

The Bethany Messenger

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Issue 11

November

Dear Sisters and Brothers of Bethany Lutheran,

Grace to you and peace, in Jesus' name.

Although I hate the reason it is necessary to serve you at this time in your history, I am also honored to serve you in these strange days of grief and transition. I was one of Pastor Paul's many, many friends and I understand a bit of your loss. He was a great guy and a faithful servant of the Gospel.

On October 20, the Council voted to approve a six-month covenant with me as your Intentional Interim Pastor. (The covenant with Interim pastors is always structured on six-month basis so, don't worry, they were doing it the right way!!) We will spend the first few months allowing ourselves to grieve Paul's death and your great loss. We will do that, and likewise celebrate Pastor Paul's life, in a number of ways in November: on All Saints Sunday, November 3, we will remember and celebrate the lives of those who have died in the last year; on November 10, we will gather, after worship and a brief congregational meeting, for a Sunday Soup and a Bethany Celebration of Pastor Paul; and finally, the Cromwell Thanksgiving service on Tuesday, November 26 at 7:00 PM at Covenant Village, will include remembering the gift of Pastor Paul and his ministry in the area. You are invited to participate in any and all of these opportunities of remembrance. You are also very welcome to make an appointment with me if you would like to talk privately.

I will be serving Bethany on a part-time basis. I will be present on Sundays, of course. I will also be working Tuesday – Thursday. Most weeks, I will be in the office on Tuesday and Wednesday and working at home in North Attleboro, MA on Thursday. My intention is to stay flexible, however, so that if something is happening at/for church on Thursday (like Saints Alive) or Monday, I will readjust my office hours accordingly. Most weeks, I will be in the office on Tuesdays from 12 noon – 5:00 PM and Wednesdays from 10:30 – 3:30. You are welcome to drop by, but you may be wise to call ahead in case I've needed to leave for a visit. I will announce my office hours for the week on Sundays and we will also have them printed in the bulletin each week. I look forward to getting to know you!

My husband, Andy, and I live in North Attleboro, MA. Our son, Aaron is 33, working and living about 10 minutes from home. Our daughter, Catherine is 30, and lives in Braintree, MA and works near there as well. Our older daughters are Abi and Emily and they have blessed us with three grandchildren, Taylor, Morgan, and Carter and they all live outside of New England. We are blessed with a loving family and good health!

Finally, here's my personal information:

Pastor Cheryl Larsen Lawing (please call me Pastor Cheryl), 1 Emerson Way, North Attleboro, MA 02760. 508-274-6205. My email is: RaysofLight2024@comcast.com.

With you on the journey,

Pastor Cheryl

November

Volunteers

Assisting Minister	3	Mike Balinskas
	10	Noelle Keegan
	17	Noelle Keegan
	24	Mike Balinskas
Altar Guild:		Angel Carlin
Greeters & Ushers	3	
	10	
	17	
	24	
Live Stream Audio	3	John Trousdale
	10	Dennis Gehring
	17	Dennis Gehring
	24	Dennis Gehring
Slides	3	Nancy Balinskas
	10	
	17	
	24	Nancy Balinskas
Coffee Hour	3	
	10	Soup & Fellowship Gathering
	17	
	24	
Counters		TBD
Altar Flowers	3	
	10	Memorial Fund
	17	
	24	

Volunteers for December 1, 2024, 9:30 a.m.

Assisting Minister: Jerry Griscom

Altar Guild: Angel Carlin

Greeters & Ushers:

Live Stream: Dennis Gehring

Slides:

Coffee Hour:

Altar Flowers: Allan Nelson

Counters: TBD

2024 Card Ministry



Thank you to everyone that volunteered to continue this ministry for 2024. We couldn't continue this ministry without your help!

January & February — Wendy Soneson
 March — Barbara Sunbury
 April — Karen Sullivan
 May — Linda Carlson
 June — Holly Linder
 July — Kelly McTeague
 August — Barb Hughes
 September — Pr. Maureen Hawksley
 October, **November & December — Diane Rauss**



If you would be interested in helping out with this ministry in 2025, please either give me a call in the office (860-635-4618) or send me an email at: bethanylutheranchurchcromwell@gmail.com

Thank you.



Saints Alive

On October 17 sixteen Saints gathered to hear officer “Liz” from the Cromwell Police Department speak to us on Public Safety.

