

Bethany Lutheran Church

A Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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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: Dan & Pam Nelson

Assisting Minister: NOLA Youth

Reader: NOLA Youth

Communion Assistants: NOLA Youth

Musicians: Susan Barta, Tammy Roberg, Paul Baribeau

Projection: Jan Wilking **Video:** Jake Donze

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

Dreams:

- How do you see yourself partnering with God to fulfill your congregation's vision?
- What are some of your dreams for this congregation?
- Five years from now, what would you like others to say about your ministry?
- What would you like to be celebrating in your life a year from now?

Prayer Practice—Mealtime Prayers

*Bless each of our families. Bless this food we eat.
Amen.*

*Thank you God for the blessing of friends and family
here around your table. Make us all mindful of your
gifts and help us to share them with others. Amen.*

*Gracious God, give us grateful hearts, aware of the
abundance in our lives. Give us sensitive spirits,
mindful of the needs of others. Give us generous
hearts, willing to share our abundance with those in
need.*

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Bethany Lutheran Church

Welcome to worship

We **INVITE** all;

We **GROW** in faith;

We **GO** to share God's love and grace.

August 3-4, 2024

11th Sunday after Pentecost



Praise and Thanksgiving for the Baptism of: Edison William Roberg, child of Katie & Tyler Roberg. Sponsors are Taylor Hanson, Alexa Zaeske, & Aria Hanson

Praise and Thanksgiving for the Baptism of: Nicholas Eschler Gerber, child of Kim & David Gerber. Sponsors are Grant Gerber & McKenna Benson baptized Saturday August 3, 2024

Prayers for Strength & Healing: Eric Roethel, Marv Baroun, Matt Hatch

Sympathy & Grief: To the family of Mike Haas who passed away on July 25, 2024

5:30 p.m. Order of Service

Prelude		Tammy Roberg
Gathering Song	<i>I Love to Tell the Story</i>	#661
Welcome		
	<i>Please stand</i>	
Litany of Praise		
Confession & Forgiveness		
Opening Hymn	<i>All Are Welcome</i>	#641:1,3,5
Apostolic Greeting		
Prayer of the Day		
	<i>Please be seated</i>	
First Reading: Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15		Paul Hanson
PSALM: Psalm 78:23-29		Paul Hanson
Second Reading: Ephesians 4:1-16		Paul Hanson
	<i>Please stand</i>	
Gospel Acclamation	<i>Alleluia</i>	p. 205
Gospel: John 6:24-35		Rev. Dr. Arthur Bergren
	<i>Please be seated</i>	
Sermon		Rev. Dr. Arthur Bergren
	<i>Please stand</i>	
Hymn of the Day	<i>Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak</i>	#676
Prayers of the People		Paul Hanson
Sharing of Peace		
	<i>Please be seated</i>	
Offering	<i>Let Us Go Now to the Banquet</i>	#523
	<i>Please stand</i>	
Offering Prayer		
Holy Communion		
The Lord's Prayer		
Invitation to Communion		
	<i>Please be seated</i>	
Distribution	<i>Bread of Life from Heaven</i>	#474
Post Communion Blessing		Rev. Dr. Arthur Bergren
Post Communion Prayer		Paul Hanson
Announcements		
In Remembrance		
	<i>Please stand</i>	
Benediction		
Closing Hymn	<i>Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer</i>	#618
Dismissal		Paul Hanson
Postlude		Tammy Roberg

9:00 a.m. Order of Service

Prelude		NOLA Video
Welcome		
	<i>Please stand</i>	
Call To Worship		
Confession & Forgiveness		
Opening Hymn	<i>All Are Welcome</i>	#641:1&5
Apostolic Greeting		
Prayer of the Day		
	<i>Please be seated</i>	
2024 Youth Gathering Presentation		
	<i>Please stand</i>	
Gospel Acclamation	<i>Halle, Halle, Halleluia</i>	#172
Gospel: John 6:24-35		Rev. Dr. Arthur Bergren
	<i>Please be seated</i>	
Sermon		Rev. Dr. Arthur Bergren
	<i>Please stand</i>	
Hymn of the Day	<i>Borning Cry</i>	#732
	<i>Please be seated</i>	
Holy Baptism		Edison William Roberg
	<i>Please stand</i>	
Prayers of Intercession		NOLA Group
Sharing of Peace		
	<i>Please be seated</i>	
Offering		NOLA Video
	<i>Please stand</i>	
Prayer		
Holy Communion/The Lord's Prayer		
Invitation to Communion		
	<i>Please be seated</i>	
Distribution	<i>The Goodness of God</i>	Paul Baribeau & Tammy Roberg
	<i>In This Feast of Love</i>	
Post Communion Blessing		Rev. Dr. Arthur Bergren
Post Communion Prayer		NOLA Group
Announcements		
In Remembrance		
	<i>Please stand</i>	
Blessing		NOLA Group
Closing Song	<i>As You Go On Your Way</i>	
Dismissal		NOLA Group
Postlude		NOLA Video

