

BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH  
*The News of the Parish*  
July 22, 2018

**Thank you for following the call of the Holy Spirit and worshipping here today.**

As we are "Gathered to worship, sent out to serve, and continually enlightened by the Word" as Bethany Evangelical Lutheran Church we are:

"devoting ourselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers."

Please fill out the weekly information sheet that is included in this section so that we can get to know you better.

**Take the "News of the Parish"** home for the prayer list, calendar and other important weekly information.

**Please return worship bulletins** to the basket in the narthex after the service.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are dedicated to the Shepherd Lord and placed in memory of my Daddy, Bill Austin, and my Mother, Frances Austin, who loved me unconditionally even when I screwed up. With the happy feeling of love, Linda.

**CONGREGATIONAL LIFE COMMITTEE MEETING ~ Tuesday, July 24 at 5 pm.** Need all members to come out and help discuss and plan for the resuming of our Wednesday Together Meals. Please attend in the library for this important meeting.

**WELCA BAZAAR MEETING** will be held on **Tuesday, July 24 at 6 pm.** Important that all ladies come out and help plan at this meeting for this year's bazaar.

**ENTRANCE TO THE CHURCH:** Sunday mornings the church doors will be unlocked at all times at both the front entrance and the office entrance. Usher teams will monitor these areas. Please note that the choir room entrance and breezeway area will continue to be locked for security reasons.

**CHAIRS ~** There are green upholstered chairs in the Parish Center that are available from Bethany Lutheran Church for purchase. We invite you to make a free will offering in exchange for one of these chairs. You are welcome to come by and sit in one of them, try it out and make sure they will work in your home or office. For more information call the church office at (828) 322 5002.

**SPECIAL SUNDAY CHOIR ~** All women who are interested in singing for WELCA Sunday, August 5 (one service at 10:30), please meet in choir room at 10:15 am on 7/22 and 7/29 for practice. We will be practicing hymn ELW 689 "Praise and Thanksgiving" to sing during offering that Sunday.



**Our Knitting and Crocheting Ministry meets on Mondays at 2 pm.** Bring your needles, hooks and yarn and join us. We meet in the "Fox Den" in the Peeler Bldg. Call Karen Shaw if any questions at 328-8665.



**QUILTERS meet each Wednesday at 4 pm.** We need help in putting together some quilts. Please come and join us in the Quilters Room located in the Peeler Building.

**WOMEN OF ELCA** is in need of donations of fabric and craft supplies. Please contact Karen Shaw 328-8665.

**THE SPIRIT'S HAND** will continue to move the patients to the chapel. Need volunteers each third Sunday of each month (**August 19**) to help move residents at Trinity Ridge to and from Sunday Worship. Helpers need to be there by 3:45 pm; chapel begins at 4:30 pm. Keep up the faith and prayers!

**FROM THE EVANGELISM/SOCIAL MINISTRY COMMITTEE:** We are in need of **3 people to be the Church on August 21** and volunteer at the Soup Kitchen beginning at 11 AM. We conclude by 12:30 PM. If you can help let Linda Lutz know. Thanks to Cindy Johnson, Tommie Johnson, and Pam Connelly who volunteered (were BEING the Church) at the Hickory Soup Kitchen in July as Bethany's representatives. Thank you.

**WEDNESDAY MID-WEEK SERVICE** ~ we will still be meeting weekly on Wednesday evenings at 5:15 pm for our Mid-Week Service with Communion. The only change is that **we will be meeting in the Van Dyke Chapel (located in the Peeler Bldg., last door on the right) instead of the Parish Center.** Please continue to be in the Lord's house and word each Wednesday evening.

**EXTRA BETHANY T-SHIRTS:** If you are interested please let church office know.  
 Ladies Polo – (1) – X-large \$40.00 each  
 Pocket t-shirt: (3) – Large \$19.00 each

<b>CURRENT FUND OFFERINGS</b>	
Needed to meet 2018 average weekly budget	\$3,474.00
Weekly Offerings	\$2,079.00

# *This Week at Bethany*

## **SUNDAY, July 22**

- 8:30 am Early Worship - Communion
- 9:30 am Sunday School
- 10:30 am Late Worship – Communion

## **MONDAY, July 23**

- 2:00 pm Knitting/Crocheting
- 6:30 pm Stephen Ministry Training – Library

## **TUESDAY, July 24**

- 5:00 pm Congregational Life Committee Meeting – Library
- 6:00 pm WELCA Bazaar Meeting

## **WEDNESDAY, July 25**

- 4:00 pm Quilters
- 5:15 pm Mid-Week Service

## **THURSDAY, July 26**

## **FRIDAY, July 27**

## **SATURDAY, July 28**

## **SUNDAY, July 29**

- 8:30 am Early Worship - Communion
- 9:30 am Sunday School
- 10:30 am Late Worship – Communion

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### **ALL BAPTIZED CHRISTIANS • MINISTERS**

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The Reverend Dr. C. Pierson Shaw • Pastor

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## **SERVING TODAY**

Beth Starnes – Crucifer  
Tammy Locke (8:30) Melonie Harmon – Assisting Minister  
Tammy Locke – Children’s Church  
Cindy Elder – Communion Assistant  
Tammy Locke (8:30) Roger Webb – Greeter  
Marcus Johnson (8:30) Larry Powell – Bell Ringer  
Tommie Johnson’s Team – Ushers  
David Elder – Soundboard  
Cindy & David Elder – Teller Duty  
Cindy & David Elder, Nancy Brittain – Caregivers  
Wynda Howerton, Susan Drum, Gene Rector, Roger Webb – Sacristans (July)

## **SERVING NEXT SUNDAY – July 29, 2018**

Gene Rector – Crucifer  
Tammy Locke (8:30) Dr. Linda Lutz – Assisting Minister  
Denise Powell – Children’s Church  
Mary Helton – Communion Assistant  
Mary Emma Smith (8:30) Melonie Harmon – Greeter  
Nathan Childers (8:30) Larry Powell – Bell Ringer  
Tommie Johnson’s Team – Ushers  
Ken Harmon – Soundboard  
Melonie & Ken Harmon – Teller Duty  
Ken & Melonie Harmon, Nancy Seagle – Caregivers  
Wynda Howerton, Susan Drum, Gene Rector, Roger Webb – Sacristans (July)

**NOTE: If you are unable to fill your assignment, please contact another person to serve in your place.**

## **SPECIAL SHUT IN OF THE WEEK**

Lucille Marshall  
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***Please pray, call, visit, or send a card***