



Bethany Lutheran Church and Early Childhood Center

June, 2025

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

June 2025

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Naive me thought that once we made it past Easter, things would slow down and I'd get a little bit of a break. Turns out that reprieve was short-lived. Last week Braden graduated high school. This past Sunday Jackson was confirmed. Next Sunday we have 2 baptisms. Later that week I'll be in Salina for the triennial LCMS District Convention. The following Saturday we have a wedding then the next day we welcome 2 new members to our congregation. After that I have my 25th Class Reunion and another wedding to officiate.

With a schedule like that, God's exhortation in Psalm 46:10 "Be still and know that I am God." is so appropriate. Hectic schedules and seemingly endless to-do lists have a knack for keeping us distracted by chaos of life. But it's critical that we don't get overwhelmed by everything that needs to get done. The calendar might be pulling us in a thousand different directions, but we can't ignore the prompting of the Holy Spirit who calls us to focus on Him. What we see as tedious chores or unavoidable obligations are still opportunities to witness to others.

There will always be the temptation to let stress and anxiety rule our lives. But we have something that the world will never give us: "I have told you these things, so that in Me you may have peace." (John 16:33)

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. The study is **Donna Snow's "Unshakable"**. Will begin study of David. Ask Jenny Colby or Doris Cannon for more information.

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) .

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. Join us for exercise and fellowship.

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, or send an email pastornick@bethanylutheranwichita.org

Birthdays	
Rhonda Dehncke	6/1
Sidney Francis	6/6
Jenny Colby	6/21
Steve Pasewark	6/25
Lois Adams	6/30
Paul Albright	6/30



Baptisms	
Dean Lang	6/11
Sandra Wise	6/13
Mark Dehncke	6/14
Jackson Carrell	6/16
Marilyn Fesler	6/16
Arlee Fesler	6/16
Marcia Hampton	6/22
Taryn Bolin	6/22



Anniversaries	
Mike & Judy Parmenter	6/3
Bill & Toni Bolin	6/5
Doug & Sheri Meyer	6/5
Nick & Tonya Cordt	6/12
Heath & Denise Lewis	6/15
Carey & Mindy Vickers	6/20
A.J. & Ruth Horn	6/25
Dale & Sylvia Moore	6/28



Spend time with God this summer

Greeters



June

1: Tim Merrick
8: Doug Meyer
15: Dale & Sylvia Moore
22: Larry & Mable Moore
29: Laurie Carrell & Jackson

July

6: Steve Nienke
13: Roger & Sherri Obermueller
20: Robert & Barbara Ohmie
27: Mike & Judy Parmenter

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 are scheduled, 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



June 1	Tonya Cordt, Helper-Deb Welty	July 6	Tonya Cordt, Helper -Deb Welty
June 8	Deb Welty, Helper-Julie O'Brien	July 13	Deb Welty, Helper- Julie OBrien
June 15	Julie O'Brien, Helper-Jeanetta Bolin	July 20	Julie Obrien, Helper-Jeanetta Bolin
June 22	Jeanetta Bolin, Helper-Tonya Cordt	July 27	Jeanetta Bolin, Helper-Tonya Cordt
June 29	Julie O'Brien, Helper-Deb Welty		

Altar Guild



Fill

May 4 & June 1	Margaret Baldrige & Marcia Hampton
May 11 & June 8	Mable Moore
May 18 & June 15	Amy Salazar
May 25 & June 22	Lois Adams & Tammie Hatfield
June 29	Doris Cannon

Cleanup

Julie O'Brien
Toni Bolin
Barb Ohmie & Linda Firshing
Rhonda Dehncke & Vivian Mailly
Laurie Carrell

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



Head Usher – Alan Keimig

June

Braden Cordt
Bruce Kester
Doug Meyer

July

David Funke
Larry Moore
Curtis Tucker

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.



