

2ND SUNDAY  
OF CHRISTMAS

Sunday, January 2, 2022



Bethesda Lutheran Church  
GATHER...GROW...GO



A congregation of the Southeastern Iowa Synod,  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA)



A Reconciling in Christ (RIC) congregation  
for inclusivity and respect

# Welcome

Welcome to Bethesda Lutheran Church where all people are respected and valued. We invite you to join our community, which is committed to inclusion, racial equity and anti-racism. We share in God's abundant grace knowing that we cannot be separated from the love of God by our age, race, ethnicity, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, marital status, political beliefs, socioeconomic status, physical or mental abilities or faith background. Learn more about our inclusivity at [www.reconcilingworks.com/ric](http://www.reconcilingworks.com/ric) . If you don't already have a church home and would like to join ours, please call the office at 515-232-6256 and we'll connect you to one of the Pastors, and make it easy.

## OUR MISSION

GATHER all people into a living relationship with Jesus Christ  
GROW as disciples by worship, prayer and study of God's Word  
GO into the world to share the gospel in word and deed

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**MODERN** . . . 5:30 pm on Saturdays . . . Livestream & In-person

**TRADITIONAL** . . . 9:30 am on Sundays . . . Livestream & In-person

Children are welcome! Age-appropriate activities during worship are available in "Busy Bags" at the main entrance to the Sanctuary.

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH** is available following the Children's Message during worship. Children will be escorted to Room 209 on Saturday evening, and Crossroads on Sunday morning. Parents can pick their children up at these locations following the service.

**HOLY COMMUNION** is available weekly to all believers. Bread, wine (red), and grape juice (white) served. Gluten-free wafers are available.



Hearing assistive devices are available for the sanctuary at the sound booth.

## LIVESTREAM ACCESS

View our livestream worship service at [www.bethesdaames.org](http://www.bethesdaames.org), and click on the banner that says "Livestream - Click here 5:30pm Saturdays, and 9:30am Sundays.

Our Facebook page also hosts the Livestreams—[facebook.com/BethesdaAmes/](https://facebook.com/BethesdaAmes/) . Just "Like" our Facebook page and you will receive notification that the stream is starting.



# *Saving Suds*

**1st Thursday each month** Choose one of two shifts: **3:45-5:15** OR **5:15-7:00 pm**

@ Squeaky Clean Laundromat

*Give out quarters and soap pods*

**SIGN-UP TO VOLUNTEER!**

[tinyurl.com/2p9a892e](https://tinyurl.com/2p9a892e)



**CAFÉ  
BETHESDA**

## **Cafe Bethesda 2.0**

Please sign-up to help **January 8!**



Charcuterie & Fellowship  
**5:00 pm** before  
Saturday worship



**GREEN  
HILLS**



**JAN. 9 @ 2:00 pm**  
**Hickory Room**

gather

PRAYER  
CIRCLE

Open House!  
MONDAY  
JANUARY 10  
6:30 pm



MOPS

*this is motherhood*

Masks required!  
Childcare is  
available.

**Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) encourages and equips moms of young children to realize their potential as mothers, women and leaders, in relationship with Jesus, and in partnership with Bethesda Lutheran Church.**

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## GATHERING

Prelude: “Let All Together Praise Our God ” (C. W. Ore)

Gathering Hymn: ***Let All Together Praise Our God*** (Red #287) vv. 1, 2, 6

Confession & Forgiveness

Interlude: “Ding Dong Merrily / He Is Born”

Greeting & Prayer of the Day

Welcome & Announcements

## WORD

First Reading: Sirach 24:1-12

Interlude: “Infant Holy, Infant Lowly”

Gospel Reading: John 1:1-9

Children’s Message

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: ***Of the Father’s Love Begotten*** (Red #295) vv. 1-4

Nicene Creed (Red p. 126)

Prayers & Peace

## MEAL

Offertory: “In dulci jubilo” (J. M. Bach)

Offertory Hymn: ***Good Christian Friends, Rejoice*** (Red #288)

Offering Prayer

Words of Institution & Lord’s Prayer (Red p. 145)

Invitation to Communion *All are welcome at the Lord’s table. Red is wine; white is grape juice.*

Voluntary: “Sing We Now of Christmas”

Table Blessing & Prayer

## SENDING

Blessing

Sending Hymn: ***Let Our Gladness Have No End*** (Red #291)

Dismissal

Postlude: “Vom Himmel hoch da komm ich her” (J. S. Bach)





## **PRAYER AT BETHESDA**

**GRIEVING:** Terry and Helene Adams on the passing of his sister, Linda Virginia Adams VanVoorhis

**HEALING:** Bob Ahlstrom; Lucille Andersen; Cindy Deppe; Jim Duea; Sharon Forssman; Pat Frette; Harris Haar; Katie (Ruth Brokmeier's great-granddaughter, cancer); Nora Lehti; Lynzee Makowski; Denise Meier; Mike Philpott; Sabine Troster Pierick; Cooper Schmidt; Lois Slobe

**SERVING OUR NATION:** Colonel Mark Kappelmann, (Senior Army Advisor to Iowa National Guard, Camp Dodge, IA), son of Glenn & Mary Kappelmann



**NOURISH**

*Your soul & stomach*

Wednesday Monthly  
**Supper & Worship**  
**JANUARY 26**

6-7:00 pm

***Please SIGN-UP today!***



**\$10/person . . \$25/family**

2022

**ANNUAL**

Congregational Meeting

Sunday, **Jan. 30 @ 10:30 am**

***Content due Jan. 6***

# WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Minister ..... Pastor Ryan Arnold  
Saturday Praise Band ..... Ed Kaizer, Saturday Praise Band  
Sunday Musicians ..... Mark Kretsinger-Harries, Mary Peterson, Kathy Slocum  
Worship Production ..... Julia Lundstrom

## WORSHIP

January 8/9 . . . Luke 3:15-17, 21-22



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**Office Hours**  
Monday–Thursday  
9:00 am–4:00 pm

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