***The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost***

***August 3, 2025***

**Bethel Lutheran Church**

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**Holy Communion 1st, 3rd, & 5th Sundays of the Month**

**Worship Hours**

**Summer Hours**

**9:30 am Worship Service**



We welcome all of our worshipers this morning. We pray that the Holy Spirit will bless this time with an increase of faith in Jesus and love for one another. Please join us again in worship and fellowship.

**Our Worship** We follow Divine Service Setting 1 on page 151.

Hymns of Praise to the Lord: 790, 782, 633, 634, and 652.

**Our Response to God’s Love:**

**With our attendance last Sunday: 42**

Offerings to the Lord: Loose $199, General $1,105, Mission $47, IDW $50, Care Pkg. $10, Sunday School $25, Total $1,436.

Our adopted mission project for 2025 is $2,400 ($200 per month) for Noah’s Ark Daycare in Sutherland. They have need to help with their budget due to the renovations of the new location and inspection fees. **The second Sunday of the month we take an offering for this mission project.**

With our prayers for the sick and hurting: Judy Riedmann, Truel Bailey, Linda Nellis, Beverly Durst, Roman Fulkerson, Sara Sickelka, Janie Ebel, Ron Waggoner, Marilyn Fiddelke, Elaine Waggoner, Delmar Sickelka, and Brian Hohbach.

**Hospitalizations:** Please call Rev. David Matthews Jr. if you or someone from the congregation is in the hospital.

**Looking Forward to The Coming Week**

**Today:** **9:30 am – Holy Communion**

Thursday: 7:00 pm – “Bible & Beer” Zion Men’s Bible Study

**Friday:** Pastor’s Day off

**Next Sunday****:** **9:30 am – Family Worship**

6:00pm-8:00pm – Vacation Bible School

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| Lutheran Hour Ministries  Sundays at 8am on 102.9FM or 8:30am on KSCJ 94.9FM  August 10rd Airing  **"Writing Him Off"** Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour: [Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus](https://www.lhm.org/about/klausbio.asp) After Jesus claimed the Old Testament was written about Him, the people of His hometown wrote Him off. (Luke 4:21-32) | Iowa District West  August 10rd Airing  **This Is the Life** – “No Tears for Bill” – A widow struggles with her past and upcoming marriage.  Worship Service – Rev. Michael Belinsky of St. John’s Lutheran Church in Beemer, NE, and Zion Lutheran Church in Bancroft, NE, delivers the message “More Valuable than Anything” based on Luke 12:22-34.  Additional information is available on the web site:[www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com/). |
|  | **Bethel Lutheran Church** will be live streaming our worship services on our Bethel Lutheran Church Sutherland Facebook page  @ 9:30 am on Sundays.  You can view the service afterwards on the Facebook account for up to 30 days before it is deleted. |
| **Building Healthy Families:** Parents and grandparents, looking for something to do with your children or grandchildren during these waning days of summer? Take them to the cemetery with you on a mission to find your ancestors’ grave sites. Bring along old family photos to match and give a face to the names on the tombstones. This could be a fun adventure for them and you, as well as a unique opportunity for you to share your faith and stories of the faith of your family in previous generations. *You shall teach [God’s commandments] diligently to your children and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. Deuteronomy 6:7* **Lutheran Family Service** [www.LutheranFamilyService.org](http://www.LutheranFamilyService.org) | |



* **Aug 10-13 – VBS @ Bethel 6:00pm-8:00pm**
* **August 10 – Concordia League – going to Sunday Service in Marcus – Paullina Lake Concession for lunch**
* **August 13 – Christian Outreach @ 6:00 pm**
* **August 13 – Elders Meeting @ 7:30 pm**
* **August 13 – Church Council @ 8:00pm**
* **August 16 – “Bible & Bacon” Men’s Group**
* **August 31 – Labor Day Food Stand @ 11:00am – 2:00pm**
* **Sept. 1 – Labor Day Parade @ 10:30am**

**\*\*Calendar Change: Sunday August 31st – Church Service will be here at Bethel Lutheran @ 9:30am\*\***

VBS is scheduled for Aug 10-13, from 6:00-8:00 pm.  Our theme this year is **'Epic Australian Adventure'**.  An unforgettable journey with Jesus.

Volunteers are needed to help us have another great experience for the kids!!  I need helpers for crafts, music, and serving food.  I plan on having a signup sheet in the church soon but you can call me any time to volunteer for a spot and I will sign you up!    Thank you!   - Georgette Ebel







Lynn Horstmann

Dani Rehder

Jordan Wohlert



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