

Bethany Lutheran Church

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Facebook: Bethany Lutheran - Rice Lake, WI
Live Radio Broadcast: Sundays 9:00 a.m. (May 26—Sept 1)
WJMC 96.1 FM & 1240 AM
Worship: Saturdays 5:30 p.m.
Sundays 9:00 a.m. (May 26—Sept 1)
Live Streaming: 9:00 a.m. on Bethany's website and
Facebook page & You Tube (May 26—Sept 1)
Services archived for 90 days
Cable TV: Channels 992 (Spectrum) & 993 (Mosaic)
Sundays 11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Worship Assistants

Saturday at 5:30 p.m. in the Gathering Room

Musicians: Tammy Roberg, Paul Hanson
Assisting Minister: Paul Hanson
Projection: Dave Derro
Host: Sue Derro

Sunday at 9:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Ushers: Con Eastwold, Mikey Seymour
Greeters: Marv & Sue Baroun
Assisting Minister: Eldon Vrieze
Reader: Jaymee Sevals
Communion Assistants: Marv & Sue Baroun, Eldon Vrieze, Carol Sevals, Sue Arnevik
Musicians: Susan Barta, Deberra Slagstad, Logan Seymour, Jaymee Sevals, Mike Bock, Andy Denison, Ric Brekke
Projection: Dave Wilson **Video:** Jan Wilking

Noisy Collection from June 29 & 30 generated \$744.85 for the
Free Clinic Serving Northwest Wisconsin here in Rice Lake.
Thank you everyone that contributed!

LIVING OUT OUR FAITH- **How Has God Shaped You?**

What are your STRENGTHS?

What comes naturally for you?

What do others say you are good at?

In what ways are your strengths being used in
ministry?

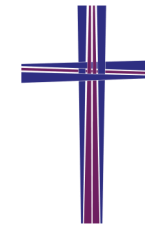
How would you describe your current prayer life?

Prayer Practice

Pray Twice Prayers: This is an easy, meaningful way for your family to pray. Ask each family member to pray for two people: one from your family and one from outside your family. One member of your family will begin the prayer, and another will end it, with each one praying for the two they have chosen. Once your family feels comfortable with this type of prayer, you can add the extra challenge of praying for three people each. These could include the people in your family, people in your church, and people outside your family and church.

<https://surfacetosoul.org>

No Prayer *is too small* for our Lord
to handle



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Welcome to worship

We **INVITE** all;
We **GROW** in faith;
We **GO** to share God's love and grace.

July 6-7, 2024

7th Sunday after Pentecost



Prayers for Strength & Healing: Eric Roethel

Home Members: Ray Arnevik • Jim Hagen • Connie Larson •
Carolyn Johnson • Buster & Diane Folstad • Helen Block •
Marge McEachern • Lud Tronstad • Dave Lhotka • Mike Haas •
Red & Pauline Eidahl • Donna Gagner • Bob Johnson • Dwight
Johnson • Regina Mueller • Connie Prine • Tom McGiffin •
Beverly Thoreson • Edie Berg • Sue Linder • Esther Honetor •
Betty Granum • Lloyd & Sylvia Leitz • Leon & Vivian Mundt

| 5:30 p.m. Order of Service | | |
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| Prelude | | Tammy Roberg |
| Gathering Song | <i>You Are Holy</i> | #525 |
| Welcome | <i>Please stand</i> | |
| Litany of Praise | | |
| Confession & Forgiveness | | |
| Opening Hymn | <i>In Christ Called to Baptize</i> | #575:1,2,4 |
| Apostolic Greeting | | |
| Prayer of the Day | <i>Please be seated</i> | |
| PSALM: Psalm 123 | | Paul Hanson |
| | <i>Please stand</i> | |
| Gospel Acclamation | <i>Alleluia</i> | p. 205 |
| Gospel: Mark 6:1-13 | | Rev. Dr. Arthur Bergren |
| | <i>Please be seated</i> | |
| Sermon | | Rev. Dr. Arthur Bergren |
| | <i>Please stand</i> | |
| Hymn of the Day | <i>God's Work, Our Hands</i> | |
| Prayers of the People | | Paul Hanson |
| Sharing of Peace | | |
| | <i>Please be seated</i> | |
| Offering | <i>Spirit of Gentleness</i> | #396 |
| | <i>Please stand</i> | |
| Offering Prayer | | |
| Holy Communion | | |
| The Lord's Prayer | | |
| Invitation to Communion | <i>Please be seated</i> | |
| Distribution | <i>For by Grace You Have Been Saved</i> | #598 |
| Post Communion Blessing | | Rev. Dr. Arthur Bergren |
| Post Communion Prayer | | Paul Hanson |
| Announcements | <i>Please stand</i> | |
| Benediction | | |
| Closing Hymn | <i>We All Are One in Mission</i> | #576 |
| Dismissal | | Paul Hanson |
| Postlude | | Tammy Roberg |

