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***Bethany
Lutheran
Church***

4500 East Hampden Avenue
Cherry Hills Village, CO 80113
Bethany-Denver.org
303-758-2820

Worship & Faith Formation Schedule Fall 2015

Sundays:

7:45 a.m. - *Morning Prayer Service, Chapel*

8:30 and 10:00 a.m. - *Holy Communion, Sanctuary*

8:30 and 10:00 a.m. - Confirmation & High School Small Groups

9:45 a.m. - Children's Faith Formation

10:00 a.m. - Adult Faith Formation

All morning - Fellowship in Fellowship Hall or Courtyard.

Mondays:

9:00 a.m. - God's Word for the Week (Bible study), Room 210

Tuesdays:

7:00 a.m. - God's Word for the Week (Bible study), Room 210

11:30 a.m. - *Noonday Prayer Service, Chapel.*

Wednesdays:

6:30 p.m. - *Worship on Wednesday, Sanctuary*

7:15 p.m. - Confirmation, Senior High Small Groups, and Adult Faith Formation

Questions?

Please feel free to call the church office at **303-758-2820** or visit the Bethany website at **www.bethany-denver.org**.

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Family Promise: Bethany volunteers with Christ the Savior Lutheran Church in Aurora to provide housing, meals, etc. to homeless families. Contact: Sarah Hulslander; email: sarah@bethany-denver.org

Global Mission Ministry Team: Provides financial support to various global ministries; meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month, September - May, 7:00 p.m.

Contact: Jack Ganzar; email: ganzarjp@comcast.net

Holy Hammers: Denver-metro faith coalition of Lutheran churches that works with Habitat for Humanity on local builds.

Contact: Kevin Dempsey; email: kmdmpsy@aol.com

Metro Caring: Multiple food drives and food breakdowns are held each year; announcements are posted in the Sunday bulletin.

Contact: Sarah Hulslander; email: sarah@bethany-denver.org

Operation One Nation: Works with Project Sanctuary and Centus Counseling to support military veterans and their families; meets the 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month at 1:30 p.m. in Room 210.

Contact: Warren Miller; email: augerdogger@aol.com

Ready, Set, School: Bethany partners annually with Inter-Faith Community Services to provide backpacks and school supplies to underprivileged children; announcements are posted in Sunday bulletin; collection of items takes place in July.

Contact: Laura Fowles; email: fowles2@msn.com

Social Club, Mental Health: Provides meals the last Monday of the month at 6:00 p.m. at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church.

Contact: Colleen Johnson; email: insite@insite-design-group.com

Urban Peak, Thanksgiving meal: Assist with serving Thanksgiving meal to homeless youth served by Urban Peak. Announcements are posted in the Sunday bulletin.

Contacts: Ed Cleaver; email: edcleaver@yahoo.com

Colleen Johnson; email: insite@insite-design-group.com

Service & Welcome Ministry

Ministry Council Representatives:

Justin March; email: phinsphan71@comcast.net
Dave Nesslage; email: davenesslage@comcast.net

Outreach Ministries

Library Volunteer Ministry: Meets one Tuesday each month to organize Bethany's library. Contact: Marie Funseth; email: marie.funseth@gmail.com

Lutheran College Fair: Offered to high school students each fall, usually early September, through the Lutheran Educational Conference of North America. Contact the church office at 303-758-2820 for additional information.

Souper Bowl of Caring: Food/fund drive held annually on Super Bowl Sunday in support of Metro Caring. Contact the church office at 303-758-2820 for additional information.

Be the Blessing: Annual service event, usually the weekend after Memorial Day weekend, to benefit partnering organizations throughout the Denver-metro area. Contact: Sarah Hulslander; email: sarah@bethany-denver.org

Benevolence Ministry Team: Provides financial support to various community organizations; meets the 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. once per quarter. Contact: Amy Janssen; email: Janssen.amy@gmail.com

College & Military Care Packages: Held annually in the Fall, to provide snack items and notes of encouragement to our college youth and military members who are away from home. Call the church office at 303-758-2820 for details.

Denver Urban Ministries: Diaper drive held annually, normally in August. Contact: Tammy Craven; email: tcraven@cherrycreekschools.org

Welcome to Bethany Lutheran Church!

Dear Friends,

In this guide you will find information about worship, groups, classes and special events at Bethany. We hope you'll find it helpful as you take a 'first look' at our congregation.

Bethany is an active, long-standing Christian church in the Denver area. We are a community of believers, welcomed in love and united in Christ. Our members seek to be a spiritual home of life-long deepening trust in God, inspired worship, uplifting music and powerful connection to God's Word. We yearn to serve Christ in our neighborhood and the world, that we may grow spiritually and live into our faith every day and in all that we do.

