

June, July
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Bethany News

2022

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June, July, August

June 14th Flag Day
June 19th Father's Day
July 4th Independence Day
August 7th Purple Heart Day

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Monthly Meetings When Possible

Church Council &
Finance Committee
Worship Committee
Men's Breakfast
WELCA Circles

2nd Tuesday
1st Monday
1st & 3rd Saturday
1st full week

Pack 9 BSA
Crew 9 BSA
Troop 9 BSA
Girl Scouts

every Monday & Tuesday
and 3rd Friday Night
every Monday Night
every Tuesday Night
Wednesday Night

Summer message from Pastor Peggy

Grace to you and peace from our Lord and Savior Jesus the Christ Amen

I have some ponderings about our annual meeting on May 15th as I sit down to write my monthly message. First Gibson Hall has been transformed into a welcoming and warm space. What a joy to step into the room and it smelled so good---no mold and looked even better. We will be so proud to have events in this space now. And a little birdie told me that the kitchen might be next!! Thank you to Bill Isard and his crew of hard workers for this wonderful gift to the congregation.

And second we were given such good news regarding our finances. Thanks to your generosity and faithfulness we ended the fiscal year with \$28,689.00 to the good!!! This is so positive and certainly reflects on our commitment to be in mission in this place.

And third we reorganized the council and you will find names of officers and committee chairs elsewhere in the newsletter.

Summer is fast approaching and I pray that each of you will have time to relax and do the things you enjoy during these warm months. It is a wonderful time to slow down and spend more time with God during your devotional time and perhaps chose one or two books of the Bible to read.

I will be spending sometime in Portland Oregon in the next few weeks visiting my grandchildren and their parents but I am always available by phone.

And of course keep praying that God sends a candidate for us!!!

In Christ

Pastor Peggy Marks

(Vice Pastor)

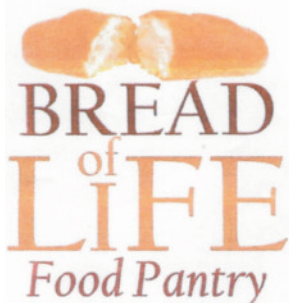
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WELCA

General Meeting June 8th 11 AM

We will meet in Gibson Hall. Bring your lunch, beverage and dessert will be supplied.

We are open to all women in the congregation. A great time for fellowship and inspiration.
Looking forward to seeing everyone.



We recently had 80 families receiving help.

**As food prices have risen recently,
ongoing donations are especially needed.**

**Drop off in the Narthax
or**

**Call Or Text Judy at 609-670-4916 for pickup
at your home**

Worship Committee

I sat down with good intentions to write my June Bethany News article, oops, the bird feeders need to be filled again for the second time. The bird bath needs more water. The squirrels need more peanuts, peanut butter and apple for about the fourth time. Well, the little outside creatures are now taken care of.

Let's take care of Bethany now, worship and calendar wise. We can try our best, but we do not know what the Lord has planned for us each and every day.

June 5th Day of Pentecost, Holy Communion

June 12th The Holy Trinity, Service of the Word. Summer worship service schedule begins 9:30 AM

June 19th Pentecost 2 Holy Communion

June 26th Pentecost 3. We will welcome Seminarian Adam Fairchild, who will lead us in Worship Service of the Word.

Remember June 12th, the doors of Bethany will always be open at 9:00 AM All Are Welcome!
The Worship Committee wishes everyone a relaxing, happy, and safe summer.

Hello Bethany,

I, as most of you may know by now have been elected to the Church Council and once again elected by my peers to be the Council President. I look forward to serving once again and take on the challenges that come along with being the President. Tom Willard is the Vice-President and Joan Kelly the Secretary.

We look forward to hearing from the Call Committee as soon as they locate a Pastor. We deserve to have a fulltime pastor and with the Council committed to fund him hopefully this will help us grow our church.

Please feel free to reach out to any of the Council members as you will see later in this Newsletter the Chairs of the different committees.

Rick Dreby

President

Property Committee

Gibson Hall is almost completed. There are a few items needed to be completed. Moulding, light fixtures, stairwell on Morgan Ave. side, to be cleaned and painted. The attic also needs to be cleaned out. We always come up with little chores and help is always appreciated.

Bill Knowles needs someone to help with the grass cutting, at the church, every other week, If you can help, please call Bill Isard 856-829-3834. The more help we get, the easier it is for everyone.

Thanks to all the helpers through the years.

Prayer Chain

**If you have a need for prayer, or thanksgiving, for yourself, family or friends please call
Joan Kelly 856-303-1367**

**Our prayer chain prays each day in their home for the prayer concerns of all who call us.
We hope to give you comfort and strength. All calls are kept in confidence.**

Stewardship – June-July-August 2022 Letter

Summer 2022 is Here!



