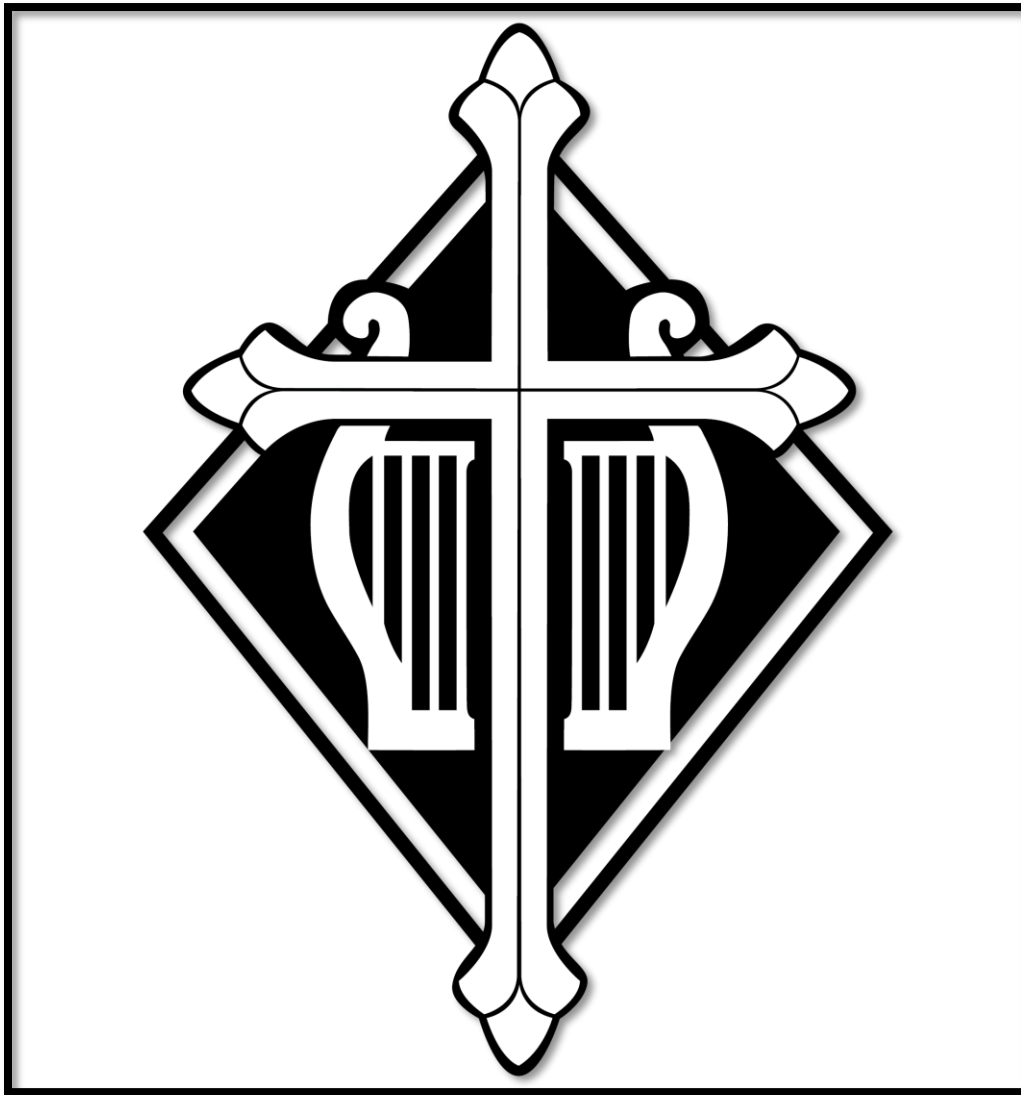

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EASTER FIVE

April 28, 2024

WELCOME TO WORSHIP



Evangelical Lutheran Synod

Thank you for joining us for worship today. In our service we gather before our almighty and saving God to offer Him our worship and praise. We also assemble to hear God's holy and powerful Word and celebrate His life-giving Sacraments. Through these means, God strengthens our faith and walks us ever closer to our eternal home with Him.

We greet you in Jesus' name!

OFFERING

During our worship service members and friends of Bethany Lutheran have the opportunity

to respond to God's good news with gifts to support His saving work.

You can also donate online at any time.

Scan the QR code and follow the prompts.

If you are a guest with us today, please do not feel obligated to participate.



