact Kerri at the Church

Office by emailing bethesda@mainstaycomm.net or texting 402.366.0977 to reserve the church van.

MISSIONSLOCAL/GLOBAL

Employment openings at AMBS

Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary in Elkhart, Indiana, is accepting applications for three full-time positions: Director of Enrollment, Director of Library Services, and Digital Marketing and Publications Manager. Please share about these openings with people you know who may be interested! See the job descriptions: ambs.edu/jobs

Ready to take a fresh look at the Bible?

Check out **Orienting With the Word**, a five-month program of Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary's Faith Formation Collaborative that builds community and biblical competency through Bible study. Each participating congregation designates a small group to join with others in a Bible study practice that involves wrestling, wondering and worship with the biblical text. The next cohort runs Aug. 1 – Dec. 13, and the program is free to participating congregations. Apply by June 15! ambs.edu/orienting-with-the-word

Online Short Course: Exploring Peace and Justice in the Bible

Sept. 16 – Oct. 27: Join Paul Keim, PhD, and Drew Strait, PhD, to study pertinent Scripture passages and reflect on how these texts contribute to a robust and biblically based practice of peace and justice today. This online short course of Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary lasts six weeks. No grades, no papers! CEUs available. Register by Aug. 26 to save \$50. ambs.edu/online-short-courses

GIVING ATTENDANCE

Sunday, June 14, Worship Attendance: 187

Sunday, June 14, Sunday School Attendance: 72

Worship Offering: June 14, 2026

Bethesda General Operating Receipts	\$6,442.00
Sunday School Offering	\$95.00
Total Sunday Offering	\$6,537.00

Day of Arising

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1 Day of a - ris - ing, Christ on the road - way, un - known com -
2 When we are walk - ing, doubt - ful and dread - ing, blind - ed by
3 Lo, I am with you, Je - sus has spo - ken. This is Christ's
4 Christ, our com - pan - ion, hope for the jour - ney, bread of com -

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pan - ion walks with his own. When they in - vite him,
sad - ness, slow - ness of heart, yet Christ walks with us,
prom - ise, this is Christ's sign: when the church gath - ers,
pas - sion, o - pen our eyes. Grant us your vi - sion,

(B) (E) (Amaj7) (B7) (E)
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as fades the first day, and bread is bro - ken, Christ is made known.
ev - er a - wait - ing our in - vi - ta - tion: Stay, do not part.
when bread is bro - ken, there Christ is with us, in bread and wine.
set all hearts burn - ing that all cre - a - tion with you may rise.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

Based on Luke 24:13-35, this text tells how Christ walked with two dejected believers on the way to Emmaus. This journey reminds us of our own spiritual wanderings, and the revelation of the risen Christ in the breaking of the bread gives us hope for such an encounter in worship.

On the Road to Emmaus



Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him.
Luke 24:31a (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Luke 24:13-35 (NIV).

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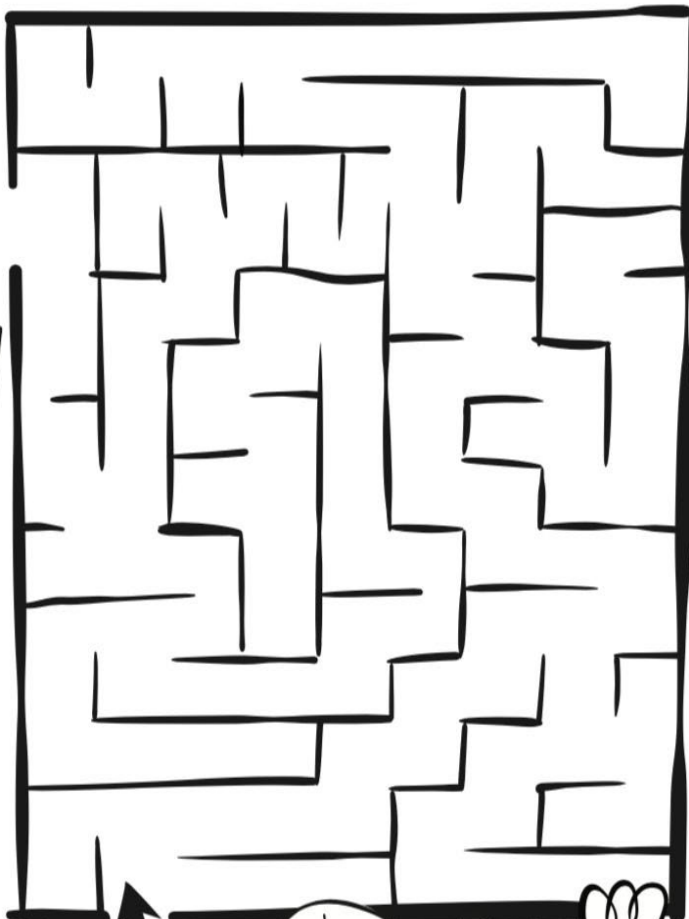
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CRUCIFIED
VISITOR
EYES
EMMAUS

Finish



Start

**Help Jesus and the
two believers get to
Emmaus!**



THE ROAD TO EMMAUS

Spot 8 differences between the two pictures.



CONNECT

For more information, complete the form below and drop this tear-off in the offering or the church office.

I would like more information about:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Programs | <input type="checkbox"/> Serving |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Programs | <input type="checkbox"/> Baptism |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bible Studies | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Choirs | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

I would like to receive the weekly e-Bethesda News and bulletin. Please enter your email address: _____

I am new to Bethesda Mennonite Church.

Please update/add my contact information to the Bethesda yearbook.

Name	
Address	
City, State, Zip	
Email	
Home Phone	
Cell Phone	

My age range:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Elementary School | <input type="checkbox"/> Junior High |
| <input type="checkbox"/> High School | <input type="checkbox"/> College |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adult | |

Comments/Bulletin Announcement...

MESSAGENOTES
"Hope for the Journey"
Pastor Chelsea Vaught
Luke 24:13-35 (NRSV)