

Saturday
March 2, 2019

TRANSFIGURATION
OF OUR LORD

Sunday
March 3, 2019



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



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

Welcome

A special welcome to those new to worshipping with us—we're glad the spirit has called you here! If you don't already have a church home and would like to join ours, please fill out a Welcome/Prayer Request card (Saturday cards are inside the bulletin; Sunday cards are in the pew hymnal racks), and place it in the offering plate.

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

Children are welcome! Age-appropriate activities during worship are available in "Busy Bags" at the main entrance to the Sanctuary. A staffed Nursery with private lactation room is available on the first floor Faith & Life hallway, across from Centennial Hall, each Saturday, Sunday, and Wednesday.

Holy Communion is available to all believers. Bread, wine (red), and grape juice (white) served. Gluten-free wafers available.

Large-print editions of the weekend worship services are available. Please inquire with an usher. Sanctuary worship: Assistive devices for the hearing-impaired are available. Please ask an usher.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:30 pm

MODERN

First Saturday of each month

Café Bethesda (fellowship/treats). 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:30 am

TRADITIONAL

Coffee Fellowship 10:40 am

SPLASH Faith Formation . . 10:40 am

(Sunday School–Pre-K thru 8th)

VOYAGER Adult Faith Formation

MIDWEEK RENEWAL

Wednesday 6:30 pm

GROW IN GOD'S WORD

March 6

Ash Wednesday Worship .. 6:30 pm



A Lenten Soup Supper will be served @ 5:30 pm by the Youth group traveling to Shighatini this summer. Please support them!

Mar. 9/10: Luke 4:1-13

First Weekend of Lent



The Chili Cook-off has been rescheduled to **THIS Sunday, March 3, from 5:30-7:00 pm.** This will be a great prelude to that evening's **"Redeemed Passion Mime" at 7:00 pm.** Come on out this Sunday evening for a great "Dinner & A Show!"

GATHER

Bethesda Opportunities

THIS SUNDAY!



FUNDRAISERS: Summer 2019 Shighatini

Chili Cook-off

Ash Wednesday Soup Supper

Wednesday, March 6

..... 5:30-6:30 pm

Progressive Dinner

Sunday, March 31

..... 6:30-8:30 pm

Easter Brunch

Sunday, April 21

..... 9-10:00 am

Trivia Night

Friday, May 17

..... 6:30-8:00 pm



Support our journey!

MARDI GRAS



Tuesday, Mar. 5

6:30-8:00 pm

Torrent Brewing . . . 504 Burnett

Annual Beer & Hymns

Tuesday, March 5 . . . 6:30-8:00 pm @ Torrent Brewing Co. (504 Burnett—downtown)

Beads and king cake provided; drinks available to purchase; plenty of songs to croon along with! Mark Kretsinger-Harries and Mary Nelson will accompany the crowd.

BEACH HOUSE is Baaaaccckk!

Saturday, March 2 . . 3-5:00 pm

Join us for fun, fellowship, crafts, snacks and games! Parents, feel free to get away for a couple hours and come back for Café Bethesda

and our Saturday modern worship. This is a great opportunity for elementary-aged students to come together as the Body of Christ and have FUN in the process. Sign-up at the Welcome Center or www.bethesdaames.org/beach-house-sign-up/.



Saturday, March 2

GATHERING SONG 1: *God of Wonders*

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather in the presence of the spirit of God who brings us love, life, and peace.

We come wishing to be strengthened and made whole. Lord, forgive us our selfish desires, broken relationships, and mixed up priorities.

The good news is that God forgives our selfishness, brings healing to our broken lives, and loves us with an unconditional love. Let us praise God for the renewal of our lives.

Praise, blessing, honor and glory be to God forever and ever.

GATHERING SONG 2: *Amazing Grace (Broken Vessels)*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy God, mighty and immortal, you are beyond our knowing, yet we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. Transform us into the likeness of your Son, who renewed our humanity so that we may share in his divinity, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

READING: Luke 9:28-43a

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

SONG OF THE DAY: *Down in the River to Pray*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION . . . Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

PEACE

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

Thanks be to God.

COMMUNION SONG: *Hungry*

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We thank you, O God, that you have fed us at your banqueting table with bread and wine beyond compare, the very life of Christ for us. Send your Spirit with us now, that we may set the captive free, use your gifts to build one another up, and in everything reflect your glory revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

SENDING SONG: *How Great Is Our God*

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is your light.

Thanks be to God.

