

# WELCOME TO BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

#### Welcome

In the name of Jesus Christ, we welcome you as we gather to hear God's holy Word and celebrate the meal of Holy Communion. We are blessed by your presence. As God welcomes all people through the saving grace of Jesus, so do we seek to welcome all God's people to be together in Christ – to love, to grow, and to serve.

Should you have no church home, you are invited to consider Bethany. If you have questions for the pastor or church office, please call at 630.879.3444 or visit our website at <a href="https://www.bethanybatavia.org">www.bethanybatavia.org</a>. Welcome!

# Assistance in Worship

For those who find it difficult to stand or prefer to sit during any part of the service, please feel free to remain seated.

## Children's Resources

Children's worship bulletins are available in the narthex and from the ushers.

# Nursery

While not yet staffed, the nursery is open for parents who may find it helpful. The nursery is located on the sanctuary level, where you will find a changing table, rocking chair and some toys. You can still hear the worship service through a speaker in the room. Ask an usher if you need assistance.

# Cell Phones and Pagers

Please silence all cell phones and pagers. Thank you.

# Holy Communion

In Holy Communion the crucified and risen Christ is present, giving his true body and blood as food and drink. All baptized Christians are invited to the table where Christ himself is host. If you desire to be baptized, or to learn more about Holy Baptism, please speak to the pastor.

### As We Gather:

These forty days called Lent are like no other. It is our opportune time to return to the God who rescues, to receive the gifts of God's grace, to believe with the heart and confess with the mouth the wonder of God's love in Jesus, and to resist temptation at every turn. This is no small pilgrimage on which we have just embarked. It is a struggle Jesus knew. It is a struggle Jesus shares. The nearness of the Lord, in bread and wine, water and word, will uphold and sustain us.

# + GATHERING +

PRELUDE: Three Pieces from The Mass for the Parishes

François Couperin

We stand

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

- In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

- Gracious God,
- C have mercy on us.

We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

- God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.

O Lord, you see every person in our world as your beloved child. Yet, we often seek to create divisions based on our differences and covet that which is not ours. We pray your blessing upon the people of Ukraine. Grant them strength, courage, perseverance, and protection. Convince those who would attack any country, to instead lay down their weapons and appreciate the divine will you have for all your people. And, Lord, humble any leaders who would rather focus upon their own personal power and gain, instead of the

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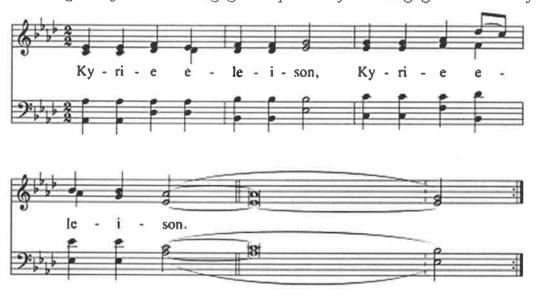
welfare of every member of the human family. Make us instruments of peace, with the courage to stand up for what is right in your gracious eyes. In your Holy Name we pray. Amen

### APOSTOLIC GREETING

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

# KYRIE (LORD HAVE MERCY)

The choir sings the Kyrie once; the congregation repeats and joins in singing each time thereafter.



L For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all, Lord we pray.

#### **KYRIE**

L That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor; That we may live out truth, jusice and grace, Lord we pray.

#### **KYRIE**

L For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family, Lord we pray.

#### **K**YRIE

L For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in word and sacrament, Lord we pray.

# Kyrie (Sung twice)

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

O Lord God, you led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide us now, so that, following your Son, we may walk safely through the wilderness of this world toward the life you alone can give, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

We sit.

# + WORD +

# FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 26:1–11

When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, 2you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. <sup>3</sup>You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us." 4When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, 5you shall make this response before the LORD your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. 8The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; 9 and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. <sup>10</sup>So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me." You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. 11 Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

- L Word of God, word of life.
- C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 91: 9–16 Carl Schalk

ANTIPHON: God will give the angels charge over you, to guard you in all your ways.

