

ERM NEWS

OCTOBER 2019

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Office Hours:

Monday-Tuesday-Wednesday afternoons 12:30-4:30pm
Fridays 8am-2pm

Sunday Morning Worship Times:

Bethany 9am First 10:45am

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE 15th OF THE MONTH

(Please contact Merigene with events planned)

PASTOR NANCY

Will be on VACATION

October 23rd through November 5th

Please call the church office in case of emergency

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

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September 15, 2019 Bethany Lutheran Church
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effective December 31, 2019.

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as it becomes available.

PASTORAL VISITATIONS

We would like to keep in touch with those in the hospital or home bound. If you would like the pastor to visit, please contact her or the church office. We appreciate knowing when members are **in the hospital**, and would appreciate knowing when members are **released from hospitals**.

PASTOR CONTACT INFORMATION:

Your help and cooperation is needed in helping Pr Nancy to respond to phone calls and messages.

It is best to contact

Pastor Nancy Jaster at (309) 334-2322
prnancy@divcominc.net

ERM/Bethany Office Hours

Merigene will be in the office:

Mon-Tues-Wed afternoons 12:30p-4:30p

Fridays 8:00a-2:00p

ERM/Bethany Phone: 309-334-2144

ERM email: edrivmin@gmail.com

Staff Meeting Monday @ 1:30p at Bethany
Pastor Nancy takes Fridays as her Day Off

The website is available at:

www.edwardsriverministry.org

ERM Sister/Companion Church

Emmaus Church

Rev. D. Jayakaran

40 Main Road, Nellikuppam

607 105 Cuddalore District, Tamil Nadus, India

Email: rev_jayakaran@yahoo.com

Foot Clinic

United Church, Woodhull

Thursday, **October 17th**

1:00-4:00pm

Appointments may be made with
Bev @ 334-2412 or Lynn @ 334-2672
The nurses do foot soaks and toenail clipping.
The cost is \$32.00 and you need to bring
2 bath towels and one wash cloth.



ERM Churches Sunday Schedules

Bethany:

Worship: 9am

Coffee Fellowship: 10am

Sunday School: 1st & 3rd Sundays 10:15-11:15am

First:

Adult Bible Study: 10am

Worship: 10:45a



AlWood Food Pantry

**Open the 1st Tuesday of the month
10-11am**

The Food Pantry is located in the Oxford Township Hall in Alpha next to the Oxford Township Fire Dept.

Contact Barb Fors @309-334-2754
Al Nordquist @ 334-2264

Bethany has been asked to donate SHAMPOO

BIRTHDAY BAGS for ALWOOD FOOD PANTRY

Hannah Maher is organizing a service project to provide birthday bags for patrons of the AlWood Food Pantry. Each bag will include the following: cake mix, container of frosting, package of birthday candles, package of balloons, birthday card (please no gender or age specific cards) cupcake baking cups. Monetary donations are welcome! For more information or to donate, please contact Hannah at (309)334-2283 or maherh@alwood.net

Sherrard Food Pantry

517 3rd St. Sherrard, IL

Hours of Operation:

Every Tuesday 1pm- 3pm

Every Thursday 5:30-7pm

New Windsor Food Pantry

Open the 2nd Friday of each month

12:30pm - 2:00pm

Please contact:

