



All are welcome to Katie Walker's Bridal Shower that will be held here at Bethany in the basement on May 26th. The Shower will start at 2 and go until 4 pm. They are requesting that when you come, to please bring a favorite recipe to share with Katie. If you have any questions, please contact Carol Walker at 712-852-3622.

Remember to put June 17th on your calendar for the
"Day of Fun, Food and Fellowship"

at Centennial Park in Ruthven for the Lost Island and Bethany Churches.

There will be volleyball, swimming, bag toss and other fun activities for all ages.

Just remember to bring something for the Potluck—Dan and Sarah are providing the meat and Pastor is bringing the grill. If you have some other ideas of things to do, please do not hesitate to contact either Sarah at 920-229-5929 or Diane at the Office at 712-852-4450.



Bethany Lutheran Church
703 Broadway- Emmetsburg, IA
Worship 10:30 AM
Sunday School 9:30 AM (Last Day)

Lost Island Lutheran Church
3797-310th St. - Ruthven, IA
Worship 8:45 AM
Sunday School 10:15 AM

Pastor F. Peter Morlock & Vicar Sarah Schilcher

We welcome you to worship today

May 13, 2018

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The gospel for Easter's seventh Sunday is always taken from the long prayer Jesus prays for his followers in John's gospel on the night before his death, and always includes Jesus' desire that his followers will be one as he and the Father are one. This oneness is not mere doctrinal agreement or institutional unity, but mutual abiding, interpenetrating life, mutual love and joy. This oneness is the work of the Spirit whom we have received but also await. Come, Holy Spirit!

ORGAN PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS/ SIGNING OF FRIENDSHIP SHEETS

We invite everyone to please sign the attendance sheets in the black notebook located at the end of pew. If you are a member, take a minute to notice people you don't know and welcome them to worship. If you are a visitor, we would like to get to know you better, please include your address and phone number. We welcome you to come again.

* Blessing of Ingham -Okoboji Camp Auction Quilts*

SERVICE FROM EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN WORSHIP-SETTING 10

*Please stand as you are able

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:

L: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

L: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

L: Most merciful God,
we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.
We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

A Mother's Prayer

Dear Lord,

It's such a hectic day,
with little time to stop and pray.
For life's been anything but calm,
since You called me to be a mom -
Running errands, matching socks,
Building dreams with stacking blocks.
Cooking, cleaning and finding shoes,
and other things that children lose.
Fitting lids on bottled bugs,
wiping tears and giving hugs.
A stack of last week's mail to read -
where's the quiet time I need?
Yet, when I steal a moment, Lord,
at the sink or ironing board,
to ask the blessing of Your grace,
I see then, in my little one's face,
that you have blessed me all the while.
And I stoop to kiss that precious smile.

~Unknown



IN OUR PRAYERS: We remember those in special need of God's love and care including: Kenny Stoullil (brother-in-law to Troy Leininger), Vicki Ellis, Orville Stephas, Woodie Haynes, Fiona Millican, Janis Campbell, Marilyn Eglund, Debra Zafes, Curt Ackerman, Kort Freeman, Fern Schmidt, Heide Rienhardt, Margaret Sloan, Garwin Anderson, Lois Quam, Jim and Bonnie Anderson, Karyn Davis, Rod Snavely, Nancy Zeigler, Bob & Janet Mortensen, Lucille Anderson, Norma Larson, Richard Omundson and those we name in our hearts.

*Our missionary: Courtney Davis in Papua New Guinea

*Our companion synods: The Southern Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania-Yakobi Parish, companion with Lost Island and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Chile.

Congratulations to these Lost Island Seniors:

Madison Norris and Anna Sorenson,

Who are graduating from the
Graettinger-Terril School District today!

Best Wishes to you both
from your Church Family.



Bethany's Senior Graduates were recognized
this morning prior to Worship Services at 10 am.

They will graduate next Sunday, May 20th.

Best Wishes to you from your Church Family.

Our high school graduates this year are:

Phoenix Campbell Maggie Jackson

Thomas Crocoll Hannah Malm

Flavio Panci



For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, re-new us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

L: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. Amen.

***GATHERING HYMN:** LBW #364, *"Son of God, Eternal Savior"*

***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:** sung to tune of *Lord Jesus, Think on Me*



1 Have mer-cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol- emn prayer.
2 Have mer-cy on us, Christ, and wash a- way our sin.
3 Have mer-cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de- part.

We come to hear your liv- ing word; it saves us from de- spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be- gin.
Re- new us with your sav- ing pow'r; cre- ate in us new hearts!

