

BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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The Resurrection of Our Lord

Easter

Saturday April 4th, 2026

5:00pm

Sunday April 5th, 2026

8:00am | 9:30am | 11:00am

Bethany Retreat

Registration now open!

Pack your bags for a weekend of faith, fun, and community! Our all-ages Bethany Retreat will be held at **Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp, May 1-3**, and everyone is invited. We'll explore our faith formation theme of identity, belonging, and purpose through worship, Bible study, large group games, special music, and camp-style activities for every age. It's a chance to experience all the best parts of camp with your Bethany church family.

We don't want cost to keep anyone away: if money is tight, simply pay the minimum. If you're able, you're invited to give a little extra to help make the retreat possible for someone else.



Register here!



✠ GATHERING ✠

PRELUDE

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PROCESSIONAL HYMN

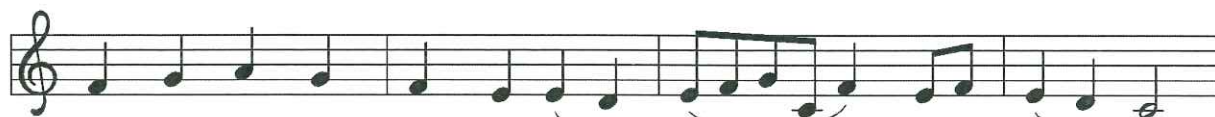
Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

ELW #365

You are invited to stand and face the cross as it enters the Sanctuary.



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!



our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!



who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!



suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Latin carol, 14th cent., sts. 1-3; tr. J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708, alt.; Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, st. 4
Music: EASTER HYMN, J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708

CALL TO WORSHIP

Deacon Debra Alba

The tomb was sealed; Jesus' fate was sealed.

The women came anyway, to spend time at the tomb.

The stone was rolled away.

The one we are looking for is stronger than the grave.

Come and see.


The tomb is empty!

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

HYMN OF PRAISE

Refrain




This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.




1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:




Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and
Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to

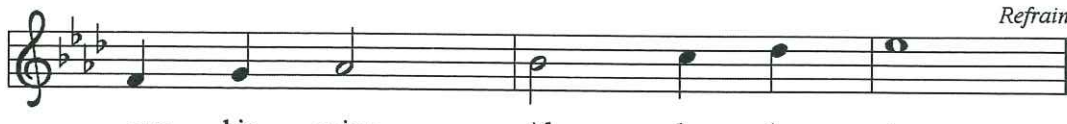


hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain



3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Refrain

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Deacon Debra Alba

O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

WELCOME

Pastor Gary Sandberg

ANTHEM (Sunday, 9:30am)

Jesus Is Risen! Alleluia!

Russell Nagy

Bethany Youth Choir, dir. Laura Tribby

*Jesus is risen! Alleluia! New life is born on Easter day.
Jesus was crucified, and buried the day he died, but God would not let him stay that way.
Jesus is risen! Alleluia! Risen to life on Easter day.
See how the tomb is bare and see now there's no one there,
For Jesus is risen from the grave Easter Day.
Joyful celebration! For Jesus, the King of all creation,
He will live forever, and with him we'll be, delighted, reunited, you're invited.
Jesus is risen! Alleluia! Go tell the world along the way:
He died to pay the price to offer us paradise;
Believe and your sins are rolled away Easter day.*

✠ Word ✠

LESSON


Acts 10:34-43

Peter's sermon, delivered at the home of Cornelius, a Roman army officer, is a summary of the essential message of Christianity: Everyone who believes in Jesus, whose life, death, and resurrection fulfilled the words of the prophets, "receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

³⁴ Peter began to speak to Cornelius and his household: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality,
³⁵ but in every people anyone who fears him and practices righteousness is acceptable to him. ³⁶ You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷ That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹ We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, ⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹ not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴² It was he, Jesus, who commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Repeat alleluia
Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

GOSPEL

Matthew 28:1-10

Sorrow gives way to "fear and great joy" when two women are sent by an angel to proclaim the good news: Jesus is risen!