Our Core Values, succinctly stated, are to:

Worship Meaningfully
Witness Intentionally
Grow Spiritually
Serve Purposefully
Care Resolutely
Fellowship Authentically

Please know that you are welcome here! We pray you find Bethany to be a place where your relationship with God is enlivened and your life enriched.

Peace and Blessings in Christ,

Rev. Debra Engquist

Rev. Russ Britton



Interim Lead Pastor

Pastor

Teaching & Learning Ministry

Ministry Council Representatives:

Judi Burchfield; email: judburch60@gmail.com

Laura Weber-Meyers; email: lastmeyers@comcast.net

Bible Studies

God's Word for the Week Monday: meets Mondays, except holidays, at 9:00 a.m. in Room 210. Call the church office at 303-758-2820 for more information.

God's Word for the Week Tuesday: meets Tuesdays, except holidays, at 7:00 a.m. in Room 210. Call the church office at 303-758-2820 for more information.

Deborah Circle: meets Wednesdays, September-May, at 4:45 p.m. in the Bethany Library.

Contact: Susan Wiggans; email: Susanpw4@gmail.com

Esther Circle: meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month, September-May, at 1:00 p.m. in Room 208.

Contact: Mary Webb; email: Marywebb13661@comcast.net

Lois Circle: meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month, September-May, at 9:30 a.m. in Room 210.

Contact: Colette Celecki; email: colette.celecki@gmail.com

Journey through the Bible: meets Mondays, except for holidays, at 7:30 a.m. in the Bethany Library.

Contact: Gretchen Hack; email: gretchenhack@yahoo.com

Joy of Living: meets the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month, September-May, at 6:30 p.m. in the office conference room.

Contact: Darla Reeves; email: mstestdoc@aol.com

Women's Study Group: meets Thursdays, September-May, at 1:30 p.m. in Room 208.

Contact: Ginny Miller; email: augerdogger@aol.com

Service projects and fellowship opportunities: Announcements are posted in the Sunday bulletin. Contact: Scott Zimmerman; email: scottpzimmerman@comcast.net

Women's Ministries

MOPS: Mothers of Preschoolers; meets 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month, September - May, 9:00 a.m. - noon. Contact: Stephanie Davy; email: bethanylutheranmops@gmail.com

MOMSNext: For mothers of school-age children; meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month, September - May, 11:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in the Bethany library.

Contact: Courtney Henry; email: courtney_cate@yahoo.com

Fellowship Ministries

Dinner Club: September-January and February-July; each group sets its own meeting times.

Contact: Dave Nesslage; email: davenesslage@comcast.net

Faithful Readers: Meets the 4th Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Bethany Library.

Contact: Judi Burchfield; email: judburch60@yahoo.com

Family Ministry: Events are scheduled on a monthly basis; watch bulletin, Beacon and website for details. Contact: Nickie Fowler; email: Nickie@fowlercorp.net

Senior Ministry:

Contact: Kathy Shearer; email: kathyshearer5111@comcast.net

XYZ ("Xtra Years of Zip"): Meets Tuesdays, September-May, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Young at Heart: Meets the 2nd Friday of the month, September- June, 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Hospitality Ministries

Welcome Center: Greet people and assist with information on Sunday mornings. Sarah Hulslander @ sarah@bethany-denver.org

Nursery: Watch over your precious little ones during worship services. Kathy Shearer @ kathyshearer5111@comcast.net

Community & Care Ministry

Ministry Council Representatives:
Gwen Galyath; email: g.g.1506@hotmail.com
Diane Herrmann; email: wfdkrh@gmail.com

Care Ministries

Caring Visitors Ministry: Provides Holy Communion to shut-ins.

Contact: Janet Mortinsen; email: janet@bethany-denver.org

Stephen Ministry: Meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Contact: Janet Mortinsen; email: janet@bethany-denver.org

Health & Wellness Ministry Team: Meets the 3rd Sunday of the month at 9:00 a.m.

Contact: Dave Laverty; email: Lav726@comcast.net

Prayer Partners Ministry: Communicates prayer requests via email. Contact: Jean Lindsey; email: jean_lindsey@comcast.net

Bethany Patchers: Makes quilts for Lutheran World Relief; meets the 2nd Monday of the month, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. in Room 209.

Contact: Barbara Schuster; email: patcherbarb@aol.com

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Knitting & crocheting group who makes prayer shawls for those experiencing difficulty in their lives.

Contact: Jeri Crouch; email: jericrouch@hotmail.com

Men's Ministries

Saturday Bible Study: Saturdays at 9:00 a.m. in Bethany's Library.

