

ALL SAINTS
WEEKEND

Saturday
November 2, 2019

Sunday
November 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

GATHER

Grow in God's Word: **Nov. 9/10**
Luke 20:27-38

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

Large-print editions of weekend worship services are available. Please ask 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

VOYAGERS Adult Forum 10:40 am

Wednesday 6:30 pm

MIDWEEK RENEWAL



Set your clocks back one hour when you go to bed Saturday night, November 2. Unless you want to be REALLY early for church on Sunday!

Bethesda Opportunities

CROSSROADS

Let's Celebrate!

Please join us for a Celebration of God's Work at Bethesda after both services **Nov. 9-10**. We will dedicate the new multi-purpose **CROSSROADS** room, recognize the legacy of our library and media center, and rejoice in the many facility improvements and volunteers who helped make that happen. And, of course, there will be cake! No adult forum is scheduled on Sunday, in fact, you are invited to tour the building after the program to see the updates yourself! This includes Centennial Hall, staff offices, 2nd-floor Youth Room, SPLASH rooms and Clothing Closet.

VOYAGERS Adult Forum

Reconciling with Christ

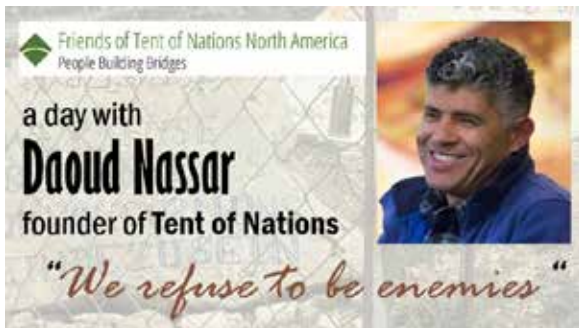
Sunday, Nov. 3 after service

Larry Otteman will lead Sunday's VOYAGER forum on the topic of welcoming LGTBQ people at Bethesda. He also invites any interested members to join him in an ad hoc group to begin an exploration of this very topic. Contact Larry at larryaotteman@gmail.com.



New Members Welcomed @ LWV!

New member dinner: Wednesday, Nov. 6 @ 5:30 —featuring Karen Nettleton's Stromboli! We want all to come and welcome these new members to our church family! Anyone considering becoming a new member is welcome to join us!



A day with Daoud Nassar, founder of Tent of Nations will take place at Bethesda, **Sat., Nov. 9**, from 9:30am to 1:30pm. Mr. Nassar will share his story of peaceful resistance as he continues to prevent Israeli takeover of the working farmland in the West Bank legally titled to his family since 1916. The event is open to all with an RSVP (christiarts@gmail.com), and lunch is provided. A free-will offering will be received.



Nov. 8-9

\$25 RSVP

MOPS.ORG

The goal of this retreat is to give moms a relaxing weekend, give them time to pray together and connect with God. **6:30pm Friday-3pm Saturday**

Cost is just \$15 for Saturday only; scholarships available. **Register:** <https://tinyurl.com/yyberfp8>

RETREAT @ **Riverside**

Saturday, November 2

GATHERING SONG 1: *Mighty to Save*

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

God is our refuge and strength,

A very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,

And though the mountains are toppled into the depths of the sea,

The Lord of hosts is with us;

And the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

GATHERING SONG 2: *Amazing Love*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Sovereign God, you have established your rule in the human heart through the servanthood of Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, keep us in the joyful procession of those who with their tongues confess Jesus as Lord and with their lives praise him as Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

READING: Luke 6:20-31

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

SONG OF THE DAY: *For All the Saints*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: . . . Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

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: *What a Beautiful Name*

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We thank you, God our host, for inviting us here to taste the future when you will feed all the hungry at your table. Keep this hope alive in us and in our communities, so that we might bring hope to a suffering world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

SENDING SONG: *Open the Eyes of My Heart*

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Set your hope on Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

SENDING MUSIC

Sunday, November 3

GATHERING

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

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

CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS (Red p. 117)

GREETING (Red p. 120)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

WELCOME

WORD

PSALM 149 Congregation sings refrain:

"Sing the Lord's praise in the assembly of the faithful."

FIRST READING: Ephesians 1:11-23 (Pew Bible p. 949)

ANTHEM: "Sing Me to Heaven" (D. Gawthrop) - Bethesda Choir

GOSPEL READING: Luke 6:20-31 (Pew Bible p. 838)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: ***Amazing Grace*** (Red #779)

APOSTLES' CREED (Red p. 127)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION . . . Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

PEACE: The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL

OFFERING / OFFERTORY: "Behold a Host" (arr. E. Grieg) - Bethesda Choir

OFFERING PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER (Red p. 134)

INVITATION TO COMMUNION *All are welcome at the Lord's table. Red is wine; white is grape juice.*

HYMNS: ***Behold the Host Arrayed in White*** (Red #425)

Shall We Gather at the River (Red #423)

COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

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

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE: "For All the Saints" (C. Callahan)



Benevolent Funding Requests Due

If your Bethesda group, or any outside group, would like to submit a request for funds—the deadline is stated as **Nov. 1**. *However, we will consider any applications that arrive to Karla Mortensen (karlam64@yahoo.com) or the church office by Nov. 20 (before Thanksgiving).*

Share the Spirit! ◆◆◆◆◆

It is time to send a Christmas card to a Christian sister or brother in Shighatini, Tanzania!

- 1) Pick up a picture card at the Welcome Center.
- 2) Write a Christian greeting in short sentences inside your card.
- 3) Send along a photo of your family (optional)
- 4) Use the name and address on the picture card.
- 5) Postage is \$1.15—though if you bring your card back to Bethesda before Dec. 3, it will be sent in a bulk shipment (at no cost to you).

