

**Candlelight
Worship**

1:00 pm

**All In-
Person**

4:00 pm

**4:00 pm also
Livestreamed**

9:00 pm



Christmas Eve



Bethesda Lutheran Church

GATHER...GROW...GO



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 . . . 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 in the sound booth.

LIVESTREAM ACCESS



View our weekly livestream worship service at 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/ .

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

Christmas Eve service this year will stream at 4:00 pm.

Friday, December 24



PRESERVICE MUSIC

CHRISTMAS DIALOGUE

CAROL: *O Come, All Ye Faithful* (Red #283) vv. 1-2

READING: Luke 2:1-7

CAROL 1:00 & 9:00: *Away in a Manger* (Red #277) vv. 1-2
4:00: **“Still, Still, Still”** (Bethesda Choir)

READING: Luke 2:8-14

CAROL: *Angels We Have Heard on High* (Red #289) vv.1, 3

READING: Luke 2:15-20

CAROL: *Joy to the World* (Red #267) vv. 1-2

SERMON

CAROL: *O Little Town of Bethlehem* (Red #279) vv.1, 4

OFFERTORY

4:00: **“Silent Night”** (Carillon Choir)

OFFERING PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD’S PRAYER

HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

LIGHTING OF CANDLES

CAROL: *Silent Night* (Red #281)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Ministers	Pastor Bryan Simmons, Pastor Ryan Arnold
Host Families	
1:00 pm	Maynard Hogberg, Merlin & Jan Hove
4:00 pm	Woolery Family
9:00 pm	Kathy Newlon
Musicians	Bethesda Choir, Carillon Choir
	Mark Kretsinger-Harries, Mary Nelson, Kathy Slocum
Communion Assistants	LuAnn Armstrong, Duane Huffer
1:00 pm	Logan Simmons, Mark Weber
4:00 pm	Mark Dobbe, Maynard & Anne Hogberg, Stewart & Carol Melvin, Darlene Schmidt
9:00 pm	JoAnn Short Byrd, Kathy Newlon
Worship Production	Chris Brakke, Evan Bay Brakke, Julia Lundstrum

“ALL CREATION SINGS” SONGBOOK

Gifted By

In Honor/Memory Of

Florence Bunker	(Red Poinsettia) In Memory of Elizabeth “Beth” Ruth Bunker Schneckloth—daughter
Hannah M. Coney	In Memory of Charles Coney—husband
Hannah M. Coney	In Memory of Anna Belle Sheets—sister
Glenda Eggerling	In Honor of Lola Legore— aunt
Joanne Frederiksen	In Memory of Charles Frederiksen—husband
Dick and Darlene Hade	In Memory of Ginny Hade
Dave and Dorothy Dyer Hansen	In Memory of Larry Dyer
Dave and Dorothy Dyer Hansen	In Memory of Cindy Hansen
Russell and Ellen Henry	In Memory of Our Parents
Bruce and Connie Johnson	In Memory of Ernest and Ilene Johnson
Bruce Johnson	In Honor of My Wife—Connie
Karla and Jonathan Mortensen	In Memory of William “Jerry” Mortensen
Mike and Gretchen Mosher	In Memory of Albert and LaVon Roepke
Kathy Newlon	In Memory of Dean Newlon
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Larry and Carole Otteman	In Honor of the Bethesda Choir
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Rue Ann Sams	In Memory of John Sams
Norma Sisson	In Memory of George Sisson
Vicki Sivesind	In Memory of Cap. and Marion Sivesind
Vicki Sivesind	In Memory of Don and Joyce Voelker
Alice Sorenson and Family	In Memory of Harold Sorenson
Jim and Jeanne Stewart	In Honor and Memory of Our Family
Dennis and Marnette Warth	In Memory of Kate Nelson



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

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