L Because you have made the | LORD your refuge,\* and the Most High your | habitation,

C there shall no evil hap- | pen to you,\*
neither shall any plague come | near your dwelling.

L For he shall give his angels charge | over you,\* to keep you in | all your ways.

C They shall bear you | in their hands,\*
lest you dash your foot a- | gainst a stone

L You shall tread upon the li- | on and the adder;\*
you shall trample the young lion and the serpent un- | der your feet.

C Because he is bound to me in love, therefore will I de- | liver him;\* I will protect him, because he | knows my name.

L He shall call upon me, and I will | answer him;\*
I am with him in trouble; I will rescue him and bring | him to honor.

C With long life will I sat- | isfy him,\* and show him | my salvation.

# SECOND READING: Romans 10:8b-13

"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart"

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); <sup>9</sup>because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup>For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. <sup>11</sup>The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." <sup>12</sup>For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. <sup>13</sup>For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

- L Word of God, word of life.
- C Thanks be to God.



### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



### HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 4:1–13

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourth chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, <sup>2</sup>where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. <sup>3</sup>The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." <sup>4</sup>Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.""

<sup>5</sup>Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. <sup>6</sup>And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. <sup>7</sup>If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." <sup>8</sup>Jesus answered him, "It is written,

'Worship the Lord your God,

and serve only him."

<sup>9</sup>Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, <sup>10</sup>for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you,

to protect you,'

11and

'On their hands they will bear you up,

so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."

<sup>12</sup>Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test." <sup>13</sup>When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

- P The Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

We sit.

SERMON

Pastor Jeffrey Mikyska Luke 4:1–13

# HYMN OF THE DAY: O Lord, Throughout These Forty Days



Text: based on Claudia F. Hernaman, 1838-1898; para. Gilbert E. Doan Jr., b. 1930

Music: CONSOLATION, A. Davisson, Kentucky Harmony, 1816

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#### NICENE CREED

- P Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:
- C We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

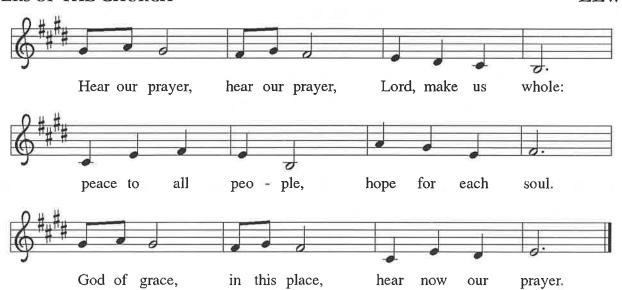
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

We sit.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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A Drawn close to the heart of God, we offer these prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

# A brief silence.

- A We pray for the church. Sharpen its proclamation of the word so that your people learn to reject voices of deception and distraction. Strengthen all who are tempted to believe lies about themselves or others. Merciful God,
- C receive our prayer.
- A We pray for the earth and all its creatures. Protect wilderness places and all plant and animal species that call them home. Sustain farmers and all laborers who work the land and harvest the fruits of its abundance. Merciful God,
- C receive our prayer.
- A We pray for the nations of the world. Awaken elected leaders and government officials to the needs of those who are oppressed and grant them compassion to deal mercifully with immigrants and refugees who reside among us. Merciful God,
- C receive our prayer.
- A We pray for those in need. Rescue those experiencing mental illness or contending with addiction. Ease the anxiety of those who live with dementia. Command your angels concerning all who are sick (especially). Merciful God,
- C receive our prayer.
- A We pray for this assembly. Bless those who bake bread and prepare the table for our communion celebration. Accompany those who share the bounty of this meal with those who are homebound or hospitalized. Merciful God,
- C receive our prayer.
- A We give thanks for those who have died (*especially*). Gather them with all the saints into your heavenly dwelling place. Encourage us with the promise that all who call upon your name are saved. Merciful God,
- C receive our prayer.
- P According to your steadfast love, O God, hear these and all our prayers as we commend them to you; through Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.