June

1: Richard Vinroe / Mark Welty
8: Mike Parmenter / Robert Ohmie
15: Robert Bolin / Jim Merrick
22: Richard Vinroe / Mark Welty
29: Mike Parmenter / Robert Ohmie

July

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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 and
Treasure

**April and
Year-To-Date**



	Bethany Lutheran Church			Early Childhood Center	
	April	Year To Date		April	Year To Date
Revenues	\$22,783.66	\$97,402.79		\$36,125.94	\$132,065.37
Expenses	\$18,873.45	\$90,919.76		\$37,371.31	\$150,632.73
Balance	\$3,910.21	\$6,483.03		(\$1,245.37)	(\$18,567.36)
NOTE #1: \$10,000 was drawn from the Line of Credit and is included in the ECC's revenues.					
NOTE #2: Monthly payments are currently being made to repay the \$30,000 borrowed through a Line of Credit.					
NOTE #3: Bethany was overcharged for Workman's Compensation in March and in April received a refund check for \$1,858.34.					
NOTE #4: As of April 30th there are \$19,022.84 in Designated Funds to repair the roof: \$7,480 in donations and \$11,542.84 from insurance.					
NOTE #5: When there is a total church-wide shortfall of funds, monies are borrowed from the Designated Funds. The funds are repaid as they are needed or when the church has funds available. Currently there is \$21,904.28 in the Designated Fund Account, another \$21,850.03 has been borrowed, making \$43,754.31 the full amount of designated funds.					

Trustees Report

Greetings!

We have received paperwork and payout to begin roof repairs. Herzberg Roofing has ordered material and is in the process of scheduling. Hopefully, that work could begin soon. We pray insurance will cover all work with some added benefits. Time will tell.

Our kitchen triple refrigerator (age old) is giving us issues. We believe a thermostat upgrade will solve the problem. Minimal cost.

Our ice maker is not functioning properly. On the list to diagnose the issue.

Thanks goes out to the volunteers and Bethany members that support His work in His kingdom.

Peace, 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 a study "The Mission Journeys of the Apostle Paul and his Epistles" covering the books of Acts through 2 Timothy.

MEET & EAT ROOM- Mark Dehncke leads a study. Currently studying other religions and how they differ from the Lutheran Church beliefs.

ACTIVITY CENTER- Pastor Nick leads a class. Currently continuing a study on the Book of Genesis.

YOUTH AND KIDS - SUNDAY SCHOOL includes ages Preschool to age 18. 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. After the music, Lesson and Activity is in the Youth Room in the basement.



Early Childhood Center

Well, our daycare operation is indeed making headway! A month ago, we were worried about our numbers, but we knew we were on the cusp of an upward trend. Our enrollment picked up by several children, and a month later we see that our finances have picked up, so that we came close to breaking even financially. With a few more kids and our higher tuition, we should be in the sweet spot of not losing money any more, and if we can gain just a few more kids enrolled after that, we would actually see a small profit.

Please continue to pray for us, pray for God's blessings, and we THANK YOU for your continued support!

For Bethany's Early Childhood Ministry, *Jim Merrick*



Congregation Informational Meeting & Potluck

June 8th, After Church Service

Fried chicken Provided.

Please bring salad, vegetable, or dessert to share



FATHER'S DAY EVE PICNIC DINNER AND MOVIE NIGHT!



Saturday, June 14th 6:00pm

Hot Dogs & Burgers Provided
Bring Cookies or Chips to Share



We Bought a Zoo is a 2011 American biographical comedy (rated pg) drama film loosely based on the 2008 memoir of the same name by Benjamin Mee. It stars Matt Damon as widowed father Benjamin Mee, who purchases a dilapidated zoo with his family and takes on the challenge of preparing the zoo for its reopening to the public.



Bethany's Garden - Come Grow with Us!

May is the busiest month for sowing seeds and planting transplants. It is always a race against time. Without the garden helpers there would be no harvest. Special thanks to Toni B., Diane M., David F., Barbara O., and Pamela C. for freely giving their time digging grass and weeds.

Tomatoes come in many different colors such as red, yellow, pink, green striped, purple, black and orange. Sometimes I like to play with words. If you only eat red tomatoes my quote is for you. "You can't judge a tomato by the color of its skin." I think it would be great if we could print T-shirts for Bethany to show our support.

