

bethany christian church (disciples of christ)



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March 23, 2025
Third Sunday of Lent

Bethany Christian Church is an open and affirming congregation of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Therefore, accept one another, just as Christ also accepted us to the glory of God. (Romans 15:7).

We at Bethany Christian Church are Disciples of Christ, a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world. As part of the one body of Christ seeking to learn the word, live the grace, and share the love, we welcome ALL to the Lord's Table as God has welcomed us with grace and unconditional love and acceptance. So, with open hearts, open minds, and open doors, Bethany Christian Church acknowledges, accepts, and affirms ALL people as equal children of God and affirms OUR commitment to welcome and accept ALL people. Therefore, regardless of race, nationality, culture, ethnic origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic status, physical and mental ability, marital standing, or any other designation of individuals who have known the pain of exclusion and discrimination by the church and society, ALL are welcome to participate fully in the life, leadership, ministry, and mission of our church.

Visit Disciples LGBTQ+ Alliance (<https://disciplesallianceq.org/>) to learn more!

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Prelude		Music Team
Lighting of the Candles (Bringing in the Light of Christ)		Acolyte
Welcome		Rev. Michelle
*Passing of Christ's Peace		Rev. Michelle
One: May Christ's Peace be with you!		
MANY: And also, with you.		
Announcements		Nancy Boner
Mental Wellness Moment		Rev Michelle
*Invitation to Worship		Nancy Boner
One: We are thirsty; God says, "Come to my waters."		
MANY: We are hungry for what we cannot buy.		
One: Let us delight in the nourishment the Lord provides.		
MANY: We listen to God's voice and are filled.		
One: Let us pray.		
*Unison Prayer of Invocation		Nancy Boner
ALL: Loving God of promise, we hear your call to eat and drink of you. Thank you for filling us with what we truly need and calling us away from what will never satisfy. When we devote ourselves to you and seek you above everything, ones who witness our love will run to you in Jesus' name. Amen.		
*Opening Song	"Higher Ground"	Music Team
Children's Moment:		Rev Michelle
Song	"Step by Step"	Music Team
Scripture	Psalms 63:1-8	Nancy Boner

One: The Word of God for the people of God.
ALL: THANKS BE TO GOD. AMEN.

Pastoral Prayer		Rev. Michelle
The Lord's Prayer (Matthean, KJV)		Congregation
ALL: 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. Amen.		

Invitation to Generosity		Rev. Michelle
Offering Collection		Ushers
*Doxology #46		Amy Duncan
	Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise God, all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost!	
*Prayer of Dedication		Rev. Michelle
Special Song	“Satisfied” by Chris Tomlin	Music Team
Message	So That You May Live Isaiah 55:1-9	Rev. Michelle
Invitation to Discipleship		Rev. Michelle
*Song	“You Satisfy the Hungry Heart” (vv. 1, 2, & 4)	#429
Service of Communion		
Invitation to our Lord’s Table		Rev. Michelle
Blessing of Elements		John Rich
Words of Institution		Rev. Michelle
Passing & Sharing of Elements		Congregation
*Benediction		Rev. Michelle
	Please stand in body or spirit and join with me in our closing Blessing.	
	One: The Lord is our God! Let our praise and service reveal the Lord to all.	
	ALL: We go forward, filled with the rich nourishment of the Lord, offering to share the one who can satisfy a hungry and thirsty world.	
*Closing Song	“For the Fruit of All Creation”	#714
*Exit	God bless and have a wonderful week!	Matt

Prayer List

If you have any joys or prayer concerns or have someone to be removed from the list, please send them to bethanychristianprayers@gmail.com

We continue to hold in prayer:

Katie Kelly	Debby Miller	Caroline Ashby	Stevie Chivlare
Steve Appel	Michelle Gilles	Myra Woolsey	Jordan & Melanie Rundle
Mary Jane Hunt	Sheila Smith	Lisa Russell	Wes & JoAnn Mitchell
Nancy Slaton	Dave Cox	Stacy Baier	Family & Friends of Diane Huett
Cale Harper	Nancy McGuyer	Ron Dennis	Family of John Cheadle
Frank Rynkiewich	Steve Cox	John Bunner	Family of Gary Dorsey
Ruth & Joe Lenko	Angie Moers	Lisa King	Mary & Mike Pruiett
Jeff Main	Steve Buckert	Donna Harper	Barb Hester
Julia Wood	Nita Cox	Linda Appel	

Upcoming Dates

Sunday March 23, 2025 – Church Board Meeting after Worship.

Tuesday March 25, 2025 – Tai Chi 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday March 26, 2025 - Bible Study 10:00 a.m. & 5:30 p.m., Choir 6:30 p.m.

Saturday March 29, 2025 – Limbs & Lunch Workday 10:00 a.m.

Sunday March 30, 2025 – 5th Sunday Fellowship 12:00 noon

ENTER TO WORSHIP – LEAVE TO SERVE

Pastor	Rev. Michelle Brown	Secretary/Bookkeeper	Dana Johnson
Minster of Music	Matt Rundle	Custodian	Linda Moore
Children's Moment	Rev. Michelle Brown	Keyboard	Amy Duncan
Additional Band Members	Chris Gibson, Mason Hammonds, John Rich, and Shawn Sterne		

Those Serving Today: **Elder:** John Rich, **Liturgist:** Nancy Boner, **Deacons:** Connie Helm & Meichelle Paulson, & **W&W (Storyteller):** Danielle Russell

Those Serving Next Sunday, March 30, 2025: **Elder:** Jean Page, **Liturgist:** Vanessa Wagler, **Deacons:** Connie Helm & Meichelle Paulson, & **W&W (Storyteller):** Sheri Cox

Learn the Word - Live the Grace - Share the Love