# + MEAL +

# OFFERING MUSIC: Jesu, Grant Me This, I Pray

C. H. Kitson

Jesu, grant me this, I pray, Ever in Thy heart to stay: Let me evermore abide Hidden in Thy wounded side.

If the evil one prepare, Or the world a tempting snare, I am safe when I abide In Thy heart and wounded side If the flesh, more dangerous still, Tempt my soul to deeds of ill, Naught I fear when I abide In Thy heart and wounded side.

Death will come one day to me; Jesu, cast me not from Thee: Dying let me still abide In Thy heart and wounded side.

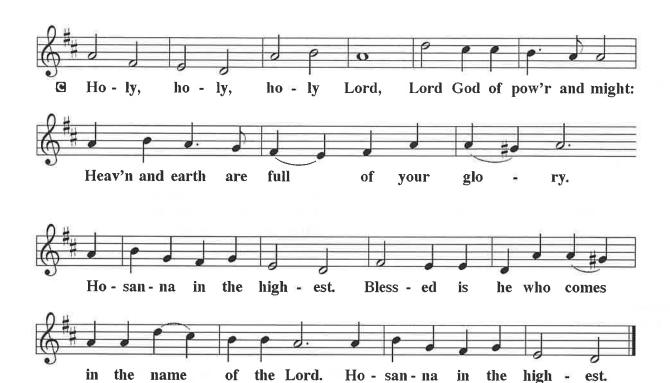
#### We stand.

# **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

- P Let us pray. God our provider,
- C you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give God thanks and praise.
- P It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. You bid your people cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast. Renew our zeal in faith and life, and bring us to the fullness of grace that belongs to the children of God. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



P Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth, for you have had mercy on us and given your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for the priceless grace you have bestowed upon us through Jesus Christ, who died upon the tree of Calvary and rose again to make us living branches, drawing our life from him and bearing fruit in all the world.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Send your Holy Spirit, the Spirit of truth and power, to renew our faith as we receive our crucified and risen Lord who comes to us in his body and blood.

All honor and glory are yours, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, now and forever.

C Amen.

- P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:
- Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

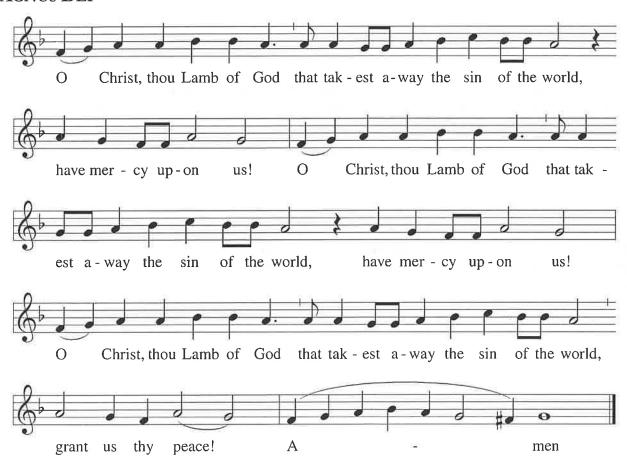
and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

- P The gifts of God for the people of God.
- C Thanks be to God.
- P Come, for all is now ready.

### We sit.

### **AGNUS DEI**



### **COMMUNION**

Our Lord Jesus Christ welcomes you to this meal of the baptized. The crucified and risen Christ is present in the Lord's Supper, giving us his true body and blood as food and drink.