As a progress report about what is growing we can start with the green and red cabbage. Heads are forming. It takes 60 days to mature. White and red kohlrabi takes 60 days too. The white kohlrabi will be ready to harvest the end of May. Brussel sprouts take longer. Potatoes are looking good. Last year the harvest was great. Sugar Snap Peas will be producing the first week in June. Trying a sweet pepper variety I have never grown before called "Lunch Box". The fruit is the size of a grape tomato. Sunflowers are making a comeback. I almost pulled them thinking they were dead. Now there is green growth on the tops. It will take some time for the plants to recover but they are alive. Planted mint and dill to attract wasps that eat the cabbage worms. There are so many tomato plants I can't count them. Had to replant at least ten plants because of pests damage. A gardener has to be a plant doctor sometimes. The wind caused some of the tomato plants to lay down on the ground. I was able to save them by using stakes and ties to support them upwards. The t-posts and panels are in place for the tomatoes. It saves space to grow upwards on trellises. I use rubber ties to attach tomato vines to the panels. Without the support the weight of the vines and fruit would be too heavy causing them to lay down on the ground. That's how it is in nature. Robert O. and I worked very hard setting up the t-posts and panels. It's not easy. I thank Robert so much for working so hard to get it done. We

were able to finish without stepping on any of the tomato plants. I think we should have an appreciation day for everyone at Bethany that works behind the scenes.

As Always, Vicky Lynn Collins 316-771-1207



Second Saturday Cleaning

July 14th, 9:00am

Will continue cleaning kitchen cabinets and maybe outdoor needs

Fly Fishing Club

Fly Fishing club met on May 17th from 9:00am to 11:00am at Bethany. We practiced our casting and discussed future activities. All are welcome to join us! If you have any questions please talk with Doug Meyer, Robert Bolin or Dwan Welty.

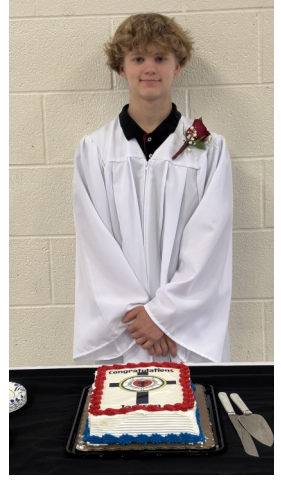


Confirmation: Jackson Carrell

May 25th, 2025

1 Corinthians
16:13

"Be on your guard;
stand firm in the faith;
be courageous;
be strong."



Braden Cordt

Graduate of Goddard
Eisenhower High School.

Currently working at Walmart
until he starts his
Electrical Apprenticeship
later this year.



Lutheran Women in Mission

ONCE AGAIN Bethany is supporting the baby bottle ministry from Embrace of Wichita. Embrace gives hope to women in Derby and Wichita facing unexpected pregnancies. You can fill a bottle with change, cash, or checks, and return your bottle to church on or before Father's Day on June 15th. You can also give online. There are online giving cards available on the table in the Narthex.

THE NATIONAL LWML Biennial Convention, which will be held in Omaha, Nebraska June 26-29, is fast approaching. Ruth Valdez will represent the Wichita Zone as a voting delegate and she is asking for prayers as she helps to make voting decisions at the convention.

THERE IS A WIDE ASSORTMENT of LWML information on the table in the Narthex. Please feel free to help yourself to as much as you would like. Our quilting ladies continue to meet on Tuesday mornings at 10:00 am and again on Saturday mornings from 9:00 am until noon in the quilting room at the end of the back. They can always use another pair of hands to do the Lord's work. 97 quilts have been completed since October.

OUR MAILBOX MEMBER Ministry is a program available to any lady within our congregation who would like to become involved with LWML but may not be able to attend our regular monthly meetings for whatever reason. Our contact person is Jeanetta Bolin. You can contact Jeanetta by simply leaving her a message at 316-207-3023 and she would be very happy to get back with you with more details about this program.