SENDING MUSIC

Sunday, March 3

GATHERING

PRELUDE: “Beautiful Savior” (D. Wood)
PROCESSIONAL HYMN: ***Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*** (Red #834)
SONG: “Every Beat” - SPLASH Singers
CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS (Blue p. 10)
GREETING / KYRIE (Blue p. 12)
CANTICLE OF PRAISE (Blue p. 14)
PRAYER OF THE DAY
WELCOME
INSTALLATION OF WOMEN’S MINISTRIES OFFICERS

WORD

READING: 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2 (Pew Bible p. 939)
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Blue p. 17)
GOSPEL READING: Luke 9:28-43a (Pew Bible p. 843)
CHILDREN’S MESSAGE
SERMON
HYMN OF THE DAY: ***Oh, Wondrous Image, Vision Fair*** (Red #316) vv. 1, 3, 5
APOSTLES’ CREED (Red p. 105)
PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION . . . Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**
PEACE: The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

MEAL

OFFERING / OFFERTORY: “This Little Light of Mine” (J. Carter)
OFFERING PRAYER
THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE
LORD’S PRAYER (Blue p. 25)
INVITATION TO COMMUNION *All are welcome at the Lord’s table. Red is wine; white is grape juice.*
COMMUNION SONG (Blue p. 25)
HYMNS: ***O Jesus, I Have Promised*** (Red #810)
This Little Light of Mine (Red #677)
COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER (Blue p. 27)

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS / BLESSING (Blue p. 27)
SENDING HYMN: ***Beautiful Savior*** (Red #838)
DISMISSAL (Blue p. 27)
POSTLUDE: “Agincourt Hymn” (E. P. Biggs)

Bethesda Opportunities

Camperships Stipends Due Mar. 17

Bible Camp is an important and exciting way to learn about and experience growth in one's faith. ELCA Lutheran Bible Camp stipends (to *any* ELCA affiliated Camp) are presented to Bethesda youth as a show of support and are not based on financial need. Application materials are available at the Welcome Center and at www.bethesdaames.org/2019-campership-stipends/. Contact Dan Hinderaker with any questions.

MANGIAMO! Progressive Italian Dinner—Youth Fundraiser

Our popular Progressive Dinner (another terrific YOUTH fundraiser for the summer trip to Shighatini) is scheduled **Sunday, March 31**. Tickets (\$20 per person) are now available in the church office, or with Dan. A gourmet Italian-style meal in courses will be prepared and served by Bethesda culinary talents. Be sure to mark your calendar.

****WANTED** Silent Auction Items**

for our upcoming **PROGRESSIVE DINNER FUNDRAISER** on **March 31**. If you have an item, a service, tickets to the big game, a fabulous musical experience or a night out on the town—or any other creative ideas—please consider a donation toward our Silent Auction. *All proceeds will go toward our YOUTH trip to Shighatini this summer.*



PRAYER AT BETHESDA

HEALING: Andy, son of Bob & Carolyn Ahlstrom (surgery in Seattle); Daniel Karr son of Annie Karr; Alan Lem, son of Jean Lem; Lois Slobe

SERVING OUR NATION: Colonel Mark Kappelmann, (D.C.), son of Glenn & Mary Kappelmann

• Kristin Murray, Diplomat (US Embassy, Rabat, Morocco), daughter of Russ & Jan Melby

Nursery Volunteers . . . We need weekly staff help, as well as event-based help. If you enjoy spending time with little ones, this is the job for you! Contact Melanie at mtrepa@BethesdaAmes.org.

➡ **MOPs Mondays** - We are seeking help for the **Mothers of Preschoolers** first Monday of every month from **6:30-7:30 pm**.

Experience with babies is preferred.

➡ **Living Water**

Wednesday has positions open from 5–7:00 pm.



Tides&Tots

Join the Sunday Choir!

Sunday, March 10 is the next meeting of the “Sunday Choir,” Bethesda’s open-rehearsal pick-up choir. Anyone and everyone is welcome to join us that morning in the Music Room at 8:30 am where we will learn a simple piece of music to sing in the 9:30 service. We hope to see you there!

Good Neighbor Opportunities

April 28 .. 2:00 pm .. Northminster Presby. Lori Allen will also be presenting on behalf of Good Neighbor at VOYAGERS, **THIS SUNDAY, Mar. 3** after worship.

VBS Team Call for Members!

Please reach out to Dan Hinderaker (dhinderaker@BethesdaAmes.org) with questions AND to volunteer with this amazing annual event.

