



Bethany Lutheran Church and Early Childhood Center

October, 2024

Bethany Lutheran Church

1000 W. 26th Street South
Wichita, KS 67217

Church Phone 316-265-7415
BECC Phone 316-265-3033
www.bethanylutheranwichita.org

Worship Service

Sunday - 9:00 AM

ECC chapel -

Wed.- 9:15 AM

Sunday School & Adult Bible Study

Sunday - 10:30 AM

Pastor:

Nicholas Cordt

Early Childhood Center

Serving children ages
6-Weeks through
Five Years

Program Director

Danita Seamars

316-265-3033

October 2024

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Seasons are changing. Football is in full swing, the weather is (finally) getting cooler, everything pumpkin spice is for sale and Bethany has a new Administrative Assistant. I want to start off by expressing my deep appreciation to David for not just the past 8+ years he served as our Secretary, but for the past year and a half where he was instrumental in helping me transition into my new role as Bethany's Pastor.

Things are obviously going to be different with Julie at the desk. She brings with her years of experience from the corporate/business world that will be a blessing to us as we continue to transition to electronic files and recordkeeping. David did a great job of training Julie but there are so many facets to the job and the learning curve can be steep. Things are going well so far, but there will inevitably be some hiccups in the days and weeks ahead. I'm not worried in the slightest because God had brought together an outstanding (and highly capable) team of volunteers and staff to handle things here at Bethany.

But in spite of all the changes, one thing remains the same. Our God who created, redeemed, and sanctifies us is the same yesterday, today, and forever. His love for us as His children and as His Church never wavers. So the more things around us change, remember that we belong to the One who never does.

Yours in Christ,



Women's Bible Study meets on the **1st & 3rd Thursdays of the month at 7:00 p.m. at Bethany in the Library.** Current study is "All Things New, A Study on 2 Corinthians" from The Living Room Series by Kelly Minter. See Jenny Colby or Doris Cannon for more information. **Come and join us: Oct. 3rd & 17th.**

Men's Bible Study: 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 9:00am at the church. Will meet in the Meet and Eat Room. Motivational/Inspirational Gathering. All welcome! For more information, contact Curtis Tucker (316-942-5060) or David Funke (316-516-7775)

Seniors' Activities: Breakfast: Meets on the 3rd Wednesday at 9:00am at Country Café, 2804 S. Seneca. **Walking and Talking group:** Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays: 1:00-2:00pm, in the Activity Center. We are back walking in the Activity Center!!

Pastoral Visits and Contact: Pastor Nick Cordt is delighted to visit: to get acquainted, have devotion and prayer, and talk and pray over matters of concern in life. Please, feel free to contact the church office between 9:00am and 5:00pm, Monday through Friday, to arrange a day and time to do so. If Pastor is not available at the time you call, leave a message with the office secretary, Julie O'Brien, or send an email to pastornick@bethanylutheranwichita.org

Chamberlin, Kim L.	10/2
Ferrell, Caleb J.	10/2
Albright, Annetta S.	10/4
Edgar, Kelsea N.	10/4
Rowley, Jazmin	10/6
Horn, Alicia J.	10/7
Mann, Andrew M.	10/7
Parmenter, Lynsi B.	10/8
Winter, Ashley D.	10/9
Albright, Annette	10/12
Albright, Anita L	10/13
Schreffler, Melanie	10/14
McMullin, Madison R.	10/14
Jones, Jamil	10/17
Chamberlin, Cole C.	10/27
Nienke, Steven A.	10/31



Welty, Samantha	1-Oct
Vinroe, Hailey N.	2-Oct
Studtmann, John M	2-Oct
Moore, Larry D.	4-Oct
Cox, Lisa M.	4-Oct
Marcotte, Amelia D	13-Oct
Walsh, Crystal M.	14-Oct
Funke, David C.	17-Oct
Zindel, Troy A.	24-Oct
Zindel, Ashlee L.	24-Oct
Merrick, Jimmie L.	25-Oct
Salazar, Amy J.	26-Oct
Schott, Cody E.	28-Oct
Albright, Debra S.	31-Oct

OCTOBER



Valdez, Ramon E. and Ruth M.	10/10	16 Yrs
Storck, Junior L. and JoAnn	10/14	68 Yrs
Swiggart, Matthew L. and Melissa A.	10/27	34 Yrs



Greeters

October

6: Lois Adams & Tammie Hatfield
 13: Anita Albright
 20: Netta Albright
 27: Margaret Baldrige

November

3: Craig & Jennifer Boehlke
 10: Bill & Toni Bolin
 17: Phillip & Gage Bolin
 24: Robert & Jeannetta Bolin

You are the first point of contact for our guests! Welcome them by smiling. If this is their first visit to our church, thank them for joining us in worship. Alert one of our ushers that they are first time visitors so that any questions regarding our service can be answered. If you cannot be greeter on the Sunday you have, please talk to Doris Cannon and she will contact someone else. If you would prefer not to be a greeter, please tell Doris .

