A Note from Pastor Laurie,

As November arrives, we enter a beautiful season of thanksgiving, remembrance, generosity, and preparation. The days grow shorter, the harvest has been gathered, and we are reminded of the many blessings God has placed in our lives. Scripture reminds us that "Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above" (James 1:17). Thanksgiving invites us to pause and give thanks, while the approaching season of Advent calls us to watch, wait, and prepare our hearts for the coming of Jesus.

November will be a busy and meaningful month at Bethany, filled with opportunities to worship, serve, learn, and grow together in faith.

On **November 1, All Saints Sunday**, we remember and give thanks for the faithful people who have gone before us, especially those we have entrusted to God's eternal care this past year. We are reminded of God's promise that nothing, not even death, can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus (Romans 8:38–39).

November 8 is Commitment Sunday, as we conclude our "*Called to Share*" stewardship campaign. Throughout these weeks, we have reflected on sharing our faith, time, gifts, resources, and love. Our commitments are more than financial promises; they are expressions of gratitude for all God has given us and our willingness to participate in God's work. During coffee hour, we will also welcome a program from Freedom House.

The opportunities to gather continue with our **Prayer Bead Workshop on November 15** and our annual congregational Advent project, **"Watch & Wait," on November 22**. Our Time 4 Teens youth group will enjoy a progressive dinner on November 8 and bowling on November 22.

On **Wednesday evening, November 25**, we will gather for Thanksgiving Eve worship and a soup supper involving and benefiting Bethany's Youth Ministry. What a wonderful opportunity to come together as a church family, share a meal, and give thanks to God who provides for us.

Then, on **November 29, the First Sunday of Advent**, we begin Advent and our Advent Blessing Tree. As we prepare to celebrate the birth of Christ, we are reminded that **God's greatest gift is LOVE**, a love made known to us through Jesus Christ. As we read in 1 John 4:19, "We love because he first loved us." Our Advent Blessing Tree gives us the opportunity to share that love with our neighbors in tangible ways by supporting our local schools and ministries that make a difference in the lives of others. Through these acts of generosity, we become the hands and feet of Christ, sharing God's love with our community.

In the midst of all these activities, I hope we remember that thanksgiving is more than a holiday, and generosity is more than something we practice during a stewardship campaign. Both are ways of living our faith every day.

As we approach November and December, extend an invitation to your friends and family to worship with us at Bethany! It is wonderful worshiping together and meeting new folks!

We are family…we are the Bethany Family! ❤

In Christ's Peace,
Pastor Laurie
Cell: 618-980-9804

Bethany Church Council Minutes for October 25th, 2026

Bethany Council Meeting was called to order at 11:26 by Carol Eiker.

Members present: John Page, Jillian Rodseth, Gene Colburn, Dave Crippen, Carol Eiker, Ryan Colburn, Pam Eiker, Megan Hancock, Kiersten Hancock, and Pastor Laurie Hensley.

Members Absent: Lisa Nelson, Marion Calmer, and Marty Stachniw.

Devotion: Kiersten Hancock gave the devotion and prayer.

Adoption of Agenda: A motion to adopt the agenda was made by Gene Colburn and seconded by Dave Crippen. Motion carried.

Financial Secretary/Financial Report: The reports were reviewed. The motion to accept was made by Gene Colburn and seconded by Jillian Rodseth. Motion carried.

Special Fund Report: Report given by Dave Crippen. Motion to accept by Kiersten Hancock and seconded by Ryan Colburn. Motion carried.

PASTOR'S Report: During this past month, Pastor Laurie Hensley did twelve visits and three community/school activities. Additional activities include the pet blessing service, VDC meeting at Calvary at Moline, Professional Leaders Conference at Lutherdale, a Youth Gathering meeting, VDC Weekend, and a LEAD Initiative meeting in Moline. Pastor reports that three people are in discernment. Upcoming activities include a Professional Leaders Conference, VDC secretariat, a synod boundaries class, a Southwest Conference meeting, and a Cornerstone Foundation meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Worship & Music: Upcoming: Thanksgiving Eve soup supper and prayer beads activity on November 15th during coffee hour.

