

Bethany Lutheran Church

"To grow so deep in Christ through worship, education,
and fellowship that we celebrate by reaching out to others."



For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.—Psalm 100:5 (NIV)

Important Dates

11-3 All Saints Sunday
11-3 Daylight Savings Ends
11-11 Council meeting 6:30 pm
11-13 Women's Circle 9:00 am
11-24 Community Meal 5:00 pm
11-27 No Wednesday Faith
Formation or Choir practice

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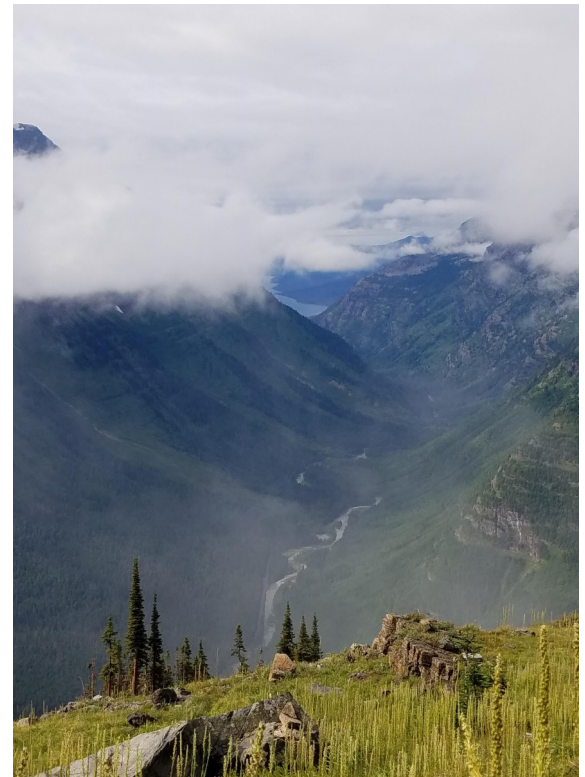
Our journey of faith is a bit like that. At times it is just difficult to see God in our midst. At times, it's a challenge to feel Jesus present with us or trust he is leading us through those moments when the fog rolls in and clouds our perception of the goodness of God; even, when we do indeed know it is there.

About midway through our hike, just for a brief moment, the clouds parted and the sun shined through enabling us to see perhaps the most beautiful view of the entire trip (see photo to right). A lush green mountain meadow, a meandering stream through a valley cut by a glacier many years ago and Lake McDonald, the largest of Glacier's lakes, in the distance. A reminder the clouds are momentary but God's goodness, love and faithfulness endures forever.

Blessings!

Dear Wonderful and Awesome Servants of Christ,

On our trip to Glacier National Park this past summer we did much hiking. On one hike we experienced less than ideal weather conditions. As we began our 13 mile journey temperatures hovered around 50 degrees, rain fell from the skies, and we were literally engulfed by the clouds (see picture to the left). For most of the journey we couldn't see much of the beauty I knew was hidden in those clouds.





- 11-02 Addison Langley
- 11-03 Betty Slach
- 11-06 Tammy Urmie
- 11-07 Paul Weismann
- 11-08 Madelyn Anderson
- 11-09 Eulyn Frostestad,
Sadie McElhinney
- 11-14 Josephine Hervey
- 11-16 Kevin Crosthwaite
- 11-18 Alex Poppen
- 11-22 Scott Marsh, Julian Kilburg
- 11-23 John Hierseman
- 11-26 Patty Yeater
- 11-27 Steve Campbell

**If you don't see your birthday listed, please contact Paula so we can update our database.*

Confirmation Recognition

Last June we rejoiced as Alex Poppen and Hannah Schiele affirmed their baptisms. Aiden Shields and Andrew Samuelson were unable to be present, so on Sunday November 17th we will rejoice with them as well.

Interested in Joining

Have you thought about becoming a member of Bethany Lutheran Church? Do you have any questions about what that entails? If so, please talk with Pastor Chad as we are exploring the possibility of a new member class if there is enough interest. Membership affords you the opportunity to vote at church meetings and also serve on church council. Please let him know as soon as possible.