Children's Sunday School Teaching Schedule



Opening in the back of the Sanctuary / Lesson and Activity time following in the Youth room in the basement

Oct 6	Tonya Cordt, Helper-Deb Welty	Nov 3	Tonya Cordt, Helper-Deb Welty
Oct 13	Deb Welty, Helper-Jeanetta Bolin	Nov 10	Deb Welty, Helper-Julie O'Brien
Oct 20	Julie O'Brien, Helper-Laurie Carrell	Nov 17	Julie O'Brien Helper-Jeanetta Bolin
Oct 27	Julie O'Brien, Helper-Tonya Cordt	Nov 24	Jeanetta Bolin, Helper-Tonya Cordt

Altar Guild



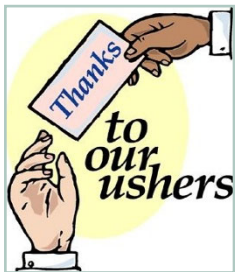
Fill

Sept 1 & Oct 6	Margaret Baldrige & Marcia Hampton
Sept 8 & Oct 13	Mable Moore
Sept 15 & Oct 20	Amy Salazar
Sept 22 & Oct 27	Laurie Carrell
Sept 29	Doris Cannon

Cleanup

Julie O'Brien
 Toni Bolin
 Melanie Schreffler & Fern Neumiller
 Rhonda Dehncke & Vivian Mailly
 Vicki Pasewark

Anyone who would like to help with Altar Guild, please contact Doris Cannon.



Head Usher – Alan Keimig

October

David Funke
 Roger Obermueller
 Eric Schieber

November

Bruce Kester
 Doug Meyer
 Larry Moore

If you cannot be usher on the Sunday/month you have been assigned, please talk to Alan Keimig. If you would prefer not to be an usher, please tell Doris Cannon. Or if you would like to be an usher and you're not on the list, contact Doris.

October

6: Robert Bolin / Jim Merrick
 13: Richard Vinroe / Mark Welty
 20: Mike Parmenter / Robert Ohmie
 27: Robert Bolin / Jim Merrick

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There is a lot of **behind the scenes work** that is done for our *worship services, Bible Studies, Children's and Youth Ministries, greeters, ushers, altar guild, music ministry,* and so many more ministries that we need help with. Most of these do not take much time out of our busy schedules to be part of. **Is God calling you to be part of something but you don't know where to start?** Be an usher! Prepare the communion! These are very important jobs that only require a little bit of you. Please contact an elder listed in this newsletter to see where YOU can be of service to God's kingdom.

Stewardship Report:

Time, Talents & Treasures August and Year To Date				
Bethany Lutheran Church			Early Childhood Center	
	August	Jan. - August		
	August	Jan. - August	August	Jan. - August
Revenues	\$19,154.65	\$196,009.95	\$18,977.13	\$178,899.35
Expenses	\$20,566.37	\$191,957.49	\$36,884.28	\$196,719.20
Balance	-\$1,411.72	\$4,052.46	-\$17,907.15	-\$17,819.85
TOTAL CHURCH BALANCE AS OF July 31, 2024				-\$13,767.39
NOTES:				
1	THE CHURCH'S REVENUES COVERED THE TIME PERIOD UP TO SUNDAY, AUGUST 25TH. BETWEEN AUGUST 26 AND AUGUST 31 THE ECC RECEIVED REVENUES TOTALING \$8,906.33. THIS BRINGS THE ECC'S BALANCE TO -\$8,913.32, AND THE CHURCHES BALANCE TO -\$4,770.06.			
2	THE LOAN AND LINE OF CREDIT WERE PAID OFF THE FIRST HALF OF SEPTEMBER.			

Trustees Report

Happy October!!
 Volunteers are still in lawn care work.
 You will notice "No Parking" and hashed area outside of Entrance 2. Hopefully, this c
 open to enter that entrance, car free.
 Thankful for the help on 2nd Saturday.

All for now... Trustees



Sunday Mornings

Service 9:00AM Fellowship Time 10:00 to 10:30AM
 Sunday School/Bible Study 10:30-11:30AM

LIBRARY: Robert Bolin leads an in-depth study from CPH on the Book of Revelations.

MEET & EAT ROOM- Mark Dehncke leads a study. They are reviewing Luther's Small Catechism. If you need to refresh your grasp of what Lutherans believe and why, come join the class.