This was a particularly informative program and centered on cyber security and the many ways that members of the Senior Community are scammed through the unscrupulous actions of “scammers” we were particularly interested in the number of persons who are scammed through dating and personal relationship sites. These scammers target the loneliness of people and are often protected from personal prosecutions because victims are frequently embarrassed to admit to their vulnerability.

Grandparent scams continue as a leading source of funds-where impostor grandchildren call for help. These scams are enhanced by the use of sound alike voices etc. (AV) AN EXCELLENT PROGRAM!

Pastor Wogman led us in devotions. Cider and doughnuts were served. A special thanks to Russell Smith who at the last minute got our video to work. THANKS RUSSELL!

PROGRAM FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR:

November 21 st	Celebration / Thanksgiving Wrap Up for “Piglet” Program
December 12 th	Christmas Party – Decorate Lounge

COME AND JOIN US FOR FUN AND FELLOWSHIP!

REMEMBER TO GIVE A SAINT A CALL!

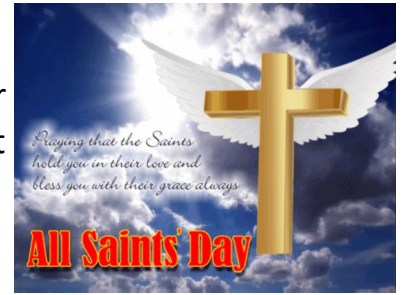
Bethany has an online directory with all of our church members, addresses and phone numbers listed. We even have a small photo of individuals / families with the entries. If you would like to download this directory to your phone or computer so that you will have access to all of our members addresses and phone #'s, give Robin a call in the office (860-635-4618) or send her an email and she will send you a link to set it up. The link is only good for 48 hours.



Once you have the directory downloaded, you will be able to update your address or phone #. If you would like a picture included (or update a current picture), please send Robin a **jpeg** picture and it will be put up on the site.

For all the Saints who from their Labors Rest...

As we observe All Saints' Day, we traditionally remember those who have passed to the Church Triumphant during the past year.



They are:

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|--------------------------|------------------------|
| Louis Cannata | Douglas Strickland |
| Richard Kemp | Michael Papale, Sr. |
| John Breakfield, Jr. | Lynn LaChase |
| Patricia Liepold | Anne Niccoli |
| Richard Liepold | Pamela Zawisa |
| Ralph Lill | Caroline Wimler Norton |
| Patricia Perry | Allen Swanson |
| Harold Adams Messer, Sr. | Ellen Arendt |
| Jean Keithan | Everett Spencer, Jr. |
| Constance Boyko | Lynne Aveline |
| Nicholas Ranno | Delores Tyner |
| Marian Lazor | Vernon Burr, Sr. |
| Warren Geromin | Dorothy Burr |
| Theresa Lee | Nancy Bauer |
| Edward Schmidt | Lindy McGill |
| Nancy Lucia | Flora Durbin |
| John Krepcio | Rev. Paul Krampitz |
| Sheila Walleth Riccio | Leonice Tonnies |



May they 'rest in God's peace'

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Nov. 1	- Beverly Cochran
	- Zachary Krampitz
	- Zaidan Krampitz
Nov. 3	- Ashley Wiernasz
Nov. 4	- Eric Calvo
	- Matthew Melluzzo
	- Chris Naughton
Nov. 6	- John Trousdale
Nov. 8	- Taylor Tarr
Nov. 10	- Jasmine Duteau
Nov. 11	- Boyd Clark
	- Eric Myskowski
Nov. 13	- Erica Meaney
Nov. 14	- Abby Cichocki
Nov. 16	- Chase Saponare
Nov. 17	- Abigail Galletta
Nov. 19	- Ted Roback
	- Pamela Shaw
Nov. 20	- Elaine Jarvis
Nov. 21	- Heidi Winesburg
Nov. 23	- Robin Cook-O'Reilly
Nov. 25	- Brittany LaMarr
Nov. 26	- Pastor Hugh Haffenreffer
	- Max Ligas
Nov. 29	- Ava Zawadzki
Nov. 30	- Carl Saponare
	- Marissa Saponare



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Susan & Michael Heath November 2, 1985
Amanda & Patrick Symecko November 17, 2006
Lynette & David Dube November 23, 1996
Barbara & Steven Sunbury November 25, 1988

Council Corner Notes:

Monthly news and ministry highlights from your church council.