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹ After the Sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ² And suddenly there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³ His appearance was like lightning and his clothing white as snow. ⁴ For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. ⁵ But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here, for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷ Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." ⁸ So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹ Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers and sisters to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Pastor Gary Sandberg



1 Come, you faith - ful, raise the strain of tri - um - phant glad - ness!
 2 'Tis the spring of souls to - day: Christ has burst his pris - on,
 3 Now the queen of sea - sons, bright with the day of splen - dor,
 4 Nei - ther could the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark por - tal,
 5 Al - le - lu - ia! now we cry to our Lord im - mor - tal,



God has brought forth Is - ra - el in - to joy from sad - ness,
 and from three days' sleep in death as a sun has ris - en,
 with the roy - al feast of feasts comes its joy to ren - der;
 nor the watch - ers, nor the seal, hold you as a mor - tal:
 who tri - um - phant burst the bars of the tomb's dark por - tal;



loosed from Pha-raoh's bit - ter yoke Ja - cob's sons and daugh - ters;
 All the win - ter of our sins, long and dark, is fly - ing
 comes to glad Jer - u - sa - lem, who with true af - fec - tion
 but to - day, a - mong your own, you ap - pear, be - stow - ing
 Al - le - lu - ia! with the Son God the Fa - ther prais - ing;



led them with un - moist - ened foot through the Red Sea wa - ters.
 from the Light to whom we give laud and praise un - dy - ing.
 wel - comes in un - wea - ried strain Je - sus' res - ur - rec - tion!
 your deep peace, which ev - er - more pass - es hu - man know - ing.
 Al - le - lu - ia! yet a - gain to the Spir - it rais - ing.

Text: John of Damascus, c. 696–c. 754; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.
 Music: GAUDEAMUS PARITER, Johann Horn, 1490–1547

APOSTLES' CREED

Deacon Debra Alba

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the father, and he will come 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.

PRAYERS

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

Please share a sign of peace with others around you. After sharing the Peace, please be seated.

✠ Offering ✠

ABUNDANTLY BETHANY

Pastor Nate Preisinger

- ◆ **Bethany Retreat** - May 1-3 at Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp
- ◆ **United in Faith campaign**

To fill out your digital connection card, go to www.tinyurl.com/BethanyConnect.

OFFERING

You can give in the following ways; Thank you for your gifts!

- On our **website**, find the GIVE button in the header or under the Get Involved tab at **Bethany-Denver.org**
- Through **SubSplash** - Use your phone's camera to scan this **QR Code**
- **Mail** in your check to the office (4500 E. Hampden Ave. Cherry Hills Village, CO 80113)
- In the worship space, place your offering in the offering plate as they are passed
- Unlock your phone, hold near NFC card (on pew back), and wait for the notification to appear



OFFERTORY MUSIC

This is the Gospel of Christ

Scott Wesley Brown

Sounds of Praise, dir. Paula Wills (Saturday 5:00pm, Sunday 8:00am)

*To destroy the work of the evil one, and the kingdom of darkness with light;
And to rescue men from the law and sin, this is the Gospel of Christ.
To proclaim good news unto the poor, and the brokenhearted new life;
And for those who mourn, Heaven's Child is born, this is the Gospel of Christ.
And to God be the glory, and to God be the glory;
And to God be the glory, this is the Gospel of Christ.
To redeem a people He calls His own, from every nation, tongue, and tribe;
Purchased by the blood He shed with love, this is the Gospel of Christ.
And to rise again and to conquer death, he'll return like a thief in the night;
And He will reign on high, forever with His bride, this is the Gospel of Christ.*

The Day of Resurrection

arr. Cathy Moglebust

Chancel Choir, dir. Matthew Eschliman (Sunday, 9:30 & 11:00am)

*The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad,
The Passover of gladness, the Passover of God.
From death to life eternal, from sin's dominion free,
Our Christ has brought us over with hymns of victory.
Now let the heavens be joyful, let earth its song begin,
Let all the world keep triumph and all that is therein.
Let all things, seen and unseen, their notes of gladness blend;
For Christ the Lord has risen, our joy that has no end.
Then praise we God the Father, and praise we Christ the Son,
With them the Holy Spirit, eternal three in one;
Till all the ransomed number fall down before the throne,
And honor, power, and glory ascribe to God alone!*