Contact: Scott Zimmerman; email: scottzimmerman@comcast.net

Thursday fellowship gatherings: Meets Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. for food and fellowship.

Contact: Justin March; email: phinsphan71@comcast.net

Faith Formation

Children's Ministry: Preschool (3 yr. olds) through 5th grade. Sunday School classes meet on Sunday mornings, 9:45-11:00 a.m. from September-May. Contact: Gayle Newell; email: gayle@bethany-denver.org

Confirmation/Middle School Youth: 6th-8th grade. Meet Sunday mornings, 8:30-9:45 a.m. or 10:00-11:15 a.m. and/or Wednesday evenings, 7:15-8:30 p.m. from September-May.

Contact: Tory Plucke; email: tory@bethany-denver.org

High School Youth Small Groups: 9th-12th grade. Meet Sundays from 8:30-10:00 a.m. and/or 10-11:30 a.m. in the Soul Schopp.

Contact: Jason Davis; email: jason@bethany-denver.org

Mission Trips: Summer service opportunities for High School youth, usually two events each summer.

Contact: Jason Davis; email: jason@bethany-denver.org

Adult Faith Formation: Adult forums and book studies Sunday mornings at 10:00 a.m. and Wednesday evenings at 7:15 p.m. Call the church office at 303-758-2820 for additional information.

Centering Prayer: One hour sessions incorporating meditation, contemplation and silent prayer along with a book study. Meets Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. in Room 404 or Thursdays at 2:00 p.m. in the Bethany Library.

Tuesday contact: Karen Witt; email: karenwi33@gmail.com

Thursday contact: Cyndi Clavier; email: cyndikayec@hotmail.com

Bethany Early Childhood Center (BECC)

Director: Carrie Latham; email: carrie@bethany-denver.org

BECC Board: Meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in Room 208. Contact: Jill Schladetzky, president; email: kuhlmann_jc@yahoo.com

Worship & Celebration Ministry

Ministry Council Representatives:

Garth Englund III; email: Garth.W.Englund@ulalaunch.com

Kara Heilman; email: drheilman@comcast.net

Music Ministry

Children's & Youth Choirs

- **Cherub Choir:** Preschoolers, ages 3 & 4; rehearse on Sundays from 9:15-9:45 a.m. September through May. Sing in worship once each month.
Director: Alex Rodasti; email: alexandarodasti@gmail.com
- **Caroler Choir:** Kindergarten & 1st grade; rehearse on Wednesday evenings from 5:15-5:45 p.m. in Room 314 September-May. Sing in worship once each month. Director: Pat Guittar; email: choirsbyapat@comcast.net
- **Jubilation Singers:** Grades 2-6; rehearse on Wednesday evenings from 5:45-6:30 p.m. in Room 314 September-May. Sing in worship once each month.
Director: Pat Guittar; email: choirsbyapat@comcast.net
- **Joyful Sound:** Grades 7-12; rehearse on Sundays from 9:30-10:00 a.m. Sing in Sunday morning and Wednesday evening worship. Director: Pat Guittar; email: choirsbyapat@comcast.net
- **Refuge Band:** Grades 9-12; rehearse on Sundays from 8:15-9:15 a.m. Director: Zach Rodasti; email: zachrodasti@gmail.com
- **Alpha Ringers (Handbells):** Grades 3-6; rehearse Wednesday evenings from 5-5:30 p.m. in Room 316 September-May.
Director: Alex Rodasti; email: alexandarodasti@gmail.com
- **Rebellion (Handbells):** Grades 9-12; rehearse on Wednesday evenings from 5:30-6:15 p.m. in Room 316 September-May.
Director: Alex Rodasti; email: alexandarodasti@gmail.com

Adult Choirs

- **Chancel Choir:** Rehearse on Wednesday evenings from 7:15-9:00 p.m. in Room 312 September-May. Director: Dr. James Kim
email: james@bethany-denver.org
- **Sounds of Praise:** Rehearse on Sundays from 9:45-10:45 a.m. in Room 314 September-May.
Director: Paula Wills; email: paula@bethany-denver.org
- **Carillons (Handbells):** Rehearse on Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:30 p.m. in Room 316 September-May.
Director Jeff Harms; email: jeff@bethany-denver.org

Festival of Faith and the Arts: Annual concert series and spiritual enrichment opportunities, September-May. Information can be found in the Beacon, the Festival brochure and at www.bethany-arts.org. Director: Forrest Guittar; email: forrest@bethany-denver.org

Worship Assistants

Altar Guild: Contact: Linda Sather; email: lindyg@aol.com

Communion Assistants: Contact: Sarah Hulslander
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Lectors: Contact: Sarah Hulslander;
email: sarah@bethany-denver.org

Sacristans: Contact: Dave Malucky
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