Cyndi Adams @ 667-2493

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

BETHANY

Lectors:	10/6 10/13 10/20 10/27 11/3	Jeana Fors Randy Larson Barb Fors Marvin Watters Verna Bergstrom
Greeters	10/6 10/13 10/20 10/27 11/3	Rich & Janice Maher Randy & Jan Larson Barb Fors Marvin & Ann Watters Barb McNeil
Ushers	10/6 10/13 10/20 10/27 11/3	Jim & Kelly Luallen Gene B. & Gary Johnson Ryan & Dennis Colburn Jason & Megan H. Bob & Verna Bergstrom
Prayers	10/6 10/13 10/20 10/27 11/3	Kelly Luallen Randy Larson NONE Marvin Watters Verna Bergstrom
Acolytes	10/6 10/13 10/20 10/27	Duncan Adamson Reese Tschappat Gavin VerHeecke Kiersten Hancock
Communion Assistants	10/6 10/20 10/27 11/3	Jeana Fors Marvin Watters Denise Eiker Reformation Jim Luallen
Sunday School People in Charge		Shannon & Jodi – Oct. Candy T. – Nov. Megan H. – Dec.
Rotation of Callers		Oct Lucy N. Nov Kelly L. Dec Kelly L.
Funeral Comm. Oct-Nov-Dec		Betty Swanson 309-334-2692 Marcia Colton 309-334-2160 Jean Rehn 630-687-8431



IN OUR PRAYERS

For all those who serve our nation in this time of peril,

for our President and our national leaders, and those who serve in the Armed Forces:

- Alex Frew (FS)**
- Brad Williams (FS)**
- Kyle Gerber (FS)**
- Ethan Adolphson (FS)**
- Jason Brown (BW)**

that God may watch over us all and lead us, through this time into a time of peace.



Those with continuing health problems:

Leland Peterson	Deed Nehls
Karen Adamson	Donald Connell
Logan Stiers	Gabriella Pier
Jerre Bubon	Derek Willett
John Molburg	Chuck & Connie Lawson
Pr. Jane McChesney	Kameron Brown
Alice Reed	Gwen Blais
Norma Stromquist	Mike Clark
Becki Norton	Carol St. John
Shirley Child	Chelsea Atnip
John Schmidt	Karen Adolphson
Mike Adolphson	Jan Arrington
Lisa Ford	Lori Brodt
David McCollough	Dorothy Anderson
Darwin Swanson	Jack Anderson
Brian Shearer	Carolyn White
Larry White	Jill Petrie

Southwest Conference Mission Partner:

The ELCA World Hunger Foods Resource Bank: Chota Project in Peru

ERM Sister Congregation: Emmaus Church, India

Our Faith Fellowship:

The churches and members of the ERM

Liz Dierolf (FS)	01
Gladys Olson (BW)	03
Kristen Wirt (BW)	03
Angie Litton (BW)	04
Zoe Price (GO)	04
Erik Colburn (BW)	05
Jonathan Johnson (BW)	05
Brooklyn McNeil (BW)	06
Jackson Morland (BW)	07
McKenna Arnold (GO)	08
Virgil Spivey (BW)	10
Melissa Papini (BW)	11
Michael Whitcomb (BW)	14
Mark Swanson (BW)	15
Ryan Colburn (BW)	15
Rhea Johnson (GO)	15
Diane Frew (FS)	16
Brianna McNeil (BW)	17
Mary Olson (GO)	18
Hannah Maher (BW)	19
Hilary Fairbrother (BW)	20
Barb Schmidt (FS)	22
Skye Corken (FS)	23
Emelia Strader (FS)	24
Colleen Carlson (BW)	24
Greg Miller (GO)	24
Derek VerHeecke (BW)	25
Emily Morland (BW)	26
Jaeleen Mooney (BW)	26
Art Brahmstedt (GO)	27
Noel Cain (BW)	29
Derek Peterson (BW)	29
Patricia Shumaker (BW)	29
Pamela Maher (BW)	29
Kathy Carlson (BW)	30
Gabriel Price (GO)	30
Kara Lindquist (BW)	331

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Jeff & Julie Bell (BW)	05
Bruce & Shelli Williams (FS)	06
Clay & Tracey Anderson (FS)	09
Michael & Michaelene Brown (BW)	10
Jamie & Nicole West (BW)	11
Dr. James & Dr. Rubie Watson(GO)	11
Darrell & Sarah Souhrada (FS)	12
Dallas & Brenda Peterson (BW)	15
Derek & Kristi VerHeecke (BW)	19
Nick & Candy Tschappat (BW)	22
Timothy & Jessica Trout (BW)	23
Rick & Priscilla Child (FS)	23
Warren & Debbie Birely (FS)	27

FIRST:

Adult Bible Study @ 10am
Children's Sunday School @ 10am
FS Council Meeting: Oct. 7th @ 7pm

The first Sunday of the month is
Designated Food Pantry Sunday.