Worship Insights

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Apparently not satisfied by Jesus' feeding of thousands, some who were there press him for a sign of his power; perhaps it is daily manna they want. As always in John's gospel when people want a sign, Jesus offers himself. He is the bread come from heaven to give life to the world. He calls us to come to him and believe in him, and through that relationship to know the one who sent him.

Today's Readings

First Reading from the Old Testament: Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

A food crisis becomes a faith crisis for the Israelites in the wilderness. The hungry people forget God's saving work in the exodus, and they wish for the food they had in Egypt. Nevertheless, God miraculously meets their needs, with manna for bread and quail for meat.

Psalm: Psalm 78:23-29 *God rained down manna from heaven; so mortals ate the bread of angels. (Ps. 78:24, 25)*

Second Reading from the New Testament: Ephesians 4:1-16

Christians share fundamental unity and diversity. Our unity consists in the one body, one Spirit, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God. Our diversity is expressed in various forms of ministry whose goal is equipping the saints and building up Christ's one body.

Today's Gospel Lesson

Gospel: John 6:24-35

Many of the five thousand people Jesus fed in the wilderness continued to follow him throughout the countryside. Jesus challenges them to consider the real nature of their quest.

Announcements

The Week Ahead

- Monday August 5**
- Summer Bible Study - 12:00pm
 - Quilting - 1:00pm
- Wednesday August 6**
- Mission Outreach - 4:00pm
 - Mixed Ensemble Rehearsal - 7:00pm
- Thursday August 8**
- Caring Community - 9:00am
- Saturday August 3**
- Worship - 5:30pm
- Sunday August 4**
- Worship - 9:00am

Mark Your Calendars

- August 5-8 - Adult Vacation Bible School - 9:00am-1:00pm**
- August 15-17 - Mission Jamaica Garage Sale**
- August 19 - The Good Newsbreak Submission Deadline**
- September 2 - Labor Day - Church offices closed**
- September 8 - Rally Sunday**



Adult VBS starts Monday August 5!

There is still the opportunity to join in on Adult VBS
 August 5—August 8
 9:00AM-1:00pm
 Gathering Room

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 as everyone is welcome!



Do you know someone looking for Part-Time employment? Send them to Bethany!

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It's time for the Mission Jamaica Garage Sale, August 15—17! The Welcome Team will be giving out cups of Lemonade & we are looking for people to help!

Volunteers are needed for 2 hour shifts, on Thursday, August 15 & Friday, August 16 between 9:00 and 4:00. Please call the Church Office, Bea Evans at 262-565-3327, or sign up online with Sign Up Genius. Thank you in advance!

Mission Jamaica Annual Garage Sale August 15-17
Donations 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.

Donations items can be dropped off now at Bethany in Room 101 Thank you, Mission Jamaica 2025 Team

Garage Sale Volunteers Needed

Mon, Aug. 12, 8AM—4 PM—Set up
 Tues., Aug 13, 8AM—4 PM—Set up
 Wed, Aug 14, 8AM—4 PM—Set up
 Thur, Aug 15, 8 AM—7 PM—Sale
 Fri., Aug 16, 8 AM—7 PM—Sale
 Sat, Aug 17, 8 AM—Noon—Sale
 Sat, Aug 17, 1 PM—3 PM Clean up

Bethany Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall

Sign up in the Narthex or SCAN

Free Blood Pressure Checks
Sunday August 4 in the Library
Following Worship

The Bethany Arts Team is looking for a couple wagon wheels and an old wheelbarrow or an outdoor wooden rocker to use in their fall displays. Please contact Gail Weber (715-651-9651) or Pam Schroeder (715-296-9073) if you are willing to borrow them to the team through the fall season. Thank you!!