

BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH
215 3rd Ave SE, MINOT, ND, 58701

Pastors: Janet Hernes Mathistad & Gerald Roise
Organist: Deacon Kari Files, Pastor Intern David Myers

6th Sunday after Epiphany

February 16, 2020

* Standing, for those who are able

ANTHEM: Chapel Choir (8:30), Sanctuary Choir (10:30)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*** CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, the eternal voice from heaven, the anointed and beloved one, the Spirit moving over the waters. **C: Amen**

P: As we approach the mystery of God, let us come in confession, trusting the love of Christ crucified and risen.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

P: God who searches us and knows us,

C: you have shown us what is good, but we have looked to other lights to find our way. We have not been just in our dealings with others. We have chosen revenge over mercy. We have promoted ourselves instead of walking humbly with you. With what shall we come before you? Forgive us our sin, and show us your salvation in the face of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen

P: Beloved of God, you have not received the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, poured out for you in the faithfulness of Jesus Christ. Receive the promise of baptism: You are God's child; + your sins are forgiven. Rejoice and be glad, for yours is the reign of heaven. **C: Amen**

GATHERING

* **HYMN:** "What Is This Place"

Hymn 524

*** GREETING**

* **KYRIE**

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* **HYMN OF PRAISE:** "Now the Feast..."

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*** PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O God, the strength of all who hope in you, because we are weak mortals we accomplish nothing good without you. Help us to see and understand the things we ought

to do, and give us grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Psalm 119:1-8

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 3:1-9

* **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** "Alleluia"

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* **GOSPEL: Matthew 5:21-37**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MORNING MESSAGE: Pastor Gerald

* **HYMN:** "O God of Love, O King of Peace"

Hymn 749

APOSTLES' CREED (8:30)

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HOLY BAPTISM

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* **THE PRAYERS**

* **PEACE**

MEAL

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

Offering

Anthem

* **Offertory:** "As the Grains of Wheat"

Hymn 465

* **PRAYER**

P: God of wonder, **C: you formed us in our mother's womb, and from mother earth you bring forth this bread and wine. We place them on your table, together with our lives and all that you have made. Open the heavens to us and pour out your Spirit. We wait for your mercy; we long for your peace; we hunger and thirst for Jesus Christ, our banquet of life. Amen**

* **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

* **HOLY**

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* **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

* **LORD'S PRAYER**

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Distribution, "Lamb of God"

Anthem, Hymn 641

* **BLESSING**

* **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: Faithful God, you have kept your promise to us in this meal, nourishing us with the gift of salvation. Now send your servants forth in peace, that we may testify to your goodness and share the hope that is ours in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen**

SENDING

* **BENEDICTION**

P: May Christ, the wisdom and power of God, and the source of our life together, keep you united in mind and purpose. And the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you always. **C: Amen**

* **HYMN:** "God, Who Stretched the Spangled..." Hymn 771

POSTLUDE

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP! Personal hearing devices are available from the ushers. Please sign a worship/communion card. (Take one from the pew rack.)

COLORED ENVELOPES are for kids offering in our kid's church.

COMMUNION PRACTICE at Bethany: We offer bread or gluten-free wafers and either wine or white grape juice. All the baptized are welcome at the Lord's Table. If you are a guest and commune in your home church, we invite you to share in the Lord's Supper with us. If you do not yet commune, please come forward to receive a blessing.

PRAYER CONCERNS Lenhart Mindt, Betty Niemann, Terry Price, Jeff Price, Arnie Semchenko, Harold & Shirley Harmon, Roger Lee, Vicki Amon, Jean Rollman, Leon Turner, Peggy Schumaier, Duane Halvorson, Val Swenson, Jody Selberg, Alma Lee, Stacy Abrahamson, Donna Erickson, Marlene Pankow, Rhonda Willenbring, Jo Vannett, Muriel Lippert, Ike Syverson
Police Officers, Fire Fighters, First Responders, Investigators, Police Administration.

DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS are available in the narthex for January, February & March.

ACTIVITY BAGS (paper, toys, etc.) are to enjoy and return.

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS will be done the 3rd Sunday of the month.

PRAYER CONCERN POLICY: Names will be carried for up to two months. After two months, you may call to re-enroll a name for another two months

CAUSE OF THE MONTH: Our cause of the month is mission support for **Northern Plains Children Advocacy Center**. Please use the global mission envelope in your offering box to support this cause.

BETHANY'S WEBSITE: bethanylutheranminot.org

BETHANY'S STREAMING: bethanylutheran.tv

BULLETIN & NEWSLETTER DEADLINES: The deadline for input and articles in the *Messenger* newsletter is the **20th of each month**, unless otherwise noted. The deadline for **bulletin** items is **2:00pm on Wednesdays** for that following weekend. Thank you!

PLEASE SAVE UPC BAR CODE labels from your purchases of Our Family Brand Products. The Lord's Cupboard food pantry gets five cents per label. There is a container for collection in the narthex.

