

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

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Transfiguration of Our Lord

February 23, 2020

* Standing, for those who are able

ANTHEM: Don Lee (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:** "Arise, Your Light..." Hymn 314 (1,2,4)

*** GREETING**

* **KYRIE** p. 157

* **HYMN OF PRAISE:** "Now the Feast..." p. 167

*** PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O God, in the transfiguration of your Son you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the witness of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice from the bright cloud declaring Jesus your beloved Son, you foreshadowed our adoption as your children. Make us heirs with Christ of your glory,

and bring us to enjoy its fullness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING: Exodus 24:12-18

Psalm 2:

SECOND READING: 2 Peter 1:16-21

* **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** "Alleluia" p. 151

* **GOSPEL: Matthew 17:1-9**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MORNING MESSAGE: Pastor Gerald

* **HYMN:** "How Good Lord to Be Here" Hymn 315 (1,2,4,5)

INSTALLATION OF CHURCH COUNCIL

APOSTLES' CREED p. 105

* **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** p. 191

* **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

* **LORD'S PRAYER** p. 154

Distribution, "Lamb of God"

Anthem, Hymn 493

* **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:** "Alleluia, Song of Gladness" Hymn 318

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. **TRINITY** Susan Stewart
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

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF FEB 23rd:

TODAY	8:30am	Worship
	9:30am	Fellowship
	9:30am	Pictures with Tony
	9:45am	Bible Study for Dummies
	10:30am	Worship
WED	9:30 am	Staff Meeting
	12:00pm	Ash Wed Worship
	4:45pm	Carol Choir
	5:00pm	Supper
	5:15pm	Chapel Choir
	5:45pm	Church School
	5:45pm	Group Fellowship
	6:00pm	Adult Forum
	6:45 pm	Worship/Lent
	7:30pm	Sanctuary Choir
THUR	9:00am	Coffee with the Boys
	10:30am	Soup Kitchen
SAT	7:15am	Breakfast Boys
SUN	8:30am	Worship
	9:30am	Fellowship
	9:30am	Coordinating Council
	10:30am	Worship



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) George & Linda Walker
(9:30) Vicki Phippins
(11:30)
Ushers (8:30) Norman Jacobson, Mary Carlson, LuAnn Roise
(10:30)
Greeters (8:30)
(10:30)
Lector (8:30)
(10:30) Cheryl Nilsen
Communion Assistants (8:30)
(10:30) Sue Taft
Coffee Hour Treats
Altar Guild Lolly Rostad, Pat Julson

Christ Lutheran Swedish Meatball Dinner
Sunday March 1, 2020
10:30am -2:30pm
Take out available!

A WINTER CLASSICAL MASTERPIECE CONCERT, will be presented by the talents of The Minot Chamber Chorale, on Sunday, March 1st, 2020 at 3:00 pm at Minot State University's Ann Nicole Nelson Hall.

This Winter Concert features the performance of Norwegian composer Kim Andre Arneson's *Magnificat* featuring soprano soloist Tess Altiveros, from Seattle, Washington, accompanied by orchestra, organ and piano.

Don't miss this concert enhanced by the wonderful acoustics of MSU's Ann Nicole Nelson Hall. The concert is free and open to the public. A free will offering will be received to support the Chorale.

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!



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!

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.



April 15 Silent Auction Begins

April 19 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!

Pictorial Directory for 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. 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!



Lights --- Camera --- Action!

You're invited to join the Ministry of Care (MOC) Committee for an afternoon matinee featuring "A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood", a movie about the life of Fred Rogers, the creator and host of the popular television series Mister Rogers' Neighborhood, which ran from 1968 to 2001. The movie celebrates the virtues of patient listening, gentleness and the honest expression of feelings. Allow approximately 2 hours for the movie, which will be shown in the Bethany Fellowship Hall on Thursday, March 19th at 2:00 pm. Join us for popcorn, a drink, and short discussion period after the show!



If you would like to participate in a MOC outreach project, you may bring a pair of adult-sized, white socks, any length to be shared with inmates at the Ward County Jail.