

ELEVENTH WEEKEND
OF PENTECOST

Saturday
August 24, 2019

Sunday
August 25, 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

Grow in God's Word

Aug. 31/Sept. 1: Luke 14:1, 7-14
Pentecost Week 12

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 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.

GATHER

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

Wednesday 6:30 pm

MIDWEEK RENEWAL



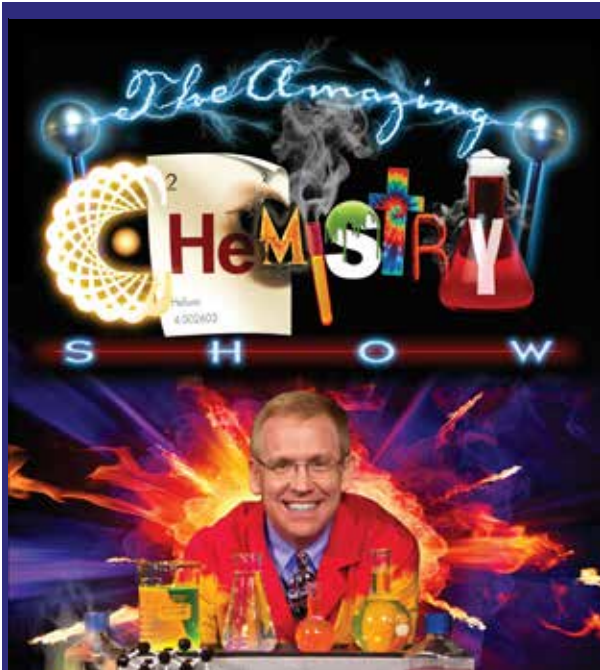
Miriam Chadima *Volunteer Coordinator*
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- **OKTOBERFEST** opportunities!
- **Tides & Tots Nursery**
Weekly volunteers (Sat. eve; Sun. morning;
Wed. eve; 1st & 3rd Monday eves)
- **New Member Care & Hospitality Ministry Team**
- **Celebrate Recovery Ministry Team**

Programming Begins

Living Water Wednesday Sept. 4
SPLASH Faith Formation Sept. 8

Bethesda Opportunities



Join us **THIS SUNDAY** for the Kick-off of **Rally Celebration Sunday** after worship, at **10:45 am** in the sanctuary!

The show is followed by **Walking Tacos** in the Commons, and a preview of the **SPLASH** Faith Formation program.

OASIS Confirmation

Begins Wednesday, August 28

A mandatory meeting for 6–8th grade students AND parents will be held in the Commons at 7:00 pm on August 28. Weekly confirmation classes for 6–8th graders will begin on Sept. 4 from 7:15–8:15 pm. We will continue with the “Here We Stand” curriculum for our confirmation students again this year.



SPLASH Faith Formation

Begins Sunday, September 8

Be sure to get your pre-K–5th graders registered for SPLASH at www.bethesdaames.org/children/, or at the Welcome Center.



This family-friendly event is open to everyone—**invite your friends and neighbors!** Activities for youth and adults include: Polka music, dancing, German food, beer and wine garden, non-alcohol beverages, photo-op display, alphorn karaoke, Ames, Fire Engine, and an interactive demonstration from Star 1 canine search and rescue group. There is no admission fee. Then be sure and stay for the special outdoor Polka worship service at 4:30! *(Please note that Café Bethesda will resume in October.)*



Saturday, August 24

GATHERING SONG 1: *Open up the Heavens*

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: *Revelation Song*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, mighty and immortal, you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

READING: Isaiah 58:9b-14

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

SONG OF THE DAY: *Come As You Are*

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: *Amazing Grace (Broken Vessels)*

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

SENDING SONG: *Shine, Jesus, Shine*

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is sending you. **Thanks be to God.**

SENDING MUSIC

Sunday, August 25

GATHERING

PRELUDE: Trumpet Tune in C (D. N. Johnson)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: ***God Is Here!*** (Red #526) vv. 1-3

CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS (Red p. 117)

GREETING (Red p. 120)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

WELCOME

WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 58:9b-14 (Pew Bible p. 601)

ANTHEM: “Alleluia” (W. Boyce) - Sunday Choir

GOSPEL READING: Luke 13:10-17 (Pew Bible p. 848)

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: ***We Come to You for Healing, Lord*** (Red #617) vv. 1-3

INSTALLATION OF TEACHERS

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: “Allemande” (J. H. Schein) – Brass Quartet

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.*

LAMB OF GOD (Red p. 135)

HYMN: ***Bread of Life, Our Host and Meal*** (Red #464)

VOLUNTARY: “Tripla” (J. H. Schein) – Brass Quartet

COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN: ***On What Has Now Been Sown*** (Red #550)

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE: Toccata from Symphony No. 5 (C. M. Widor)



Bethesda Jobs

We still have an open position to fill. Do you know someone who would be a perfect fit?

Visit www.bethesdaames.org/job-opening/ for details and to apply.

• Nursery Coordinator

Endowment Distribution Proposals



The Council is taking proposals for the distribution of Endowment Funds in early 2020. According to our Bylaws, the Endowment Funds are to be used “to complement and supplement the ministry of Bethesda.”

