# Bethany Lutheran Church

"You have a place here! Joyfully we profess our faith through God's unconditional love. Here and now God dwells in all of our lives, bears our sins on the cross, and forgives us all."

9 a.m. Sunday Worship Services Join in person or live-stream at https://www.facebook.com/BethanyLutheranChurchElca
Worship Service Bulletin & Weekly Newsletter are available at www.norwaybethany.org/Bulletins

## Happy Birthday!

8/02 Tasha DeBernardi
8/02 Sierra Oman
8/07 Dace Mollick
8/08 Danielle Bjorkman
8/08 Dallas DeBernardi
8/20 Don Losey
8/23 Linda Hawkinson
8/24 Peggy Giesen
8/28 Bill Borga
8/29 Carol Ebeling

Don & Peggy Gattra
08/02/69

Kraig & Carrie Daffron
08/11/07

Bill & Sally Borga
08/19/78

Darren & Amber Schiltz
08/21/04

## Office Phone Number

The Bethany Lutheran office phone line is once again active. The phone number is: **(906) 563-8472.**

## Office Email Address

The new office email is: **bethanyoffice130@gmail.com**
If your email address has changed, please notify the office through the new email address.
Thank you for your cooperation as we update our system and our records!

## Bethany Council Highlights– July

- Total Income YTD—$45,351.44
  Total Expenses YTD—$45,371.52
- New sound board has been
- installed
- Sign-up sheet for anyone
- interested in a Bethany t-shirt
- Strategic Recommendations for the ELCA (looking for feedback).
- Bethany Webpage needs updating

**** Still searching for new office secretary**

- Calvary 100th birthday to be celebrated on 9-13-2026

## Mission for July– September

**Feeding America and Good Samaritan**

**Goal—$1,000**

**Collected to Date $441.55**

## Crossroads Highlights—July

- Received $700 in building use donations. AED pads will be purchased with some of the money.
- TV wire on back wall to be installed
- Sprinkler system will be inspected on August 5th.
- Feed America truck will be here on Thursday, August 6th. As always, looking for volunteers.
- Crossroads Audit needs to be done. Will be scheduled.

**T-Shirt Sign-up**

If anyone is interested in purchasing a "Bethany Lutheran' t-shirt , please sign up on the form on the bulletin board. If there is enough interest, a design and more information will follow.

*And they worshipped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy .*
*Luke 24:52*

Thank You, Thank You!! to Supervisor Greg Vargo, Dave Groeneveld, Rick Fila, Steve Perucco, Darren Schiltz, Bill and Sally Borga for ALL the hard work done at the Crossroads Play structure.! The old wood chips and much dirt were removed from the site and new wood chips put down around the structure. Great job! Looks

## Lifting Up to God in Prayer

Don Gattra, Carol Sparapani,
Dennis LaFaive, Sue Paupore, Jude Stephens
(Grandson of Pastor Bonnie and Steve)

**Calvary Lutheran Church** is celebrating 100 years of worship and fellowship! Please join them at Calvary on September 13, 2026 at 11:00am for worship.

Our Church's Anniversary

A luncheon will be served at Bethany immediately after worship. Please RSVP on the sign-up sheet so Calvary is prepared for the right amount of attendees.

FORTUNE LAKE
*A place of grace in Crystal Falls, MI*

Women's Fall Retreat
Living Waters "Renewal & Refreshment"
September 18-20, 2026
Registration forms need to be sent in by August 15, 2026
For more information: see flyer posted on hallway bulletin board or contact Diane Gendron at 906-282-9247

### Church Council

(meets 2nd Monday of each month)
Next meeting: August 10, 2026

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### Christian Education

**WEDNESDAY**

10:30 am *Zoom* Ladies Bible Study, Led by Barb Rice (via Zoom)

**THURSDAY**

7:00 am Men's Breakfast and Bible Study led by John Dedo (Great Room)

6:30 pm Pub Theology

Led by Pr. Dave (location announced at worship)

11:00 am Crossroads Bible Study led by Pastor Dave **(on hiatus until September)**

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THANK YOU Volunteers! We couldn't do it without you