

ALL SAINTS
WEEKEND

Saturday
November 6, 2021

Sunday
November 7, 2021



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. 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 . . . 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, and click on the banner that says "Livestream - Click here Sunday at 9:30 am".

Our Facebook page also hosts the Livestreams—facebook.com/BethesdaAmes/.

Just "Like" our Facebook page and you will receive notification that the stream is starting.





Bethesda Survey Opportunity!

The Transforming Church Insight [TCI] is a tool Bethesda is using to gather input from our members and attendees on a variety of topics including: Communications, Outreach, Member Satisfaction, Financial Matters and others. Please take time between now and November 15, to take the survey. You can take it online by following the instructions below.

ONLINE INSTRUCTIONS:

Step 1: Log on to the website at: tinyurl.com/sf4rczph

Step 2: Enter your church's Password: **blcia**

Step 3: Answer each question according to the instructions. When you have finished each set of questions, click "Next" at the bottom of the page. You may use the "Previous" and "Next" buttons to navigate pages and change your answers at any point while you are logged on. When you click "Done" on the last page, your answers will be saved.

Thank you for participating in this valuable tool for our church! The tabulated results of this survey will help us develop our next 5-year strategic plan by identifying our church's strengths, as well as opportunities for improvement. This survey is administered by Leighton Ford Ministries, a Christian non-profit that specializes in ministry leadership. Each attendee and confirmed member—including our high-schoolers!—is encouraged to complete this important survey.

Do not labor over your decision—your first instinct is usually right. The survey will take you about 20-30 minutes to complete. Your responses will be completely confidential. Thank you in advance for your participation!



Thank you!

BETHESDA SENIORS
Young @ Heart
FELLOWSHIP

Thursday, November 11
2:00–3:30 pm
Bethesda Commons

Come gather for some
fabulously "mature" fellowship,
light food fare, and fun!

Please SIGN UP
at the Welcome Center

Deadline
Nov. 15

Saturday, November 6

GATHERING

Gathering Music

Welcome

Call to Worship

Gathering Song: *Not to Us* (band only)

Prayer of the Day

WORD

Reading: John 11:32-44

Children's Message

Sermon

Song of the Day: ***This Is Amazing Grace***

Affirmation of Faith

Prayers

Peace

MEAL

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

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

Communion Song: ***What a Beautiful Name***

Communion Blessing

Prayer

SENDING

Announcements

Blessing

Sending Song: ***Love the Lord***

Dismissal

Sending Music

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GATHERING

Prelude: "When in our Music God is Glorified " (R. Hobby)

Gathering Hymn: ***For All the Saints*** (Red #422) vv. 1-4

Confession & Forgiveness

Greeting

Prayer of the Day

Welcome & Announcements

WORD

Anthem: "Pilgrims' Hymn" (S. Paulus)

First Reading: Revelation 21:1-6a

Gospel Acclamation (Red p. 142)

Gospel Reading: John 11:32-44

Children's Message

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: ***Oh, Happy Day When We Shall Stand*** (Red #441)

Apostles' Creed (Red p. 105)

Prayers

Peace

MEAL

Offertory: "Children of the Heavenly Father" (M. Kretsinger-Harries)

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.*

Anthem: "Behold a Host" (E. Grieg)

Table Blessing

Prayer

SENDING

Blessing

Sending Hymn: ***For All the Saints*** (Red #422) vv. 5-7

Dismissal

Postlude: "For All the Saints" (M. Burkhardt)

Volunteer for Cafe Bethesda

tinyurl.com/amjhww4t

The first Saturday of each month we will need folks to sign-up for set-up, bringing food items, and/or clean-up. Thanks for helping us keep this beloved time of fellowship before worship fruitful and fun! See you at 5:00 pm in the Commons on Saturday, November 6.



Cafe Bethesda 2.0

Please sign-up to help **November 6!**



Charcuterie & Fellowship
5:00 pm before
Saturday worship



Pie Socials will follow worship on November 20 and 21!

Please bring a pie to share, and join everyone in the Commons for PIE!

Please contact Emily Notch at enotch@bethesdaames.org to help serve and clean-up.

Opportunities to Serve!

Bethesda needs your talents and passion to serve in the following positions:

- *Congregational Council President-elect
- *Administration and Finance Board Chair
- *Congregational Life and Care Board members
- *Christian Service Mission and Outreach Chair and board members

For more information or to volunteer please contact any member of the Elections Ministry Team:

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PRAYER AT BETHESDA

HEALING: Bob Ahlstrom; Lucille Andersen; Cindy Deppe; Ramona Esbeck; Sharon Forssman; Pat Frette; Nora Lehti; Denise Meier; Caroline Monnig (daughter of Larry & Nancy Beall); Rod Place; Cooper Schmidt

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



**Wednesday Monthly
Supper & Worship
NOVEMBER 17**
6-7:00 pm
Please SIGN-UP today!



NOURISH
Your soul & stomach
\$10/person . . \$25/family

We NEED You to Sign-up to Plan for the Food!

Gather in the Commons for
a monthly Meal, Fellowship
and Worship!

PLEASE sign-up to help us
plan the number of meals:
tinyurl.com/yx2wuzy.
Mark Weber has planned a
festive holiday menu:

- Baked Buffet Dinner Ham
- Sour Cream Potato
Casserole (“Vegetarian”)
- Green Bean Casserole
(Vegetarian”)
- Baked Fresh Sweet Potatoes
with Brown Sugar
- Whole Cranberry Sauce
- Hawaiian Dinner Rolls
- Pumpkin Pie Dessert with .
Whipped Topping
- Beverages



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WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Ministers Pastor Bryan Simmons, Pastor Ryan Arnold
Saturday Musicians..... Ed Kaizer, Saturday Praise Band
Saturday Host Families..... Jeff & Keri Carstens, Duane & Marty Swanson
Saturday Worship Production..... Chris Brakke, Evan Bay Brakke, Julia Lundstrum
Sunday Greeters Rue Ann Sams, Arliss Stockdale
Sunday Lector Louis Banitt
Communion Assistants..... Vicky Thorland Oster, Kathy Walker
Sunday Musicians..... Bethesda Choir, Carillon Choir, Mary Nelson
Sunday Worship Production..... Julia Lundstrum, Ava Reason, Logan Simmons
Coffee Fellowship Amanda Furland, Norma Sisson

WORSHIP

November 13/14 . . . Mark 13:1-8

25th weekend after Pentecost



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

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Worship Schedule
Saturday . . . 5:30 pm
Sunday . . . 9:30 am