
BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pentecost
May 24, 2026



SERVING YOU TODAY

Pastor Tony Pittenger
Organist Cathy Sharrett
Acolytes E. Circelli, E/W Nantz
D. Monroe, J. Ballentine
Ushers Larry Sharrett
Isaac Sharrett
Elder on Duty Doug Seals

ORDER OF WORSHIP**Sunday**

Join with us as we use The Divine Service,
Rite Two, starting on page 60,
with modifications.

*(Please follow along in the hymnal or
above the altar as announced)*

Monday

The Office of Compline, page 128.

*Flowers on the altar this week are given to the glory of God
by Conrad and Candy Plyler in celebration of
Conrad and Kai's birthday.*

HYMNS**Distribution**

395 <i>Awake, Thou Spirit, Who Didst Fire</i>	399 <i>O Light of God's Most Wonderous Love</i>	401 <i>O Day Full of Grace</i>	27 <i>O Holy Spirit, Enter In</i>	<u>Navy Hymn</u>
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INTROIT: The Spirit of the Lord fills the whole world. Alleluia! Let the righteous be glad, let them rejoice before God. Let God arise, let His enemies be scattered; Let those also who hate Him flee before Him.

COLLECT: Lord Jesus Christ, almighty Son of God: We beseech You, send Your Holy Spirit into our hearts, through Your Word, that He may rule and govern us according to Your will, comfort us in every temptation and misfortune, and defend us by Your truth against every error, so that we may continue steadfast in the faith, increase in love and good works, and firmly trusting in Your grace, which You purchased for us by Your death, obtain eternal salvation; for You reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, on true God, now and forever. Amen.

EPISTLE LESSON

When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. ² And suddenly there came from Heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. ⁴ And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. ⁵ Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. ⁶ And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. ⁷ And they were amazed and astonished, saying, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? ⁹ Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, ¹¹ both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.” *Acts 2:1–11 (ESV)*

GRADUAL: You send forth Your Spirit, they are created; and You renew the face of the earth. Alleluia!

GOSPEL LESSON

Jesus answered him, “If anyone loves Me, he will keep My Word, and my Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him. ²⁴ Whoever does not love Me does not keep My Words. And the Word that you hear is not Mine but the Father’s who sent Me. ²⁵ “These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. ²⁶ But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. ²⁸ You heard Me say to you, ‘I am going away, and I will come to you.’ If you loved Me, you would have rejoiced, because I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. ²⁹ And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe. ³⁰ I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no claim on Me, ³¹ but I do as the Father has commanded Me, so that the world may know that I love the Father. Rise, let us go from here. *John 14:23–31 (ESV)*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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

For gladness in the Holy Spirit, who through His Church fills the world with the remembrance of everything Christ Jesus has spoken and done, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

That by the same Spirit of peace, our hearts would neither be troubled nor afraid concerning this life, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the spread of God's Word throughout the world, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

That the Holy Spirit would create faith in the hearts of the nations, so that on the great and magnificent day of the Lord many may call on the name of the Son and be saved, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

That our loving Father would come with His Son to make His home among us and in our own homes; and that, by His Word, the Spirit would bind our families together, guide our life and conversation, and continue among us in each coming generation, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For this weekend of our own nation's Memorial Day, to cherish those who gave the full measure of devotion to our country's peace and security, serving faithfully in the protection of our freedom and in the defense of our land until death, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

In thanksgiving for the resurrection of the dead and the eternal life in Christ Jesus; and in remembrance of those who have gone before us and are now at rest, *[including _____,]* let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

Almighty Father, with Your Son, Jesus Christ, send Your Holy Spirit into our hearts through Your Word to rule and govern us and our lives according to Your will. Comfort us in every temptation and misfortune and defend us against every error, that we may continue steadfast in the faith, increase in love and good works, and — trusting firmly in Your grace — obtain eternal salvation; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