DO YOU HAVE A SPECIAL time you would like to celebrate with flowers in our Sanctuary? If so, sign up on the flower calendar located in the Narthex next to the mailboxes and let Ruth Valdez know at (316) 213-0177, if you wish to get the flowers yourself or if you want LWML to get them for you. Thank you in advance for helping to beautify our Sanctuary.





Food Donations

Westside UMC Food Pantry

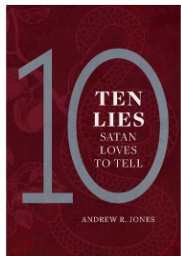
1313 W Lydia St. We are still collecting non-perishable food items for Westside United Methodist's food pantry. If you would like to donate, place items in the chest on the table in the "Donation Hall" or in the large tub just under the table. Food is handed out at Westside Church on Wednesdays, 9:30-11:00am.



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. *Contact Darlene Nuse for more information.*

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 9:00 AM (88.7FM).** For more information, visit www.lhm.org or call 1-800-876-9880.



Book of the Month: **Reclaiming the Heart of Marriage**

Why did God give us marriage? Companionship or procreation might be answers that come to mind, but marriage also serves as something even bigger - it is a reflection of Christ and His bride, the church. This study is an 8 week journey "to understand the love God has for you, your response to His love, and the meaning that love brings to your life and your home. Married (or to be married) couples of all ages and stages of life will enjoy learning more about God's love for them, and how their marriage mirror this faithful covenant.

The study parallels between our earthly marital covenants and the marriage covenant of salvation between Christ and the Church.

<https://issuesetc.org/>



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Fairmount is a place for anyone and everyone. We walk with our community, encouraging them as Christ encourages us (Psalm 90:17), build one another up (Romans 15:5), and carry each other's burdens (Galatians 6:2). It is our role as the Holy Spirit has empowered all Christians as

members of the royal priesthood: "But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His wonderful light". (1 Peter 2:9)

The "College Age Bible Study" will be meeting each Tuesday combined with the "Young Adults Group" at 6:47p m. Last meeting of the spring semester will be April 30th. Look for summer activities in the next newsletter.

Faith On Tap meets on the 3rd Sunday of the month from 6:00-8:00pm at Old School Tap House, 210 E. Kechi Road, Kechi, KS 67067. About Theology On Tap: This is a Social time and a discussion about a theological or spiritual topic. Some of our topics that we have discussed at most recent events are: Social Justice, End Times and the book of Revelation, Gender & Identity, Consumerism, Angels and Demons, and a fan favorite-Ask the Pastor Night!

Keep a lookout for summer activities on Socialmedia at Fairmount Ministries. Call them or send them an email: 316-684-5224 info@fairmountministries.org

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<div>1</div> <div>9am - Sun. Worship w/ Fellowship Time @ 10:30am - SS & Bible Class</div>	<div>2</div> <div>1pm - GPWaT (God's People)</div>	<div>3</div> <div>10am - LWML - Quilting @</div>	<div>4</div> <div>1pm - GPWaT (God's People)</div>	<div>5</div> <div>9am - Men's Fellowship 7pm - Women's Bible Study</div>	<div>6</div> <div>1pm - GPWaT (God's People)</div>	<div>7</div> <div>9am - LWML Quilting</div>
<div>8</div> <div>9am - Sun. Worship w/ Fellowship Time @ 10:30am - Congregation 10:30am - Sunday School - 11:30am - Pot Luck</div>	<div>9</div> <div>1pm - GPWaT (God's People)</div>	<div>10</div> <div>10am - LWML - Quilting @ 4pm - LWML - Meeting</div>	<div>11</div> <div>9:30am - ECC Chapel . 1pm - GPWaT (God's People)</div>	<div>12</div>	<div>13</div> <div>1pm - GPWaT (God's People)</div>	<div>14</div> <div>9am - 2nd Saturday Work 9am - LWML Quilting 6pm - Picnic Dinner & Movie</div>
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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

Church Office Hours

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



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HAPPY
Father's Day
June 14th



Movie
Night,
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