The council announced that Rev. Cheryl Larsen Lawing has been selected as the interim pastor for Bethany Lutheran Church. She has accepted the position and will assist the congregation in moving forward after the passing of Pastor Paul. The church community looks forward to welcoming her. Members are encouraged to contact the office with any needs in the upcoming months.

Save the date: **Sunday, November 10th**, for a soup and fellowship gathering after the service. The event will focus on sharing memories of Pastor Paul and coming together as a congregation to discuss the future. Attendees are encouraged to sign up in advance to help with planning.

—Karol Brzozowski





³²Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. ³³With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. – Acts 4:32-33

Dear members of Bethany,

We are so grateful for our Bethany community! We often forget to take a step back and recognize the way in which each individual contributes to our community that we have created together here at Bethany. We are stronger because of each and every one of you.

As we think about the way in which we use our gifts in our lives, we are taking time to reflect together, about all the ways each of us contribute to and impacts others in our Bethany community. Our gifts are shared. Our joys are shared. Our burdens are shared. Like the disciples of the early church, like generations of faith communities before and since, like all communities of people, we rely on one another to create a shared experience together. God has called us together in this time and place to be church together.

In the coming weeks, we will be reflecting as a congregation, on that common life that we share. While we may not literally renounce all our possessions as some in the early church did, we do recognize that God has given each of us resources that are meant to be shared for the common good. We live in a time where our shared public life is often divided and there is great competition for resources. Our Christian witness is to another way in which we recognize that despite our differences, we exist in a web of community.

What are the ways you offer your time and talents for the sake of our congregation and community? As part of these considerations, we prayerfully ask that you consider your financial commitment to our ministry here at Bethany for the coming year. You can use the form found on the Usher's stand. The forms will also be in the Weekly Bethany Herald, page 7 of this Messenger and a Mailchimp mailing will also be sent out. After you have filled out the form, please return your form to the church office. We hope to have these pledges in place by the end of November so that the budget for 2025 can be drawn up to ensure we can continue to carry on both our own ministries but also those within our community.

We are excited about our common life together. We look forward to continuing our support of programs at Luther Ridge, diaper donations, as well as our ongoing support of the local food pantries and shelters.

Again, we are so grateful for you and the important part you play in our Bethany community!

In Christ,

The Stewardship Committee

Norma Zashut, Ann Naughton and Emily Roback



2025

Bethany Lutheran Church Annual Stewardship Pledge Form

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In gratitude, I/we intend to give a total of \$_____ for 2025
(annual gift) to God's work in and through **Bethany Lutheran Church.**

Name: _____

Preferred Phone: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

I/we intend to give our gifts:

Weekly ____ Monthly ____ Quarterly ____

Semi-Annually ____ Annually on _____

____ **I would like to receive donation envelopes.**

____ **I would like more information about how to set up
electronic giving.**

*Make life easy and checkless – set up auto monthly payments through
your bank.*

There is a reason why I cannot pledge:

____ I am currently facing a difficulty.

____ I would like the Pastor to contact me.

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Get Involved at Bethany

If you would like to help out at one or more of our church services, you can sign up online at **“SignUp Genius”** (see the links below). Simply click on the link and select what Sunday(s) you’d like to help out. Weekly, we need the following helpers:



Assisting Minister

Ushers / Greeters

Altar Guild (Monthly)

Liturgy Slide Assistants

Live-Stream Assistants

Coffee Hour Hosts

Altar Flowers

After you sign up, you’ll receive an email reminder about a week before the service. You can also edit or swap dates if something comes up. If you have questions, please reach out to **Mike Balinskas** or **Robin (860-635-4618)**.



Worship Service Volunteers

Right click picture and then click “Open Hyperlink” to go directly to SignUp Genius.



Worship

Coffee Hour



Altar Flowers



Bethany has had a long standing relationship with **St Vincent de Paul** in Middletown supporting efforts to **feed the hungry**. Here is a new way to do so and it couldn’t be easier. There is no need to remember to purchase items, then deliver those items to whatever food drive is happening currently. There is no need to wonder what items will be of the most use. St Vincent now has a way to donate by going to Amazon and ordering what they need from their list and Amazon will ship direct to St Vincent. Use the following link, scroll down to Option 2 for the link to the Amazon site and make your donation anytime, anywhere with confidence that it’s something that is really needed.
<https://svdmiddletown.org/donation-opportunities/>

PRAYERS

If you would like a hospital or home visit, or are otherwise in need of pastoral care, please call the church office at **860-635-4618**. If it is after hours, please leave a message and we will get back to you as soon as possible.



