

# Bethany Lutheran Church Red Lake Falls MN

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## Bethany Lutheran Church

### May 2021

#### Hillcrest Worship Service

- Thursdays at 2 pm.
- Come join us for a couple of hymns and
- an uplifting message!

#### Confirmation - May 2nd 10:00 am

Affirming their faith will be

**Daphne Harmoning and Morgan Koshenina.**

Well done, good and faithful servants!

#### Sunday School 9:00 am

We will END FOR THE YEAR ON May 2nd.

#### 1st Communion for 5th and 6th graders - May 16th.

- **Classes** will be held on Sunday mornings at 9:00 am for four Sundays in a row beginning April 11th.
- First Communion for 5th and 6th graders will be celebrated on Sunday morning May 16th.
- Thanks to Cheryl Matzke for being our parent helper.
- Receiving first communion will be Max Cardinal, Aubree Largis, Theodore Tydlacka, Gunnar Broden, Amber Danielson, Presley Ellefson, Aadin Gagner, Austin Klipping, Halle Seeger and Marlee Stephens.
- Kids need to meet with the pastor for at least three of the four sessions to be considered ready for first communion.
- There will be one make up session on May 9th at 9 am.

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#### AUTOMATIC OFFERING

April Birthdays

## Men's and Women's Bible study Meeting In Person at the church

- Women's Bible study is currently meeting at 9:00 am on Wednesdays.
- Men's Bible study is meeting at 9:00 am on Thursdays.

### NWMS Assembly

Bethany is looking for

- two delegates to represent us at our Northwest Minnesota Synod Assembly
- on Saturday May 22nd.
- This assembly will be held virtually and will be accessible over the internet.

Please contact Pastor Gary if you would like to represent us.

## Churchwide Assembly - Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Our conference is looking for a male lay delegate to represent us at our national assembly held August 8-12th 2022 in Columbus Ohio. If you are interested please contact Pastor Gary

### WELCA

Meeting on Wednesday **May 19th at 7:00 pm.**

### Prayer Shawls

Anyone needing a prayer shawl either for themselves or for a friend in the hospital can pick one up from the prayer room located just south of the north entryway.

## "Senior Recognition Sunday"

Special prayers and a message just for the seniors graduating will be on Sunday May 23rd, 2021. The Seniors are: Shelby Baird, Jake Duden, Rylee Ellefson, Brady Gums, Keaton Hansen, Brady Leuthner, Hannah Nord, Isiah Olson, Katrina Olson, Sienna Olson, Mariah Peterson.

# Bible Camp!

Hello Bethany Lutheran Youth,

With summer quickly approaching the Bethany Lutheran board of education would like to Present you with Options for summer Bible camp through pathways. The camps are located at Camp Emmaus, located outside of Menasha, MN.

While each camp is offered twice per summer, we have selected a

cool options and cabin buddies.

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29 – Jennifer Nord

30 – Joshua Miller

### May Birthdays

2 – Jesse Gagner, Bev Gilbertson

3 – Sherry Largis, Nick Vigstol5  
– Mark Herberg, Mindy Piersol, Steve Seng

7 – Kevin Harmoning, Kristen Slover

8 – Chuck Flage, David Johnston

9 – Dianna Nelson

11 – Neil Klein

12 – Carol Seeger

14 – Gary Graff, DeeAnn Leines, Dennis Piche

16 – Madison Schmitz 18 –

Rachael Largis, Kiara Sauve

19 – Mariah Peterson

20 – Roger Harmoning, Allen Holt

21 – Sarah Brevik, Lynnae Larson, Mara Sletten

22 – Megan Olson

23 – Henry Benoit, Max Cardinal

25 – RyLee Ellefson, Arielle Sundberg, Nancy Vraa

27 – Ed Dahle, Taylor Moser

28 – Brad Johnson, Jackson Myhre

29 – Aaron Seng

31 – Drake Engelstad, Kathy Murphy, Jenny Schmitz

### May Anniversaries

1 – Tim & Cathy Gilleland

10 – Barry & Deb Rewertz

15 – Jim & Kathy Murphy

19 – Neal & Nancy Vraa,

24 – Dennis & Margaret Lee

29 – Brad & Vicki Duden

30 – Cole & Hannah Seeger, Matthew & Lindsey Largis

- July 27-29 Elementary Mini (2-4th grade) 3 day 2 night program, Perfect for the 1st time.
- July 27-July 2 High School Classic (10-Grads) A fun filled week
- July 11-14 Elementary Junior (4-5) A shortened version of the classic camp.
- July 11 - 16 Middle School Classic (6-7) A week taking on the low ropes course and wilderness camping.
- July 18 - 23 Junior High Classic (8-9) An overnight canoe adventure mixed with classic camp
- July 23 Half pint day (K-2nd): The 1st chance to be a camper. 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Activities include songs, games and swimming.

