

## WORSHIP BULLETIN – TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2018 – 8:30 & 11:00 AM

*Please take this bulletin home with you... as a reference for this week's calendar of events,  
a reminder of Bethany family and friends to keep in your prayers and other useful information.*

Prelude: <i>"He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"</i> <i>"10,000 Reasons"</i> - Matt Redman	(K-4 Weeknight Music 8:30) (Uke Club 11:00)
Temple Talk: <i>Lutheran Lakeside Camp</i>	Amanda Adam, Cross Gen Faith Formation
Gathering Hymn: Setting 8 Kyrie	pp. 184-185
New Member Installation	
First Reading	2 Kings 2:1-12
Second Reading	2 Corinthians 4:3-6
Gospel	Mark 9:2-9
Sermon	Pastor Jennifer Henry
Hymn of the Day: <i>"Canticle of the Turning"</i>	ELW 723
Offering: <i>"Transfiguration"</i> - Hillsong	
Communion Hymn: <i>"10,000 Reasons"</i>	(8:30)
Sending Hymn: <i>"Shine Jesus Shine"</i>	ELW 671
Postlude: <i>"Shine Jesus Shine"</i>	Reprise

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### WORSHIP NOTES

Welcome to worship at Bethany Lutheran Church! It is our hope that you experience the love of Christ this morning and His presence during our worship service. If you are visiting today, please sign the guest book in the narthex. Everyone please sign the Fellowship Pad in your pew. These can help you get to know the others in your pew. The pads also have a space for our record of communion. Please be sure to mark this if you partake in Holy Communion. Please be sure to include this information. Thank you for filling out the Fellowship Pad!

Large print bulletins and assistive listening devices are available. If you would like either of these, please ask an usher.

Transfiguration Sunday (the Sunday before Ash Wednesday) is a celebration of the mystery of Christ, as Jesus' divinity is revealed on the Mount of Transfiguration. The liturgical color for Transfiguration Sunday is white. White symbolizes purity, holiness, respect and reverence.

A special welcome and thank you to Amanda Adam from Lakeside Lutheran Bible Camp.

At services today, we receive new members. A special welcome to these individuals joining Bethany: Elissa Barrick & Quinn and Mary Rose Hemme. Joyfully we embrace our new sisters in Christ and look forward to growing together in faith and in service to others.

Today's altar flowers are given by Rev. John Syvertson in memory of his father Don Syvertson, and Magnus, Jakob and Sven Jøndahl.

Many thanks to our worship volunteers helping with services today:

**8:30:** Greeter: Ellen Sorenson; Reader: LaVonne Kramer; Acolyte: Mallory Graves;  
Communion servers: Mary Marske, Sheryl Thu, Twila Henning; Ushers: Gary Koenig, Doug & Pam Bjorklund, Donna Jones; Recorder: Bill Hemme; Projector: Matt Kuehler;  
**11:00:** Greeter: Gary & Kathie Halverson; Reader & Communion server: Teresa Martindale;  
Projector: Matt Kuehler;

### PRAYER CONCERNS

Health Concerns: Mary Grover, Ben Heien, Jamie Huber, Linda Kunzmann, Sandy Manwarren, Mike Palm, Sally Peterson; Darla Larsen (*Doug Bjorklund's sister*); Gary Lundquist (*Mary Fiedler's father*); Gladys Wilcox (*Sherrie Green's mother*); Barbara Wood (*Betty Lee's sister*); Elsie Anderson (*Val Van Ampting, Laurie Conlon & Mary Ann Quail's mother*); Those who mourn: The family of Bill McCune; Other Concerns: People who advocate for those who have no voice, such as the hungry; Pastor Brian Jack installed as Associate Pastor at First Lutheran Church, Milford on 2/4;

### ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

**ACTIVITIES BETWEEN SERVICES** All are welcome to enjoy fellowship with refreshments in the church parlor between services. Sunday school is in session. Children age 3 years--grade 8 are encouraged to attend. Preschooler ages 3-4 years old gather in their room upstairs (Room 9). Kinder-kids through grade 6 gather in the Dining Room downstairs. Grades 7-8 meet in their room on the lower level.

**MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE** Our food drive for Upper Des Moines Outreach Food Pantry spans the second full week of each month. You are encouraged to bring donations to Bethany anytime during this week and leave them in the collection baskets at the Welcome Center. We will deliver them to the UDMO Pantry. Boxed foods such as macaroni and cheese, 'Hamburger Helper', and boxed potatoes (like potato flakes, mashed potatoes, au gratin, etc.) are especially needed at this time. Thank you for your support of this mission!

**ASH WEDNESDAY** Join us for worship at Bethany, Wednesday, February 14, 7:00pm. Ash Wednesday is the Wednesday of the seventh week before Easter and the first day of Lent. The day is named for the practice of imposing ashes on foreheads. Using ashes as a sign of repentance is an ancient practice, often mentioned in the Bible (e.g., Jonah 3:5-9; Job 42:6; Jeremiah 6:26; Matthew 11:21). While marked with the ashes of human mortality, the church hears God's promise of forgiveness and tastes God's mercy in the bread of life and the cup of salvation.

**COMMUNITY LENTEN SERVICES** will be held at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with lunch serving beginning at 11:30 AM (\$4.00); worship from 12:20-12:50 from Feb 14 through March 28. Because it is as significant WHERE we pray as for WHAT we pray, the theme “JESUS PRAYS: Drawing Hope from the Prayer Life of Jesus” draws on moments in the life of Jesus to inspire our own faith lives.