We will keep names on the prayer list for a two (2) week period. Names will automatically be removed at the end of the two (2) weeks. If you would like a person to stay on the list for another two (2) weeks, please email Robin on the Wednesday prior to the removal date at:

bethanyluthranchurchcromwell@gmail.com.

As of this date we are praying for: **Julie, Diane, Allison, Leighton, Drew, Monique, Bernard, Barbara, Jill, Rhonda, Julie, Eileen, David, Jeff and Joe.**

Distribution of Holy Communion in Pews

We are happy to distribute Holy Communion in the pews for those who find it difficult to come to the communion rail in the chancel area. Moving forward, we will be using chalices pre-filled with gluten free bread and wine for those who are receiving in the pew. These are the same pre-filled chalices used during the pandemic and for home communion. This distribution method is less likely to result in accidental spills. As a reminder, simply notify an usher if you’d like to receive Holy Communion while seated.

Please try to sit at or near the end of a pew.

Bethany Lutheran Preschool

where it all begins

Hello from Bethany Lutheran Preschool!

October was a month filled with spooky books, songs, and projects. We celebrated all things Halloween this month. At the end of the month, we celebrated with a big Halloween party on the playground with all the families. It is always fun to celebrate Halloween with children!

We started the month with a visit from the Cromwell Fire Department. They brought two fire trucks to show the children. They showed us what a firefighter looks like in all the gear so the children would not be scared. Then the children had the chance to get in the truck! That was the highlight of the day.

Miss Emily from the Cromwell Library came and read Halloween books to the children. They loved hearing the spooky silly stories.

October was a busy fun month!

Terri Camilleri
Director, Bethany Lutheran Preschool



WE NEED YOU !!

Empty spaces on the volunteer sheet (page 2) designate that we need volunteers for our weekly services.

Please sign up online on Signup Genius (info on Page 5) or to sign up for Coffee Hour you can use the sheets in the kiosk in the narthex as well as Signup Genius. Call Robin to sign up for Altar Flowers. Give Robin a call in the office if you have any questions 860-635-4618 or to sign up.



Table Talk (Bible Study) is being held at **Luther Ridge** with Pastor Cathy Rohrs of Faith Lutheran Church, Middletown.

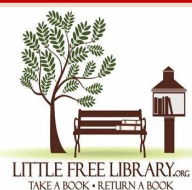


It begins at **10:30 a.m.** in the **1st floor community room** for conversation and a look at the lectionary texts for the upcoming Sunday.

All visitors must check in at the front desk upon entering the building.

MASKS are Optional for Luther Ridge residents, staff and visitors.

The **Little Free Library** located by the Preschool entrance belongs to everyone! It offers a way to share good things to read with both children and adults.



Take books. If you see something you would like to read or share with someone you know, take it! There is no need to return it to the Little Free Library.

Give books. If you have new or gently used books that you would like to donate you can either put them directly into the Little Free Library or in the marked box that is located in the coat closet. During the school year we really go through a lot of preschool-age books.

I have made arrangements with the new florist at Stop & Shop to do our weekly altar flowers. The cost will be \$45 for the 2 arrangements, and you can take them home with you after the 9:30 a.m. service. The containers that the flowers come in are yours to keep or throw away.



If you would like to order flowers, you can either use the Signup Genius form online (link is on page 6) or you can give me a call in the church office at 860-635-4618. If you do want to order the altar flowers, please make sure to do them 2 weeks in advance.

Let me know if you have any questions.
- Robin



This year's Stewardship theme is "Our Common Life". Our Bethany community is dependent on many people's input.

I am hoping to get a couple of people to help myself and Ann Naughton during the month of November. The time commitment will be minimal: just one or two short meetings to brainstorm in the next week or so. Please email me directly at enjazect@gmail.com or speak to me at church. Thank you in advance!