| 9:00 a.m. Order of Service | | |
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| Prelude | | Susan Barta |
| Gathering Music | <i>Let Us Go Now to the Banquet</i> | |
| | <i>You Are Holy</i> | #525 |
| Welcome | <i>Please stand</i> | |
| Litany of Praise | | |
| Confession & Forgiveness | | |
| Opening Hymn | <i>In Christ Called to Baptize</i> | #575:1,2,4 |
| Apostolic Greeting | | |
| Hymn of Praise | <i>Glory Be to God</i> | p.204:1,3 |
| Prayer of the Day | <i>Please be seated</i> | |
| PSALM: Psalm 123 | | Jaymee Sevals |
| | <i>Please stand</i> | |
| Gospel Acclamation | <i>Alleluia</i> | p. 205 |
| Gospel: Mark 6:1-13 | | Rev. Dr. Arthur Bergren |
| | <i>Please be seated</i> | |
| Children's Sermon / Sermon | | Rev. Dr. Arthur Bergren |
| | <i>Please stand</i> | |
| Hymn of the Day | <i>God's Work, Our Hands</i> | |
| Prayers of the People | | Eldon Vrieze |
| Sharing of Peace | | |
| | <i>Please be seated</i> | |
| Offering | <i>Spirit of Gentleness</i> | #396 |
| | <i>Please stand</i> | |
| Offering Prayer | | |
| Holy Communion/The Lord's Prayer | | |
| Invitation to Communion | <i>Please be seated</i> | |
| Distribution | <i>In This Feast of Love</i> | |
| | <i>Abide With Me</i> | #629 |
| | <i>For by Grace You Have Been Saved</i> | #598 |
| Post Communion Blessing | | Dr. Rev. Arthur Bergren |
| Post Communion Prayer | | Eldon Vrieze |
| Announcements | | |
| Benediction | <i>Please stand</i> | |
| Closing Hymn | <i>We All Are One in Mission</i> | #576 |
| Dismissal | | Eldon Vrieze |
| Postlude | <i>The Lord Now Sends Us Forth</i> | Praise Team |

| Worship Insights |
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| The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost |
| <p>Jesus does great deeds of power and gives his disciples authority over demons. Yet none of this power is unilateral; it all must be received by faith. Jesus asks his disciples to go out without money or supplies, so that they will be dependent on how others receive them. When we are sent from the assembly to witness and to heal, we are asked to be vulnerable, to be dependent on the reception of others. The Spirit always operates in the “between”: between Jesus and his Abba, between Jesus and us, between you and me, between us and those to whom we are sent.</p> |

| Today's Readings |
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| <p>First Reading: Ezekiel 2:1-5 <i>In 597 BCE, the priest Ezekiel was removed into exile in Babylon. While there, he received a vision of God appearing majestically on a chariot throne. Today's reading recounts God's commissioning of Ezekiel during this vision. The prophet is to speak God's word to a people unwilling to hear.</i></p> |

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| <p>Psalm: Psalm 123 <i>Our eyes look to you, O God, until you show us your mercy.</i></p> |
| <p>Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 12:3-10 <i>Christians do not boast of their own accomplishments. Rather, Christian boasting focuses attention on how the power of Christ is present in our lives, especially in times of weakness and vulnerability. No matter what our circumstances in life, Christ's grace is sufficient for us.</i></p> |

| Today's Gospel Lesson |
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| <p>Gospel: Mark 6:1-13 <i>At home and abroad, Jesus and his disciples encounter resistance as they seek to proclaim God's word and relieve affliction.</i></p> |

| Sermon Reflection |
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| <p>When we encounter hard things in life, we have a choice to make. First, rise above the hard situation and live a full and positive life, knocking the dust off our sandals or second sink into the hard situation and live an empty and negative life allowing the dust to settle on our feet. What is your typical response when life gets hard? What course correction do you need to make?</p> |

