



Announcements & Upcoming Activities



Transgender Day of Remembrance

Each year on November 20, the world recognizes Transgender Day of Remembrance – a day to commemorate the transgender, non-binary, and gender non-conforming persons who are targeted and killed for living authentically and courageously. Trans individuals are a part of every country, every culture, and every faith tradition. Faith communities in Madison and the surrounding area are coming together to host an Interfaith Transgender Day of Remembrance service on November 20 at 6:00 pm at Madison Christian Community Church (7118 Old Sauk Road). Bethany is a co-sponsor and we hope to see many of you there.

Looking Toward Advent

Sunday, November 24 | 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Let's prepare our hearts and our church for the Advent season! Here's what's in store:

- Decorate the Church** – Help transform the sanctuary for the season with beautiful decorations.
- Sing Christmas Carols** – Lift your voice in song and celebrate the joy of Christmas.
- Craft Project** – Create something special for the season (materials provided).
- Decorate Cookies** – Decorate delicious cookies to enjoy yourself and to share with the staff of The Playing Field.
- Pick Up Advent Calendar & Devotional** – Get your Advent calendar and a devotional to guide you through this meaningful season.
- Lunch Buffet** – Enjoy a delicious buffet midway through the event to keep the energy high and the spirits bright.

Come for a fun, hands-on time of fellowship as we get ready for the joyous season of Advent! All are welcome! Let's celebrate together!

To Parents of Young Children

God put the wiggle in children. Don't feel like you have to suppress those wiggles in church.

- Consider sitting closer to the front, where it's easier for your little ones to engage.
- Quietly explain the parts of worship and actions of the worship leader, musicians, pastor and others who are involved in the service.
- Sing the hymns, pray and voice the responses. That's how children learn.

If your child needs a bathroom or water break please feel free to leave the Sanctuary, but please come back. As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me."

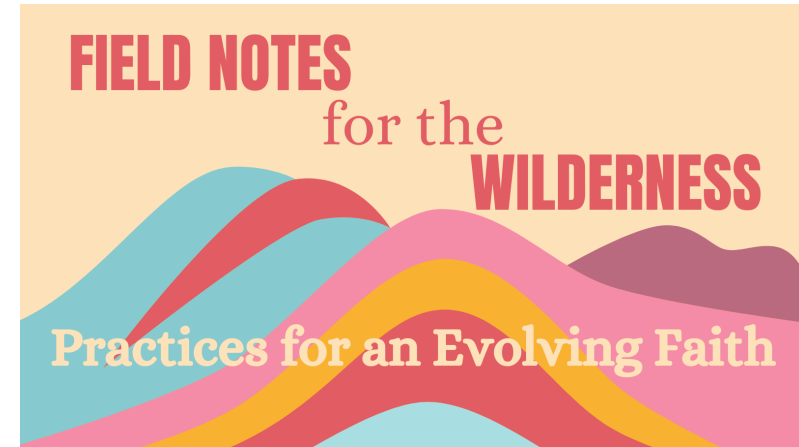
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Church Office Hours: Weekdays, 8 am to 2:30 pm
Bethany UMC
3910 Mineral Point Rd.
Madison, WI 53705
608.238.6381
Website: BethanyMadison.org

Childcare: From 9:00 to 9:45 am our childcare staff are available in the library for children whose adult family members are preparing for worship. From 9:50 - 11:15 am, the nursery is open in Room 222 for children ages 5 and younger.



Sunday, November 17, 2024
10:00 am



Welcome

We are honored you chose to worship with us today.
To learn more about the life of the church, visit our website: BethanyMadison.org

Bethany's Vision for the World

Every person feels, knows, and shares God's love.

Gathering Music

Sue Poullette, Organist

"Priere a Notre-Dame"
(Léon Boellmann, 1862-97)
"The Soul at Peace"
(David Paxton, 1934-2015)

Welcome!

Pastor Julie

We believe all people are recipients of God's love and grace, and that God intends the church to be a community that embodies love, grace, and justice for all people. We celebrate God's gift of diversity and value the wholeness made possible in community equally shared and shepherded by all. We welcome and affirm people of every gender identity, gender expression, and sexual orientation, who are also of every age, race, ethnicity, physical and mental ability, level of education, family structure, and of every economic, immigration, marital, social status, and so much more. Everyone is welcome!

Breakthrough Prayer

Pastor Julie

Timeless God, challenge us to know your radical love that created each person in your image. Open us to wonder, as we work for justice with kindness following the example of Christ. Amen.

Call to Worship * (Together)

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Holy God, Creator of Life,
you call us out of our wilderness places,
offering us the grace of new life.
When we see nothing but hopelessness,
you surprise us with the breath of your spirit.

Call us out of our complacency and routines,
set us free from our self-imposed bonds,
and fill us with your spirit of life, compassion, and peace.
In the name of Jesus, your anointed one, we pray. Amen.

Song #383 “This Is A Day of New Beginnings”

Red Hymnal
Sue Poullette, Organ

Children’s Message

Lisa Weaver, Director of Children’s Ministries

Anthem “Still Holding My Hand”
By Tim Minchin

Chancel Choir
Evan Lange, Piano

(Children are invited to walk to Sunday School following the song)

Scripture (John 11:32-44) CEB

Bethaney Campbell

³² When Mary arrived where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother wouldn’t have died.”

³³ When Jesus saw her crying and the Jews who had come with her crying also, he was deeply disturbed and troubled. ³⁴ He asked, “Where have you laid him?”

They replied, “Lord, come and see.”

³⁵ Jesus began to cry. ³⁶ The Jews said, “See how much he loved him!” ³⁷ But some of them said, “He healed the eyes of the man born blind. Couldn’t he have kept Lazarus from dying?”

³⁸ Jesus was deeply disturbed again when he came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone covered the entrance. ³⁹ Jesus said, “Remove the stone.”

Martha, the sister of the dead man, said, “Lord, the smell will be awful! He’s been dead four days.”

⁴⁰ Jesus replied, “Didn’t I tell you that if you believe, you will see God’s glory?” ⁴¹ So they removed the stone. Jesus looked up and said, “Father, thank you for hearing me. ⁴² I know you always hear me. I say this for the benefit of the crowd standing here so that they will believe that you sent me.” ⁴³ Having said this, Jesus shouted with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” ⁴⁴ The dead man came out, his feet bound and his hands tied, and his face covered with a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Untie him and let him go.”

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Message

“Unbinding”

Pastor Julie

Song

#375 “There Is A Balm in Gilead”

Red Hymnal
Sue Poullette, Organ

Offering



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Pastor Julie

Discipleship Moment

Song

#431 “Let There Be Peace on Earth”

Red Hymnal
Evan Lange, Piano

Time of Prayer

Lord’s Prayer

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.

Song

#2213 “Healer of Our Every Ill”

Faith We Sing
Evan Lange, Piano

Final Blessing and Greeting One Another

Closing Music

“Processional”

(Léon Boëllmänn, 1862-97)

Sue Poullette, Organist

* Adapted from RE Worship

Simple Gifts for November: Community Action Coalition

The Community Action Coalition for South Central Wisconsin works to transform systems so that all people can achieve social and economic security.

Simple gifts can be made by placing loose coins in the offering plates, or by putting cash or a check in mission envelopes.