
BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

FIFTH SUNDAY IN EASTER

May 18, 2025



Sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things! His right hand and His holy arm have worked salvation for Him. (Psalm 98)

SERVING YOU TODAY

Preacher: Pastor Tony Pittenger

Organist/Accompanist: Kelli Gracia

Acolytes: Circelli, Nantz, Monroe

Elder on duty this week: Conrad Plyler

ORDERS OF WORSHIP

Sunday: Join with us as we use **The Matins Service** starting on page 109.

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

Monday: The Office of Compline, pg. 128

*Flowers on the Altar this week are given to the glory of God by
Bethany Lutheran Church*

HYMNS:

346:1 & 4

*Death Is Dead, the
True Life Liveth*

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*Jesus, Jesus, Only
Jesus*

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*What a Friend We
Have in Jesus*

340:1-3

Alleluia! Jesus Lives

PSALM OF THE DAY

Oh sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things! His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him. ² The Lord has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations. ³ He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. ⁴ Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises! ⁵ Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody! ⁶ With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord! ⁷ Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who dwell in it! ⁸ Let the rivers clap their hands; let the hills sing for joy together ⁹ before the Lord, for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity. *Psalms 98 (ESV)*

GOSPEL LESSON

After this Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he revealed himself in this way. ² Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together. ³ Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. ⁴ Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. ⁵ Jesus said to them, "Children, do you have any fish?" They answered him, "No." ⁶ He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. ⁷ That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. ⁸ The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off. ⁹ When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. ¹⁰ Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." ¹¹ So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. ¹² Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. ¹³ Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. ¹⁴ This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead. ¹⁵ When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." ¹⁶ He said to him a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." ¹⁷ He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep.

John 21:1-17 (ESV)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Father, You have provided a well of salvation, springing up from the empty tomb of our Lord Jesus Christ. Lead us to drink deeply from His Word of life and never neglect His gift of salvation. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Holy One of Israel, cause Your Spirit of truth to reign in the Church, that what Christ has won for all would be declared joyfully and faithfully to sinners. Preserve pastors and teachers, and all others who serve Your Word. Increase among us thankfulness for Your compassion, for You are great in our midst. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, You have enjoined us to be slow to wrath, for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness of God. Create in us kind and loving hearts, that we may love our neighbors and help and support them in every physical need. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord God, every good and perfect gift comes from You. Deal kindly with Your servants who are sick, injured or in need [*including _____*]. Renew those You have created in love, and grant us Your salvation. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O heavenly Father, You have taught us the new song of faith by the work of Your Holy Spirit. Quench in us, we pray, the old song of sin and death, which defies You and deifies man, and let us sing with all Christians in Your celestial harmony. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord God, heavenly Father, enlighten our hearts, that we would confess our sins; obtain everlasting righteousness through faith in Christ; and through every trial and temptation, abide in the consolation that Christ is Lord over the devil, death and all things. So then we pray: graciously deliver us from all affliction to make us partakers of 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

*Stewardship is a gift.
From Him, from whom all blessings flow,
we are given the gift to manage well, grow well, sustain well, and pass along
to the future
what we ourselves have been given.*

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 this QR code and follow the prompts.

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



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Yard Care Volunteers Needed

Please check our SignUpGenius to see opportunities to help maintain our church grounds this spring and summer. We especially need help with weed-whacking the ELC Playground.

If you have any questions, please contact the church office.



Ladies! Your sisters in Christ from Christ the King, Holy Trinity, Faith, and other congregations are planning a retreat up at Leavenworth on July 18-20. More info is on the bulletin board in the narthex.

WOMEN'S MISSION RALLY AND BETHANY'S 80TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION:

Mark Your Calendars for an Exciting Weekend This September!

We're packing two wonderful events into one amazing weekend:



Friday, September 27 – *PNW Women's Mission Rally*

Ladies, be sure to check your mailbox in the Narthex for the event flyer with all the details!