All loose offering goes to the Sherrard Food Pantry.
Food, cleaning supplies & paper products can be
brought all month long.
Thanks to all who participate.

GRACE:

GO Council Meeting: Oct. 8th @ 7pm @ FS

Baptismal Anniversaries

Richard Peterson	01
Clayton Peterson	05
Larry McKinley	19

BETHANY:

BW Council Meeting: Oct. 17th @ 8pm
Quilting: Tuesday Mornings 9am-12pm
HOPE UNIT: Oct. 17th 9am Hostess : Jean Rehn

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SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS!

Sunday School will be held on the **first and third
Sundays of the month beginning in October** from
10:15-11:15am. If your kids have friends they would
like to invite or know or know other children who
would enjoy coming to Sunday School, please invite
them.

FOUNDER'S DAY POTLUCK

Bethany will be holding Founder's Day Potluck on
Sunday, October 13th to celebrate our 151st
anniversary after the service. There is a sign-up
sheet on the table outside the kitchen. Please sign
up and join us as we celebrate our Bethany history.

STEWARDSHIP DRIVE

Oct. 6th continuing through Nov. 10th
More details to come

Birth...

Congratulations to Dain & Meggy Luallen on the
birth of their son, Logan Derek Luallen born Sept. 3,
2019. Proud grandparents are Jim & Kelly Luallen
and Great Grandpa Virgil Spivey.

Birth...

Congratulations to Todd & Mallory Swanson on the
birth of their daughter, Brooklyn Kate, born
August 31, 2019. She was 8lbs. 1 oz. and was 18
inches long. She is welcomed by big brother Reese
and big sister Emmy. Grandparents are Doug &
Nancy Swanson.

The list of donors for our LWR Mosquito Nets are
posted on our website in the October newsletter.

2019 Grandparent's Day Mosquito Nets



Lutheran World Relief

IN MEMORY OF...

Lloyd Carlson and Kathy Carlson Heschke
Given by Joanne Carlson

Willard & Mary Lindbom
Arthur & Grace Watters
Given by Marvin & Ann Watters

Our grandparents
Given by Jim & Lucille Bergstrom

Milton & Ruth Johnson
Given by Gayle & Donna Johnson

Hilding, Merlin & Gary Johnson
Given by Phyllis Johnson

Vernon Henrikson
Given by Betty Henrikson

Our grandparents
By George & Patty Olson

Cecil Fors, McKinley Eshelman, Luther Fors
Given by Barbara & Jeana Fors

Eldon Newman
Given by Lucy & Jeff Newman

Kenneth Anderson and Gayle Brown
Given by Gene & Shirley Brown

IN MEMORY OF...

Edwin & Dora Peterson
Given by Barb McNeil

Alma Vanstrom
Given by Barb McNeil

George & Minnie Larson
Given by Barb McNeil

Herb & Fran Peterson
Given by Barb McNeil

Vern & Pauline McNeil
Given by Barb McNeil

Dick & Betty Miller
Given by Greg & Rhonda Miller

Forrest & Audrey McKey
Given by Greg & Rhonda Miller

Wayne Creek, Walter C. Peterson, Jerry Creek
Given by Donita Creek

Logan & Ruth Stiers
Given by Logan & Mary Stiers

Our grandparents
Given by Randy & Jan Larson

Loved Ones
Given by & Harriet Peterson

Our grandparents
Given by George & Patrice Wirt

IN HONOR OF...

Our grandchildren
Given by Jim & Lucille Bergstrom

Gene Brown
Given by Shirley Brown

Bob & Pam Eiker
Given by Jason, Megan, Kiersten & Zack Hancock

