

6TH WEEK IN  
EASTER

**Saturday**  
**May 21, 2022**

**Sunday**  
**May 22, 2022**



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



An Evangelical Lutheran Church in America  
(ELCA) congregation



A Reconciling in Christ  
(RIC) congregation



A welcoming congregation  
for immigrants and refugees

# 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.org/ric](http://www.reconcilingworks.org/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. 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

Livestream worship service at [www.bethesdaames.org](http://www.bethesdaames.org)—click on the banner that says "Livestream - Click here 5:30pm Saturdays, 9:30am Sundays and 6:30pm Wednesdays."

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.



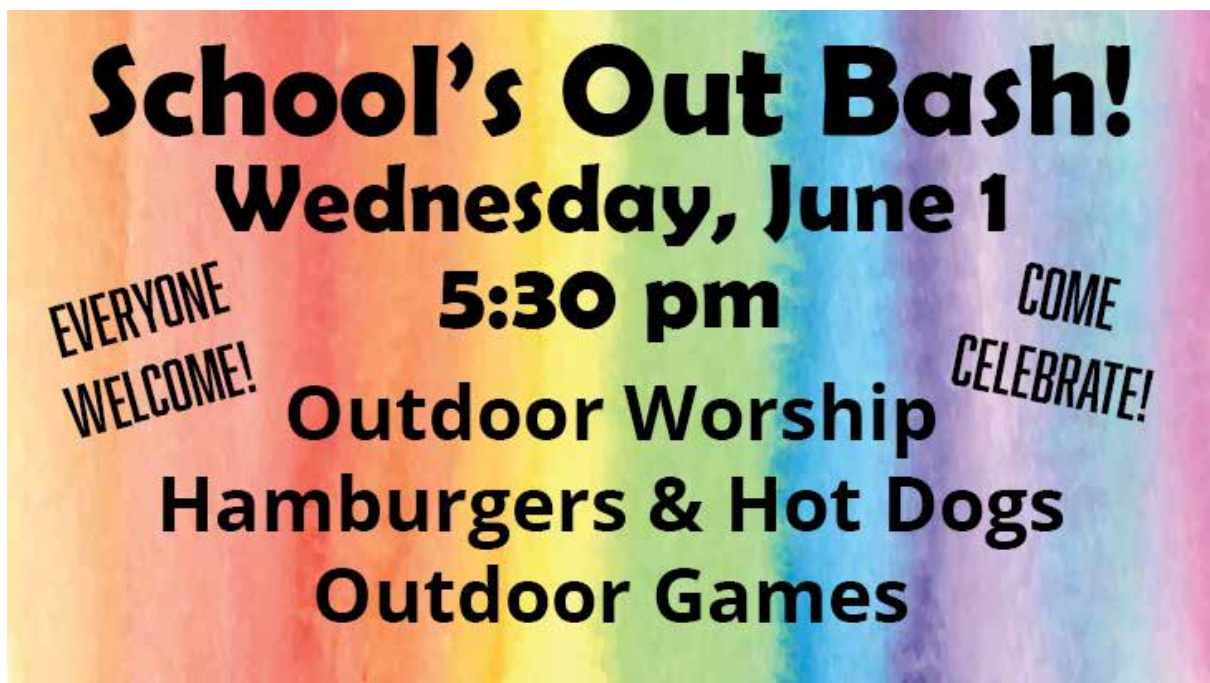


**Are you interested in serving on a Call Committee?**

- 1) Associate Pastor for Youth & Family**
- 2) Associate Pastor for Worship Arts**

We will ratify our calls for both positions as well as the Call Committees at this important Congregational Meeting.

Contact Larry Otteman with your interest!  
[\*\*larryaotteman@gmail.com\*\*](mailto:larryaotteman@gmail.com)



High School Graduates, this celebration is for you too—please turn in your senior portrait, high school accomplishments and future plans to the office!

