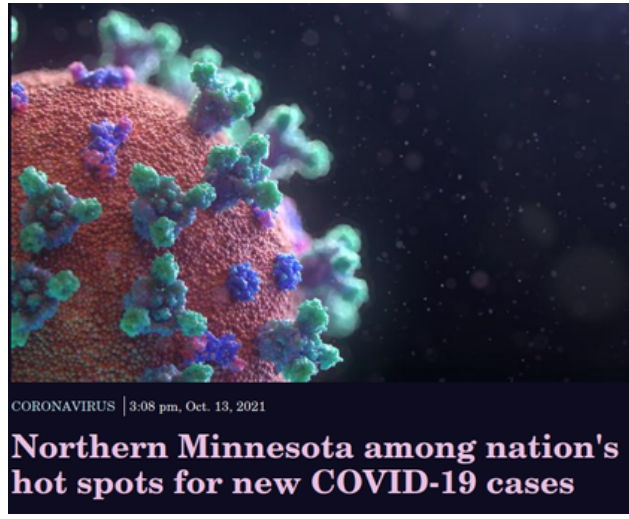


# Bethany Lutheran Church Red Lake Falls MN

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*No coffee hour or passing of the peace until further notice - feel free to greet others with a smile or wave. Pews have been marked off to encourage social distancing*

**Donations for Alex Guillingsrud** and his family to help cover the cost in his battle against cancer can be dropped off at Dakota Heritage Bank in RLF.

**Donations for Dylan Witcherman** and his family as he battles cancer can be sent to Ultima Bank PO Box 127 Plummer MN 56748 (218) 465-4242.

**Benefit ride will raise funds for Crookston child hit by semi**  
**| Grand Forks Herald**      **Donations cab aalso go thru** Unity Bank - Red Lake Falls, -"Kaylee Bug" fund.

## Newsletter PDFs

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## Sunday School

Sunday School (Preschool-5th grade) has begun! Classes begin at 9 a.m. Grades 6-7th are invited to a pre-confirmation class at 9 a.m. Sunday mornings as well. Confirmation for 8th graders will be held two Sundays and 2 Wednesdays a month. Please see Mrs. Matzke for the schedule.

*Sunday School: Masks are required during Sunday School due to the rise of Covid in our area.*

Also, Parents interested in helping teach are asked to contact Kale or Lacie so we can return to the smaller group, individual classroom format.

## Opportunities to help Your Church!

Are you tech Savvy? We need someone possessing good computer and technology skill in assisting with worship and other church activities. Contact Wes Largis at (218) 280-4458.

## Sunshine Team

We are recruiting people interested in being part of our outreach team. All that is required is willingness to visit or connect (at least once a month) with our shut ins, those residing in assisted living, and nursing homes, and those hospitalized or recuperating at home. Contact Cheryl Matzke at (218) 689-2093 if interested in being on our team. Time commitment is minimal and in accordance with your schedule – Just need to smile!

**Sherry Largis has retired** from her position of church secretary. We thank her for her service and wish her well in retirement. Further information about the position will be forthcoming.

## Office Assistant- Part Time

Bethany Family, we are currently looking for an individual to fill a vacancy in our church office. Work would be afternoons, Tuesday through Friday, with a flexible schedule requiring approximately twenty hours per week. Job requirement would be general office work plus updates to internet website and social media accounts as well as assisting in preparation for worship services and other church activities. Please submit a resume and cover letter to Cheryl Matzke at [bethanylutheranrnf@gmail.com](mailto:bethanylutheranrnf@gmail.com) or drop off at the church. Deadline is October 19th. Position to be filled as soon as possible. Questions about the position can be directed to Cheryl Matzke at 218-689-2093 or the church during business hours at 215-2589 *Deadline extended to October 30th*

## Fall Dinner

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ly fall dinner of meatballs, mashed potatoes, gravy, baked

beans, and goodies on Saturday, October 23 from 4:30 to 7:30pm. If you can bring food or work, please sign up on the poster in the hallway. Cost will be \$10 per meal. See Vicki Duden if you want to help!