Current @ Bethesda

SATURDAY, MARCH 2

- 3:00 pm Beach House (K-5th grade)
 4:00 pm Praise Team Rehearsal . . . Commons
 5:00 pm Café Bethesda Commons
 5:30 pm TIDES & TOTS Staffed . . . Nursery
 5:30 pm Worship. Commons

SUNDAY, MARCH 3

- 9:30 am TIDES & TOTS Staffed . . . Nursery
 9:30 am Worship. Sanctuary
 10:40 am Coffee Fellowship Commons
 10:40 am SPLASH Faith Formation Room 209
 10:40 am VOYAGERS: Good Neighbor

Centennial

5:30 pm Chili Cook-off! *This Youth fundraiser has been rescheduled from last week's weather cancellation*

7:00 pm Redeemed Passion Mime. . Sanctuary

MONDAY, MARCH 4

- 6:30 am Tai Chi #114
 9:00 am Community Food Pantry
 9:30 am Community Clothing Closet
 9:30 am Staff Worship/Weekly Meeting
 9:30 am Food for the Soul. Kitchen
 1:00 pm LWR Sewing Group Centennial
 5:30 pm Cub Scout Pack #196 . . . Commons
 6:30 pm Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS)

Conference

7:00 pm Boy Scouts Troop #140 . . . Centennial

TUESDAY, MARCH 5

- 7:00 am Men's Bible Study Conference
 10:00 am Tai Chi for Arthritis #114
 11:00 am PEO-AA Luncheon Commons
 1:00 pm Community Food Pantry
 3:45 pm Tai Chi #114
 6:30 pm Community Food Pantry
 6:30 pm Community Clothing Closet
 6:30 pm **Mardi Gras Beer & Hymns**

Torrent Brewing Co. (504 Burnett)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6

- 6:30 am Tai Chi #114
 9:00 am Community Food Pantry
 9:30 am Community Clothing Closet
 10:00 am Prayer Shawl Team Meeting
 5:30 pm Lenten Soup Supper Commons
Youth trip Fundraiser
 5:30 pm Choristers Rehearsal . . . Music Room
 5:30 pm TIDES & TOTS Staffed . . . Nursery
 6:30 pm Ash Wednesday Worship. . . Sanctuary
 7:30 pm FLOOD
 7:15 pm OASIS/Confirmation 6–8th
 7:15 pm LIGHTHOUSE–Discussion

Centennial

8:00 pm FLOOD–High School . . #206/208

THURSDAY, MARCH 7

- 1:00 pm Community Food Pantry
 1:00 pm Community Clothing Closet
 3:45 pm Tai Chi #114
 5:45 pm Carillon Choir Rehearsal Music
 6:00 pm New Member Care Team. #114
 6:15 pm Ames Chamber Artists. Commons
 7:00 pm Bethesda Choir Rehearsal Music
 7:00 pm Christian Education & Youth Board

Conference

FRIDAY, MARCH 8

- 6:30 am Tai Chi #114
 12:00 pm Church and Office Closed Fridays

SATURDAY, MARCH 9

- 4:00 pm Praise Team Rehearsal . . . Commons
 5:30 pm TIDES & TOTS Staffed . . . Nursery
 5:30 pm Worship. Commons

SUNDAY, MARCH 10

- 9:30 am TIDES & TOTS Staffed . . . Nursery
 9:30 am Worship. Sanctuary
 10:40 am Coffee Fellowship Commons
 10:40 am SPLASH Faith Formation Room 209
 10:40 am VOYAGERS: Russ Melby
 Romero: Martyr & Saint . . Centennial

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Minister	<i>Pastor Bryan Simmons</i>
Saturday Hosts	<i>Brad & Sara Lehman, Janet Mickelson</i>
Saturday Praise Band.	<i>Trace Houge Brakke, Karter Ewing, Ed Kaizer, Nick Kaizer, Rod Kern, Kay Nelson, Kate Nettleton, Larry Prince, Jeff Widen</i>
Saturday Lay Readers.	<i>Rod Fischer, Denny Howell</i>
Saturday Sound Tech.	<i>Nick Kaizer</i>
Saturday A/V.	<i>JoAnn Short-Byrd</i>
Sunday Lay Assisting Minister.	<i>Kathy Slocum</i>
Lay Reader	<i>Eileen Klonglan</i>
Musicians	<i>SPLASH Singers, Mary Nelson</i>
Sound Tech	<i>Steven Woolery</i>
Greeters.	<i>Dean & Sharon Axland</i>
Ushers	<i>Jim Duea, David Hansen, Ken Janssen, C. J. Lundvall, John Lundvall, Julianne Lundvall</i>
Communion Assistants	<i>Darlene Schmidt, Vicky Thorland-Oster, Kathy Walker</i>
Sunday Coffee Hosts.	<i>Chuck & Darlene Schmidt</i>

PLEASE NOTE: Sign-up for ushering during Lent. There is a sign-up sheet at the Usher Station.

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Office Hours

Monday–Thursday
9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.
Friday
9:00 a.m.–Noon

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