Bethany Lutheran Foundation
To benefit the ministry of
Bethany Lutheran Church
now and to sustain it for
future generations
A GIFT THAT KEEPS ON GIVING

Save the Date!!
Thursday, March 26th 2020! 2:00 pm!
Celebrating Bold Women in the ELCA! An
afternoon for ALL the women in the church!



Thank you to everyone who helped make the Rhubarb Fest a success. The funds raised (\$514.50) will be divided between the Food Pantry and the Soup Kitchen!



Miles Andrew Harvey is being baptized today!
He is the son of Craig & Ashley Harvey. Miles was born on Aug 7, 2019. His sponsor is Rini Coffin.



Please put magazines for train station in the new baskets under the pew by the elevator. No magazines over 6 months old and no catalogs!

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF FEB 16th:

TODAY	8:30am	Worship
	9:30am	Friends Thru Faith
	9:30am	Fellowship
	9:30am	Pictures with Tony
	10:30am	Worship/Baptism
TUE	9:30pm	Mary Circle
WED	9:00am	Sewing
	9:30 am	Staff Meeting
	4:45pm	Carol Choir
	5:00pm	Supper
	5:15pm	Chapel Choir
	5:45pm	Church School
	5:45pm	Confirmation
	6:00pm	Adult Forum
	6:45 pm	Worship/Kids sing 3yr old-2 nd Grade
		7:30pm
THUR	9:00am	Coffee with the Boys
SAT	7:15am	Breakfast Boys
SUN	8:30am	Worship
	9:30am	Fellowship
	9:45am	Bible Study for Dummies
	10:30am	Worship

FAITHFUL CHRISTIANS – EXPRESSING THANKS
Coordinator (8:30) Colton Bourquin (10:30) Colton Bourquin
Altar (8:30) (9:30) (11:30) Claire Larson
Ushers (8:30) Kolette Ostlund (10:30)
Greeters (8:30) Rosie Tollefson (10:30) Judy Anderson
Lector (8:30) David Alvin (10:30) Ariel Hirzel
Communion Assistants (8:30) (10:30) Kathryn Swanson, Claire Larson
Coffee Hour Treats Phyllis Hanson
Altar Guild Lolly Rostad, Pat Julson



Please remember as you do your annual cleaning, that the BLCW will be hosting their annual spring rummage sale at Bethany on May 2nd, 2020. Your unwanted items are another's treasure!



DO U AMAZON???

If you Amazon, PLEASE consider using amazon.smile.com This is a secure website that is a part of Amazon but donates 0.5% of your purchase back to Bethany Lutheran Church. The link is on our Bethany Facebook page or enter the link:

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/45-0248857>

Home quilt top stitchers – we need your help! The quilters are digging into the stash of quilt tops, so we need more sewed. There are a variety of styles of tops to stitch many of which to not require matching corners. We're trying to make it as easy as possible! We also need several more cut ups – umm, people to cut blocks. We provide on-the-job training, great pay (what's better than knowing you are helping people in need?) coffee breaks with good goodies and a fun working atmosphere. Please come any first and third Wed from 9am to noon. No experience necessary.

The Brass Band of Minot presents:

"For the Young and the Old"

Featuring a variety of music including a mellifluous setting of the hymn "Holy Ground," a sparkling arrangement of "Mr. Sandman," and music from "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" and "Star Wars."

Sunday, February 16, 2020, 4:00 pm

Ann Nicole Nelson Auditorium, Minot State University (elevator on East entrance of building)



April 3 Silent Auction Begins

April 7 Carnival Sunday 10:30 AM

All Ages (3-yr Old - 5th Grade) Sing at Worship, Carnival Games, Silent Auction Ends, LYO Serving Lunch.

Please bring donations to the office for the silent auction!

Christ Lutheran Swedish Meatball Dinner

Sunday March 1, 2020

10:30am -2:30pm

Take out available!

We received \$578.50 for the Bus Passes

and

January Cause of the Month \$610.00

Thank you to all who donated!

Pictorial Directory for 2020

Feb 16th at 9:30am – a brand new venture for our next pictorial directory. Rather than a paid company (with their hard-sell and expensive portrait packages), we will be creating our own online directory for Bethany members. We have been in conversation with Christ Lutheran Church who went to this format and they are very pleased with the results. Look for opportunities to have your picture taken on Sunday mornings or Wednesday evenings. We will have a professional-looking studio set up and be able to quickly take pictures. These will be posted online in a private webpage, accessible to Bethany members only. For those who don't have access to a computer, we will print hard-copies to take home, with a fee to cover printing costs. Photography will be offered at various times throughout the year so it will be easy to add new members in, or to re-take your picture. You may also submit your own family picture, as long as it is not a copyrighted portrait. Pictures by Tony Meiers



The Bethany Altar Guild is searching for new members who are interested in "Doing God's Work with Our Hands." Our mission is to keep and maintain our worship appointments (linens, paraments, etc.) and worship areas neat and orderly. The time commitment is small and flexible. If you are interested in this opportunity to serve or would like more information, please contact Mary Jordahl at 701-729-1764.

Thank you!