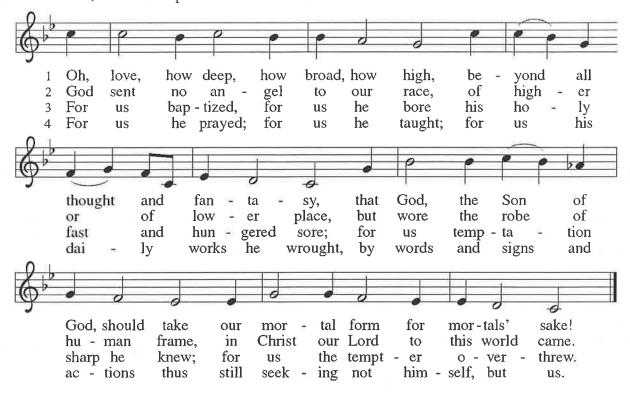
White grape juice, a non-alcoholic alternative, and gluten-FREE rice wafers are available upon request.

## MUSIC FOR THE COMMUNION



Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt. Music: ERHALT UNS, HERR, J. Klug, *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543

HYMN: O Love, How Deep



- 5 For us by wickedness betrayed, for us, in crown of thorns arrayed, he bore the shameful cross and death; for us he gave his dying breath.
- 6 For us he rose from death again; for us he went on high to reign; for us he sent his Spirit here to guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.
- 7 All glory to our Lord and God for love so deep, so high, so broad: the Trinity whom we adore forever and forevermore.

Text: Thomas á Kempis, 1380–1471; tr. Benjamin Webb, 1819–1885, alt. Music: DEO GRACIAS, English ballad, 15th cent.

We stand.

#### POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen.
- Let us pray.

  Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice; our alms, a making of peace; and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

# + SENDING +

## BENEDICTION

- P Almighty God: Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
- C Amen.



Text: Nicolaus L. von Zinzendorf, 1700-1760; tr. Jane L. Borthwick, 1813-1897, alt. Music: SEELENBRÄUTIGAM, Adam Drese, 1620-1701

#### DISMISSAL

- L Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Fugue Sur Les Jeux D'Anches

Francois Couperin

#### LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

The Rev. Jeffrey Mikyska, Presiding Minister Todd Toles, Assisting Minister Alan Spear, Organist Ann Holch, Reader Doug Boehm, Fred Holch, A/V Carol Thomassen, Norma Pieratt, Altar Guild Todd Toles, Ellen Grashorn, Communion Ass't Eva Holzl, Jack Holzl, Acolytes Ralph Beck, Jon Habegger, Steve Deller, Ushers Festival Choir

#### **STAFF**

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If you have questions or concerns for members of the Church Council you're invited to speak with them personally or via email to <u>council@bethanybatavia.org</u>.

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## LET US PRAY

We pray for all who are hospitalized in our greater community and for those who are serving them.

Please pray for those who are part of the life of Bethany who struggle with illness and other concerns:

Carlene Altman, Keith Altman, Doug Andrews, Mary Bradtmueller, Bill Dahlman, Suzanne DeLong, Rich Franzen, Robert Granquist, Jack Grashorn, Anna Jackson, Karin Johnston, Luke & Diane Land, Bill Lechnick, Bob Novy, Hershel Pruitt, Louise Pruitt, Scotty & Maureen Scollon, Judi Spear, Gretchen VanKempema

Please pray for those who are homebound and those in need of a care facility:

Helen Anderson Michaelsen Health Center, Holmstad Mark Anderson Silverado Memory Care, St Charles Dorothy Carlson Michaelsen Health Center, Holmstad

Lois Elfstrom Aurora, IL
Pam Klingberg Heritage Woods

Wanda Krentz Harry J. Ekstam, Holmstad Mildred Miller Reserve of Geneva, Geneva

Joan Olson Michealsen Health Center, Holmstad

Pat Quast Asbury Gardens

Judi Spear Arden Courts of Geneva, Geneva Joyce Stran GreenFields of Geneva, Geneva

# Please pray for all those serving in the military, especially those who are connected to our congregation

### Please pray for our family and friends:

Tom Thorsen Son of Dorothy Thorsen

Healing prayers for friends of Hutchens Family

Ryan & Kate Friends of the Foelski Family
Loane Tharrington Sister of Norm Freedlund