ACTIVITY CENTER- Pastor Nick leads a class. Topic changes. Currently viewing a video from Lutheran Hour Ministries entitled "The Bible on Trial".

YOUTH AND KIDS - SUNDAY SCHOOL includes ages Preschool to age 17. Teachers are Deb Welty, Julie O'Brien, Jeannetta Bolin and Tonya Cordt. An opening is held at 10:30 in the back of the Sanctuary with music led by Sandy Tope. Lesson and activity is in the Youth Room in the basement.



Choir and Bell Choir Continue to Meet

Wednesday nights: Bell Choir 6:00-7:00pm Choir: 7:00-8:00pm
 Led by Sandy Tope We Need You! Any questions, talk to Sandy





Early Childhood Center Update

We now have a budget in place for the new year. This budget is based on the enrollment we had in June, with 8 babies added in the Infant room. Our income promises to be better at the new, higher rates. It is at minimum a balanced budget, and if projections hold true, it shows an actual profit.....something our budgets have never known before. If all holds together, our Daycare is poised to become Bethany's second-largest single source of income -- because of its profit margin.

THANK YOU for your continued support. Keep praying for us!!
For Bethany's Early Childhood Ministry Team,
Jim Merrick



Family Night



PreK is all about colors, shapes, pals, and relatives! They made a tree-mendous fall craft.



Thursday, Oct. 24th

6:00 - 7:30pm

The congregation is invited to decorate the trunk of their vehicle and pass out candy.

Pizza provided for participants.

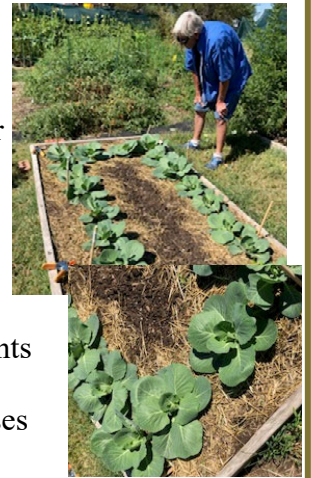
This is a community event so invite your friends, family, and neighbors!



Bethany's Community Garden

The official First Day of Autumn was on the 22nd of September. The fall garden is growing. If all goes well we will have produce clear to the end of October. For our area the Average First Frost Date is October 28. The cooler temperatures can slow down the growth and production of the plants that like warmer weather. Like

okra, tomatoes, peppers, egg plant, green beans, etc. The cabbage and kohlrabi can survive temperatures below freezing. We have a Mulberry Tree growing in the garden that came up on its own. We have planted two blackberries and so many strawberry plants that I can't count them. Right now the big producers are the green beans, okra, cherry tomatoes, etc. The garden will be full of color with forty seven tulip bulbs and more Irises for next spring. Take a look at the sunflowers they are blooming. In the spring crop of cabbage there was one head weighing four pounds and fourteen ounces. We are in the process of writing the history of the garden. I need more information about the history of the garden from people who can remember. It will be in the next newsletter. As Always, Vicky Collins 316-771-1207

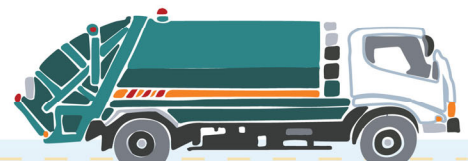


TOUCH-A-TRUCK

Saturday, October 12th - 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Come See Police, Fire, EMS vehicles, classic cars and much more!

This is a community event for all ages so invite your friends, family, and neighbors





Lutheran Women in Mission

: **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6**, we will observe LWML Sunday. Bulletins will be handed out and the offering will also be collected by LWML ladies. All the quilts that have been made this past year will again be draped over the pews in the sanctuary. At last count there were **165 quilts** completed by our fantastic quilting ladies. You will have an opportunity to purchase any quilt on that Sunday before they are boxed up ready to be sent to Lutheran World Relief. Quilters meet Tuesdays 10-12 and Saturdays 9-12. Come join us. Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Lutheran World Relief School Kits.



OUR LWML MEETINGS have begun meeting once again. Meetings are the second Tuesday of each month starting at 4:00 pm in the Library. Meetings are open to all ladies of the congregation. We cover any business that is passed to us from the zone level, and pick a Bible Study from the current issue of the LWML quarterly and enjoy fellowship with all who attend. We invite any ladies who may be hesitant to join us to come and check us out, we are a friendly bunch, plus we might even have snacks to share!