Witness & Service: No report given.

Stewardship: "Called To Share" campaign is underway with church talks ongoing.

Finance & Budget: Carol Eiker shared information regarding the minister's compensation package, including health insurance projections, as compiled by the finance and budget committee. A motion to choose the "Select Copay" option was made by Dave Crippen and seconded by Gene Colburn. Motion carried. A motion to have the church pay and pastor does not pay out-of-pocket towards the Select Copay Plan was made by Dave Crippen and seconded by Pam Eiker. Motion carried. Discussed information regarding the yearly designation of who is the registered agent regarding Compton Accounting. Carol Eiker was selected as the registered agent for 2027. Motion by Dave Crippen and seconded by Pam Eiker. Motion carried.

Youth & Learning: 2027 Youth Gathering deadline for registration is November 10th. Confirmation is being held at 4:30 on the same days as Time4Teens.

Property: John Page reported on the church steeple louvers. Repairs and replacements will be necessary due to the age of the wood. The safety of the steeple ladder was discussed and found that it needs to be addressed in order for the steeple work to commence. A motion to have the property committee seek professional estimates regarding both the ladder and the louvers work was made by Jillian Rodseth and seconded by Kiersten Hancock. Motion carried.

Memorials: No report given.

Mutual Ministry: No report given.

The motion was made by Megan Hancock and seconded by Ryan Colburn to accept all committee reports. Motion carried.

Old Business: Kone Elevator out of the Quad Cities has given a yearly estimate of $1,500-3,000 for inspection and repairs. Motion to proceed by Pam Eiker and seconded by Ryan Colburn Motion carried.

New Business: Advent calendar charities have been selected. They will be Boots-n-Blessings, Alwood Schools, Freedom House Kewanee, and the Galesburg Rescue Mission.

Communication: None reported.

The motion to adjourn at 12:27 was made by Dave Crippen and seconded by Ryan Colburn. Motion carried. The meeting was closed with The Lord's Prayer. The next meeting is scheduled for November 15th at 11:15 am. Jillian Rodseth will lead the devotion.

Respectfully submitted, Jillian Rodseth

BETHANY BLESSINGS NOVEMBER 26

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Christena's Office Hours
Friday: 9:00-12:00PM
Other Office hours as needed.

Pastor Laurie's Office Hours
Tuesday: 11:00-2:00PM
Friday: 9:00-12:00PM
Please feel free to call or text me anytime at
(618) 980-9804

Please note – If you would like an announcement in the Sunday bulletin Pastor Laurie and/or the Communication & Outreach Coordinator must know **by Tuesday**, and you may contact them by phone or email. Due to new office hours and video work for each worship service we are printing the bulletin earlier than in the past. Thanks for your help as we are making these necessary changes. Newsletter additions must be into the Communication & Outreach Coordinator **by the 15th of each month**.

Tithe.ly – An Easy way for God's Offering

Bethany has partnered with Tithe.ly as an electronic giving platform. Gifts can be made from your bank account, debit card, or even Apple/Android pay. Please use the following links to set up your electronic giving profile:
Tithely – www.tithe.ly/give and look up Bethany Lutheran Church, Woodhull or enter https://tithe.ly/give?c=4352752

Or Scan the QR code:

NOVEMBER PEOPLE POWER

11-01-26	**9am Service (All Saint's Day)**
Greeters	Jim & Kelly Luallen
Lector/Prayers	Mary Stiers
Ushers	Rich Maher & Logan Stiers
Acolyte	Kiersten Hancock & Carson Taylor
Communion Assistant	Dave Crippen
Coffee Hour	Barb Colburn and Kelly Luallen

11-08-26	**9am Service (Commitment Sun.)**
Greeters	Rich & Janice Maher
Lector/Prayers	Marty Stachniw
Ushers	Ryan & Easton Colburn
Acolyte	Emerson Frakes
Communion Assistant	Kiersten Hancock
Coffee Hour	Patty Colburn

11-15-26	**9am Service**
Greeters	Dot Creek & Harriet Peterson
Lector/Prayers	Jeana Fors
Ushers	Marty Stachniw & Landon Rodseth
Acolyte	Easton Colburn
Communion Assistant	Megan Hancock
Coffee Hour	Patrice Wirt