Bethany Books

Books for Adults

Jim Wallis, founder of *Sojourners*, is the author of *Christ In Crist*, subtitled *Why We Need To Reclaim Jesus*. He argues that our cultural and political crisis largely stems from how the American church has become disconnected from the teaching of Jesus Christ. Wallis points to eight radical questions central to Jesus's teaching: The Neighbor Question, The Image Question, The Truth Question, The Power Question, The Fear Question, The Caesar Question, The Peacemaker Question, and The Discipleship Question. By asking ourselves these questions, we can measure whether we are thinking and acting in "Jesus name". His writing both provoke and counsel, guiding us forward during this time of confusion and fear. He reveals how the teachings of Jesus emboldens and empowers us to "be not afraid", but to act in courage and hope.

The adult class that meets after church on Sunday has started to study one of Adam Hamilton's books, *Confronting The Controversies: Biblical Perspectives On Tough Issues*. Do you have an opinion on the death penalty? Do you feel strongly one way or another about abortion or homosexuality? What are your views on church and state? Creation and evolution in the public schools? Euthanasia? Or prayer in the public schools? Chances are you have strong feelings about some of these subjects. Regarding others you may have opinions, but perhaps you have not spent a great deal of time thinking about these issues. In this book, Hamilton explores some of the most controversial and divisive issues of our time by showing you how to look at them from a biblical perspective, in order to get a faithful Christian response. By offering information on what is at stake in these issues, and by seeking to understand the positions different sides hold and to present them in a fair way, he provides a model for how a dialogue about moral issues while maintaining respect for persons on both sides of the debate. Hopefully after reading this book you will have a better understanding of how the Christian faith relates to critical issues in contemporary society, and that you will come away with a deeper desire to connect faith to your daily life.



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Adult Education Opportunities

Bethany Men's Breakfast Bible Study Group
Wednesdays at 6:00 a.m.
in the Great Hall
All are Welcome

Thursday Women's Bible Study
6:00 a.m. in the Small Hall
All are Welcome

Women's Circle
Second Wednesday of Month
9:00 a.m. in Great Hall unless
stated otherwise
All Women are Welcome

Adult Discussion
10:20 a.m. in the Small Hall
All are Welcome

Wednesday Morning Men's Group News

Have you thought about attending, but weren't sure if it was quite right for you?

Well, join us for something new. On November 7th we will gather at 6:00 a.m. at McDonalds for a time of fellowship and prayer. If this goes well, we may continue to do this on the *first* Wednesday of the month. Stay tuned for updates!

Loops of Love



When you come in the main doors from the parking lot you will notice a chain of loops (see image to left), along with a small sign explaining what this is and why it's hung where it is (see image below). Great job with this gang!

Loops of Love

This chain of loops was created by the children and youth who attend Wednesday Faith Formation. There are 27 loops for the number of weeks in the Season after Pentecost. They are green as that is the color of the season. Each loop has the word "Love" written on it reminding us how great God's love is. We have placed it at the main entrance to signify this place is one grounded in the love of God, which extends to all people who enter here.

Faith Formation News

On Sunday, October 27th these youth helped serve the Community Meal held every fourth Sunday (5:00—6:00 p.m.) at Bethany. Thanks to the parents and youth who assisted and for those who came to the meal!



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Why Do We Worship?

The top ten reasons why we worship is found in the book, *Worship Matters An Introduction to Worship* (Augsburg Fortress, 2012), and each month we will share those, beginning with number ten.

Because God created us to love and serve and worship God.

In other words, worship is one of the ways—perhaps the primary way—that we both receive and return the deep love of God for the world. In worship, we get the opportunity—together, as a body—to pray, sing, listen, eat, lament, rejoice, and experience the good news of Jesus Christ (p.20).



Colors of the Church

Within the span of just over a month we will see four different colors of paraments adorn our altar, lectern and pulpit—green, red, white and blue. Have you ever wondered why the different colors? Well, we have your answer.

Green is the color for the seasons after Epiphany and Pentecost. The color green is symbolic of growth in Christ.

Red was used this past Sunday, Reformation Day, and is symbolic of the fire of the Holy Spirit. It is also used on the Day of Pentecost and also on major church occasions such as an ordination or synod/ churchwide assemblies.

