

Prayer Care

For care visits, or if you or someone you know should be included in our prayers including, births, deaths, and military service, contact the church office. You may also submit a prayer request through the "Prayer and Care" tile on the Bethany Elkhorn mobile app, or visit the Prayer Room and pick up a prayer card.

- Ron Parsonage, Jan Schellen, Zach Peterson, Pastor Larry Arganbright, Brad Hahn, Barb Frye
- Baptized: Owen Paul Hoge, son of Bryan and Molly Hoge; Cora Jean Kiscoan, daughter of Katie and Jeremy Kiscoan
- Congratulations to Tyson and Ashley Carlson on the birth of their son Braxton Phillip Carlson born October 20
- Congratulations to Jessica Gamm and David Brooks who were united in marriage
- Congratulations to Kiley Maddux and Taylor Weisbeck who were united in marriage
- Sympathy to Nancy and Harlan Custard and family, Terri and Lorna Witt and family, Patti Bull and Brittney on the passing of their nephew and cousin Joey Glover

Flowers today are in honor of all Veterans

Bethany Basics Begins Today

If you are interested in becoming a member of Bethany, we offer a three part, pastor led conversation called Bethany Basics beginning today at 11:30AM. Stop by the office to learn more.

Men's Madness at the Mark

November 14 | 7:30-9PM

Light eats, drinks, and encouragement for men. Join us at The Mark for each stand-alone session.

Forever Young November 16

11:30AM in the fellowship hall

Turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, and dressing provided. Please bring a side or dessert to share. Please RSVP to the church office by November 13.

Dance Workshop in Partnership with Bethany's Care & Wellness Ministry

Free Dance Workshop by Country Kickers America Sunday, November 19 | 11:30AM - 2:30PM at Bethany. This workshop is open to all ages and skill levels and will include couples and line dancing.

This Week at Bethany

Sunday, November 12

- 8:00, 9:15, 10:30 AM Worship
- 9:15, 10:30AM Sunday School
- 9:15 AM Confirmation
- 11:30 AM Bethany Basics Lunch / fellowship hall
- 12:30 PM Bethany Basics Session 1
- 6:00 PM Youth Night
- 6:30 PM Children's Christmas Program Rehearsal

Monday, November 13

- 9:15 AM Tai Chi/ fellowship hall

Tuesday, November 14

- 7:00 PM Christmas Choir Rehearsal / Chapel
- 8:30 PM Men's Basketball / activity center

Wednesday, November 15

- 9:15 AM Tai Chi / fellowship hall
- 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study / quiet room
- 5:30 PM Oasis Community Meal / activity center
- 6:30 PM Oasis Worship / worship center
- 7:00 PM Oasis Kids, Adult Classes, Confirmation, High School Small Groups
- 7:00 PM Bethany Basics Session 2 / mission center

Thursday, November 16

- 8:30 PM Men's Basketball / activity center
- 11:30 AM Forever Young / fellowship hall
- 6:30 PM Listening Forum / fellowship hall

Friday, November 17

- 6:30 AM Men of Bethany Bible Study / gathering place
- 7:30 PM AA (open) / room 302

Saturday, November 18

- 7:30 AM AA (open) / conference room
- 10:00 AM Care for the Caregiver / fellowship hall

Worship Attendance

Oasis November 1	155
Sunday, October 22	<u>1,009</u>
	1,164

Contributions

83% { ANNUAL BUDGET RECEIVED as of Nov 5

\$257, 162 Needed yet to meet 2017 Budget

November BUDGET RECEIVED as of the 5th } **27%**



Bethany Lutheran Church | bethanyelkhorn.org | November 12, 2017

Jon Bustard, Lead Pastor
Larry Arganbright, Pastor Emeritus
Lee Griess, Visitation Pastor
Claire Meyer, Deacon

Office

8:30-4:30 Mon-Fri, 8:30-11:45 Sun
402.289.4440

Today in Worship

Diversify | Does It Matter?
Acts 2:22-28

Next Sunday

Diversify | Not Feeling It
1 Timothy 6:17-19



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Welcome to Bethany!

We're glad you are worshiping with us today! We hope you feel at home and enjoy your time with us.

New here? Whether you have been here many times or never been to church before, you can anticipate an encouraging experience. We'd love to get to know you. Please sign the welcome folder in the pew or stop by the welcome center.

What about children? Children are always welcome in worship. Child-friendly backpacks are available in both lobbies.

- A Quiet Room is available off the east entrance if you need a private space or to quiet your child.
- The Nursery, located just off the east lobby, is open from 9:00-11:45AM every Sunday for infants to 36 months. Please enter the nursery door near the preschool wing to check in.
- Sunday School at 9:15 and 10:30AM. Check-in stations are in the west lobby.

Want to connect with other people at Bethany? Small Groups are at the heart of Bethany's ministries. Our hope is that everyone who attends our church will find community in small groups. Learn more and find a small group at bethanyelkhorn.org/smallgroups.

Stay connected online. Visit our website to learn about our ministries, revisit messages, or make a financial gift. Download the Bethany Elkhorn mobile app from the app or play store. Or find us on social media for updates on what's happening at the church.

Welcome to Worship

9:15 and 10:30AM Worship

Gathering Song: Brother

Call to Worship, Family News, Greeting

Worship Song: *What a Beautiful Name*

Affirmation of Faith

Baptism: Owen Paul Hoge, son of Bryan and Molly Hoge

Scripture Reading: Acts 2:22-28

Children's Message

Worship Song: *Jesus Loves Me*

Message: *Does It Matter?*
--Pastor Jon Bustard

Offering: *I Will Offer Up My Life*

Text any AMOUNT to 402-289-8718 to give electronically from your mobile device.