**PICKUP CHOIR SUNDAY, FEB. 18** During the season of Lent in 2014, Stephen composed a new unison anthem and text for Bethany’s choir called “Seek and You Shall Find” and it was premiered in worship accompanied by organ and brass, although it was originally conceived for piano. The melody is simple, and the range doesn’t go too high. The text, intended as a kind of Lenten meditation, is about asking difficult questions of our faith and searching for meaning in a world that can sometimes seem chaotic and devoid of meaning. This simple anthem will sound best with a large choir! Even if you’ve never sung in choir before, this is a great opportunity to try something new and test your own limitations. Be brave! Come sing with us next week. We’ll meet in the choir room in the basement at 8:00 a.m.

**BETHANY’S MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES** will be held Wednesday evenings beginning at 7:00pm beginning February 21. We will use the Holden Evening Prayer service. One or more witnesses will present their stories that are linked to God’s stories. An evening meal will be served beginning at 6:00pm in the dining room. The Women of Bethany will be serving maidrites on February 21. If you or your group is interested in serving, sign up at the Welcome Center.

**MILESTONE MINISTRIES** On February 25 at the 8:30am worship service our second grade students will mark a faith milestone as they receive their first Small Catechism! The celebration continues with a special class in during the Sunday school hour as they get to know more about the catechism. Second Grade Families: if you are unable to be here that Sunday, please contact Katie at the church office.

**LOVING SPENCER FEBRUARY** project is to “spread the love” – share acts of kindness and love throughout the community. Spreading love and kindness doesn’t have to be something big. Even small gestures make a great difference in peoples’ lives and you may never know how that might light-up their day. Let the February kindness explosion begin!

**LET'S STRIKE UP SOME FUN!** Bowling lanes have been reserved at Liberty Lanes in Spencer for Bethany Lutheran Church on Sunday, February 18 from 2-4 pm. Cost is \$5 per person for two games. This will be a fun afternoon of fellowship, laughter and bowling! Everyone is welcome! Liberty Lanes is located at the Gateway North Shopping Center, 1900 Grand Avenue. If you have any questions, please contact Jamie Blume (jruskblume@yahoo.com; 262-6630) or Tasha Rutter ([natasharutter82@gmail.com](mailto:natasharutter82@gmail.com)).

**SOUND BOOTH CREW** Please consider joining the tech team. Projector operators, camera/video recorders and sound people are needed for our worship services. These are step-by-step processes that you can learn and we are willing to train. If you would like to be a part of the “tech team” please sign up at the Welcome Center. You will be contacted with information about some upcoming training sessions. Thanks!

**SKY ZONE EVENT** Hey Junior High Students (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade)! It's that time of year again: let's take a trip to Sky Zone! On February 19, we'll be heading to Sky Zone in Sioux Falls for the day. Plan to meet at Bethany in the church parking lot at 10:00 AM, and we'll be back by 5 PM. Students may bring a friend, as long as we have enough help driving. The cost to go is \$20 (don't forget your Orange socks, if you have them!) and students are asked to RSVP by February 15. RSVP by texting Katie or signing up on the Youth Bulletin Board. Snow date is March 19.

**FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES** for fifth grade students will begin Wednesday, February 21 at 4:30pm. This is a six week series of classes that will help prepare the students to receive their First Communion on Maundy Thursday (March 29). Contact Katie if you have any questions!

**BETHANY FAMILY POTLUCK/GAME NIGHT!** Everyone is welcome to gather together on Sunday, February 25, from 5:30–7:30 pm for an evening of food, fellowship and FUN! There will be board games for ages 3 to 99+ to play. If you have a favorite game, bring it! Potluck guidelines are:

*Last name A-H: Side dish or appetizer; Last name I-P: Dessert; Last name Q-Z: Main dish*

Unable to make it? Don't worry! Another Family Game Night will be held Sunday, March 25 from 5:30-7:30 pm. If you have any questions, please contact Jamie Blume ([jruskblume@yahoo.com](mailto:jruskblume@yahoo.com)) or Tasha Rutter ([natasharutter82@gmail.com](mailto:natasharutter82@gmail.com)) Get ready to have some FUN!

## **CALENDAR**

### **Sunday, February 11** - *UDMO Food Drive 2/11 – 2/18*

- 8:30 am Worship - New Members Received
- 9:30 am Council Meeting (library), Fellowship Time, Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship
- 2:00 pm Conference Meeting/Primghar

### **Tuesday, February 13**

- 2:00 pm Staff Meeting
- 5:00 pm Weeknight Music (*Various groups through 8pm*)
- 5:45 pm Youth Committee
- 6:00 pm Faith-in-Action Committee

### **Wednesday, February 14**

- 10:00 am Bible Study & Prayer Group
- 11:30 am Community Lenten Lunch & Worship
- 6:00 pm Bell Choir
- 7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Worship
- 8:00 pm Uke Group

### **Thursday, February 15**

- 1:30 pm Miriam Circle

### **Saturday, February 17**

- 7:30 am Men of Bethany Bible Study

### **Sunday, February 18**

- 8:30 am Worship
- 9:45 am Fellowship, Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship
- 2:00 pm Bethany Bowls @ Liberty Lanes