White is used during the weeks of Christmas, Easter, Holy Trinity Sunday, All Saints Sunday, and Christ the King Sunday. It symbolizes joy, gladness, purity and the light of Christ.

Blue is the liturgical color for Advent and symbolizes the hope we have in the Savior which is born to the world on Christmas.

In addition to these four colors, we also use purple during Lent symbolizing penitence or our need to turn again to the grace and mercy of God.

FreeIndeed Pastoral Transition

The Outside Council for FreeIndeed Prison Congregation has announced the resignation of Pastor Jerry Collell. Starting with a dream and a signed piece of paper over two years ago, Pastor Jerry began the ministry within the walls of the Anamosa State Penitentiary and has since built a worshipping community, visitation within the prison, a network of volunteers, and a passion for reaching those inside the walls with the gospel message of Jesus Christ.

“While I remain in full support of the need and value of this program in Anamosa State Penitentiary and fully endorse the goals and strategies of the Prison Congregations of America, I am not at this time in a position to continue as their Pastor. I have been deeply enriched by this experience and pray for its continuance and development...My love for the Body of Christ in the SEIA Synod and their commitment to Prison Ministry is undiminished.”
Pastor Jerry Collell

Lori Nietert, Outside Council Chair and member of First Lutheran in Cedar Rapids, said of Pastor Jerry and the ministry, “We are sad to see Jerry go but are confident that God is continuing to call us in ministry within the walls of the prison.”

The foundation for this still-fledgling ministry has been laid and through partnerships with individuals, congregations, the Southeastern Iowa Synod, Prison Congregations of America, and many more, this ministry will continue to bring the gospel and change lives for future inmates and visitors.

To see the work of the ministry and help support the congregation during this time of transition, visit our website:
<https://seiasynod.org/ministries/prisonministry/>

Bethany has supported this valuable ministry effort from the onset. Together, we give thanks to God for Pastor Collell and his ministry to the men of FreeIndeed. As a member of the FreeIndeed Outside Council and as one of seven trained ELCA pastors within the Southeastern Iowa Synod, I will preside and preach at least once as we seek to fill this opening. We pray for God’s guidance and confidently trust God will provide for our needs.

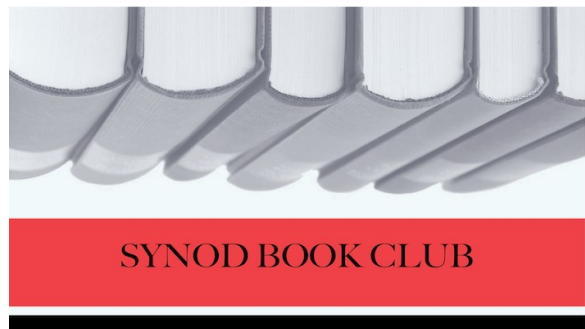
If you have any questions about FreeIndeed, wish to attend worship with the men, or would like to support this shared ministry effort, please contact me. — Pastor Chad



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Join others from around the Southeastern Iowa Synod for online discussions on books related to our shared ministry. All discussions will include an introduction and a time to discuss the book with a small group of people from around the synod via video conference. You can register for one session or all. All occur online via Zoom video conference at 7:30 p.m. For more information and to register, go to the Southeastern Iowa Synod website:

<https://seiasynod.org/bookclub/>



**BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH
COUNCIL MINUTES—September 2019**

The meeting was called to order by President Hughes at 6:30 p.m.

Members present: Wayne Frauenholtz, Nancy Bruns, Del Hughes, Curt Casper, Alan Beyer, Dave Bahnsen, Tonya Samuelson, Linda Black, and Pastor Whaley.

Absent: Cheryl Fischer.

Pastor Chad opened with a devotion and prayer.

Pastor's Report: Council Report September 2019

After much needed time of rest and relaxation for the first half of the month I quickly got back in the flow of things upon my return. Here are just a few items of note. 12 pastoral visits

Baptismal education prior to baptism of Charlotte Perkins on August 25th

Scott Marsh, Paula Casper, and I gathered in our efforts to continue to push forward a project born out of our involvement with the Turning Point program we are a part of through the Southeastern Iowa Synod.

