

Thanks for Volunteering for April 2024

Ushers

Rick & Kristin Kosloski



Lector

Laura Formanek



Acolytes - needed

Altar Guild

Mary Roen & Frank Dao

Coffee-hour Volunteers

4/7 Naomi Glover & Marge Peterson

4/14 Jim & Marge Olson

4/21 Margaret Taylor/Wanda Flanigan/Mary Waschek

4/28 Jim & Sarah Brewster

Counters:

Kristin Kosloski /Val Lindquist/Jenelle Lindquist

May Coffee hour Volunteers

5/5 John & Jill Tinman

5/12 Kyle & Val Lindquist

5/19 Colleen Skold & ??

5/26 Cindy Johnson & ??

The Bethany Corner:
These are the highlights of our council meeting that we'd like to share with you. Exciting things are happening at Bethany!



- Maurer Power will be running another wire out to our sign then it will be installed.
- We need volunteers to help with our amazing new sound system. Please talk to Rick K. if you can be a part of this group.
- If you know of anyone who needs a ride to worship on Sundays – please let Mary Roen know.
- We received a \$250 Thrivent grant to help with Easter breakfast expenses. Profits from the breakfast will be used toward a new iPad for the sound system.
- We are beginning our “Give More in 24!” campaign which includes time, talents, and treasures. Please speak with a council member if you have questions.
- Polk Burnett Propane is donating a storage shed which will be placed in our west parking lot.
- Mark your calendars for these upcoming events:
 1. The governor will be here on May 4th for the opening of fishing. We will have a table at Crooked Lake Park with info. For families about VBS.
 2. Let Pastor know if you can attend the Synod Assembly on June 7th & 8th in Eau Claire.
 3. The garage sale will be June 7th & 8th. Donations (other than furniture) can be brought in now.
 4. The fish fry has been set for Tuesday June 25th.
 5. The block party is scheduled for Saturday August 3rd

JOIN US FOR BIBLE STUDY!

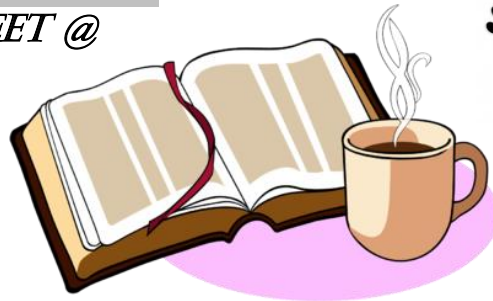
TUESDAY MORNINGS

**AT 10AM - WILL MEET @
BETHANY FOR APRIL**

DEBORAH CIRCLE

**MEETS 1ST & 3RD
TUESDAYS AT 4:30PM
@BETHANY**

**MARTHA CIRCLE MEETS 2ND WEDNESDAY
AT 1:00PM @BETHANY**



**The Foot Clinic- The
next clinic
is
April 5th & 12th
you can
contact
Teresa Anderson at
605-376-6980 for appointments**



Needed:

**Sheets - any kind
for overseas quilts
(used for stuffing - so any
condition will do!)**



**Summer is right
around the corner!**



Camp brochures available in the church office.

**Or visit the Luther Point website for more
information.**

Remember- camp fees for Confirmation students are paid
in full by Bethany



**Bethany Men's Club
Meets the Second Saturday
of each Month
@Pour House - Siren
8:00 am all welcome!**



**If some of your
information is
incorrect in the new church directory -
please let the office know.
(address/emails/phone #'s)
We will print a list of corrections in the
next newsletter.**

April Birthdays

Madison Thiex	4/1
Robert Bristol	4/4
Trevor Stanford	4/4
Derek Highstrom	4/5
Colleen Foote	4/6
Kim Stypula	4/8
Kristin Kosloski	4/8
Kristina Sherstad	4/10
Jeff Alden	4/12
Tianna Stewart	4/13
Susan Hunter	4/14
Deb Maloney	4/18
Aaron Ruud	4/19
Barb Lyga	4/20
Jordyn Thiex	4/20
Bryn McBroom	4/21
Amy Stanford	4/21
Sophie Vasatka	4/23
Richard Anderson	4/28
Robyn Formanek	4/30
David Taylor	4/30
Waylon Meyer	4/30



BIBLE STUDY

April Lessons~ we look ahead to Sunday's readings for our bible study.

Join us at 10am Tuesdays @Bethany for April

April 7

First Lesson: Acts 4: 32-35

Psalm: 133

Second Lesson: 1 John 1: 1- 2: 2

Gospel: John 20: 1-31



April 14th

First Lesson: Acts 3: 12-19

Psalm: 4

Second Reading: 1 John 3: 1-7

Gospel: Luke 24: 36b-48

April 21st

First Lesson: Acts 4: 5-12

Psalm: 23

Second Lesson: 1 John 3: 16-24

Gospel: John 10: 11-18

April 28th

First Lesson: Acts 8: 26-40

Psalm: 22: 25-31

Second Lesson: 1 John 4: 7-21

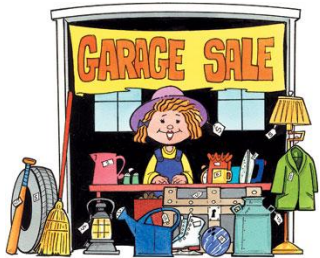
Gospel: John 15: 1-8

**Please keep the following persons
in your prayers:**



Polly Imme		
Joyce Anderson		
Holly Jo (Pastor's sister)	Paul Johnson	
Dean Birch	Greg & Darlene Close	
Elvina Wellnitz	Lewis Clifton	
Lona Nordgren	Jim Svoboda	
Aiden, Bonnie & Chris Foehser		Marty Davis
Collin & Pat Eid	Bruce & Betsy Bengtson	Bruce Thomas

**Bethany's Annual Garage
Sale will happen again
this year!**



Date is June 7th & 8th

Donations are welcome

**Please hold any larger items/or
furniture items until spring if
possible! Thank-you!**

**The need at Ruby's Pantry
continues to be great- - in**

**efforts to help
our neighbors in
need we continue
to collect any shelf stable
item.**



Thanks for your support!