11-22-26	**9am Service**
Greeters	Gene and Barb Colburn
Lector/Prayers	Logan Brinson
Ushers	Greg and Rhonda Miller
Acolyte	Remi Page
Communion Assistant	Carol Eiker
Coffee Hour	Needed

11-25-26	**Thanksgiving Eve Service (7pm)**
Greeters	Youth Servants
Lector/Prayers	Youth Servants
Ushers	Youth Servants Hancock
Acolyte	Colin Anderson
Communion Assistant	Youth Servants

11-29-26	**9am Service (Beginning of Advent)**
Greeters	Doug and Nancy Swanson
Lector/Prayers	Denise Eiker
Ushers	Gary Johnson and Dale Sundberg
Acolyte	Zack Hancock
Communion Assistant	Jillian Rodseth
Coffee Hour	Tayler McMeekan & Jillian Rodseth

12-6-26	**9am Service**
Greeters	Ellen Dalton and Ruth Laabs
Lector/Prayers	Patty Colburn
Ushers	John and Jerri Page
Acolyte	Logan Brinson
Communion Assistant	David Crippen
Coffee Hour	Needed

Meals on Wheels is a not-for-profit organization. Listed below are the **Bethany Meals on Wheels menus** for upcoming weeks**. If you can help with any of the slots, please sign up in the church fellowship hall or contact Barb Elliott, Pam Eiker, or Nancy Swanson.**

November 4, 2026- Bethany
Meal: Chili, Carrots/Celery Sticks, Peanut Butter Sandwich
Salad: Cottage Cheese w/Fruit
Dessert: Pumpkin Bars
Cooks: Jeana Fors
Salad: St John's
Dessert: Rhonda Miller
Delivery #1: Dale Sundberg & Gary Johnson
Delivery #2: George & Patrice Wirt

November 18, 2026 – Thanksgiving Dinner Bethany
Meal: Turkey, Dressing, Potatoes/Gravy, Vegetable
Salad: Cranberry Salad
Dessert: Pumpkin Pie
Cooks: Jeana, Barb, & Pam
Salad: St John's
Dessert: Needed (Need 4 Pies)
Delivery #1: Dale Sundberg & Gary Johnson
Delivery #2: George & Patrice Wirt

November 25, 2026- No Meal -Thanksgiving

December 9, 2026- Bethany
Meal: Swedish Meatballs, Potatoes/Gravy, or Noodles, Candied Carrots
Salad: Pickled Beets
Dessert: Rice Pudding
Cooks: Rhonda Miller and Patrice Wirt
Salad: St John's
Dessert: Needed
Delivery #1: Dale Sundberg & Gary Johnson
Delivery #2: George & Patrice Wirt

December 23, 2026- No Meal - Christmas

ALWOOD FOOD PANTRY

The AlWood Food Pantry will open November 3rd, from 9:30-11:00am.
On the evening of November 2nd, there will be distribution available by appointment only. Please contact Claudia Sage at 309-236-3650.
The Food Pantry is in the Oxford Township Hall in Alpha next to the Oxford Township
Fire Department. Bethany contacts are:
Jim Luallen 309-629-8103
Ruth Laabs-Wilcox 563-940-7714
The AlWood Food Pantry is requesting coffee, filters, hamburgers and hot dog buns.
Bethany has been asked to provide cream of mushroom soup for the Thanksgiving gift boxes that will be distributed to the families on November 23rd and/or the 24th. We will need at least 60 cans.

Thank you, Jim Luallen

Hope Unit

Hope Unit will meet at the Clover Library on November 19th, at 9am. Harriett Peterson will be hosting.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The **price** of Altar Flowers is **$60 for 2 vases**.
Checks will now need to be made out to Bethany Lutheran Church and in the memo please reference altar flowers. These can be placed in the offering plate. We do receive free delivery.
Thank you so much for adding beautiful flowers to our Sunday morning worship and supporting a small, local business. *The price of altar flowers will be increasing to $75.00. This increase begins Jan. of 2027. This increase is due to a new $15.00 delivery fee.