# *Saturday, May 21*

## **GATHERING**

Gathering Song: *Come, Thou Fount*

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Prayer of the Day

## **WORD**

Reading: John 14:23-29

Children's Message

Sermon

Song of the Day: *Blessed Be Your Name*

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: *Come to the Altar*

Communion Blessing

Prayer

## **SENDING**

Blessing

Sending Song: *One Thing Remains*

Dismissal

Sending Music

# Sunday, May 22

## GATHERING

Prelude: “Mein junges Leben hat ein End” (J. P. Sweelinck)

Gathering Hymn: ***Word of God, Come Down on Earth*** (Red #510)

Confession & Forgiveness

Greeting & Kyrie (Red p. 147)

Canticle of Praise (Red p. 149)

Prayer of the Day

Welcome & Announcements

## WORD

First Reading: 21:10, 22--22:5

Gospel Acclamation (Red p. 151)

Gospel Reading: John 14:23-29

Children's Message

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: ***Come Down, O Love Divine*** (Red #804)

Apostles' Creed (Red p. 127)

Prayers & Peace

## MEAL

Offertory: *The Revd Mustard his Installation Prelude* (N. Muhly)

Offering Prayer

Words of Institution & Lord's Prayer (Red p. 154)

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

Lamb of God (Red p. 154)

Hymn: ***O God of Love, O King of Peace*** (Red #749)

Table Blessing & Prayer

## SENDING

Blessing

Sending Hymn: ***Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing*** (Red #544)

Dismissal

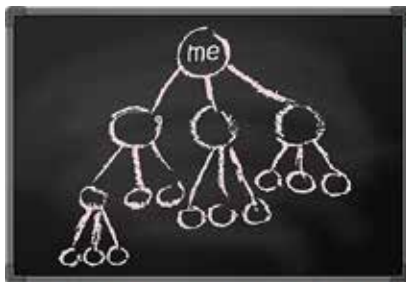
Postlude: “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” (P. Manz)

**GIVING  
made  
easy**



 **SCAN ME**

# Service, Mission & More



**Pledge it Forward**

**Stewardship  
2022**

Monthly  
Temple Talks  
about the  
Partner  
Organizations  
we support!

**May 21/22**

**Rod Fischer on the  
Bethesda Community Food Pantry**

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**June 18/19**

**Larry Otteman on Reconciling  
in Christ & Racial Justice**

ALL are invited to  
celebrate **Evan Bay Brakke's**  
AHS graduation

Bethesda Commons  
**Saturday, May 28**  
**11am - 2pm**

**OPEN HOUSE**

**gather**

**PRAYER CIRCLE** **BIBLE STUDY**

**2nd Sunday @ 2:00 pm**  
Green Hills Hickory Room  
**4th Thursday @ 9:30 am**  
Bethesda Conference Room

**Thursday, May 26 . . . 9:30-11:00 am**  
**Bethesda Conference Room**

**Cluster Meeting**  
**Thursday, June 2 . . . 5:30-6:30pm**

Mental health advocacy . Immigration reform .  
Affordable housing . Story County recycling . Climate action

**United Church of Christ**

**Bethesda hosts Family Night**  
**June 3 . . 5 - 8 pm**

Admission \$5 | Beverages and Food to purchase  
Live music by "Stranger than Fiction"  
Bounce house & outdoor games provided by Bethesda Lutheran

**Ames ON THE HALF SHELL**

## PRAYER AT BETHESDA

**GRIEVING:** The family of Mark Weber on the death of his sister, Gail Marie Weber, on May 15 in Wittenberg, Wisconsin

**HEALING:** Bob Ahlstrom; Mark Allen; Katie Brockmeier; Nadine Dobbe; Annie Estes; Sharon Forssman; Merlin Hove; Lynzee Makowski; Fred Miller; Tim Burkgren Morgan; Joyce O'Donnell; Julie Pike; Mike Philpott; Cooper Schmidt; Lois Slobe; Alice Sorenson; Jana Tschopp

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




# Bethesda Opportunities

If you are wanting to get involved with the largest annual fundraiser, please come to our **meeting after worship** and find out what we're planning and where we need you!

**Saturday, June 4**

**Sunday, June 5**





## ASIP 100 Backpacks! Project

100 Backpacks with basic necessities to send to immigrant families traveling to families/sponsors

**DONATE AT**  
Walmart Registry; Collegiate United Methodist  
ASIP, Box 65, Ames, 50010

## Call for Photos!

Attend a Bethesda event  
(including worship!)

shoot a photo or two  
(include people!)

send them to Lisa  
at: [lailshie@bethesdaames.org](mailto:lailshie@bethesdaames.org)

*Thanks!*



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# WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Minister . . . . . Pastor Bryan Simmons  
Saturday Musicians. . . . . Ed Kaizer, Praise Band Members  
Sunday Hosts . . . . . Walter & LuAnn Armstrong  
Sunday Musicians. . . . . Mark Kretsinger-Harries  
Sunday Communion Assistants . . . . . Glenn Crosswait, Mark Weber  
Worship Production. . . . . Julia Lundstrum

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## Office Hours

Monday–Thursday  
9:00 am–4:00 pm

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