✠ Meal ✠

WELCOME TO THE LORD'S TABLE

Pastor Nate Preisinger

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION



The Lord be with you. And al- so with you. Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...
...we praise your name and join in their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

BLESSING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

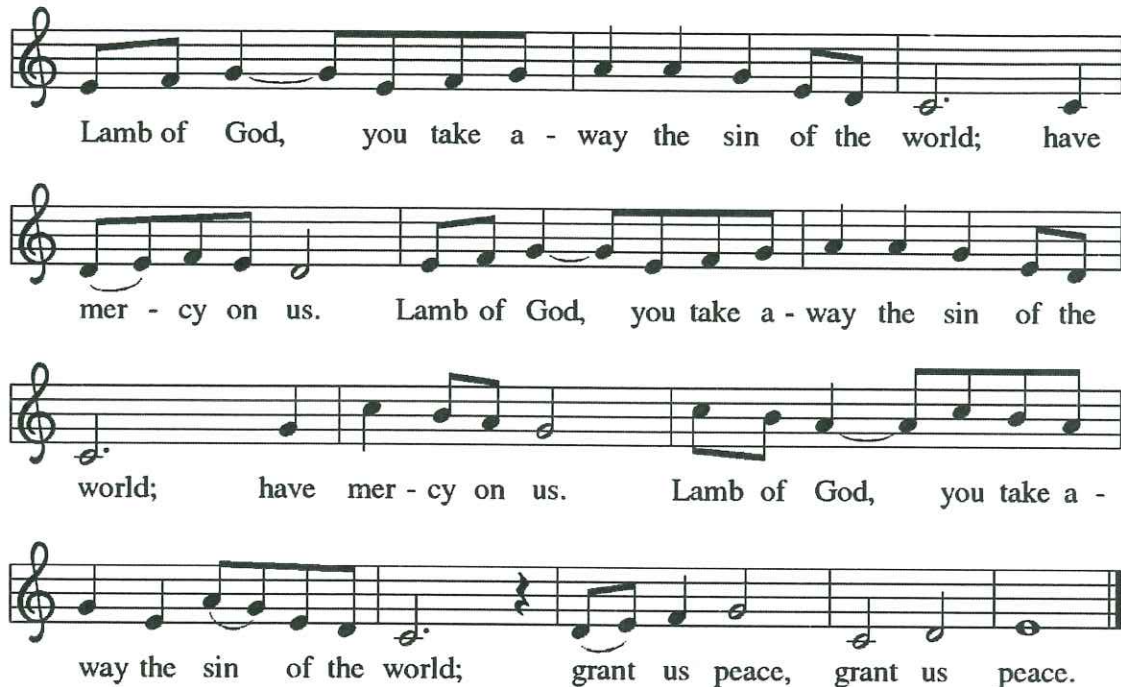
THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION INSTRUCTION

Receive communion by dipping the bread into the wine. Pre-packaged communion sets are alcohol free; gluten-free options are available. Groups are welcome to visit a communion station together. Those who are not receiving communion are invited to cross their arms across their chest to receive a blessing.

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Sounds of Praise, dir. Paula Wills

Living Hope

(Saturday 5:00pm, Sunday 8:00am)

Phil Wickham & Brian Johnson

*How great the chasm that lay between us. How high the mountain I could not climb.
In desperation I turned to heaven and spoke your name into the night.
Then through the darkness your loving-kindness tore through the shadows of my soul.
The work is finished, the end is written. Jesus Christ, my living hope.
Who could imagine so great a mercy? What heart could fathom such boundless grace?
The God of ages stepped down from glory to wear my sin and bear my shame.
The cross has spoken; I am forgiven. The King of Kings calls me his own.
Beautiful Savior, I'm yours forever. Jesus Christ, my living hope.
Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free! Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me!
You have broken every chain. There's salvation in your name.
Jesus Christ, my living hope.
Then came the morning that sealed the promise, your buried body began to breathe.
Out of the silence, the roaring lion declared the grave has no claim on me.
Jesus, yours is the victory!*

Chancel Choir, dir. Kirk Schjodt

Beautiful Savior

(Sunday, 9:30 & 11:00am)

arr. F. Melius Christiansen

*Fair are the meadows, fairer the woodlands, robed in flowers of blooming spring;
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, he makes our sorrowing spirit sing.
Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations! Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine.*

TABLE BLESSING

✠ Sending ✠

BENEDICTION

Pastor Gary Sandberg

HYMN

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

ELW #367



1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds
2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings,
3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love;
4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring



in praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has
there - fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has
set heart and will on things a - bove that we
and with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has



tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of
tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Now still he
con - quer through your tri - umph; grant grace suf -
tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the



an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry
comes to give us life and by his pres - ence stills all
fi - cient for life's day that by our lives we tru - ly
Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
strife. "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
God, all the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Paul Z. Strodach, 1876-1947, alt.
Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Köln, 1623
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HALLELUJAH CHORUS

*Chancel Choir, dir. Kirk Schjodt
Denver Brass*

"Hallelujah" from Messiah
(Sunday, 9:30 & 11:00am)

G.F. Handel

DISMISSAL

Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed, Alleluia.

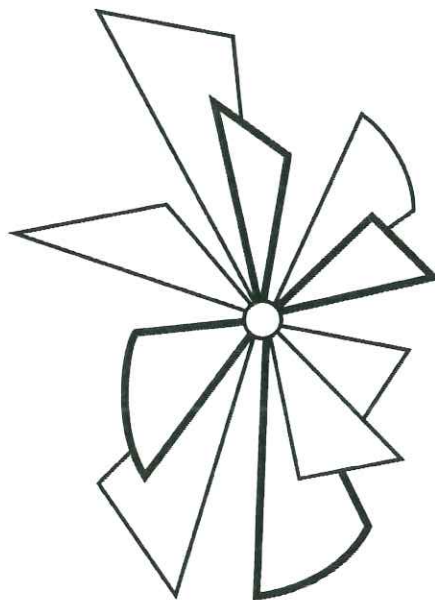
Pastor Gary Sandberg

Go in peace, serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Symphony I
VI. Final

Louis Vierne



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THANK YOU!!! Our Easter flowers were gifted by:

Denny & Barbara Ahlman in honor of family & friends. He is Risen! Alleluia!
Kathleen Alrubaiy in memory of my husband, Al and my brother, Bill
Tom & Nancy Andersen in honor of Matt and Sam who will marry on April 11 and in memory of loved ones
The Bayles-McLean family in memory of Jeff McLean
Joyce Beabout, Diana Beabout and Jeri-Sue Dean in memory of Jerry, Bill and Betty
Paul, Sonja, Anna and Jack Berdahl in memory of Rev. John & Louine Thorstensen
Leo Bruederle & Ron Rinkle in memory of Marion & Walter J. Bruederle and Eva & Bill Rinkle
Richard & Linda Bryant in honor of our children & grandchildren
Leesa & Jack Carpenter in memory of grandparents: Lester & Helen Johnson, Lyle & Ida Hunt,
Fay & Madge March, Jack Carpenter, and Lonnie & Betty Milhorn
Tim & Kris Carr – He is Risen!
Alan & Debbie Colussy in memory of our parents
The Commander family in memory of loved ones
Dave & Tammy Craven in memory of Don Craven and Roy & Nancy Wittebort
Delphine Crothers & family in loving memory of Rene Crothers
Mark & Anne Dana in memory of John & Susan Hartner and Shelly Dana
Deb Distler & Garth Englund Jr. in memory of our parents:
Clete & Charlene Distler and Mary & Garth Englund, Sr.
Paul Eppard & Maren Diercks in thanksgiving for our new grandson, Bennett Paul Moore
Jeff & Kim Finnin in honor/memory of our parents, children and grandchildren
Marie and Julie Friedemann in memory of Oscar & Eleanor Friedemann and Eleanora Sorenson
Stephanie Fritz
Mike, Gen & Tom Gatterman in memory of Florene & Leonard Betten, Ralph, Helen,
Dean & Geta, and Nedra Gatterman
Andy Gerber in honor of Bethany Carillons
David & Kathy Gies to the glory of Christ and the faith of our mothers and fathers
Rich & Kathy Good in honor of our grandchildren: Brooks, Emmitt, Adeline, and Evvie
Kimberly Gordon & family in loving memory of Timothy Christy and Katie Mullaney
Joy, Daniel, Bradley Haas & family and Janet Sparling & family in loving memory of Ernest Haas
Cindy Hagen in memory of Glenn W. Hagen
Carol Haller in memory of Bryan Shaha and Celia & Robert Haller
Don & Kara Heilman in loving memory of our parents
Glenn & Lynn Honaman in memory of our parents: Pete & Marian Werning, and Dick & Gloria Honaman
Laurie & Terry Jeddelloh in gratitude for Easter promises through Christ
Beckie Jones in memory of my husband, Ed Jones, and our parents; Ed & Bernice Jones,
and Bob & Joan Emanuel
Mark & Lynn Lacy in honor of new life in 2026
David & Tamara Lange in honor of Gerry Geist and Verne Deering
Tina Larreau in memory of my mother Ruby, father LeRoy, and brother Rob
Vinnie & Penny Longo and Kristen Longo in loving memory of our daughter and sister, Stacie
Carol Luinstra in memory of Tom Luinstran and in honor of our family
The Martin family in loving memory of Stan Martin
Diane McAllen in memory of Robert and Rachel Friedell
In memory of Gary Miller by his loving family: Linda, Scott, Heather, Julie, Eric, Lindsay,
Ryan, Courtney and Leah
Scott & Julie Miller in memory of our fathers: Gary Miller and Gail Luttinen
Tom & Susan Mroch in memory of Dale Bernard, Susan's sister
Will & Beth Narva in honor of our beautiful family
Pamela Rios-Menter in memory of Daniel Menter
Art & Gerry Sandberg in honor of Pastor Gary, Karen, Dan, Stefn and Emily
The Schlatter family in memory of Caro and JD Schlatter and Richard Mills
Jean & David Scott in honor of our grandchildren: Fletcher, Elliot, Hannah and Anders

Easter Flowers - continued:

Linda Seidl-Ducnuigeen in memory of Dean Ducnuigeen, Stephen Siedl, Joseph Seidl Jr.
and Mr & Mrs Joseph M. Seidl

Jane & Lars O.Soderberg, Jr. in honor/memory of Susan & Albert Gravenhorst and
Nancy & Lars O. Soderberg, Sr.

Erik & Barb Stone

Margaret Stookesberry

Shirley Taborsky in memory of my Mom & Dad, Raymond & Adeline Evans

Pat Wallingford in loving memory of my parents and siblings, the Johnson family of Mullen, NE

Bill & Judi Warkentin for our very many blessings and hope for the future

Kaia Weinstein in honor of Michelle Kraus Stone for being a wonderful Lenten mentor

William Weinstein in honor of Jeff Finnin for being a fabulous Lenten mentor

Matt & Annell Weissenbuehler for love of family

The Katie & David Wilkins Family in loving memory of our parents Joanne "Joey" Wilkins and Robert Hite

Mary Will, Daniel, David & Steve Hartley in memory of Richard & Virginia Will

Al Youngdahl & Barbara Sanborn in honor/memory of Craig, Vincent, Jim, and Sean

Michaela Ziemba, David Reinhard and Katelyn Reinhard in memory of their mother, Kathryn Reinhard

Peter Zwanzig in loving memory of my wife, Lucille

RAINBOW TRAIL LUTHERAN CAMP

**DAY
CAMP**

HANDS WIDE OPEN

Philippians 4:6-7



Day Camp at Bethany!

Registration is now OPEN for Bethany's Summer Day Camp with Rainbow Trail! Children (Pre School through 5th grade) and Helpers (6th grade - adult) are invited to join in the fun! This year's theme is "Hands Wide Open" and the dates are **June 22-26th**. Cost will be \$90 for Pre School age children and \$120 for elementary children. Registration fee includes a camp t-shirt. If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Debra at debra@bethany-denver.org

Reserve your spots now!

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LUTHERAN CHURCH

Bethany Lutheran Church values people of diverse race, sexual identity, ethnicity, and political affiliation. We invite you to:

- Worship and encounter a God who loves us;
- Embrace healthy dialogue that promotes unity over division;
- Respond to the needs of the world through generosity and action.

Worship every Sunday on-campus and via live-stream at 8:30am and 10:00am.
More information at www.bethany-denver.org/worship.

Embrace healthy dialogue Wednesdays at Bethany during dinner, faith formation classes for all ages, choirs, and worship. Dinner starts at 5:00pm!

Respond to the needs of the world:

- Over 80 community groups meet on Bethany's campus
- Bethany supports over 40 local agencies
- Bethany supports over 15 global agencies



UNITED IN FAITH

BUILDING BETHANY'S FUTURE

Campaign Sunday - April 26

One worship service at 9:00am

All Congregation breakfast at 10:00am



RSVP at the Mission Center desk or using this QR code

THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT WORSHIP

- ◆ **Welcome to Bethany!** If you have questions or would like to consider making Bethany your church home, visit our website, Bethany-Denver.org, or stop by the Newcomer Nook after worship. The pastoral team, consisting of Pastor Gary Sandberg (he/him), Pastor Nate Preisinger (he/him), Deacon Debra Alba (she/her) and Director of Pastoral Care Janet Mortinsen (she/her), is available to speak with you.
- ◆ Bethany Lutheran Church values people of diverse race, sexual identity, ethnicity, and political affiliation. **All are welcome at Bethany Lutheran Church** and this community is enriched because you are here. We are together for good!
- ◆ **Sunday Worship services:** 8:30am Traditional Formal - worship follows traditional Lutheran liturgy. 10:00am Casual Blended – a flow of worship that includes the elements of Lutheran worship with music that spans multiple genres and brings some creative ways to engage the theme of the day. Worship leaders are generally dressed more casually.
- ◆ **Participating in Worship:** There will be times during worship when you are invited to stand, but if it is more comfortable or more meaningful for you to remain seated, please feel free to do so.
- ◆ **Communion Statement:** Everyone gathered for worship is invited to take part in Communion. Jesus did not place any barriers around who received communion and neither does Bethany.
- ◆ **Hearing Assistance Device:** Please see the Sound Tech in the A/V booth at the rear of the Sanctuary if you need a hearing assistance device.
- ◆ **Worship Servants:** Thank you to all the A/V team, Ushers, Communion Servers, Altar Guild, Musicians, Embrace Volunteers and Sacristans for your work to greet people and make worship happen. We always welcome Worship Servants - go to www.signupschedule.com/Bethany to sign up!
- ◆ You are welcome to bring beverages into the Sanctuary but please use a covered container. And enjoy your food outside the Sanctuary (although we understand small children may need snacks!).
- ◆ **Children at Bethany:** Children and youth are a blessing from God and we love having children in the Sanctuary! Additionally, we offer several options for children and families to feel comfortable in a variety of spaces on Sunday mornings:
 - ⇒ **Fidget Station:** We know that all of God's children (young and old) are wonderfully and fearfully made in the image of God. And, at Bethany, ALL are welcome to worship. Available outside the Sanctuary's north doors is a Fidget Station. Children and adults are invited to use these fidgets and art supplies to aid in your spiritual growth and presence in worship. Please return items to the station when you are finished.
 - ⇒ **Busy Bags:** Near the Sanctuary doors you will find premade bags perfect for littles. Grab one on the way in and return it on the way out.
 - ⇒ **Nursery:** For directions to our Nursery, please speak with an usher. The Nursery will be staffed for the 9:30am and 11:00am services. For the other services you are welcome to use it with your child.