**BETHANY LUTHERAN**  
**FALL DINNER**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23**  
**4:30-7:30 PM**  
**RED LAKE FALLS, MN**

**MEATBALLS, MASHED POTATOES,**  
**GRAVY, BAKED BEANS, COLESLAW,**  
**DEVILED EGGS, & SWEETS**

**AVAILABLE FOR PICK-UP OR DELIVERY ONLY**  
**FOR DELIVERY IN THE RLF AREA ONLY, CONTACT**  
**BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH @ (218) 253-2589**

**NOTE: THE MEATBALLS, POTATOES, AND GRAVY ARE ALL GLUTEN FREE.**

## ***Hello Bethany Family,***

*Our annual Smorgasbord is going to be a simple Fall Dinner this year of to-go or delivery only. While we love hosting our usual large gathering, we are making your health our top priority due to the rising Covid numbers.*

*The meal will be meatballs, mashed potatoes, gravy, baked beans, coleslaw, deviled eggs, and goodies. (Our meatballs, potatoes, and gravy are gluten free)*

*from 4:30 to 7:30pm. We will need people to bring food and workers to help with the meal.*

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*We will be starting to plan the dinner after church on Sunday if you'd like to join us. Or if you know now, what you can (or can't) help with, please let me know.*

*We look forward to having the full Smorgasbord next year. In the meantime, we wish you all extra good health.*

## *Vicki Duden*

218-791-7020

## Surveys

Just a reminder to fill out and return your survey at your earliest convenience (via email, mail, phone) We can also stop by your residence if you wish. We would like as accurate count as possible and start compiling information ASAP. Thank You.

## **DID YOU KNOW...**

Groups such as Youth Group, Sunday School, Sunshine Ministry Fundraiser, Spirit Lake Shoebox Ministry, Smorgasbord, and our Pathways Bible Camp Scholarship Fundraiser, are in need of help, now and in 2022 and YOU CAN HELP!

Best of all, it won't cost you a thing.

Many of you also have Thrivent Annuities, Insurance and/or Investment Accounts that provide you with ACTION CARDS at no cost to you! These \$250 Visa Cards can be used for a variety of purchases for these Fundraisers.

We need to know, would you consider donating them at random times as needed? Could we contact you to see if you have one available? Your Thrivent Representative can tell you if you have one or more available to use.

Please contact us ASAP so your name can be listed or call Chris Van Emmerik @ 218-289-3780, Vickie Duden @ 218-791-7020, or Kale @ 218-280-9482 directly.

Thank you all for your continued support of Bethany Lutheran Church youth, WELCA, and our Benevolence missions.

# Church Office Hours

We are doing our best to keep the church office open set hours for your convenience.

- We will have someone available for you from **1- 4:30pm**

### **Tuesday through Friday.**

- **A voice mail** can be left after hours and we will

get back to you.

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Cheryl at

or Sue at 218-689-7680.

## *Additional contacts:*

### **church email @ bethanylutheranrlf@gmail.com**

- **For Sunday School:** Kale Miller @ kalem03@yahoo.com
- **For Confirmation:** Cheryl Matzke @ 219-689-2093 or church email

Maureen Hams @ 218-689-2184 or mhams@tvoc.org

- **Announcements/Calendar:** Sherry Largis at bethanylutheranrlf@mail.com
- **Website/Facebook:** VickiDuden @ 218-791-7020 or vickiduden@rocketmail.com
- **Outreach (shut-ins, hospitalizations, etc):** please contact the church office at

253-2589, or Cheryl at 218-689-2093, or use the church's email.Worship!

## **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.

### ***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.

### ***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) 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.

### ***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.

## **Electronic Newsletter**

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Want this newsletter sent to you via email? Zap us an email stating so at

**[bethanylutheranrlf@gmail.com](mailto:bethanylutheranrlf@gmail.com).**

Please include the above address in your email address book or your spam filter will automatically “bump” our mailings into your garbage folder.