“God’s work, our Hands” Sunday meeting led by Al Beyer

Children and Youth Faith Formation meeting with Tonya Samuelson and Amber Marsh to plan and prepare for the upcoming year of faith formation.

Confirmation preparation I prepared a Worship and Bible Trivia Power Point for the Faith Formation Kickoff on September 11th.

Planned and led worship at Crestview (along with Eulyn Frostestad and Chris Korsmo who assist)

Attended a meeting at the Office of the Bishop in Iowa City as part of my service on the Outside Council of the Free Indeed congregation at the Anamosa State Penitentiary and even found myself now a part of the “Nominating Committee.”

Met with Pastor Beth of Trinity Lutheran in Tipton to continue our conversation on building relationships between our two congregations. Will do another pulpit exchange October 20th o Gauge interest in the possibility of doing another shared men’s and women’s event. o Why are we doing this?

- Largely stems from the Bishop’s 4 marks of vital congregations, one of which is that we don’t live for ourselves but are part of the larger church. We live into this through our connection to the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, our shared ministry with the congregations of West Branch/Springdale, and through this new connection with our brothers and sisters in Tipton. We build this relationship with the hope and trust that God might bear forth new life, new opportunity, new growth, and new relationships through it. We try some-

thing new for the sake of the gospel.

Attended a meeting hosted by Bishop Burk in which he helped to clarify some of the decisions that came out of the Churchwide Assembly last month.

Attended the Community Tailgate hosted by Bethany and WBUMC.

Made a video, which was posted to our Facebook page and website inviting folks to participate in God’s work, our Hands Sunday.

As I state in the video, this is something I had never done and quite honestly, was frightened to do it and put it out there for all to see. Yet, I was able to push beside those fears and doubts because I felt compelled by the Spirit to do this and trusted in the strength of God to help me accomplish this. I am already thinking of ways I might continue this in the future to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ and the work we are called to do as the people of God at Bethany.

Helped coordinate, plan, and promote event sponsored by WBARC on suicide prevention training to be held September 11th at Bethany.

Upcoming Happenings o Fall Theological Conference, September 22-24, Des Moines o Preaching Seminar (?) October 7-9, St. Paul, MN

Secretary’s Report:

The Worship and Music Committee report was missing from the August minutes. Linda moved and Nancy seconded to approve the minutes as corrected. Motion passed.

Treasurer’s Report:

The August General Fund Revenue and expense report shows \$12,875 in offering revenues and \$12,247 in expense for a net increase of \$628 for the month. Year to date income and expense figures are below budget with a net decrease of \$5,953.

In the fund balance report for the month of August, we have received a \$5,000 donation for the Memorial Fund. We collected \$355 in special offering for the UI Lutheran Campus Ministry. The school contacted us for backpacks and supplies which were purchased and funded from the Good Samaritan fund. The parking lot bill totaled \$26,112. \$21,060 was paid from the Parking Lot fund, which is the total amount pledged with \$910 still due. The other \$5,052 was paid from the Improvement Fund.

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Committee Reports:

Building and Grounds:

Curt thanked Del and the building committee for their participation in all the projects that have been completed this summer.

A lot of work was done at the God's Work Our Hands event.

The front (west) entrance door has been painted by the Whaley family.

There is a broken storm window at the south entrance.

Education: Wednesday is kickoff for Faith Formation. Amber is making a schedule for teachers and assistants. Tonya is organizing food and Pastor Chad the activities for the first meeting.

Evangelism and Outreach:

God's Work Our Hands was very successful with a large variety of projects. The day began with a breakfast and service before breaking up into groups to work.

The Designated Shelter Committee will be meeting on September 30th.

Plans are being made to attend services at Anamosa Penitentiary.

Fellowship:

Bethany will be hosting a synod meeting here in October and a meal is being planned.

Caspers and Patti Ernst served the last 4th Sunday Meal.

Stewardship: Dave is getting started on the time and talent sheet plans for later this fall.

Youth: No report.

Worship and Music:

After discussion it was decided not to have an outdoor service this fall.