PLEASE NOTE:

Any delay and/or cancellations for Bethany events or church services will be shown on Channel 3's Weather Watch and/or Bethany's Facebook page. You can get Channel 3 alerts/cancellations sent directly to you on your smartphone as well so you will know about any delay/cancellation.

So, if there is a question as to whether something at church has been cancelled — please tune in to Channel 3 or check out our Facebook page.

From Calumet!

Check out “**Boom Chicka News**” — a brand new monthly effort — to be in the know about all kinds of information Calumet Nation will want to know!

Use this link: <https://calumet.org/resources/boomchickanews>

Also, to find out about the facilities, activities and everything else “Calumet”, please use the following link: <https://www.calumet.org/programs/quickglance>



Calumet Lutheran Ministries * PO Box 236, W. Ossipee, NH 03890 * 603.539.4773

Children and Youth Committee

Looking to make an impact on the lives of our congregation's youth? Come get involved with the newly formed Bethany Lutheran Church Children and Youth Committee! This committee was previously known as the "Christian Education Committee", but we have reformed it to be broader and centered around our youth. This committee will oversee and support all of Bethany's children and youth ministries, less the Preschool. The committee is comprised of the Sunday School Teachers and Superintendent, but we are seeking some other individuals to be involved with ongoing ministries or one-off projects such as maintaining the baptismal and confirmation banners, maintaining the quiet bags outside the sanctuary, etc. The intent is to meet every-other month for the inaugural year, but quarterly in the future. Our next meeting will be **Sunday, November 17th at 3:00 p.m. at Holly Linder's house**. If you are interested in joining or helping out on some of the one-off projects to support this Committee, please reach out to **Holly Linder: hlinder4@gmail.com or 860-378-5936** and she can provide further details on the upcoming meeting.



November Kid's Page

SIGN OF THANKFULNESS

Create this festive sign, which will serve as a yearlong reminder to be grateful.

What you need:

- Hole punch
- Large piece of cardboard or cardstock
- Twine
- Twigs
- Glue
- Acorns, leaves (real or silk) and raffia

What you do:

1. Punch two holes in the top of the cardboard.
2. Thread twine through the holes and tie it in a knot (for hanging).
3. Using twigs, spell out "Be Thankful," "Thank God" or a similar phrase about gratitude. Glue the twigs onto the cardboard.
4. Decorate the sign by gluing on acorns, leaves and raffia.
5. Hang up your sign. Whenever you see it, think of something for which you're grateful to God.



PUZZLE

Give Praise

Solve this puzzle to read a Bible verse about praising God for all his blessings.

Directions: In each group, underline the word that doesn't belong. Then write the underlined words on the lines below.

1. Give Take Grab	2. peanut praise pear	3. temple house LORD	4. proclaim past present	5. name boy lad	6. ruin destroy make
7. pine acorn known	8. train nations bus	9. done donut muffin	10. Sing Sleep Yawn	11. she him girl	12. sun praise moon
13. tell fast slow	14. red all blue	15. horrible dreadful wonderful	16. acts sisters aunts		

" _____ to the _____, _____ his _____ ;
 _____ among the _____ what he has _____ .
 _____ to _____, sing _____ to him; _____ of _____ his
 _____ ." PSALM 105:1-2, NIV

Answers: 1. Give, 2. praise, 3. LORD, 4. proclaim, 5. name, 6. make, 7. known, 8. nations, 9. done, 10. Sing, 11. him, 12. praise, 13. tell, 14. all, 15. wonderful, 16. acts.
 Give praise to the LORD, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done. Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts. (Psalm 105:1-2, NIV)



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Sunday, December 1st is the first Sunday of Advent and it is also our Holiday Concert Sunday.

What a wonderful tradition we have at Bethany—each year for the last 65 years we have presented a special concert to begin the preparation for Christmas—even during the pandemic a special program was offered on line. AND NOW! Once again we are in preparation for our big musical event. Choirs, instrumentalists, soloists and bell ringers have begun rehearsing for the big day.

The concert will be presented during the normal worship time at 9:30 a.m. Several years ago we moved it to that time due to an ice storm that was approaching, and we found that it worked so well for our congregation, especially for those who found it difficult to drive after dark. This year we will lift up music of the angels. How appropriate to dedicate this program to two of our Bethany family, who are with the angels and who participated in the concert each year.

Ellen Arendt and Pastor Paul

The music will be wonderful, the Spirit with us and refreshments to follow during Coffee Hour.

