

**BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**215 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave SE, MINOT, ND, 58701**

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Organist: Deacon Kari Files, Pastor Intern David Myers

**Presentation of Our Lord** **February 2, 2020**

\* Standing, for those who are able

**PRELUDE:** (10:30) *“We Are Marching”* Bellievers

**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:** *“In a Lowly Manger”* Hymn 718 (tune 310)

**\*GREETING**

\***KYRIE** p. 147

\***HYMN OF PRAISE:** *“This is the Feast...”* p. 149

**\* PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**Almighty and ever-living God, your only-begotten Son was presented this day in the temple. May we be presented to you with clean and pure hearts by the same Jesus Christ, our great high priest, who lives**

**and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

**WORD**

**FIRST READING: Malachi 3:1-4**

**Psalm 84**

**Anthem** (10:30): *“I Want to Walk as a Child...”* Bellievers

**SECOND READING: Hebrews 2:14-18**

\***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** *“Alleluia”* p. 151

\* **GOSPEL: Luke 2:22-40**

**CHILDREN’S SERMON**

**SERMON:** Pastor Janet

\* **HYMN:** *“In His Temple Now Behold Him”* Hymn 417

**APOSTLES’ CREED** p. 105

\* **THE PRAYERS**

\* **PEACE**

**MEAL**

**PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS**

Offering

Anthem

\* Offertory: *“Hail to the Lord’s Anointed”* Hymn 311 (1-2)  
tune 694

\* **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** p. 152

\***HOLY** p. 153

\* **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

\* **LORD’S PRAYER** p. 154

Distribution, *“Lamb of God”* (p. 154)

Anthem, Hymn 838

\* **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:** *“O Lord, Now Let Your Servant”* Hymn 313

**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, Brad Ness, Arnie Semchenko, Harold & Shirley Harmon, Roger Lee, Vicki Amon, Jean Rollman, Leon Turner, Peggy Schumaier, Alisa Tran, Duane Halvorson, Val Swenson, Jody Selberg, Alma Lee, Myron and Kathy Feist, Stacy Abrahamson. **Trinity:** Savannah Field Teachers, Professors, Coaches & Referees.

**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 **20<sup>th</sup> 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

*Thank you!*

**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!**



The LYO has a few pans of Take'n'Bake Caramel Rolls for sale! \$8.00 for a pan of 4. Please stop by the office if you would like to get some!

**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF FEB 2<sup>nd</sup>:**

TODAY	8:30am	Worship
	9:30am	Coordinating Council
	9:30am	Fellowship
	10:30am	Worship
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
	7:45pm	LYO Dancing with Jake
	7:30pm	Sanctuary Choir
THUR	9:00am	Men's Coffee
SAT	7:15am	Breakfast Boys
SUN	8:30am	Worship/Baptism
	9:30am	Sunday Morning Circle
	9:30am	Fellowship
	9:45am	Bible Study for Dummies
	10:30am	Worship

*Thank you!*

**Thank you to all of you who volunteer!  
You are greatly appreciated!**



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!

**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) Norman Jacobson

(10:30)

Greeters (8:30) Sharon Fix

(10:30) Phyllis Hanson

Lector (8:30)

(10:30) Ariel Hirzel

Communion Assistants (8:30) David Alvin, Mary Jordahl

(10:30) Claire Larson, Phyllis Hanson, Cyndee Beutler, Shirley Frost

Coffee Hour Treats Eileen Meyers

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 2<sup>nd</sup>, 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 do 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.

**Special request:** Looking for old, worn out sweatshirts. They can have stains, or even have a broken zipper. Need between 25-35 for a special project. Also, scruffy, worn out bath towels can also be dropped off. If it's in good shape, we don't need it. Please bring items to the office ASAP.

Thank you!

### Pictorial Directory for 2020

Coming in 2020 – 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.



### CWS Blanket Sunday February 9

Blanket Sunday at Bethany will be February 9<sup>th</sup>. Church World Service, an organization similar to Lutheran World Relief, provides blankets – both here in the U.S. and overseas to shelter and give comfort to people who have been displaced or are affected by disaster. The BLCW will be sending \$500.00 for blankets. We will not be handing out special envelopes so donations to help with this may be given at the church office. Thank you!



**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!



### CHURCH SCHOOL CARNIVAL

April 19

The Church School Carnival is an annual tradition to help kids of all ages go to Bible Camp, and teens to travel with LYO on mission trips and to National Gatherings. There will be a silent auction with something for everyone. The silent auction begins on Wed April 15<sup>th</sup>. LYO will be serving lunch (sloppy joes, potato chips, nachos, pickles, and lemonade), and a variety of games for the kids. Please watch for a sign-up to bring items for the bake sale and cake walk. The LYO is also asking for donations of buns. Thank you for your continued support of the LYO and Education Program!