They can't be used for “daily operating expenses of the congregation, but may be used to pay down church debt.”

The Council will yearly review all proposals for distribution of Endowment Funds. The Council will present the results of their review to the budget ministry team to be approved in January along with the 2020 Budget.

Written and electronic proposals will be received by the Council President through the Church Office from September 1 through December 1 each year. For more information, contact Ron Morgan at Ronald.morgan.dvm@gmail.com.

PRAYER AT BETHESDA

HEALING: Bob Alhstrom (recovering at home); Pat Frette; Riley Mahoney–leukemia treatment (6-yr old granddaughter of Phil & Kathy Harris); Bill Marion; Yvonne Martin (mother of Kim Burnett); Danny Kepley (recovering at home - knee replacement)

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

Leaders Needed!

Interested in the workings of Bethesda? Want to meet new people? We invite you to consider being on the church Council. There will be two vacancies in 2020, to be elected by the congregation at our annual meeting at the end of January. Terms are three years. We are looking for people to serve as president-elect (to become president in 2021 and then serve one year as past-president) and member-at-large. If you are interested, or would like to hear more about the duties, please contact Laura Miller, lwmiller0@gmail.com, or any member of the current church Council.

Winners of the 2019 BBQ Cook-off!

Brad & Sara Lehman wowed the crowd with their delectable lamb creation! Another talented signature on the Big Pig Prize! Thanks to everyone who entered, and attended!



EPIC Scholarship Awarded

Congratulations to Isak Werner-Anderson, in his second year at Luther College. Isak is the recipient of his second EPIC (EPIC (Educational Partners In Covenant) Scholarship. Please visit with Dan Hinderaker if you have a student planning to attend an ELCA affiliated institution of higher education.



Current @ Bethesda

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24

- 10:00 am Bill Buss Memorial Service . Sanctuary
Coffee & cookie reception. Commons
4:20 pm Praise Team Rehearsal Commons
5:30 pm Tides & Tots Staffed Nursery
5:30 pm Worship Commons

Sunday, August 25

- 9:30 am Tides & Tots Staffed Nursery
9:30 am Worship ~ Stewardship Temple Talk;
SPLASH & OASIS Teacher
Installation Sanctuary
10:45 am Rally Celebration Sunday
"The Amazing Chemistry Show!"
. Sanctuary
11:45 am Walking Tacos Commons

MONDAY, AUGUST 26

- 6:30 am Tai Chi Centennial
9:00 am Community Food Pantry
9:30 am Community Clothing Closet
10:30 am Weekly Staff Meeting Conference
1:00 pm Lutheran World Relief Sewing Team
. Centennial
7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop #140
Court of Honor. Commons

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27

- 7:00 am Men's Bible Study The Café
10:00 am Tai Chi Centennial
1:00 pm Community Food Pantry
3:45 pm Tai Chi Centennial
4:30 pm Inspirational Reading Centennial
6:30 pm Community Clothing Closet
6:30 pm Community Food Pantry

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28

- 6:30 am Tai Chi Centennial
9:00 am Community Food Pantry
9:30 am Community Clothing Closet
5:30 pm Splashfest! ~ Kick-off Living Water
Wednesday Celebration
6:30 pm Community Clothing Closet
6:30 pm Community Food Pantry
7:00 pm Bethesda Choir Music 100
7:00 pm Confirmation Orientation (6-8th
graders and Parents). Commons

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29

- 10:00 am Tai Chi Centennial
1:00 pm Community Food Pantry
1:00 pm Community Clothing Closet
3:45 pm Tai Chi Centennial

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30

- 6:30 am Tai Chi Centennial
Noon Office closed

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31

- 4:20 pm Praise Team Rehearsal Commons
5:30 pm Tides & Tots Staffed Nursery
5:30 pm Worship Commons

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

- 9:30 am Tides & Tots Staffed Nursery
9:30 am Worship - Stewardship Temple Talk #2
. Sanctuary
10:40 am Coffee Fellowship Commons

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Ministers *Pastor Bryan Simmons, Pastor Ryan Arnold*
 Saturday Praise Band *Trace Houge Brakke, Karter Ewing, Ed Kaizer, Nick Kaizer,
 Rod Kern, Kay Nelson, Larry Prince, Katherine Werner, Jeff Widen*
 Saturday Sound Tech. *Nick Kaizer*
 Saturday Hosts *Kirk Anderson, Dennis & Marnette Warth*
 Saturday Readers *Kirk Anderson, Marnette Warth*
 Saturday TVs. *Allan Schmidt*
 Sunday Lay Assisting Minister. *Sara Nelson*
 Lay Reader *Steven Woolery*
 Musicians *David Hinderaker, C.J. Lundvall, Mark Kretsinger-Harries, Avery Mosher, Logan Simmons*
 Sound Tech *Jim Stewart*
 Greeters. *Chuck & Carolyn Jons*
 Ushers *Dave & Sharon Anderson, Dean & Sharon Axland, Grace Nelson*
 Communion Assistants *Mark Dobbe, Joann Short-Byrd*

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 Friday
 9:00 a.m.–Noon

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Worship Schedule
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 Sunday . . . 9:30 a.m.
 Wednesday . . . 6:30 p.m.
 (monthly in summer)