Here is an update on our April 2022 Financials:

<u>Balance 4/1/22</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Disbursed</u>	<u>Balance 4/30/22</u>
\$17,877.00	+\$8,395.29	(\$6,946.21)	\$28,689.00

As you can see above, our balance in our Parish increased by \$10,812 in April. Thank you all for your generous contributions each month. Please keep in mind that our expenses are lower than normal since we are not supporting a full-time Pastor at Bethany Lutheran Church. We also received a large donation \$6,000.00 from Little Friends School in April 2022. Thank you, Little Friends, we love you!

Our **“Annual Stewardship Drive”** has ended, thank you to all who completed the **“Count Me In”**! I certainly appreciate your participation in our drive.

As we move into Summer for 2022, we must continue to search for a full time Pastor. It would be wonderful to find one who can lead our congregation for the beginning of Fall Season and into Advent/Christmas Season this year. Please remember to be vigilant and safe as you travel over the Summer, there is still some risk associated with Covid-19. We are beginning to climb out of the crisis and return to a more normal Church Service. Come to Church and sit on our brand new **“Pew Cushions”** every week as we are putting them out on a permanent basis on May 15th, 2022 and stay for our Congregational Meeting that day! Make sure your voice and your vote count as a member of Bethany Lutheran Church!

Thank you all for your gracious and generous giving as always!

May God Bless you all and keep you safe, healthy, and happy! Remember God loves you and wants you to love him too! So, let's spread the love as Jesus has taught us as we go through our daily lives. **Amen!**

“For God so loveth a Cheerful Giver” 2 Corinthians 9:7

Thanks be to God!!

Tom Willard - Chairperson



JUNE

04 Stephanie Staudermayer

05 Michael Wolan

12 Gary Lamon

15 Taylor Docherty

15 Lisa Eckhardt

15 Philip Evans

22 Diane Dreby

22 Betty Slojewski

23 Meghan Dalesio

24 Alyson Butler

24 Joan Stein

25 Tessa Grimes

25 Dennis Strauss

27 Christina Knowles

29 William Knowles, III

30 Alyssa DeForest

30 Elizabeth Marandola



JULY

- 01 Paul Slojewski
- 07 Steve Stein
- 08 Isabella Garson
- 10 Sandy Stein
- 11 Logan Collins
- 12 Thomas Quinn
- 13 Daniel Schoen
- 23 Kristin Hightower
- 25 Robert Hozier
- 25 David Stahl
- 26 Jean Willard



August

- 01 Linda Strauss
- 02 Isabella Fago
- 03 Ethan Blackman
- 04 Robert Middleton
- 04 Paula Stahl
- 04 Betty Sundermier
- 05 Ellen Cheney
- 05 Emily Cheney Cooney
- 05 Elliot Wence
- 07 Sara Knowles
- 10 Rita Greenfield
- 11 Ethan Mankowski
- 11 Mary Ann Middleton
- 12 Margaret Schock
- 15 Sandra Torres Cintron
- 16 Lindsay Eckhardt
- 16 Jocelyn Gray
- 16 Jacob Straus
- 17 Caden Lumley
- 25 Judy Evans
- 25 Phyllis Hess
- 26 Jeanine Fackler
- 26 Elsie Hoffman
- 26 William Knowles
- 26 Dana Young
- 27 Riley Blackman

Council Members

2022 - 2023

Joan Kelly: Secretary/Nurturing

2022 (filling 1 year term) expires 2023

Linda Richardson: Fellowship

2020 (1st term - 3 year) expires 2023

Stephanie Staudenmayer: Christian Ed/Evangelism

2020 (1st term - 3 year) expires 2023

Tom Willard: Stewardship/Vice President

2020 (2nd term - 3 year) expires 2023

Dan Schoen: Worship

2021 (1st term - 3 year) expires 2024

Dave Stahl: Stewardship

2021 (1st term - 3 year) expires 2024

Kim Salton: Technology/Youth

2021(1st term - 3 year) expires 2024

Bill Isard: Property/Scouts

2021 (2nd term - 3 year) expires 2024

Rick Dreby: President/Staff Support

2022 (1st term - 3 year) expires 2025

Emily Cheney: Technology/Youth

2022 (2nd term - 3 year) expires 2025

Peggy Schock: Social Ministry/Worship

2022 (2nd term - 3 year) expires 2025

Betty Slojewski: WELCA

2022 (2nd term - 3 year) expires 2025



BREAD OF LIFE FOOD PANTRY
"A Faith-Based Ministry of Palmyra, Riverton, and Cinnaminson"
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May 14, 2022

TO: Bethany Lutheran Church Council

FROM: Dale Neas
Bread of Life Food Pantry

RE: \$200 Memorial Gift to the Bread of Life Food Pantry in Memory of Rev. Howard Norris

It is my pleasure to acknowledge and thank the Bethany Lutheran Church Council and Congregation for your \$200 Memorial Gift in honor and memory of Rev. Howard Norris. I'm sure his life was a blessing to Bethany Lutheran just like this Memorial Gift is a blessing to the Bread of Life Food Pantry and all the local families we serve. Please let Council and the entire Congregation how much we appreciate this thoughtful and generous gift.

God Bless Bethany Lutheran!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dale R. Neas".

Dale R. Neas
Bread of Life Food Pantry Treasurer