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*CANTICLE OF PRAISE: sung to tune of *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
 3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
 Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
 Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
 on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
 Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
 Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
 For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

*PRAYER OF THE DAY: Let us pray together

Gracious and glorious God, you have chosen us as your own, and by the powerful name of Christ you protect us from evil. By your Spirit transform us and your beloved world, that we may find our joy in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

- VOLUNTEER CHOIR: LBW #369, "The Church's One Foundation"

*FIRST READING: ACTS 1:15-17, 21-26

In the days between Jesus' ascension and Pentecost, Peter oversees the process whereby one of the members of the community of believers is chosen to be the twelfth apostle, in order to fill the vacancy created by Judas's treachery and death.

TODAY, May 13

BETHANY

NEXT SUNDAY, May 20

Organist: Tim Nielsen
 Ushers: Mark Evans, *Dennis Mandsager, Ryan Veldboom, *Don Nauss
 Emma & Mason Foxhoven Willard & Riley Schmeling
 Altar Guild for May: Elaine Sidles
 Lector: Phoenix Campbell Deb Quamme
 Greeters: Dale & Marian Evans Steve & Becky Finer
 *Amanda Murray Family *Maxine Lashbrook
 Communion Asst: Kim Campbell, Angie Hetrick, Pat Vician
 Acolytes: Luke Carter & Riley Schmeling Brady Cook & Bryce Cook

LOST ISLAND

Organist: Tim Nielsen
 Altar Guild for May: Punky Kropf, Alaire Nielsen
 Reader: Alaire Nielsen Kyle Norris
 Communion Asst: Kaden Norris
 Acolytes: Miriam Hackbart-Morlock

OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, May 13 3:30 pm Lakeside Vespers
Tuesday, May 15 7:00 pm Council Meets
Wednesday, May 16 12 noon Men's Bible Study, lunch
 1:30-3 pm SACK (grades 2-5)
 5:30 pm Adult Bible Study
 6-7 pm Confirmation (rescheduled)
 7:00 pm COOL Group
 8-9:30 pm LIFE (grade 6-12)
Thursday, May 17 2:00 pm Ruth Circle Meets at Church
Sunday, May 20 8:45 am Lost Island Worship, Holy Communion
 10:15 am Lost Island Sunday School
 10:30 am Bethany Worship, Holy Communion

***THE APOSTLES' CREED:** LBW pg. 65

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

***THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**-respond with "hear our prayer"

***SHARING OF THE PEACE**

Please be seated while the offering is received

***OFFERING/OFFERTORY:** WOV #759, "Accept, O Lord, The Gifts We Bring"

Noisy offering goes to "Gateway Greening" in St. Louis, MO

Special Music—Kim Campbell signing "Friends" by Michael W. Smith

***OFFERTORY PRAYER:** LBW Pg. 67 Merciful Father,
**we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us-ourselves,
our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them
for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

***THE LORD'S PRAYER AND BENEDICTION**

***SENDING HYMN:** WOV#801, "Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise

***DISMISSAL:** P: Go in peace to love & serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

ORGAN POSTLUDE

The Noisy Offering today will go to the Gateway Greening in St. Louis. This will be one of the stops the kids that are going on the Mission Trip will take part in when they travel to St. Louis in June of this year.

***FIRST READING: ACTS 1:15-17, 21-26 (cont'd.)**

¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said ¹⁶"Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus—¹⁷for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry."

²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." ²³So they proposed two, Joseph called Barabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

***PSALM: 1 Please read responsively**

The LORD knows the way of the righteous. (Ps. 1:6)

¹Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

²**Their delight is in the law of the LORD, and they meditate on God's teaching day and night.**

³They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; everything they do shall prosper.

⁴**It is not so with the wicked; they are like chaff which the wind blows away.**

⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

⁶**For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.**

***SECOND READING: 1 JOHN 5:9-13**

God has borne witness to the gift of eternal life in Jesus Christ. Whoever believes in the Son of God believes in the witness of God and has the promise of eternal life.

***SECOND READING: 1 JOHN 5:9-13 (Cont'd.)**

⁹If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. ¹⁰Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. ¹¹And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹²Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. ¹³I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life

Here ends the reading. Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** sung to *Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty*



***GOSPEL ANNOUNCED and RESPONSE: Glory to you, O Lord.** (Spoken)

***GOSPEL: JOHN 17:6-19**

In this reading the church hears Jesus' words on the night before his death. This gospel reports the words of Jesus' prayer, a prayer for his disciples and for all who would believe in him through their words.

***GOSPEL: JOHN 17:6-19 (Cont'd.)**

[Jesus prayed:] ⁶"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; ⁸for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. ¹¹And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. ¹²While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. ¹⁴I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁵I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. ¹⁶They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁷Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth."

CONCLUSION OF THE GOSPEL: Praise to you, O Christ. (Spoken)

***CHILDRENS MESSAGE—Sunday School Recognition**

***SERMON**

***HYMN OF THE DAY: LBW #158, "Alleluia? Sing to Jesus"**