Announcements

The Week Ahead

Monday July 8

- Summer Bible Study ~ Noon
- Quilting ~ 1:00pm
- Executive Committee ~ 4:00pm
- Property Committee ~ 6:00pm

Wednesday July 10

- Selah ~ 6:30pm

Thursday July 11

- Caring Community ~ 9:00am

Saturday July 13

- Worship ~ 5:30pm

Sunday July 14

- Worship ~ 9:00am

Mark Your Calendars

July 8 ~ Start date for donation items to be dropped off at church for Mission Jamaica Garage Sale

July 10, 17, 24, 31 ~ Selah ~ 7:00pm

July 15 ~ Good Newsbreak Submission Deadline

July 16-20 ~ ELCA Youth Gathering ~ New Orleans

July 31-August 1 ~ Red Cross Blood Drive ~ 12:00pm - 6:00pm

August 5-8 ~ Adult Vacation Bible School ~ 8:30am-noon

August 15-17 ~ Mission Jamaica Garage Sale

Have you ever wanted to know more about these amazing Biblical characters – Deaconess Phoebe, Onesimus, a runaway slave, Miriam – the sister of Moses, Dinah and her 12 murderous brothers, Naaman – who had leprosy and washed himself in the Jordan River to be healed, and Elishama – son of David in the Book of Chronicles?

If you have, yearn no more because these and other Biblical characters will be spotlighted at the Second Annual Adult Vacation Bible School held at Bethany Lutheran Church. This summer event will begin at 9 a.m. on Monday, August 5, and conclude on Thursday, August 8, following lunch at noon.

This four-day experience will include opening worship, focus on the Ten Commandments, games, lunch, and daily discussion sessions highlighting Biblical characters.

Bring along a friend and everyone is welcome. For more information, call the church office.

To register by scanning the QR Code or go to Sign Up Genius



Adult VBS

August 5- August 8
8:30AM - Noon
Gathering Room



French Fry Booth Help Needed!

Bethany's French Fry Booth at the Barron County Fair, July 17-21, is our biggest youth activity fund-raiser. Each year it brings in over \$5,000. The proceeds from this helps fund youth activities, ELCA Youth Gatherings, alternating high school mission trips, and more. We rely on our Bethany family to help staff our French Fry Booth.

Please consider signing up to work a shift. Families can sign up to work together and have a great time! Plus, all workers receive a complimentary wrist band for free admittance to the fair for the day.

We are looking for volunteers (youth and adults) 6th grade and older to work a 3-hour shift at the French Fry Booth.

There must be one adult per shift. There are also signup sheets in the narthex.

Scan QR Code to Sign Up!




Mission Jamaica Annual Garage Sale Coming in August ~

Donations and help needed.

Donate your gently used items: clothes, toys, furniture, household goods, decorations (please no chemicals or stained items). We are able to help those in our community and the lives of those we are helping in Jamaica.

Beginning Monday, July 8th, items can be dropped off at Bethany in Room 101. Volunteers are needed to help with set up, working the garage sale, take down & transporting items. Please contact Naomi Candler at naomi.eastwold@gmail.com or Heidi Nelson at 715-296-8022 or the church office 715-234-9028. Thank you, Mission Jamaica 2025 team

Donations accepted beginning: Monday, July 8 Garage Sale Dates: August 15-17



Contemplative Worship waits for God in the silence.

Selah

PAUSE & LISTEN

July 10, 17, 24, 31
7 p.m. in the Gathering Room

Join the Mixed Ensemble

All voices are welcomed and encouraged to sing. Three rehearsals Tuesdays at 7pm on July 30, August 6 & 13 to sing at worship on August 18. Contact Amy Brekke to sign up 715-651-6991 or brekke.amy@gmail.com

BLOOD PRESSURE Screening

Stop by the library after Worship Sunday July 7 for a Free Blood Pressure Screening. ❤️