Choir rehearsal will be held on Thursday evenings, at least for the month of September.

Old Business:

The sidewalk project is done and looks good. Three sections were replaced after vandalism had damaged parts of the concrete.

The bell tower leak project has been completed.

New Business:

Adult Education: \$300 is budgeted for adult education

and some new purchases may exceed this by a little, but will also last into 2020.

Confirmation Class Project: The class is already committed to making snack bags for the library. Another project being considered is to start a Little Food Pantry, similar to the Little Book Libraries.

Thrivent Funds will be used for Bethany's share of expenses for the tailgate event held at the Methodist church. This was approved last year.

Nancy questioned when to transfer approved funds to pay for the library snack project. It was decided to do it when the funds are needed.

There was discussion of giving an informational letter to the congregation regarding the financial status of our church, given all of the projects completed this year. It was decided to send this out in the October newsletter.

Linda moved to adjourn and Curt seconded. Motion passed.

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.



Faith at Home

These short Bible passages and reflection starters are one more way we are trying to spur conversation about faith at home and also absorb ourselves in the word of God. We hope you find them beneficial.

1 Corinthians 12:4-6

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone.

- I am good at...
- I have to lean on others, because I lack the ability...
- Living faith as a community or body of people is...



Exodus 20:16

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

- Lies are harmful...
- When someone lies about me...
- When people gossip or share rumors...

1 Corinthians 13:4-7 & 13

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends.... And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

- Genuine love is...
- Genuine love is not...
- Ultimately in life, what I think matters most...



Daily Bible Readings

The foundational premise of this set of daily readings is their relationship to the Sunday lectionary. The readings are chosen so that the days leading up to Sunday (Thursday through Saturday) prepare for the Sunday readings. The days flowing out from Sunday (Monday through Wednesday) reflect upon the Sunday readings. The complete Daily Lectionary is also found on pages 1121-1153 of our hymnal, *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*.

Friday, Nov 1	Psalm 32:1-7 Job 22:21 - 23:17 2 Peter 1:1-11	Saturday, Nov 16	Psalm 98 Ezekiel 10:1-19 Luke 17:20-37
Saturday, Nov 2	Psalm 32:1-7 Isaiah 1:1-9 John 8:39-47	Sunday, Nov 17	Malachi 4:1-2a 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 Luke 21:5-19
Sunday, Nov 3	Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18 Ephesians 1:11-23 Luke 6:20-31	Monday, Nov 18	Psalm 141 Ezekiel 11:14-25 Ephesians 4:25-5:2
Monday, Nov 4	Psalm 50 Nehemiah 13:1-3, 23-31 1 Corinthians 5:9-13	Tuesday, Nov 19	Psalm 141 Ezekiel 43:1-12 1 Corinthians 10:23-11:1
Tuesday, Nov 5	Psalm 50 Zechariah 7:1-14 Jude 5-21	Wednesday, Nov 20	Psalm 141 Ezekiel 43:1-12 Matthew 23:37-24:14
Wednesday, Nov 6	Psalm 50 Amos 5:12-24 Luke 19:11-27	Thursday, Nov 21	Psalm 46 2 Chronicles 18:12-22 Hebrews 9:23-28
Thursday, Nov 7	Psalm 17:1-9 Deuteronomy 25:5-10 Acts 22:22-23:11	Friday, Nov 22	Psalm 46 Zechariah 11:1-17 1 Peter 1:3-9
Friday, Nov 8	Psalm 17:1-9 Genesis 38:1-26 Acts 24:10-23	Saturday, Nov 23	Psalm 46 Jeremiah 22:18-30 Luke 18:15-17
Saturday, Nov 9	Psalm 17:1-9 Exodus 3:13-20 Luke 20:1-8	Sunday, Nov 24	Jeremiah 23:1-6 Colossians 1:11-20 Luke 23:33-43
Sunday, Nov 10	Job 19:23-27a 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17 Luke 20:27-38	Monday, Nov 25	Psalm 24 Jeremiah 46:18-28 Revelation 21:5-27
Monday, Nov 11	Psalm 123 Job 20:1-11 2 Peter 1:16-21	Tuesday, Nov 26	Psalm 24 Isaiah 33:17-22 Revelation 22:8-21
Tuesday, Nov 12	Psalm 123 Job 21:1, 17-34 2 John 1-13	Wednesday, Nov 27	Psalm 24 Isaiah 60:8-16 Luke 1:1-4
Wednesday, Nov 13,	Psalm 123 Job 25:1-26:14 John 5:19-29	Thursday, Nov 28	Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Psalm 100 Philippians 4:4-9 John 6:25-35
Thursday, Nov 14,	Psalm 98 1 Samuel 28:3-19 Romans 1:18-25		
Friday, Nov 15	Psalm 98 2 Samuel 21:1-14 2 Thessalonians 1:3-12		