To learn more about specific camps or to sign up, please visit the Pathways website: <https://pathwaysbiblecamps.org/youth-programs/>

- **NEW THIS YEAR** - - - *Camp Emmaus staff joined us for Sunday School on Palm Sunday, staff were available for questions regarding camp, and took registrations!*
- *We held our camp "Take and Go" Free Will donation meal, with all proceeds going towards camp scholarships.*
- *We held our swing and naskrt raffles.*

Any questions, please feel free to contact Lacie Hovland, Melissa Sletten, Kale Miller or Chris Van Emmerik. Thank you!

*Thank you for [supporting our Bible Camp Scholarship for the youth.](#)*

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## Sympathy and Prayers

Our sympathy and prayers are extended to Peggy Miller and her family as they grieve the loss of Peggy's mother, [Corlene "Sue" Schroeder](#). Our prayers also go out to Perry Duden and his family grieving the loss of Laurie.

*"Brothers and sisters, we do not want you to be uninformed about those who sleep in death, so that you do not grieve like the rest of mankind, who have no hope. For we believe that Jesus died and rose again, and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him." (1 Thessalonians 4:13-14, NIV)*

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\$162. has been donated to Bethany through Thrivent "Choice" dollars given by the following members: Lorri Ann Hartel, Cheryl Matzke, Cole Seeger, and Hannah Seeger. Thank you to you all!

### **Amazon Smile Donations!**

Did you know that Amazon will make donations (out of their profits) to charitable donations if you make such a request. Read up on "Amazon Smile" settings on your Amazon account! Thanks to all Amazon customers who direct Amazon donations our way!

## **Additional Information**

### ***Bethany Prayer Chain***

If you wish to request prayers for yourself or a loved one, contact Pastor Gary, Marion Bjorgan, or Linda Hoffman. We'll send your request on to a team of 26 individuals who have committed themselves to praying for your need.

### ***Like Us on Facebook***

We now have a new Facebook Page for Bethany Lutheran Church! The quickest way to get to us is by clicking on the link on the homepage of our website. Like our Page for updates and events happening at our church!

### ***Amazon Smile***

You can now donate to Bethany Lutheran Church using Amazon Smile. Be sure you are on the Amazon Smile website ([smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com)) and make your regular purchases. A portion of the sale will be donated directly to Bethany.

### ***Local Food Shelf***

We now have a box for donations to our local Red Lake Falls Food Shelf. Items they are looking for include: paper towels, toilet paper, kleenex, tooth paste, toothbrushes, deodorant, laundry soap, dish soap, hand soap, shampoo and conditioner.

### ***RSVP Groceries to Go Program***

The RSVP Groceries to Go Program is recruiting volunteers to assist with grocery shopping for qualified seniors. If you like to shop and are willing to provide a little companionship to a homebound senior, this may be the volunteer position for you. All volunteers will receive training prior to being matched with a client. If you are interested in being a RSVP Groceries to Go volunteer, or you need assistance with grocery shopping or know of someone who needs assistance, call RSVP at 281-8288, or [tsykes@umn.edu](mailto:tsykes@umn.edu).

### ***RSVP Handyman Program***

The RSVP Handyman Program helps homeowners, age 60+ by providing men or women volunteers to perform minor home maintenance work. RSVP handymen are skilled and trained. Background checks are performed on all volunteers. Volunteers may install grab bars, replace light bulbs, fix leaky faucets, install smoke alarms, etc. Clients do not pay for the labor, only for the needed materials. If you are in need of a Handyman, or would like to volunteer as one, please call RSVP at 281-8288, or [tsykes@umn.edu](mailto:tsykes@umn.edu).

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