WE ENCOURAGE ANY MEMBER who would like to continue collecting MITES, they can be placed in the large MITE box on the LWML table. If you need a new MITE box, feel free to take one located by the large MITE box. These MITES help fund so many of the projects both on the local, Zone and national LWML levels. All those pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters and dollars add up quickly and really continue to make a huge impact.

THE EYEGLASS CHEST is empty again! Donations of eyeglasses, sunglasses, reading glasses and soft glass cases are always welcomed. Another shipment was sent last week. Thank you to all who have been finding glasses. **REMINDER:** MOST Ministries cannot use hard cases plus it also adds to the cost of shipping.

THE ALTAR FLOWER CALENDAR still has several openings. If you would like to furnish flowers for a given Sunday, simply pick a date, write your name by the date, and let Ruth Valdez (316) 2213-0177 know if you wish to pick up flowers yourself or have LWML get them for you. Thank you in advance for helping to beautify our sanctuary on Sunday mornings.

SWNA Southwest Neighborhood Voter Forum
October 22nd

Kansas State House Candidates
Kansas State Senate Candidates
District 2 County Commissioner Candidates

SouthWichita.com 316-260-0223

Bethany Lutheran Church
1000 W. 26th St. South **JOIN US!** Voter Forum
7pm - 8:30

SWNA Annual Neighborhood Breakfast
8am to 11am
December 14th

FREE BREAKFAST Bethany Lutheran Church
1000 W 26th St South
SouthWichita.com
316-260-0223

SWNA: Southwest Neighborhood Association meets the fourth Tuesday of the month, 7pm at Bethany except November and December. We look forward to seeing you and bring a neighbor or two. There is plenty of room.
More information:
contact Darlene Nuse www.southwichita.com



Movie Night and Second Saturday

No Movie night or Second Saturday Cleaning in October. Come and enjoy and help with **Touch A Truck, Oct. 12th** and **Trunk or Treat, Oct. 24th**. If you have suggestions of movies for future months, contact Deb Welty.



Thank You

Dale Moore sends a big thank you to all members of Bethany who came to his birthday party on the 14th and/or sent cards and well wishes. It was a very special day and there was a great turnout. Once again a very special thank you to my family at Bethany.

Fly Fishing Club

On Wednesday, September 25, Bethany Fly Club took a fishing road trip to Chase State Fishing Lake. The day was bright (not good for Fishing). The temp and wind was great for fly fishing. The catching was slow but Doug caught a nice spotted bass and Dwan caught the blue gill. Mark and Robert were along for the ride but on the bank with their fly rods in hand they looked the part. The October activity was talked about but no decision was made. Overall the club had a great day. For more information talk with Mark or Robert or Doug or Dwan.



Food Donations

Westside UMC Food Pantry

1313 W Lydia St.

We are still collecting non-perishable food items for Westside United Methodist's food pantry. If you would like to donate, place items in the chest on the table in the "Donation Hall" or in the large tub just under the table. Food is handed out at Westside Church on Wednesdays, 9:30-11:00am.

Lutheran Hour Ministries

is a Christian outreach ministry supporting churches worldwide in its mission of *Bringing Christ to the Nations - and the Nations to the Church*. Lutheran Hour Ministries produces Christian radio and TV programming for broadcast as well as Internet and print communications, dramas, music, and outreach materials, to reach the unchurched in more than 30 countries. LHM's flagship program, **The Lutheran Hour**, is the world's longest-running Christian outreach radio program. It airs weekly on nearly 1,800 stations. **Tune in locally Sunday mornings at 8:30 AM (1070AM) or 9:00 AM (88.7AM)**. For more information, visit www.lhm.org or call 1-800-876-9880.



T.O.T. (Theology On Tap) meets on the 3rd Sunday evening from 6:00-8:00pm at Old School Tap House, 210 E. Kechi Road, Kechi, KS 67067.

The Gathering Dinner and Silent/Online Auction will be at Botanica on Oct. 17th from 5:30-8:30pm. They are looking for

Sponsors! If you would like to become a sponsor or make a donation, go to fairmountministries.org/gathering for more info or email info@fairmountministries.org.

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 **Lutheran Women**
in Mission **SUNDAY**
 See Pg 7 **October 6th**

Sunday Mornings
 Service at 9:00 AM
 (also online: Facebook Live, YouTube)
 Fellowship time:
 10:00AM to 10:30AM
 Sunday School/Bible Study
 10:30AM to 11:30AM




TOUCH-A-TRUCK
 October 12th See Pg 6

Trunk or Treat  October 24th
 See Pg 5

Church Office Hours
 Open: 8:30am
 Closed for Lunch: 12:00 - 1:00p.m.
 Closed: 5:00 p.m.



REFORMATION SUNDAY
 October 27th

 October 31st
 Reformation Day



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