Altar Guild Schedule

Nov.	Jeana Fors
Dec.	Jeana Fors
Jan.	Connie Sundberg & Janice Maher
Feb.	Connie Sundberg & Janice Maher

Funeral Committee

Kelly Luallen	**629-8103**
Rhonda Miller	**629-9535**
Peggy Nordquist	**334-2264**

IN OUR PRAYERS

For all those who serve our nation in this time of peril, for our President and our national leaders, and those who serve in the Armed Forces.

Those with continuing health concerns:

Lucy Newman	Gary Nelson	Jami Maher
Allen Nordquist	Barb McNeil	Bob Eiker
Elizabeth Ostrander	Dave Crippen	Kathy Anderson
Joanne Carlson	Doug Peterson	Wendy Johnson
Patsy Crippen	Lois Peterson	Marty Stachniw
Dick Larson	Reva Stachniw	Marty Johnson
Ruth Laabs-Wilcox	Nancy Jateff	Kelly Luallen

TIME & TALENT FORMS

We ARE the church! And it takes a lot of people power to do God's ministry as the church. If you have not yet completed a Time & Talent form for yourself or your family…. **PLEASE** complete one.

NOISY OFFERING!!

The Noisy Offering will take place on November 8th, and the 22nd during the 9am service.

Our new noisy offering project will be to provide "The Shoe the Grows" shoes for youth living in poverty. The Shoe That Grows is a shoe that adjusts in four places to expand five sizes, protecting a child's feet longer than any other shoe can. Without shoes, children are especially vulnerable to diseases, parasites and injury. Children who get sick or injured miss school, can't help their families, and suffer needlessly. And since children's feet grow so quickly, they often outgrow donated shoes within a year, leaving them once again exposed. The Shoe That Grows can change that. Each pair cost $10.00.



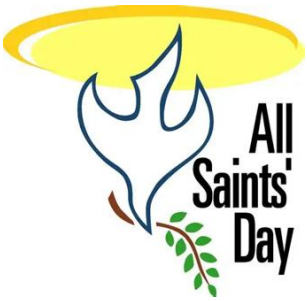
NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Kent Vail	1-Nov
Tyler Carlson	2-Nov
Kendra Anderson	3-Nov
Shireen Kane	4-Nov
Axel Anderson	4-Nov
Steve Lemon	5-Nov
Andrew Johnson	5-Nov
Kiersten Hancock	7-Nov
Lynn Hines	11-Nov
Scott Fitzpatrick	13-Nov
Heidi Murphy	14-Nov
Karol Vail	14-Nov
Matt Swanson	15-Nov
Kyle Borkgren	15-Nov
Randall Larson	17-Nov
Alexander Johnson	17-Nov
Toni Litton	17-Nov
Karla Barman	21-Nov
Allison McDowell	21-Nov
Janet Larson	23-Nov
Katie Nimrick	23-Nov
Brecken Adamson	24-Nov
Terry Nelson	24-Nov
Connie Lemon	26-Nov
Emily McDowell	28-Nov
Darwin Swanson	28-Nov
Donita Creek	29-Nov
Peggy Nordquist	30-Nov

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES



11-04-06	Mike & Pam Maher
11-11-72	Tim & Michelle Blaine
11-12-16	Todd & Mallory Swanson
11-27	Greg & Rhonda Miller
11-29-03	Peter & Kristen Schauer
11-30-13	Olof & Kaylee Collinson



All Saints' Day

All Saint's Sunday is November 1st. Please join us as we will be remembering Bryce Anderson, Lucille Bergstrom, Mike Brown, Allan Fuhr, Betty Swanson, Rosalie Roman, and Craig Willett.

SR. CHOIR & BELLS

All are Welcome to make music for the Glory of God at Bethany!

Rehearsals for Choir and Bells return to 10:45 - 11:30.

Please check the newsletter calendar or Facebook for the rehearsal dates. There are also hard copies available.
If you know of anyone that might be interested in joining either of the choirs, please invite them to join us!



Help Us Setup the Christmas Decorations

Please join us at 10:00 am on Saturday, November 28th as we decorate the church for Christmas! We will put up the tree, decorate and put out the Manger scene. Everyone is welcome and needed!



Called to Share

Faith • Time • Gifts • Resources • Love

Commitment Sunday is Nov. 8th

When we hear the word *stewardship*, it can be easy to think first about money. But stewardship is about so much more. It is about how we live with all that God has placed into our hands.

God has given each of us something to share—our **faith**, our **time**, our **gifts and abilities**, our **resources**, and most importantly, **God's love**.

This year, our stewardship theme at Bethany is **Called to Share**. Over five Sundays, we will hear stories from members of our congregation and reflect on the many ways God calls us to share what we have received.

Stewardship is not simply about what we give to the church. It is about how we live because we belong to Christ.

God has given us much. Together, we are Called to Share.



PRAYER BEAD WORKSHOP – November 15th (During Coffee Hour)

Throughout the ages, prayer beads have crossed cultural and religious boundaries. Join us as we explore the history of prayer beads with a focus on Lutheran prayer beads. We will make a set of The Pearls of Life, prayer beads created in1995 by retired Swedish Evangelical Lutheran Bishop Martin Lönnebo. Participants will become familiar with (and take home) the ancient practice of praying with beads.


Congregational Advent Project
Watch & Wait
An Advent Journey from Bulb to Bloom
We plant what looks like an ordinary bulb,
but with water, light, and time, new life appears.
Our Paperwhite garden reminds us that
God is at work even when we cannot yet see it.
Sunday, November 22, 2026
Join us as we create our Paperwhite gardens to take home for Advent.
Week 1
KEEP AWAKE
(Watch)
Mark 13:33–37
Week 2
PREPARE THE WAY
(Tend)
Isaiah 40:3
Week 3
SHARE THE GOOD NEWS
(Grow)
Luke 2:10–11
Week 4
NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR GOD
(Believe)
Luke 1:26–38
May your Paperwhite garden help your family watch, wait,
and prepare your hearts for the light of Christ.


SAVE THE DATE
DECEMBER 20, 2026
Youth Evening
Advent Service
The Beautiful IMPOSSIBLE
"For nothing will be impossible with God."
LUKE 1:37
ADVENT SERVICE
4:00 PM
DINNER
FOLLOWS
THE SERVICE
TAKE HOME A
PAPERWHITE
AS OUR GIFT TO YOU

Thanksgiving Eve Soup Supper & Service



Bethany Lutheran Church

November 25th

Soup Supper • 5:30 PM

Service follows at 7:00 PM

380 W 3rd Ave, Woodhull, IL

Youth are needed to help this evening.

Advent Blessing Tree – Your Gifts Change Lives!

Thank you for your past generosity in supporting the Bethany Advent Blessing Tree! Once again, you have the opportunity to share God's love with those in need this Christmas.

Each Sunday of Advent, we will highlight a different local charity. You are welcome to bring donations any Sunday and place them under the tree during the Offering.

If you shop using an Amazon Wish List, please have your items delivered to you, so they can be placed under our tree.

November 29th – Keep Awake

Galesburg Rescue Mission and Women's Shelter
Needs: New children's coats and snow pants. These items will be available for purchase in the Narthex each Sunday morning during Advent.

December 6 – Prepare the Way

Boots and Blessings – Rio, Illinois—For children in Foster Care
Needs:

- **New socks and underwear (kids and adult sizes),**
- **New crayons, markers, or colored pencils**
- **Fidgets, squishies, small games or activity items that fit in backpack**
- **Kids 3 in 1 shampoo and body wash**

Amazon Wish List:
https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2NTI5QOBFPRMP?ref_=wl_share&fbclid=IwY2xjawVDHsZleHRuA2FlbQIxMABwZG9mAWJyaWQRMVdaMlVTdEdmQXJieE9ERUtzcnRjBmFwcF9pZBAyMjIwMzkxNzg4MjAwODkyAAEej4luJ1Ij83zRO6yBmmAJ1qq8NiiWUcLBhfWVNtG9b_cTW4X18QtO1CwFaAM_aem_isl2xW2g5fhsimyXQdk5Uw

Sunday, December 13 – Share the Good News

Freedom House Crisis Center – Kewanee—Emergency help for survivors of domestic and sexual violence
Needs:
• Toilet paper, paper towels, and tissues
• Reusable water bottles (adult and child sizes)
• Facial moisturizers for all skin types
• Men's and women's deodorant
• Dish soap, hand soap, and zip-lock bags in all sizes
• Hair care products that support a variety of hair types, including brushes, wide-tooth combs, hair ties, bonnets, edge care products, and leave in conditioners.
Amazon Wish List:
https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1YWM5H10G4QPS/ref=nav_wishlist_lists_2

Sunday, December 20 – Nothing Is Impossible for God

AlWood Schools
Needs at the Elementary School:
• Waterproof or knit gloves
• Boys' underwear, sweatpants or track pants (sizes 5, 6, 7, and 8)
• Girls' sweatpants or leggings (sizes 5, 6, 7, and 8)
Needs at the Middle and High School:
• Men's deodorant, dry shampoo, and regular shampoo
• White socks (men's or women's)
• Plain, solid-color T-shirts (young men's or women's, sizes S, M, L, and XL)
• Sweatpants or track pants (young men's, sizes S, M, L, and XL)
• Sweatpants or leggings (young women's, sizes S, M, L, and XL)

Thank you for helping make the Advent season brighter for others! Every gift, big or small, is a wonderful way to share God's love and bring hope to those in need!

Thank You!

Thank you to all who so generously donated items, money and time for the Lutheran World Relief Project. Your donations and support are giving people around the world, as well as here in the United States, comfort and hope.

200 School Kits
17 Personal Care Kits
8 Fabric Kits
75 Quilts
God's Work – Our Hands!
Thank you, Bethany!!



Thank you to our Quilters! Your work has not gone unnoticed! You have all had an amazing year!

Thank you so much to your church family for supporting us during our first communion. Your words of encouragement, gifts, and prayers meant the world to us and our families.

God Bless, Easton Colburn and Colin Anderson

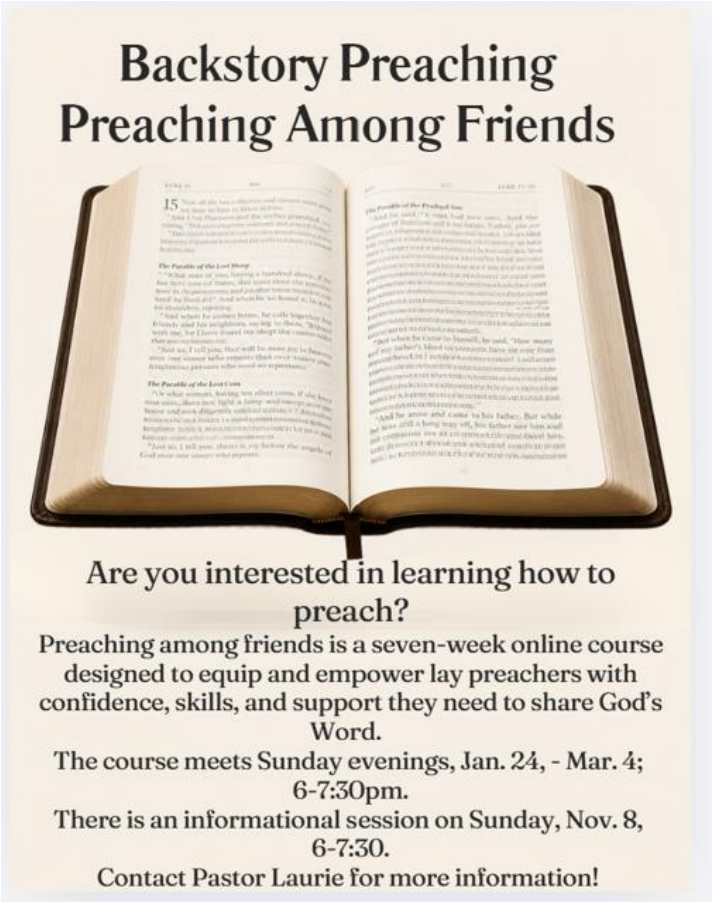
Dear Bethany Congregation,
I just wanted to say "Thank you!" for all the prayers, cards and well wishes that I received after my accident and during my recovery. It's been a long journey, but your prayers, cares and concerns were very helpful during my recovery process. Again, thank you!

Ann Watters

FREEDOM HOUSE

Guest Speaker Nov. 8th

Please join us for coffee hour on Nov. 8th, as we welcome Tanya Fitzpatrick from Freedom House. Tanya will be here to speak with us about the services that Freedom House provides. These important services include compassionate, confidential, and free services to victims of domestic and sexual violence, as well as community outreach, preventions education, and professional training.





Christmas Eve Poinsettia Sale

Looking ahead to Advent, we will have poinsettias for our Christmas Eve Service. A sign-up sheet will be in the fellowship hall. The price is $17.00. All checks should be made payable to Bethany Lutheran Church. The deadline for ordering is December 13th.

2027 ELCA YOUTH GATHERING

IMAGINE more

LET'S GO!!! WE ARE HEADED TO MINNEAPOLIS! 2027 NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING

JUNE 26-JULY 2, 2027

The 2027 ELCA Youth Gathering will bring thousands of young people together in Minneapolis to worship, learn and celebrate God's limitless love. It's a **once-in-a-lifetime experience**, filled with energy, faith and connection.
Please notify Pastor Laurie (618) 980-9804 or Megan Hancock (309) 337-3555 by November 11th if your youth would like to attend.

JOIN US AS WE IMAGINE MORE!

LOMC Fall Youth Retreat



Join us for a one-day youth retreat at LOMC! The retreat will be Saturday, November 21st. For more information contact Pastor Laurie.