Bill VanSanten Former Member of Bethany and Friend of

Norm and Nancy Freedlund

Gary Piccony
Peter Piccony's Father
Mateo Hanlon
Marcia Hanlon's Grandson
Mindy Nicoloff
Jackie Page's Daughter
Loy Williams
Friend of Ann & Fred Holch

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Steve Novy
Cousin of Bob Novy
Floyd Anderson
Beth Richard's Father
Pastor Tim Kohlmeier
Bill Parkhurst
Brother of Mark Kohlmeier
Friend of Bill and Lynn Drymiller

Barbara Garrison Bill Garrison's mother

Linda Bennett Friends of Ken and Judy Henschler

Paul Mazen

Ed Bonnes Cousin of John & Karol Clark Bonnie Palshis Sister-in-Law of Doug Boehm

Heather Staudacher, Dr. Mark Staudacher and family, Friend/Coworker of Beth Richard

Phil Lynn Dreymiller's brother

Kathy Dee's Family Teri Figura Mary Jo Benstein's Family Teri Figura Susan Sheley

Bonnie

Carole W. DeAnne & Gary

Rabbi Margaret Frish-Klein

Brad Blue

Megan Campbell

Diane Ekstam Johnson

Tammy English
Jerry Martin
Tina Motter
Teri Prokes
Tony Prokes

Tony Prokes

Kelli Robertson

Wolfgang Smailus

Ed Stahl

Daughter of Hershel and Louise Pruitt

Friend of Pastor Jeff

Friend of Ann & Fred Holch Niece & Nephew of Shirley Grant

Friend of Pastor Jeff Friend of Lois Benson

Granddaughter of Scotty & Maureen Scollon

Mother of Mary Helen Ekstam Daughter of Shirley Streidl Father of Nicki McVey Sister of Jackie Page Sister of Sue & Bob Novy

Brother-in-law of Bob & Sue Novy

Daughter of Diane Schalk

Brother-in-law of Marty Offutt Gruber

Father of Dan Stahl

### Please pray for those who mourn the passing of:

Caroline Taege Margaret Cooper

Claire

Eva Peterson

Darius & Dalia Karalis

Friend of Pastor Jeff and Gail Mother of Sharon Cooper

Friend of Bethany Lutheran Church Friend of Bethany Lutheran Church

Brother in-law and Sister in-law of Mary Karalis

# 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Note

In honor of Bethany's Sesquicentennial the Altar Guild will periodically display banners in the lower narthex from our collection that were used in previous years. The banner displayed today is a Lenten banner from 50 years ago. Bethany member and artist, the late Karen Forsell, was the designer for this banner.

## THIS WEEK AT BETHANY

Sunday, March 6		
•	Worship	Sanctuary
	Coffee Hour	
	Sunday School	
	Blue and Gold Banquet Set Up	
	Blue and Gold Banquet, Scout Pack 153	
Monday, March 7	1	r
•	Bethany Walking Group	Minister Conton Crem
7pm	Property Committee Meeting	Library Center Gym
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Tuesday, March 8		
8:30am	Bethany Walking Group	Ministry Center Gym
	Quilters	
	Executive Team Meeting	
7pm	Fox River Radio League	Fellowship Hall
Wednesday, March 9		
8:30am	Bethany Walking Group	Ministry Center Gym
	Youth Bells	
	Confirmation	
7:30pm	Youth 2:19	Youth Room
		Ministry Center, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor
7:30pm	Holden Lenten Service	Chapel
Thursday, March 10		•
•	Bethany Walking Group	Ministry Center Gym
6pm	Bell Choir	Balcony
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7pm	Festival Choir	•
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Friday, March 11		
8am	Alarm Testing	Both Buildings
	Bethany Walking Group	
	Food Pantry Serving	
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Sunday, March 13	D	
	Blood Drive	
	Worship	
	Coffee Hour	
10:30am	Sunday School	Ministry Center, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor