



January 2023

Newsletter

Bethany Lutheran Church



Bethany Lutheran Church

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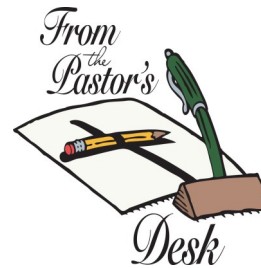
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Sunday Morning Worship Time

9:30 Worship

10:30 Coffee Hour



Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.
Isaiah 60:1

I received Pastor's letter prior to her leaving on vacation however being busy getting ready for the holiday, I didn't open the letter, thus didn't realize that there was a glitch and all the letter said was, "Happy Epiphany! This is my favorite season of all three years. We start the season with a visit from the wise people on January 6." Since Pastor is on vacation, I was stuck.

Not attending a Lutheran church, I had no idea what "Epiphany" is all about so I did a little research and I found a letter from ELCA Bishop Elizabeth Eaton. It said... "we move from Christmas to Epiphany. Christmas, when the presence of the Lord just seemed everywhere. And now the decorations just seem a little old. And it might seem also that we're heading into a barren time of the year. But the promise of Christmas is that God is with us always, that the love of Christ is present with us in our homes and that the Spirit helps us to be open to receiving that love."

I also found a wonderful prayer from the Women of the ELCA blog... "May we each day open the window of our worlds, inviting the fresh Light of Epiphany to flood us with hope, to bring us fresh insight and to fill us with grateful joy. May we see the world around us with new creation eyes, filled with potential and brimming with promise. May our lives be a continuous unfolding into God's grace, revealing new vistas that expand our faith horizons. In Jesus' name we pray, and by his name we are saved. Amen."

Living Lutheran magazine states... "The word "epiphany" comes from the Greek word "ἐπιφάνεια," meaning "appearance" or "showing forth." It names the day that the church tells Matthew's story of the magi from foreign lands who follow the light of the star and thus see Jesus as Christ. We celebrate the Epiphany of Our Lord on Jan. 6th.

That's a lot of information to take in but any time that we are in the presence of God's love, receiving hope and joy, sounds like a time of celebration. I see why Pastor calls it her favorite.

Kim

SUNDAY'S MINISTRIES JANUARY 2023

JANUARY 1, 2023

Sunday Service

Communion/Neighbors/Small Seeds & Sprouts

Greeter: Ruth Sieler
 Ushers: Bob Baldwin/Don Wallin
 Reader: Pam Van den Driessche
 Communion Asst.: Pam Van den Driessche
 Communion Setup: Ardyth Loewen
 PowerPoint: Steve Smith
 Financial Sec.: Pam Van den Driessche
 Coffee Hour: Hubert –Smith/Van den Driessche

JANUARY 8, 2023

Sunday Service

Communion

Greeter: Susan Shiu
 Ushers: Small Seeds & Sprouts/Chris Engebo
 Reader: Small Seeds & Sprouts
 Communion Asst.: Shelly Limpach
 Communion Setup: Shelly Limpach
 PowerPoint: Don Wallin
 Financial Sec.: Susan Shiu
 Coffee Hour: Foslien/Shiu

JANUARY 15, 2023

Sunday Service

Communion

Greeter: Joyce Croy
 Ushers: Bob & Pat Reistroffer
 Reader: Pat Reistroffer
 Communion Asst.: Barb Wilson
 Communion Setup: Dorothy Blair
 PowerPoint: Rick Loewen
 Financial Sec.: Barbara Price
 Coffee Hour: Gosch/Wilson

JANUARY 22, 2023

Sunday Service

Communion

Greeter: Glenn & Beth Milhiser
 Ushers: Harry & Dorothy Blair
 Reader: Karen Langworthy
 Communion Asst.: Karen Langworthy
 Communion Setup: Ardyth Loewen
 PowerPoint: Rick Loewen
 Financial Sec.: Pam Van den Driessche
 Coffee Hour: Annual Meeting Brunch

*****Please find a substitute if you can't volunteer for that Sunday.*****

JANUARY 28, 2023

Lay Sunday Service

No Communion

Greeter: DiAnn Foslien
 Ushers: Dave Foslien /Bill Zimmerman
 Reader: Bill Zimmerman
 PowerPoint: Lee Limpach
 Financial Sec.: Susan Shiu
 Coffee Hour: Reistroffer/Thompson

Bethany's Corner



Shelly Limpach is our prayer chain contact. You may contact her with your prayer concerns through email at. If you have an urgent prayer request, please call the church office.

Continued Prayers & Healing

Takko family Custer family Gilchrist family
 Thibodeau family Dana Hughes Krista Croy
 Kim Isakson Tracie Gonsolis Sarah Hancock
 Pratt family John Croy Foss Family



JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

29 Rick & Robin Siragusa

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

01 Francesca Siragusa	20 Marlys Beck
07 Marilyn Isakson	22 Carol Thompson
10 Dave Foslien	22 Carol Lane
12 Judy Bailey	24 Rhonda Archer
17 Barbara Clausen	26 Gail Obermeyer

Soap and Water Smell Great!

Several people in the congregation are very sensitive to scents.
 Please consider not wearing a fragrance on Sundays.

FYI

Small Groups Christian Fellowship this Month!

As a part of the Council goal to get members to know each other better and to reach out to non-members to share the faith, we would like to have small potluck dinners in attendees' homes. One dinner in January for four Bethany people to get better acquainted and then in February the four would invite two to four people outside of Bethany to get acquainted and share—so those two months it would be six or eight as we reach out. Please sign up as soon as possible so we can find hosts and also people who would like to participate but don't feel they can host. Participants will be notified and then hosts can connect with their guests to set a date for lunch or dinner and plan the potluck dishes.

60th Anniversary & Smorgasbord Dinner



Thanks to all who came and Battled the weather to Celebrate with us. We had about 86 come and have appetizers, Drinks & Great Food.



Thanks to the wonderful fantastic Castle Rock Men's Choir.

We would like to Thank everyone who Brought yummy food & treats, and also help with the cleanup and set up

CHILI COOK OFF

You are all invited to a yummy chili cook-off at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church on Saturday, January 14 at 2 PM. Enter a chili, or just come and eat and vote for your favorite. The winner gets a year of braggin' rights!

Coffee Hour

First of all thanks to all who do Coffee Hour and provides us with yummy goodies. FYI to all who do it, new members and seasoned members.

Duties of Coffee Hour Hosts:

1. turn on the dishwasher when you arrive. Directions are on the wall.
2. Place plates, napkins and or cups out for service
3. wash all tables off after coffee Hour
4. make sure all dishes are cleaned and put away
5. sweep floor in kitchen and fellowship hall
6. take out all the garbage. Put new bages in them. Bags are in cabinet by glass doors
7. clean out all coffee pots
8. wash out all sinks and clean out the dishwasher. Directions are on the wall
9. take home any wet towels & dish rags and dirty tablecloths that need to be laundered
10. turn off all lights.

Bob Baldwin & Rick Loewen will be making coffee. There may be times when they are gone. So check when it's your turn.

Dear Bethany Family:

Thank you so much for the Christmas card and cash. What a lovely surprise! It is great to be a part of Bethany and to be your music and worship person. I am blessed by you.

May the music in our hearts never stop and may we keep on singing unto the Lord!

Thank you

Dorothy McMillan

Thank you!

Coming up in January...

January 3rd—Moment's @ Bethany 1:30pm

January 5th—FISH Setup 9:00am

January 6th—FISH distribution 9:00am

January 12th—Quarterly Meeting 5:30pm

January 14th — Chili Cook-Off @ Gloria Day 2pm

January 22nd—Annual Meeting of the Congregation after service

Growing in Faith & Knowledge

Online Worship

Sundays at 9:30am, Streaming on Facebook, and Zoom. Uploaded to YouTube the following Tuesday.

Zoom – Video & Phone

Using Zoom, you can login to worship with us via your computer, phone, or even by calling in to listen. Join the call as early as 15 minutes prior to our worship start time for fellowship with your Bethany Family.

Join Zoom Meetings:

<https://zoom.us/j/6153119848>

Or to call in:

+1 253 215 8782 US

Meeting ID: 615 311 9848

Password: 2900

Small Seeds and Sprouts

Small Seeds and Sprouts will meet on the 1st Saturday of the month from 1-3pm at Bethany. This is a fun-filled time of learning for our children and youth at Bethany. This is a great opportunity to invite other children, and bring grandchildren to our program.

Confirmation material will be incorporated this year. Please pray for the youth as they enter into a new phase in their faith education.

This month the meeting will be on Saturday, January 7th, 2023, with Small Seeds & Sprouts Sunday, January 8th.

Women's Bible Study

We will meet in the Faith room and on Zoom on Tuesdays at 10:30am. January 3rd, 10th, 17, & 24th. The winter bible study will focus on the 10 Commandments. Join us 15 minutes early for fellowship and conversation.

You may download the study for free at www.gathermagazine.org/biblestudy

Feel free to join in on Zoom:
contact Kathy Newton to be on the update list.



Annual Meeting

Please mark your calendar for Sunday, January 22nd for our Annual Meeting after our church service. Members need to plan to attend and help us make decisions for the 2023 year--we need a voting quorum--we need YOU!! The agenda and handouts will be distributed on Sunday, January 15th at service.

Friends of Bethany are welcome to attend (without voting) so you will be informed on everything that is happening! Join us for the potluck brunch and meeting.

Dear Members and Friends,

As we prepare for a new year, may God's blessings be upon each of you! It is always exciting to look at a new year as a fresh start and the opportunity to reflect on where we have been! This letter is to serve as the constitutional requirement to announce our annual meeting on **Sunday, January 22, 2023** after the worship service in person. A draft agenda is on the back of this letter.

Active members will be able to be counted for quorum and vote, so your attendance is urgent! (Just wanted to remind everyone that to be considered an active member for voting, it means you must have communed with us on zoom or in person and given financially to the church during the previous two years. This is a constitutional requirement.) But please remember ALL are welcome to attend.

A breakfast meal will be organized by our wonderful hospitality committee, so your willingness to help them is appreciated! Friends are most welcome to come and be informed on our reports and our future plans.

On Sunday, January 15th, please pick up your annual report (*one per family unit*), read it, and *bring it to the meeting* to save paper and printing expenses. Members who are not attending in person, may pick up their report in the narthex during office hours on January 17, 18, and 19 from 9:30-3:00pm. Copies will be mailed to our homebound members to keep everyone informed.

Thank you for being an active participant in the Lord's work here at Bethany! May God continue to bless Bethany's work as we serve others in our church, community, and world.

Blessings to each of you!

Barbara Clausen, President
Tori Gosch, Vice President

Bethany Planning for the Future!

We still need more volunteers. Please pray about ways that you can help. It is also important to invite people as we can. The events for the year focus on activities that can easily include an invitation to a neighbor or friend. Thank you so much.

Quarterly Meeting Coming January 12th ~ 5:30 ~Fellowship Hall

This is our regular meeting of all members who wish to attend to share ideas! If you are thinking of a new project or have something to share, here is the place to come! This is a great time to hear the plans for upcoming events as well.

ALL committees should bring a list of active members and a list of dates for the next four months. After our discussion items, we will be doing the calendar.

Columbia Heights Box Tops

We are collecting Box Tops with this logo. If you would put your clipped tops in the box decorated with pansies on a table in the narthex by the Faith Room, it would be appreciated. The school PTO "buys" wonderful items for the school with these items, your participation is appreciated.



FISH

At this time, we are stopping potato meal boxes, rice meal boxes, and pasta meal boxes. Kraft Mac'n Cheese is still one of our staples.

We will continue to provide canned chili, spaghetti sauce, shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste, dish soap, laundry soap, sugar, oatmeal, top ramen, feminine hygiene products, diapers (all sizes), and flour.

All contributions gladly accepted.

Our next date is Friday January 6th and we appreciate your continued support for Bethany's FISH program.

FYI

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP REVIEW

In keeping with our constitutional obligation, the council must annually review the membership. We need to make sure our active members (for the sake of a quorum) have financially given and communed at least once over the last two years in person or online. Others then are kept in our records, but their status is changed to friend of Bethany for quorum purposes. If they wish to become active again, it is easy to go back to active--or if a friend wanted to join, just talk to Pastor!

At the same time, if you need to update your information – phone numbers, address, or email, please let us know so we can also be working on an update for our directory. ***Also, please make sure we have an up-to-date emergency contact for you.*** We keep this information on all members so in case of emergency we would know who to contact.

Barb Clausen is leading a review of the directory information over the month of December-January for those attending church. She will be contacting others, including homebound and frequent visitors over the last three years who live in our area, to update their information. Then our church secretary will make the updates in the directory and have printed copies for the congregation in late January! Others may pick up a copy in the narthex and homebound will be mailed. Thank you for helping us complete this project!

Mutual Ministry

Did you know that there is a mutual ministry team?

It is for the purpose is for problem-solving when needed. Pastor Susan is always available for conversation and private matters which are held confidential. This team is to help with conflict among the Bethany community or with difficult matters that may require different perspectives.

The Biblical way of handling conflict is – if possible, approach the person you have a conflict with and talk with them first. If that does not work bring someone with you as a witness to talk with the other person. If that does not work then you bring it to the church (the mutual ministry team) for mediation. While this way is encouraged.

We understand that it can not always work out this way and you may come to the mutual ministry team at a different interval.

This team is to help the balance and harmony at Bethany.

God's peace.

Emergency Fund ~ FIRST SUNDAY

Your council (with input from the Quarterly meeting) has selected a flexible list for the Emergency Fund donations. 20% each month will go to Pastor Susan's discretionary fund to help neighbors and members in need. The remaining will be distributed to the selected agency on the list. This month we are featuring and doing *second-mile* giving to the Christmas Boxes for Lexington and Columbia Heights elementary. Just put your check or cash in the separate basket at the back of the sanctuary and the check will be sent at the end of the month. If you are mailing in your donation, please write Emergency Fund on the Memo line.

January-Cold Weather Shelter

February-Living Stones Prison Ministry

March- Emergency Support Shelter for Abused Women & Men

December Emergency Fund:

Thank you, Bethany, for your generous second-mile giving. Total collected was \$392.00. After the 20% was added to the Pastor Discretionary Fund, a check for \$104.54 was written to Columbia Heights PTO and a check for \$209.06 went to Lexington PTO.

Longview Grocery Outlet Share Program

Did you know Longview Grocery Outlet donates 5% of your purchase to Bethany Lutheran? I was reminded last week when I went to pick up the check. And it's so easy too! We have cards that you would hand to the cashier prior to your items being rung up. They will scan the card and give it back to you and give Bethany 5% of your purchase amount. If you don't have a card, call the church office and we will mail one to you. Forgot your card? You can just let them know you would like to support Bethany Lutheran Church and they can type in the code. Please call the office if you have any questions.

Thank you everyone for the kind gifts for the staff at Bethany at Christmas time. It is very appreciated. We pray you have a beautiful and happy New Year.

Pastor Susan



Serving with Bethany

Throughout our newsletter you can see upcoming events and opportunities for service, fellowship, worship, and more. As we continue to grow, we recognize how important it is to invite others into service with us.

We are also always looking for new ways to serve our Lord and our neighbor together, if God has put a project on your heart, fill out an event proposal!

Many of the upcoming events and opportunities you can read about are still in need of volunteers for planning, and for the day of the events! We invite you to pray about the ways God might use you to serve our Lord and serve our neighbor together!

Upcoming Service Opportunities:

- FISH Food Pantry Distribution
Contact Pam Van den Driessche
- Duct Tape Maintenance Volunteering (Thursdays 9am-12pm)
Contact Rick Loewen or Dave Foslien
- Office Help Volunteering (Thursday Mornings)
Contact Kim Moran
- Caring Ministries (Cards, Phone Calls, Visits)
- Church Council, Committees, and Finances
Contact Pastor Susan, Tori Gosch, or Barb Wilson



Breakfast Group

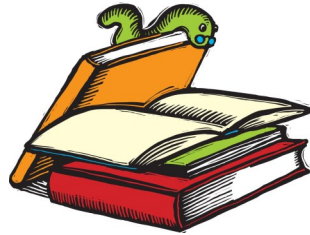
Our Breakfast Group is meeting on Tuesday morning at 8:00am at the Corner Cafe located at 796 Commerce Ave. Suite 103 in Longview. What a great opportunity to enjoy good food and fellowship!



Serving with Bethany continued...

Upcoming Youth Opportunities:

- TBD
Contact Pastor Susan



Upcoming Education

Opportunities:

- Every Tuesday...Women of Bethany Bible Study at 10:30 am. All are welcome.

Contact Kathy Newton.



Upcoming Worship Opportunities:

- Praise Team (Sunday mornings)
- Worship Ministries (Ushering, Reading, Communion assisting/setup, PowerPoint, etc.)

Contact Ardyth Loewen

Do you have your own idea for an exciting ministry God is putting on your heart? Let us know! Event proposal forms are available in the office or on the bulletin board.

<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	
Dec	TOTAL
4	54
11	54
18	55
24	15
25	20
Avg	40

Pastor Susan will be out for Continuing Education conferences

January 17th & 18th, and again January 23rd through the 25th. On those weeks

Moment's @Bethany will be canceled.

HELP WANTED

Duct Tape Crew

The Duct Tape Crew meets on Thursday mornings at 9am and are the "fix it" crew at Bethany. This group of men and women repair, clean, install, mow and do many other things to keep our church beautiful and up and running. If you have ever used duct tape and like donuts, you are highly qualified.

Communion Preparation People Needed

We are needing some people to help on Sundays with communion preparation. It involves coming early to prepare the bread and the wine and bring it to the sanctuary before service and washing the communion cups after service. We appreciate your help with this important task.

Family Promise

Bethany Lutheran is seeking volunteers to be liaisons between our church and the Family Promise leaders. For now we will only be helping with meals, but we need people to organize and deliver them. If you would be interested in helping in this way, please contact a member of church council.

Kitchen Coordinator Needed

Bethany Lutheran church is in need of a person who would be willing to be in charge of the kitchen for the next year. Duties would include...

- Making sure we have clean towels.
- Contacting Duct Tape if something needs repair.
- Coordinating volunteers for regular kitchen cleaning.

If you are interested in helping in this way, please contact a member of Hospitality.

December Council Minutes

Bethany Lutheran Church
Council Meeting Minutes – December 15, 2022 5:30p.m.
Joyce Croy's House

Devotions and Prayer –Beth Grambo

Call to Order and President's Report – Barbara Clausen

Affirmed decisions made between Council Meetings: Lease to buy a copier for the office

Secretary's Report – John Pelster

Approve November minutes as printed

Treasurer's Report – Barb Wilson

Emergency Fund Report \$342.20; checks for Schools November \$226.51 & \$115.69

Attendance average for November 50

Review of expenditures and account status-see attached

November 2022 Financial Report of Expenses and Income Summary:

The November 2022 budget expenses of \$10,398.08 exceeded the November 2022 income of \$8,895.70 by \$1,502.38. The Church loan balance as of November 30 is \$36,617.95 and Designated Funds / Savings as of November 30 are \$41,795.80.

YTD budget offerings were \$126,059.67 and YTD expenses were \$118,722.52.

2021 YTD offerings of \$111,537.64 exceeded 2021 YTD expenses of \$89,892.79.

Ministry Reports –

Hospitality – Joyce Croy

60th Ann. Smorgasbord – Invited, provided appetizers and wine (paid by hosting outside events), decorated, set/cleanup and arranged potluck with about 90 people; We had over 80 Guests. The Men Choir was Fantastic. Appetizer & Drinks worked out perfectly. Gift Card giveaway was a big hit.

Friendship Forest – Dec. 9 sit down full dinner for large group—very pleased;

Annual Meeting-will arranged for food services for Jan. 22nd;

Memorial – No requests

Worship/Music – The worship and Music team met on Dec. 11th:

Research compatible lapel mics and childcare for Easter

Will put approved guest musician increase at \$100 in budget

Lent Offering recommendation tabled

Advent Soup & Service Attendance 20 avg.

Council Meeting Minutes Continued

Youth/Service –Small Seeds/Sprouts - Sunday will be

Checks were delivered to Columbia Heights \$115.69 and to Lexington \$226.51. The angel tree wrapped gifts will be delivered December 19-20th to schools & Family Promise. Dec. checks delivered: Col Hts \$104.54 & Lex \$209.06.

Temple talk by two Lexington School staff to share about families we serve

FISH Report Nov. 28 served 20 seniors, 23 adults, 21 kids, 1 baby for 65 total! ; Next Fish is set up Jan. 5 & distribute Jan.6;

Tree tags and children's needs on the tree tags; delivery Dec. 20th
Emergency checks for food boxes delivered 15th

Duct Tape Crew – Rick Loewen

We did just a little mowing last month, a little ceiling tile work in the portable, and a little work and planning to repair the wall in the women's restroom. Mostly, we got Christmas decorations out and spent a lot of time getting all the Christmas lights to work. We shortened the garland that is hung along the rafters. None of our wives will let us go up the ladder any more to string them to the peak in front. Those garlands were made by Al and Anne Hosler and have served us well. Al and Anne left Bethany several years ago to move to Vancouver to be closer to family.

The 3 painting/staining estimates from Alex Jessen for the West and South outsides of the church are submitted to council. We will submit a budget request for at least the West end for \$2,970.75. We can get another quote if someone can recommend another painter. Alex's estimate is actually a quote if we accept it fairly soon. It seems like a fair price for good work. He came recommended by Joyce Croy.

I will hire Alex right now to cover the 2 woodpecker nest holes in the west wall with brown anodized aluminum plate we cut and drilled.

The average number of people involved in building and grounds work Thursday mornings is about half of what it was before the Covid era. We are dealing with age and health related issues.

Respectfully submitted by Rick and Dave, the duct-tape brothers.

Mutual Ministry- No report

Council Meeting Minutes Continued

Stewardship: Churchwide Stewardship Report Pledge Totals to Date- Barb Wilson— Received 28 pledges for \$94,740 for general fund and \$6500 for building fund

Minister's Report – Pastor Susan

Work/Life Balance: Vacation Days Dec. 25 and Dec. 27-30; Liturgically busy month!

Activities: All Saints, Christ the King, and Advent all occur, bringing into a new season of readings.. First-Call Retreat, Small Seeds Saturday, and Sunday fell due to illness and vacations, but resumed Dec. 3 and 4th. 60th Anniversary:90 people with the Castle Rock Men's Choir, a graveside in Cathlamet on Nov. 06 for Irene Sidwell (daughter, Vicki Washington, confirmed at Bethany.)

New Members: Susan Nance and Lynne Dalleck were received on 11/27/22.

1st Communion (Nov. 30, 2022): Alex Collins (grandchild of Carol and Duane Thompson,)

Education – No report

Unfinished Business:

Sound System Improvements - Barb Clausen—asked Beth Grambo to contact Seth B.

Living Lutheran Congregational -Will start in December with letter-Kim asked to mail; (Extras in sanctuary for others to try)

Calling Directory & Pictures-Barb Clausen and Pastor Susan—in progress;

Usher Training Re-schedule-Barb Clausen

Emergency Practice Lock Down and Drill-Barb Clausen and Pastor Susan

Transition walk-through with Rick-Pastor Susan will schedule;

Facility Use Insurance- Barbara Clausen Pastor Susan talked to Church Mutual, and we do not need to require an insurance rider when a member is present—unless they are going to be involved in high-risk behavior such as possible heavy drinking, dancing, very active games, etc. Our current policy covers regular events without anything additional. When a member will not be present, we may wish to consider continuing the practice of an insurance rider if we feel it is a dangerous activity. (This excludes boy and girl scouts as they carry their own insurance.)

Council Meeting Minutes Continued

New Business:

January Planning for Congregational Meeting Jan. 22-Draft - Barb Clausen

Jan. 3, Tuesday noon Executive Committee Zoom (salaries)

Jan. 4, Wednesday 4:00 Council Meeting fir(Budget w/ Kim & Barb) Faith Rm

5:00 Council - Pizza Dinner (budget rec., cong. agenda approval)

(Barb C will buy pizza, Barb W will bring soda, others bring money)

Jan. 5, Thursday Letter (annual meeting notice mailed)

Jan. 15, Sunday Annual Meeting Booklet (distributed one per family at service)

Approval of letter and Congregational Agenda

Nomination Committee-Barb Clausen met with the elected committee Pat Reistroffer, George Obermeyer, Suzanne Arnits (absent) (+ 2 council-Barb and Tori absent)

George resigned from the committee and accepted the nomination for 2023 -6 council to replace Steve Smith who resigned due to work obligations/conflict. John Pelster will be leaving the council after having served as our wonderful secretary for three years. He is hoping to join Duct Tape Crew. John's insights and prayers will be missed.

Staff Report – Kim Moran

Facility Use – No new requests.

Office Closed- Dec. 27-30

Announcements and Adjournment – Barb Clausen

Beth Adams will be at our February meeting to discuss foundations, etc.

Next Scheduled Meetings:

Executive Committee – Tuesday, Jan. 3 – 12:00 pm

Council – Wednesday, Jan. 4, 2022 – 4:00 pm

*Thank
You*

Dear Bethany Church

Thank you for your thoughtful and generous gift. My heart is full and I am so touched by your kindness & generosity. I used the money to purchase some things that were on my wants-not needs list. How grateful I am! Through all of you, I am so blessed.

In Christ,

Kim

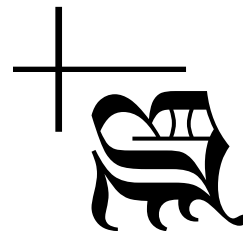
Offering to date (November)	
2021	2022
\$111,537.64	\$126,059.67
Expenses to date (November)	
2021	2022
\$89,892.79	\$118,722.52

Newsletter articles must be submitted before the 20th of the month prior in order to be published.

While all efforts are made to keep original submissions, article submissions are subject to editing for accuracy, spelling, grammar and formatted to fit in the space allowed.

2022 Church Council

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God's Blessings to . . .