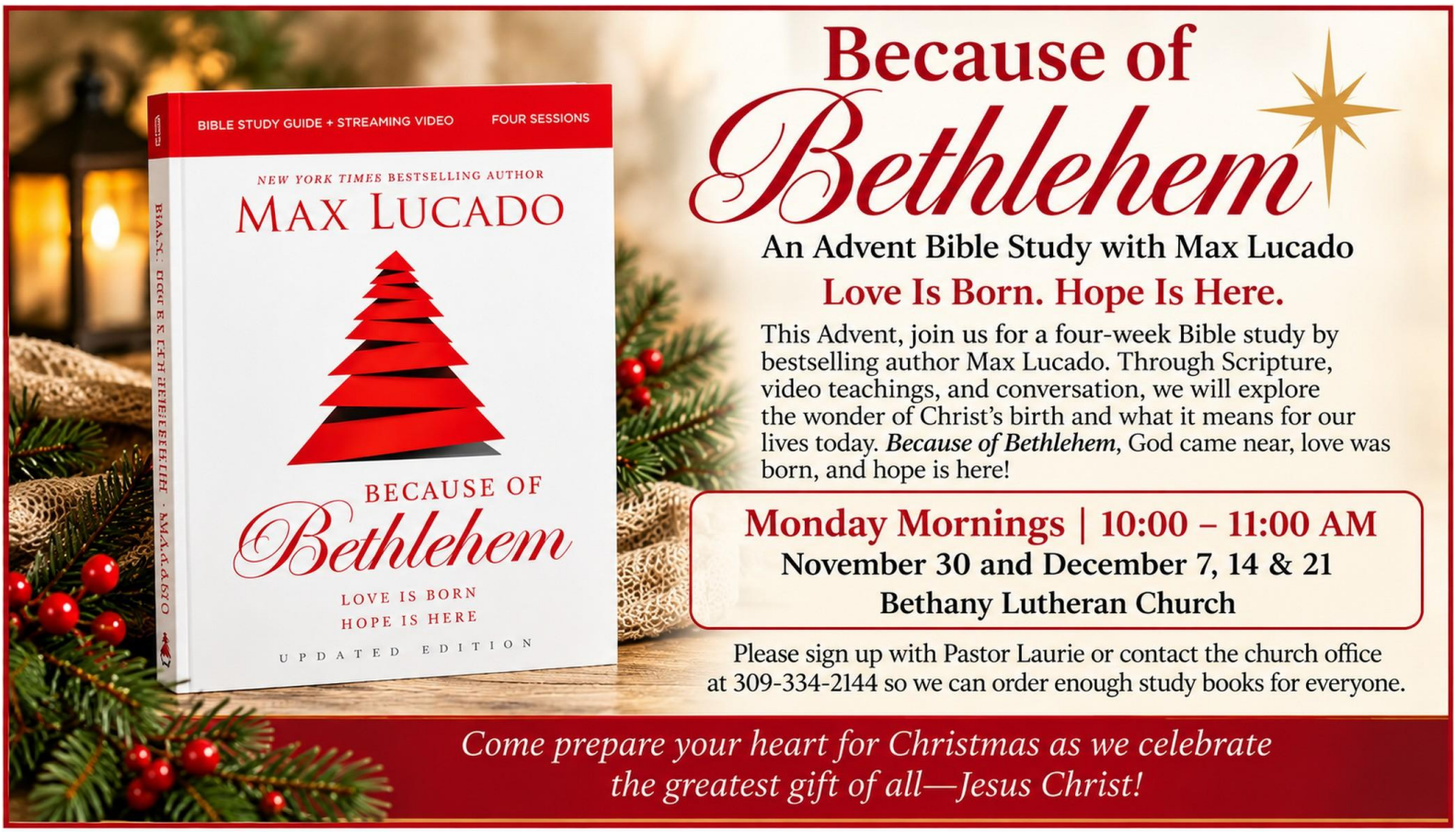
Confirmation Class

Confirmation Class will be on November 8th will be from 4:30 until 5:30. Class on the 22nd will be from 4:00 – 5:00pm. These classes will be right before Time 4 Teens.

Time 4 Teens
*Nov. 22nd meets at 5pm this month







Growing In Faith

Growing in Faith: The Diakonia Program

After over 40 years of success in providing quality lay education in 11 synods across the ELCA, the national board has taken on the monumental task of re-designing the program to meet the needs of our 21st century churches and students. The new program consists of a 2-year program with flexibility to suit the interests and needs our students.

Diakonia is an exciting opportunity which provides a spiritual journey to lay individuals who wish to become more involved in their church or who want to better understand their faith.

Diakonia meets once each week for two years during the school year (September through April or early May). Individuals are joined by other students and teaching pastors from around the Northern Illinois Synod to talk about the Bible, Christian Doctrine, Christian Ethics, Lutheran Faith in the American Context, and other topics. Students are also given the opportunity to discern what spiritual gifts they might have to use in service to God's people.

This course of study prepares students for the task of showing God's love in their workplaces, neighborhoods, families, and schools, as well as their local churches. Diakonia graduates are called to share the light of Christ in the world.

Anyone who is looking for a deeper spiritual connection with Christ is encouraged to try diakonia. Please feel free to talk with Dave Crippen or Kathy Shemwell

Classes are once a week (Tuesday or Thursday) for 5 weeks and the cost is $65.00 per course.

November 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9am Service All Saints' Day	2 AlWood Food Pantry: evening distribution by appointment only	3 AlWood Food Pantry 9:30–11:00am	4 MOW Bethany	5	6	7
8 9am Service / Noisy Offering Commitment Sunday Coffee hour: Freedom House Confirmation 4:30–5:30pm Time 4 Teens 5:30pm	9	10	11 Youth Gathering: notify Pastor Laurie or Megan Hancock by today	12	13	14
15 9am Service Prayer Bead Workshop during coffee hour Council @ 11:15 Newsletter Information Due	16	17	18 MOW Bethany	19 Hope Unit 9am Clover Library Host: Harriett Peterson	20	21 LOMC Fall Youth Retreat
22 9am Service / Noisy Offering Congregational Advent Project Confirmation 4–5pm Time 4 Teens 5pm	23	24	25 MOW: No Meal Youth benefit Soup Supper 5:30 Thanksgiving Eve Service 7pm	26	27	28 Christmas 0Decorating 10am
29 9am Service Beginning of Advent	30 Bible Study 10-11am					

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