All Saints Sunday

All Saints Day is Sunday, November 3rd. We will give thanks for and honor our Senior Saints, those whom are 80 and older. If you are 80 and over we hope you can join us.

We will also have a baptism welcoming our newest saint and also invite those who have been baptized since last All Saints Day to join us as well.

We will also remember and give thanks for the saints who have died in the past year.

This should be a great worship service and we want all to attend!



Ministers of Prayer Wanted

Throughout history and within New Testament writings of the early church the laity played an important role in utilizing their gifts to help lead worship. Not only worship, but the life of the church is one carried out by the people and not primarily the Pastor or the Council.

The Worship Team is exploring the possibility of incorporating Ministers of Prayer during worship to assist in leading the Prayers of Intercession. Below is an excerpt taken from *Worship Matters: An Introduction to Worship* (Augsburg Fortress, 2012).

These prayers, sometimes called the prayers of the people, ideally are written and led by a lay assisting ministers on behalf of the assembly. Like the prayer of the day, these prayers also have a pattern—one that intends us to pray for everything! These prayers reflect the wideness of God's mercy for the whole world.



As these are the prayers of the people, it seems appropriate to have a brother or sister in Christ from the assembly help lead these prayers. At this time, you won't be asked to write the prayers. Additionally, Pastor Chad will make available a training session for those willing to serve in this new ministry effort.

We would like high school students and adults of all ages to consider this. If interested, please see Pastor Chad.

Missing Wheels

We are looking for a set of wheels made by Del Hughes to move the piano in the Great Hall or other heavy objects. They had a wooden platform with carpet on top and 4 wheels on the bottom of each. If you may have borrowed them, please return them or if you may have moved them somewhere please let us know. Thanks!

Cookie Walk 2019

Saturday, December 7th

The Dansk Cafe will be serving coffee.
9:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m.
(or until cookies are gone)

Please bring your cookies to the church Friday evening or Saturday morning by 8:30 a.m.

Help is needed for the event, including setup and cleanup.

Setup will be Friday afternoon. 1:00--2:00 p.m.

See Paula Casper with questions.

Proceeds from the event are used to fund various mission efforts.



November 2019



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 9:00 AM Worship 10:20 AM Adult Bible Study	4	5 1:00 PM Hope Chest Open 1:00 PM Quilters	6 6:00 AM Men's Breakfast and Bible Study 6:15 PM Choir Practice 6:30 PM Confirmation 6:30 PM Faith Formation Pre-K - 8th	7 6:00 AM Women's Bible study	8	9
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24 9:00 AM Worship 10:20 AM Adult Bible Study 5:00 PM West Branch Community Meal @ Bethany	25	26 1:00 PM Hope Chest Open 1:00 PM Quilters	27 6:00 AM Men's Breakfast and Bible Study	28	29	30

Monetary Gifts Report

Submitted by Nancy Bruns

Saints in Worship

9-01 50
 9-08 45
 9-15 64
 9-22 51
 9-29 65

Total Attendance 275

	September 2019		YTD	
Total Receipts	Actual \$11,101	Budget \$12,625	Actual \$111,303	Budget \$113,625
Total Expenses	Actual \$20,247	Budget \$13,659	Actual \$126,402	Budget \$123,104

Thank you all for faithfully stewarding the gifts God has entrusted us with in fulfilling the ministry and mission of God here at Bethany Lutheran Church! In so many ways, not just monetarily, God is abundantly providing for our needs.