Saturday, September 28 – *Bethany's 80th Anniversary Celebration*

Join us as we celebrate 80 years of God's faithfulness at Bethany! We are excited to welcome **Andrew Ronholt**, a former ELC preschooler now in his final year at seminary, as part of the celebration. Andrew—Bethany's first pastor within our fellowship—will be joined by his wife, **Mercedes**.

We're working toward the goal of purchasing plane tickets for both Andrew and Mercedes Ronholt. If you'd like to contribute or learn more, please contact the church office.



For more information and details, please contact Kathy Seals.

If you have space and are interested in possibly lodging overnight guests for the Mission Rally September 27th and/or the 80th anniversary September 28th, please let the office or Kathy Seals know

EVERGREEN LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL EVENTS

Giving Day

What does Evergreen mean to you?

On **May 21**, join fellow alumni, families, and friends in celebrating ELHS Giving Day.

✨ All donations made that day will be **matched up to \$20,000**—doubling your impact!

- Here's how you can support:
 - Wear your Eagle gear or Evergreen colors
 - Post a photo or share your Evergreen story on social with **#ELHSEagles**
 - Pray for Evergreen's ongoing mission
 - Give—every amount matters

Let's make May 21 a powerful day of pride and purpose. Donate online at www.elhs.org.



Visit elhs.org to learn how you can support ELHS

Pop's Concert

We're thrilled to invite you to the Take Me to the Movies Pops Concert, where the silver screen meets live performance. Join us as our talented students bring to life iconic film scores and songs from your favorite movies. From heart-pounding action themes to emotional ballads, this concert promises something for everyone—families, friends, and film lovers alike.

Date: Friday, June 6 at 7PM.

The concert will be live-streamed on the Evergreen YouTube page for those who cannot attend.

Live Stream link: <https://www.youtube.com/@EvergreenLutheran/streams>

Facebook event link: <https://www.facebook.com/events/570835212300764>



CALENDAR

SUNDAY, 5/18 *Easter 5*

9:00 am Worship

10:00 am Sunday School for all ages

11:00 am Spring Fling!

MONDAY, 5/19

7:00 pm Worship

TUESDAY, 5/20

1:00 pm Juanita's Luncheon @ D. Wheeler's
(carpool from church 12:30 pm)

WEDNESDAY, 5/21

8:25 am Chapel

THURSDAY, 5/22

6:30 pm Bethany Piano Recital

SUNDAY, 5/25 *Easter 6*

9:00 am Worship w. communion)

10:00 am Sunday School for all ages

MONDAY, 5/26 *Memorial Day*

No School, Office Closed

7:00 pm Worship

END OF YEAR SCHOOL EVENTS

EVERGREEN EAGLES

21st Giving Day

June

6th Pops Concert

7th Graduation



BETHANY BOBCATS

May 22rd

Piano Recital, 6:30pm

May 28th

ELC/Kindergarten Graduation 6:30pm

May 30th

Last Day of School

Office Closed



SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Starting Next Sunday, May 25th, 2025

Sunday: 9:00am worship, no Sunday school

UPCOMING SUMMER EVENTS

FRIENDS IN FAITH SUMMER ADVENTURES

Wednesday, 6/25

Dungeness Spit Trail

Sunday, 7/20

Point Defiance Trails & Owen Beach

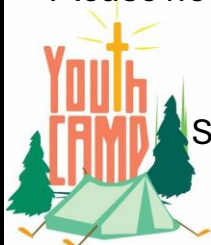
Sunday, 8/3

Beach Day & Sleepover @ Mrs. Grey's house

Mark your calendars now...more details soon!

LUTHERHAVEN CAMP July 6th-11th

**Please note the corrected Date. Turned in applications do not need to be resubmitted, please adjust your calendars as needed.*



Counselors: arrive early Friday Morning

Staff, Counselor, and Camper Application forms are in the Narthex.

Please fill out and return **with payment** to the office by June 15th.

Please contact Alan Nesseth or Amy Sharrett for more details.