Confession

Communion

Prayers and the Lord's Prayer, Blessing

Sending Song: *America the Beautiful*



Thanksgiving Eve Worship and Pie Fellowship November 22

Please come and worship with us in praise and gratitude on Wednesday, November 22 at 7:00PM for our Thanksgiving Eve worship. Then, plan to stay following worship for fellowship and pie!

Please contact Julie Urosevich at ext. 207 if you can bring a pie, help with worship hospitality, or serve pie.



Love All Serve All Mission Ministry News

For more of Bethany's Missions visit bethanyelkhorn.org/missions

●Habitat for Humanity Waterloo Home Dedication – Sunday, December 10

Join us to help dedicate the 2017 Waterloo home to Jessica and her daughters on Sunday, December 10, at 1:00PM. The dedication will take place at Jessica's home located at 23507 Denton St. in Waterloo. This is a great way to celebrate our family partner and volunteers as well as see the finished home after many months of hard work. Everyone is invited!

●Habitat for Humanity Dominican Republic Mission Trip

Bethany will be sending a team to the Dominican Republic through Habitat for Humanity on May 19-27, 2018. The cost for the trip is \$1050 for Thrivent members and \$1400 for non-members plus airfare. The cost includes lodging, food, cultural experiences, transportation, etc. Amy Weidner, Bethany's Thrivent Financial Representative, will be leading this trip. She will be hosting an informational meeting on Nov. 19 at 9:15AM and 10:30AM in the conference room. Contact Devanee at devanee.ael@bethanyelkhorn.org for more information.

●COPE Adopt-A-Family for Christmas - TODAY and November 19

Help COPE (Christian Outreach Program of Elkhorn) spread Christmas cheer to local families by participating in the Adopt-A-Family for Christmas program. COPE will have table with families you can adopt TODAY and next Sunday, November 19, in the west lobby. Also, save the date for COPE's Annual Adopt-A-Family Christmas Party on December 9, from 1 - 3PM at Peace Presbyterian. Contact Steve at steven.christensen@cox.net or 402.680.5355 to help.

●More Ways to Spread the Love of Christ this Christmas

Celebrate the birth of Christ this Christmas by showing His love to those in need. In addition to the COPE Adopt-A-Family this week and next week, we will also have the Abide Lights of Hope Gift Card Christmas Tree in the east lobby on November 19 and 26, and Food 4 Kids collections on December 10 and 17. Watch for more details soon.

Listening Forum This Thursday Evening at Bethany

Join us for a Listening Forum Thursday, November 16 | 6:30-8:30PM. This conversation will be hosted by council with the purpose of updating and receiving feedback from you on some preliminary long range plans. Topics will include different scenarios for additional space, options for resourcing new ministry plans, and recent decisions as they relate to Pastoral leadership. Join your voice with other church leaders as we discern God's call for Bethany. Please RSVP to kymberly.englund@bethanyelkhorn.org.

Please Submit Your Commitment Card

In 2016 over 1,100 people and families made financial contributions to Bethany's mission and ministry (thank you!) but only 453 submitted commitment cards. We believe that by the end of November more than 600 families and individuals could commit to Bethany for 2018. Will you consider joining us in unifying our budget to better fulfill our mission? Please fill out the enclosed Plan for Giving card and return it to Bethany during November. You can also complete the form at bethanyelkhorn.org/give, or use the 2018 Plan for Giving tile on our Bethany Elkhorn mobile app.



Care for the Caregiver Saturday, November 18

Do you or someone you know regularly look after or care for a loved one who is sick, disabled or elderly? November is National Caregivers Month and Bethany's Care & Wellness Ministry would like to express our gratitude to the caregivers in our community by inviting them to a time of fellowship, rest, and encouragement.

The event is FREE and will include chair massages, refreshments, a presentation by a professional from Omaha Integrative Care, delicious lunch and much more! Please

RSVP to Kymberly at ext. 200 or kymberly.englund@bethanyelkhorn.org by November 14. If you know someone who is a caregiver please let Kymberly know and we'll send them a personal invitation to the event. *Resources and services may be available if you need assistance in caring for your loved one while attending this event. Please reach out to Kymberly for more information.*

Staff Updates

Please join us in thanking Julie Urosevich for her dedication and years of service as Bethany's Hospitality Coordinator. Julie will be retiring at the end of this year. Please greet Julie as you see her in the hallways over the next few weeks. If you'd like to send her a personal note, you may drop it off in the office.

Please also join us in thanking Megan Levasseur for her service to Bethany as the Preschool Ministry Coordinator. Megan joined the staff this fall and is moving out of state to care for a family member. We also are grateful for Joanna Murnan's service as the Nursery and New Life Ministry Coordinator. Joanna will begin teaching at Bethany Christian Preschool in January.

Open Staff Positions - Visit bethanyelkhorn.org/jobs to view the full job descriptions.

Hospitality Coordinator: This is a 20 hour/week position responsible for coordinating, recruiting and equipping Worship Hospitality Teams, Altar Ministry Teams, Special Event Hospitality Team and Oasis Meal Ministry Team.

Nursery / New Life Ministry Coordinator: This is a part-time position responsible for overseeing event child-care (Sunday and Wednesday worship and special events), new life ministries, curriculum development and classroom planning for infant and toddler age education.

Preschool Ministry Coordinator: This is a part-time position to support the Faith Formation programs specifically for Preschool aged children at Bethany.