As part of their strategic planning – the council has initiated a “**Give More in 24**” campaign. Please prayerfully consider your contributions: time, talents & tithes.

Give More in '24!
Bethany Lutheran Church

If every family gave \$5 more each Sunday we will reach our financial goals. That's one cup of coffee!

Time + Talent + Tithe

Could you add \$5 to the offering each Sunday? If we all did this, the financial impact would be huge!
Thank-you from your council

Spring into Life - 2024

The women of the ELCA will be meeting on Saturday – April 13th in Amery WI. The guest speaker is Kathy Schwanke – her message is “You are a Masterpiece”. If you are interested in attending – please mail in a registration form (available in the church office)

Cost is \$15.00

If you know of someone that would benefit from a call/or visit from Pastor Emily, please email Pastor Emily at pastorstelling@sirentel.net Or call her phone at: 320-438-5807



Check out the website at bplutheran.com

Thanks for your continued generous support of your church.



Thanks to everyone that donated & helped with Easter Breakfast this year! We couldn't do it without you



Bethany Lutheran Church Council Minutes - March 12th, 2024

Att: Kent, Wayne, Pastor Emily, Donna, Rick, Darren, Cindy, Mary, Jim
Meeting was called to order at 6p by Rick
Pastor Emily shared Devotions
m/s/c to approve Feb. meeting minutes - Treasurer's Report was received -
Pastor's Report was received

Old Business

1. Financial Update:
 - a. Task Force: Rayna will be joining the committee to help out
 - b. Will look into setting up a Venmo account for people to tithe online
 - c. Credit Card Authorization: m/s/c to let Pastor by authorized to use up to \$200 per month for the Church without prior approval. Current process is having to use personal money then requesting a reimbursement. Any purchases above this threshold will need approval from Council.
 - d. Direct Deposit for employee's: will be considered for now, but will not be offered at this point.
2. LED Sign: Electrical will need to get trenched in as well to power sign. m/s/c to have a licensed electrician complete this work and to use the same funds as the sign to pay for it.
3. Sound System: we need more people to run sound system. Thinking about creating a sign-up similar to ushers and lectors to get this achieved.
4. Council Corner: Donna will write this for the Month of March
5. Upcoming Events: Block Party is set for Aug. 3rd, Fish Fry will be June 25th, Holy Schedule will be posted, Easter Breakfast hosted by Kyle and Val Lindquist is set for Easter Sunday. More events to come!
6. Strategic Planning Activities are on-going
7. Visitor Card Update is on-going
8. Soup Supper basket money is going toward the World Hunger Program. Progress is posted on White Board in the Fellowship Hall.

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-council notes continued-

9. Cleaning Update: Very High remarks of praise for the job being done. Thank you!

New Business

1. "Give more in '24" will be addressed during church services coming up
2. Gov. Fishing Opener is May 4th, Event being held at Crooked Lake Park from 10a-2p that day. Bethany will have a table at the event promoting VBS.
3. Camp Sunday will be April 7th for Luther Point Camping Announcement
4. Synod Assembly Delegates for Eau Claire meeting are needed. Event is June 7-8th; we are looking for 2 members that would like to go to represent Bethany.
5. m/s/c to use funds from Easter Breakfast to help purchase Ipad Pro for the Sound System.

Committee Reports:

Stewardship: New shed is coming in March. This was donated by Polk Burnett Propane. New to us Fire Safe is still coming.

Servanthood: Garage Sale is coming soon

Discipleship: July VBS, Governor's Fishing Event in May

Next Meeting will be held on April 9th at 6p at Bethany - m/s/c to adjourn meeting at 7:42p - Lord's Prayer

Bethany & Pilgrim
Lutheran Parish

JOYFUL GIFTS FROM GOD: BAPTISM & FIRST COMMUNION

*More than a one-time event;
it's a Way of Life.*

CONTACT PASTOR EMILY
320-438-5807 (OR CHURCH OFFICE)
EMILYTHEBAPTIZER.COM

*Hope to have baptisms on
Easter Sunday and/or Pentecost!*
For more details about the process, go to
bplutheran.com

Luther point Bible Camp - Welcome to Summer 2024, "Overcoming Storms"

It's time to get excited for Summer 2024! Our theme this summer is "Overcoming Storms." There are many storms in the Bible, in our lives and all around us! We will dive into these stories and see how our faith in Jesus can help us to overcome all of the storms in our lives!

Join us as we learn what it means to overcome storms through Bible study, crafts, games, and summer fun!

"Then they cried out to the LORD in their trouble, and he brought them out of their distress.

He stilled the storm to a whisper; the waves of the sea were hushed."

-Psalm 107: 28-29

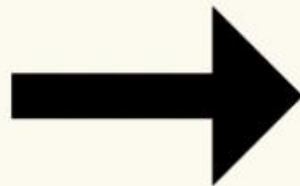


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