

# **Announcements & Upcoming Activities**



#### Praying for the Future of Bethany's Building and Ministries

For several months our Capital Campaign Exploration Team met and discerned a list of projects needed in order to continue and sustain our ministries. Staff from the Wisconsin United Methodist Foundation (WUMF) will be meeting with some of our members to gain their perspective on the projects today and tomorrow. Please keep them in your prayers.

#### Senior Recognition

Bethany will be having a Senior Recognition Sunday this spring. Please let the church office know if there are any graduating seniors (high school and/or college) in your family.

#### LGBTO Equality Day

Equality Day at the Capitol is Fair Wisconsin's biennial grassroots advocacy day, held in the spring near the beginning of the state legislative session. We are back for 2025 — May 7th. Participate in a full day of connecting and grassroots advocacy with fellow activists from around the state! More information can be found on the Fair Wisconsin website (fairwisconsin.com).

#### Vacation Bible Camp (VBC) 2025

Children ages 4 to 11 are invited for a week of Bible stories, activities, songs, snacks and more! VBC is June 16th through June 19th, 3-5 pm. On Thursday families are invited to stay for a meal from 5-6 pm. VBC will take place at Covenant Presbyterian Church, 326 S Segoe Rd in Madison. Registration is due May 15 (a link can be found on our website—BethanyMadison.org/UpcomingEvents).

#### Simple Gifts for May: The Playing Field

Simple Gift offerings made in May are going to support our partners at The Playing Field, which offers the highest level of early child care and education to children from varied socio-economic backgrounds.

Simple gifts can be made by placing loose coins in the offering plates, or by putting cash or a check in mission envelopes or you may give online at BethanyMadison.org.

#### To Parents of Young Children

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."

#### Keep in Touch

God put the wiggle in children. Don't feel like you Church Office Hours: Weekdays, 8 am to 2:30 pm Bethany UMC

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**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, May 4, 2025** 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.

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	"A Quiet Alleluia"
	(David Paxton, 1934-2015)
	"I Know That My Redeemer Lives"
	(Sacred Harp melody arr. Dale Wood, 1934-2003)

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

Sue Poullette, Organist

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.

7	Opening Prayer (responsively)	Diane Johnson	$\sim$			
	Leader: Jesus said, People: "Follow me." Leader: Jesus said, People: "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Leader: Jesus said, People: "Foreign agents times agents "Foreign agents times agents "Foreign agents times agents to the said.			Message  Song	"Breakfast on the Beach" #313 "Christ Is Risen"	Pastor Julie Red Hymnal Sue Poullette, Organist
	People: "Forgive seventy times seven." Leader: Jesus said, People: "Feed my sheep." Leader: In response, we say: People: "Here's my heart. Take and seal it. " Leader: Let us worship God with all our hearts.			Communion Did you receive communion How did that make you Lord's Prayer	•	Pastor Julie
<b>1</b>	Song #304 "Easter People, Raise Your Voice Children's Message Lisa Weaver, Director	s" Red Hymnal Sue Poullette, Organ of Children's Ministries	11	Our Father, who an will be done on ear forgive us our tresp	rt in heaven, hallowed be thy name. T th as it is in heaven. Give us this day o passes, as we forgive those who trespa , but deliver us from evil, for thine is	our daily bread, and ass against us. And lead us
$\overset{\checkmark}{\bigcirc}$	Anthem "Each of Us Is A Flower"	Lisa and Children Evan Lange, Piano		power, and the glor	ry, forever. Amen. #2208 "Guide My Feet"	Faith We Sing Evan Lange, Piano
O SCAN ME	Offering Scan the QR Code or Text "Bethanyumc" to 73256	Pastor Julie	$\bigcirc$	Final Blessing and What friends do you all Are there new people to		Pastor Julie
	Discipleship Moment	The Playing Field				
3	Song [ #314 "In the Garden " (verse 1)	Red Hymnal Evan Lange, Piano	$\bigcirc$	Closing Music	"Ain-a That Good News" Traditional Spiritual, arr. John Carter, 1	Sue Poullette, Organist b. 1930)
7	Time of Prayer	Pastor Julie		(	,,,,,,	
	Scripture (John 21:1-17) CEB	Lisa Weaver				
Со	lor in the hearts as you hear the scripture and message.			Stand Listen and sing! Vour he		ion Pray (quietly and with spoken words)