Budget Snapshot

2025	Adopted Budgeted Monthly Need	Actual Giving
January	39583.33	44922.65
February	39583.33	28015.01
March	39583.33	36520.77
April	39583.33	35933.97
YTD	158,333.32	145,392.40
YTD Below Budget		\$12,940.92

GATHER-GROW-GO OPPORTUNITIES

GATHER

BEDTIME BOOK TAKE DOWN

Please stay after the service to **help take down** some books from the balcony to the Power Hour room to be sorted for Bedtime Books. *Many hands make light work!*

GROW

YOUTH GROUP GARAGE SALE

Support our youth attending the **2026 Lutheran Youth Convention** by shopping the Youth Group Garage Sale at Bethany on **Saturday, June 20!** Donations of clean, small, new or gently used items are now being accepted in the office. Larger items may be dropped off on June 19. Please contact Katie Evans or Dave Humphrey with any questions.

CAMP LUTHERHAVEN

Registration will remain open until Monday, June 15. Please register through the QR code in the narthex or with this link: <https://lutherhavencamp.regfox.com/lutherhaven-2026>

GO

CEREAL DRIVE

Thank you for your generous donations! We collected **424** boxes of cereal, along with numerous boxes of oatmeal, pancake mix, jars of peanut butter and jelly, and many other breakfast items. These donations will go a long way in helping to feed families in our community.

LMSG AMMO Can Donation: Bethany’s Lutheran Military Support Group (LMSG) is asking for donations in support of our military men, women, and their families. LMSG, a partnership of ELS and WELS veterans, is working to grow awareness of and bring Christian support to military members and their families in our congregations and beyond.

By placing your gift in the AMMO can located in the narthex, you are supporting the work of local congregations ministering to nearby military families, the WELS European chaplain program and global broadcasts of *Time of Grace* to our military. If you have questions, please see Pastor or visit the website www.lutheranmilitary.org. THANK YOU for standing shoulder to shoulder with those serving our nation!!

A SERVICE OF LOVE

The vocation of the warrior is both special and often misunderstood. God has established governing authorities to be “agents of wrath to bring punishment on the wrongdoer” (Romans 13:4). Those who serve in our Armed Forces do so not for personal gain or the abuse of power, but in love—seeking to protect others and preserve peace as God’s servants.

On Memorial Day, we remember those who showed the greatest love by laying down their lives for others (John 15:13). We honor all who died while serving in our Nation’s military, both in times of war and peace. Their lives were precious gifts from God, and their service made a meaningful difference in the lives of those they loved and those who followed in their footsteps.

We also remember the families who live each day with an empty place at their dinner table; their hearts filled with memories of their beloved Warrior. The cost of freedom is something you understand in a way others cannot. You remain in our prayers, that our loving God would grant you the peace and understanding that comes only from him.

As we reflect on these blessings today, we give thanks to our gracious God for the peace and safety we enjoy because of the sacrifices of so many. We ask for his continued protection over those who serve and his comfort for those who mourn. God be with you as you live in his grace. He Reigns,

Brad Price

President/CEO Lutheran Military Support Group



MEMORIAL DAY

REMEMBER. HONOR. NEVER FORGET.

*In memory of the brave men and women
who gave their lives for our country
and our freedom.*



TODAY WE REMEMBER.
ALWAYS WE ARE GRATEFUL.

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, 5/24 Pentecost

9:00am Worship with Communion
*Summer Worship Schedule:
No Bible Class/Sunday School*

MONDAY, 5/25

*Memorial Day
Office Closed*
7:00pm Worship

THURSDAY, 5/28

8:25am Chapel/End of Year Awards
6:30pm ELC/Kindergarten Graduation

FRIDAY, 5/29

Office Closed

SUNDAY, 5/31 Trinity

9:00am Worship
Bethany Lutheran Graduation

Serving Next Week

Organist: Kelli Gracia

Acolytes: C/E Walsh, K/K Crew, A. Pasillas

Ushers: Larry Sharrett, Isaac Sharrett

Elder on Duty: Doug Seals



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Worship Schedule: Sunday 9:00am, Monday 7:00pm