Worship With Us

8:45 A.M. Glad Tidings Radio 1370 A.M. 9:30 Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship Services

Live Stream

We also live stream our 11:00 a.m. Sunday worship services on Facebook Live. Links can be found on our website: bethanyfree.com.

Maundy Thursday Communion Service

April 14 7:00 p.m. A time of worship and remembering how Jesus gave His life for us.

Easter Sunday-April 17

Easter Breakfast 9:00 a.m. Easter Service 11:00 a.m.



Lenten Wednesday

April 06 6th Week Serving Hands

Soup Supper 6:00pm Lenten Services 7:00pm

Holy Week

April 10 Palm Sunday

April 14 Maunday Thursday Pierced Hands April 17 Easter Sunday Living Hands

Quarterly Congregational Meeting

April 24th at 12:30 P.M. following worship service

WMF Meeting

Women's Missionary Federation (WMF) Thursday April 14 at 11:00 a.m. Everyone is asked to bring a sack lunch. Dessert provided, all ladies are invited.

WMF Northwest District Spring Rally

Thank you to all who made the recent WMF District meeting a great success.

Newsletter

If you would like to change how you receive our newsletter. You can have it printed and mailed or you can have it emailed to you.

Just let us know 503-325-2925 or email us bethanyaflc@gmail.com

Supporting The Naknek Mission

We are excited to be sending a tote to Naknek again with quilts we have made. Coffee, coffee supplies and mixes of cookies, brownies and other desserts are needed for the summer coffee house outreach ministry. Blankets, coats and sweatshirts to distribute in nearby villages are needed as well. All donations will be collected at the church for shipment. Watch for dates in the bulletin.

Spring Cleaning April 16, 10:00 a.m.

We will be sprucing up Bethany with a cleaning day. We'll need help on the outside (windows, north wall cleaning, etc.) as well as the inside (light fixtures, organizing, dusting, etc.). There is certainly a job for you if you can make it!

IT IS FINISHED!

Moving into April, the Lenten Season draws to a close, concluding with the Holy Week observances of Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter. The cross and the open tomb stand in stark contrast to one another. Yet they stand together as a part of the finished work of God. Loud and clear are the words by Jesus from the cross, "It is finished." And so, it is! God's work of salvation is a finished work. It came at the supreme cost of the suffering and death of Jesus who took upon Himself the sin of the world, gaining the victory over sin and death as He arose on Easter morning, our Living Lord!

As we here at Bethany Free Lutheran observe Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday and Easter this year, I would encourage you to take advantage of these special days to let God speak into your heart the powerful message of forgiveness and life eternal. Let's not make it business as usual. Perhaps God will speak to you about your need of salvation? Or maybe there are things in your life that need to be put to death and from which you need to be liberated? Whatever it may be, I would encourage you to let God help you.

Paul before Agrippa, speaks of the finished work, "... I stand to this day testifying both to small and great, stating nothing but what the Prophets and Moses said was going to take place; that the Christ was to suffer, and that by reason of His resurrection from the dead He should be the first to proclaim light both to the Jewish people and to the Gentiles." Acts 25:22,23

The meaning of the cross is verified and completed with the message of the resurrection declaring that Jesus is alive. The resurrection was important enough that there are thirteen references in Scripture to the post-resurrection appearances of Jesus. Not only were the resurrection appearances for Jesus' disciples, the women, and the two men on the road to Emmaus but to five hundred people at another time. According to Acts 1:21, 22 to be a witness of the resurrection was one of the requirements for selecting a replacement for Judas Iscariot.

Christ's work of Salvation is finished. Let's live in the power of the resurrection bearing witness to it with lives that confirm the message.

Pastor Richard Gunderson



Coming This Month...

April 10 Palm Sunday

April 14 Maunday Thursday Service 7:00 P.M.

April 16 Spring Cleaning at Bethany 10:00 A.M.

April 17 Easter Sunday

Breakfast 9:00 A.M.

Service 11:00 A.M.

April 24 Quarterly Congregation Meeting 12:30 P.M.



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