PARENTS WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

Bethany encourages young children to worship with their parents in the sanctuary. Though children can be restless, God's Word is intended for them as well as adults. If your young one should become too restless during worship, a "cry room" is available just outside the sanctuary to the left.

FIRST-TIME VISITOR

Restrooms - to your right as you exit sanctuary (*changing tables available*)

 **Hearing Assistance Available** - please ask for a receiver at the usher station

Please consider emailing your name, address and phone number to Bethany.lutheran@wavecable.com.

We would love to follow up with you to see how we can best serve you with the good news of Jesus.

SERVING YOU TODAY

Preacher

Pastor Tony Pittenger

Organist/Accompanist

Mrs. Cathy Sharrett

Communion Assistants

8:30am Doug Seals

11:00am Alan Nesseth

Acolytes

8:30am Walsh, Crew

11:00am Percich

Elder on duty this week

Conrad Plyler

Flowers on the Altar this week are given to the glory of God by Sam and Penny Bell in celebration of the 48th Wedding Anniversary.

**Communion is offered on the 2nd and 4th Sundays & Mondays of the month.*

ORDER OF WORSHIP:

Join with us as we use The Divine Service, *Rite Two*, starting on page 60.
Please follow along in the hymnal or as available above the altar.

Monday pg. 128

1. PROCESSIONAL HYMN: # 346:1&4

Death Is Dead, the Truth Life Liveth

INTROIT

Oh, sing to the Lord a new song! For He has done marvelous things. Alleluia! The Lord has made known His salvation; His Righteousness He has openly shown in the sight of the nations. His right hand and His holy arm have gained Him the victory.

COLLECT

O God, You make the minds of the faithful to be of one will: Grant unto Your people that they may love what You command, and desire what You promise; that among the manifold changes of this world, our hearts may always be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

 Amen

EPISTLE LESSON

Do not be deceived, My beloved brothers. ¹⁷ Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. ¹⁸ Of His own will He brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of His creatures. ¹⁹ Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; ²⁰ for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness of God. ²¹ Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls. *James 1:16–21*

GRADUAL

Alleluia! Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us. Alleluia!

GOSPEL LESSON

But now I am going to Him who sent Me, and none of you asks Me, ‘Where are You going?’ ⁶ But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. ⁷ Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸ And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹ concerning sin, because they do not believe in Me; ¹⁰ concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see Me no longer; ¹¹ concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged. ¹² ‘I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³ When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify Me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵ All that the Father has is Mine; therefore I said that he will take what is Mine and declare it to you. *John 16:5–15 (ESV)*

CHIEF HYMN: #379

Jesus, Jesus, Only Jesus

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

In peace, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For musicians and poets, that they may serve skillfully; and for the congregation of God in this and every place, that we may sing with boldness the eternally new song of Christ, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For faithful pastors and teachers who will teach us God's Word, devoted church workers who will serve us in His name, and those now preparing for church work vocations, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For our families and communities, that by His Spirit He would put away every hasty or harsh word, together with all filthiness and rampant wickedness, and instead give us patience and humility toward our neighbors, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For good government and leaders who are both honest and faithful; and for faith that looks eagerly for Christ's quick return, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For _____, that God would hear their prayers and our intercessions, which we offer in the unity of His Holy Spirit, our advocate and comforter, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For joy beyond all sorrow at the ascension of Christ, who now reigns among saints and angels and comforts us in the communion of the saints until we join Him in glory, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

Hear us, heavenly Father, for the sake of Christ Jesus, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: #378

Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice

27. RECESSIONAL HYMN: #340:1-3

Alleluia! Jesus Lives

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

“... the people of Israel gave in abundance the first fruits of grain, wine, oil, honey, and of all the produce of the field. And they brought in abundantly the tithe of everything.”

2 Chronicles 31:5

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NAME TAG SUNDAY

“If you are like me and forget people’s names, this simple act is such a game changer!”

Jolynda Miller

Beginning **May 5th**, Bethany’s *Name Tag Sunday* will be in full swing!

All are encouraged to participate. The Evangelism Committee will have two tables set up with name tags, markers, and garbage cans. When you walk in the doors, everyone is asked to write their name and place it where others can see. The garbage cans are for the backing of your tags.

Name Tag Sunday will be the first Sunday of every month.

VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



Bethany will be hosting VBS July 31st-August 2nd from 9am-2pm. We have been blessed this year and have two professors coming from Bethany Lutheran College (Eric and Denice Woller). They will be sharing their program “DNA” (Divine Nature Adventure). If you can volunteer, there is a sign-up sheet in the hall. Our first planning meeting is **May 8th at 2pm** in the Emmaus room and we hope that you can join us. We are looking for any available Thrivent grants as well. Please reach out to Kristen Alas with any questions.

MAY 11, 2024

**TELSS
OPEN
PLAY**

GRADE 4-8

\$20 PER KID

5:00PM - 8:00PM
**OPEN GYM PLAY, GAMES,
ARTS AND CRAFT**

INCLUDES FOOD AND DRINKS
EVERGREEN LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL
7306 WALLER RD E, TACOMA, WA 98443
REGISTER AND PAY ONLINE
OR
PAY AT THE DOOR

Follow this QR code to register!

BETHANY SPRING FLING

Spring is here and our “Spring Fling” is coming!

Its like a giant picnic...only **better!**

Mark your calendar: **Sunday, May 19th at 12:30ish.**

We will provide grilled hot dogs, chips and water.

We ask that you bring a salad to share and a lawn chair for yourself.

There will be games and contests!

Our dessert will be cupcakes from the “**Cupcake Contest**”.

Join us for Food, Fun and Fellowship!

Please sign up! The signup sheets are by the bathrooms. We need to know how many people, so we can know how much food to prepare and have games prepped with prizes ready.

SUMMER CARE TEACHER NEEDED

Seeking a Summer Care Teacher for Bethany! Summer Care caters to enrolled students. The position runs from June 4th to August 16th, Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.

A background check is mandatory. (No Care on June 19th, July 4-5th.)

For further details or to apply, please reach out to Mr. Lai by Thursday May 2nd.

509-426-1471 or email at principal@bethanyles.com

HERE IS A SNIPPET OF WHAT IS HAPPENING IN OUR SCHOOLS

EVERGREEN EAGLES

Friday May 10th

Band Concert at 7:00 pm



BETHANY BOBCATS

May 3rd: Outdoor Family Game Night

May 6th No School K-8th



EARLY LEARNING CENTER

Exploring stem play with Legos!

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, 4/28 *Easter Five*

8:30/11:00 am

Worship w/communion

(8:30 livestreamed)

9:45 am

Sunday School

MONDAY, 4/29

7:00 pm

Monday Worship

TUESDAY, 4/30

1:00 pm

Juanita's Bible Study

WEDNESDAY, 5/1

8:25 am

Chapel

THURSDAY 5/2

9:00/10:45 am

Power Hour

SATURDAY 5/4

9:00 am

Men's Fellowship

SUNDAY, 5/5 *Easter 6*

8:30/11:00 am

Worship

(8:30 livestreamed)

9:45 am

Sunday School

11:00 am

1st-4th Grade Sing

QUARTERLY VOTER'S MEETING

TUESDAY, May 14th – 7:00PM

All voting members of the congregation

Please mark your calendars now and plan to attend

UPCOMING SUMMER EVENTS

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Starting Sunday, May 26th, 2024

Sunday: 9:00am worship, no Sunday school

MEMORIAL

Saturday, June 15th, 1:00-3:00 pm

Please join us Saturday to have a memorial honoring Travis Walton at Laurie's house.

LUTHERHAVEN CAMP

Counselors: Saturday July 6-12th

Campers Sunday July 7-12th

Applications and more information coming soon!



2024 ELHS
SUMMER CAMPS
REGISTER NOW AT ELHS.ORG

JUNE 10-13 VOLLEYBALL • \$50 Girls entering grades 3-9 • 9:00-11:30 AM	JULY 22-26 JULY 26 PERFORMANCE AT 5:30PM DRAMA • \$80 Boys & Girls entering grades 6-9 • 12:30-3:30 PM
JUNE 17-20 CHEER • \$135 Girls entering grades 1-8 • 9:00-2:00 PM	JULY 29-31 FLAG FOOTBALL • \$50 Boys entering grades 4-9 • 9:00-11:00 AM
JULY 15-18 BASKETBALL • \$75 Boys & Girls entering grades 3-5 • 9:00-11:30 AM Boys & Girls entering grades 6-9 • 12:30-3:00 PM	JULY 29-31 SCIENCE DISCOVERY • \$50 Boys & Girls entering grades 5-9 • 12:00-3:00 PM