St. Cecilia Christmas Market

Saturday, November 23 4:30-6:30

Sunday, November 24 9:00–12:30

Attendees are asked to provide a “free will” donation for anything they select. All cash donations will be given to Good Neighbor Emergency Assistance. Individuals can drop new and gently used Christmas items on Friday, November 22, 1-4 pm at St. Cecelia Catholic Church, 2900 Hoover, Ames.

PRAYER AT BETHESDA

HEALING: Ginny Hade (daughter-in-law of Dick & Darlene Hade); Marla Larson; Riley Mahoney (granddaughter of Phil & Kathy Harris); Bill Marion; Yvonne Martin (mother of Kim Burnett);

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



Sunday, Nov. 17 . . 6:30-8:00 pm

Come on out for a fun-filled night of Bingo, Bunco, and our annual paper airplane toss from the balcony! All are welcome to this excellent opportunity to enjoy fellowship, fun, games, and food. ***Our prizes will be white elephant gifts—please donate any fun white elephant items to Dan Hinderaker prior to the event!***

Good Neighbor Fall Choral Concert

“Leap of Faith”

Sunday, Nov. 10 . . 2-4pm

Collegiate Presbyterian

13 Area Church and Community Choirs

All are invited to this fundraiser to further the mission of Good Neighbor, which is to provide emergency assistance for basic needs. A free-will offering will be received.

Budget Planning

Board chairs—it’s time to review your budgets and propose the 2020 updates to Andra Reason, Treasurer (andrareason@gmail.com). The Budget Team will be meeting soon!

Current @ Bethesda

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2

9:00 am Scandinavian Coffee

4:20 pm Praise Team Rehearsal Commons
(no Café Bethesda this month)

5:30 pm Tides & Tots Staffed Nursery

5:30 pm Worship. Commons

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 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 #209

10:40 am VOYAGERS: "Reconciling with
Christ" ~ Larry Otteman . . Centennial

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4

6:30 pm Tai Chi Centennial

9:00 am Community Food Pantry

9:30 am Community Clothing Closet

9:30 am Monthly Staff Worship Sanctuary

10:30 am Weekly Staff Meeting. Conference

1:00 pm LWR Sewing Centennial

6:30 pm MOPS. #206/208/209

6:30 pm Tides & Tots Staffed Nursery

6:30 pm White Fragility: Race, Faith and You
. Crossroads

7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 140. Centennial

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5

7:00 am Men's Bible Study Café

7:00 am School/City Election Centennial

1:00 pm Community Food Pantry

6:30 pm Community Clothing Closet

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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

6:30 am Tai Chi Centennial

9:30 am Community Clothing Closet

10:00 am Community Food Pantry

5:30 pm Carillon Choir Rehearsal Music

5:30 pm Choristers Rehearsal Music

5:30 pm Fellowship Meal Celebrating
New Members! Commons

6:30 pm Tides & Tots Staffed Nursery

6:30 pm Worship. Sanctuary
Presentation of Bibles

7:00 pm Bethesda Choir Rehearsal Music

7:00 pm OASIS (6-8th Confirmation)

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

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7

10:00 am Tai Chi Centennial

12:00 pm Lutheran Services in Iowa Luncheon
. Commons, Kitchen

1:00 pm Community Food Pantry

1:00 pm Community Clothing Closet

5:35 pm ACA Rehearsal Commons

6:00 pm New Member Care & Hospitality
Team Crossroads

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8

6:30 am Tai Chi Centennial

6:30 pm MOPS Overnight Retreat @ Riverside
Lutheran Bible Camp

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9

9:30 am "A Day with Daoud Nassar" Commons

4:20 pm Praise Team Rehearsal Commons

5:30 pm Tides & Tots Staffed Nursery

5:30 pm Worship. Commons
Presentation of Bibles

6:30 pm Celebration of God's Work at Bethesda
. Crossroads, Upstairs

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10

9:30 am Tides & Tots Staffed Nursery

9:30 am Worship. Sanctuary
Presentation of Bibles

10:30 am Celebration of God's Work at Bethesda
Crossroads, Upstairs

10:40 am Coffee Fellowship Commons

10:40 am SPLASH Faith Formation #209

10:40 am VOYAGERS: "Reconciling with
Christ" ~ Larry Otteman . . Centennial

1:30 pm Inquirers Small Group. Conference

7:00 pm FLOOD #206/208

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Ministers	<i>Pastor Bryan Simmons, Pastor Ryan Arnold, Intern Pastor Sonja Gerstenberger</i>
Saturday Praise Band	<i>Trace Houge Brakke, Christine Brinkmeyer, Karter Ewing, Ed Kaizer, Nick Kaizer, Rod Kern, Kay Nelson, Katherine Werner, Jeff Widen</i>
Saturday Hosts	<i>Brian & Janelle Meyer, Joann Short-Byrd</i>
Saturday Lay Readers	<i>Brian Meyer, Marty Swanson</i>
Saturday TVs	<i>Allan Schmidt</i>
Saturday Sound Tech	<i>Nick Kaizer</i>
Sunday Lay Assisting Minister	<i>Miriam Chadima</i>
Lay Reader	<i>Keith Robinder</i>
Musicians	<i>Bethesda Choir, Louis Banitt</i>
Organist	<i>Mary Nelson</i>
Sound Tech	<i>Jim Stewart</i>
Greeters	<i>Keith Robinder Family</i>
Ushers	<i>Walter & LuAnn Armstrong, Ava Reason, Marvin Scherr, Callie Server</i>
Communion Assistants	<i>Mark Dobbe, Stewart & Carol Melvin</i>
Coffee Fellowship	<i>Scandinavian Coffee Team</i>

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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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Worship Schedule

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Wednesday . . . 6:30 p.m.
(monthly in summer)