COME JOIN THE ANGELS FOR THIS JOYOUS PREPARATION FOR CHRISTMAS
SINGERS / BELL RINGERS / MUSICIANS ALWAYS WELCOMED

CURRENT CHOIR SCHEDULE

- ◆ Bethany Choir rehearses at 8:30 am each Sunday prior to the 9:30 a.m. service. (From time to time we will have an extra rehearsal as needed.)
- ◆ Joyful Noise rehearses after the worship service and is announced in advance.
- ◆ Ring Joy rehearsals are announced in advance.



SINGERS / BELL RINGERS / MUSICIANS ALWAYS WELCOME

HYMN OF THE MONTH: O Come, All Ye Faithful, ELW #283

This is probably one of the best known of our Christmas hymns. It is a song of adoration and even reflects the message of the Nicene Creed—light of light eternal.

The music is majestic and is often used as the opening of the Christmas service and as a processional hymn. While portions of the tune is found in early music some scholars think that what we use today may have been inspired by the popular light operas of the era, especially the repeated phrases.

The origins of the text are from a variety of sources and the hymn appears in early books of psalms and chants.

This hymn will be used at several of our Christmas services. Plan to come and lend you voice to the singing of this glorious Christmas hymn.



The Simply Giving Program



The Simply Giving® Program is designed to help you conveniently make payments to Bethany Lutheran Church. Through the Simply Giving Program, your payments are made through a pre-authorized withdrawal from your bank account. You determine the frequency of your automatic payment – weekly, semi-monthly or monthly. Your payment is deposited into the church's bank account on the same day it is withdrawn from your account.

Why Sign Up?

- Convenience – Payment will still be made if you are out of town or on vacation.
- Security – No checks are needed which means no lost or stolen checks.
- Environmentally friendly – Save on checks, envelopes and postage.

How to Sign Up

- Complete the form and return it with your voided check to:

Bethany Lutheran Church
ATTN: Simply Giving
50 Court Street
Cromwell, CT 06416

Forms and questions may be directed to:

Robin Scotti
Bethany Lutheran Church Office Manager
bethanylutheranchurchcromwell@gmail.com

OR

Give Robin a call in the church office, **860-635-4618**, and she can set you up in the Vanco system.

THE CONVENIENCE OF ELECTRONIC GIVING IS BACK

Bethany Lutheran wants to remind you that we offer electronic giving to automate weekly offerings or make one-time gifts to support Bethany programs like the Memorial Fund or Capital Campaign. Weekly offerings and gifts can be made using a credit card or through automatic transfers from your checking or savings account. Electronic giving offers convenience for Bethany members and supporters while providing needed donation consistency for our congregation.

Online Giving can be accessed by scanning the QR Code below or visiting <https://bethanylutheranchurchcromwell.org/> at any time to set up an automatic donation, change your donation plan, make a one-time donation or view your online donation history. As you contemplate future contributions, please consider electronic giving. Authorization information is available by contacting Robin in the church office at **860-635- 4618**.



Bethany Youth group will meet at church on **Friday, November 1** from **7 – 9 pm** for some extended Halloween fun. We will paint pumpkins, play games and eat candy! Come and bring a friend. Any questions contact LouAnn Smith (860-930-0075) or Kitty Richheimer (860-830-3293).
Please RSVP

GMCHORALE

JOSEPH D'EUGENIO
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

G.F. HANDEL
Dettingen Te Deum

J.S. BACH
Gloria in Excelsis Deo
(Cantata BWV 191)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2024
AT 4:00PM

Santo Fragilio Performing Arts Center
Middletown High School
200 La Rosa Lane, Middletown

with Orchestra New England
and The Elm City Girls' Choir

** Pre-Concert Lecture with Neely Bruce at 3:00pm **



www.gmchorale.org



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 7-9 pm— Youth Group (FH)	2
3 9:30 am—Worship with Holy Comm. 10:45 am—Council (L) - 2025 Goals Daylight Savings	4	5 5:30 –9:30 pm— GM Chorale (FH) Election Day	6 10:30 am— Table Talk at Luther Ridge 6-9:45 pm— NE Chamber Choir (FH) 6:30-8 pm— Bell Choir (BCR)	7	8	9
10 9:30 am—Worship with Holy Comm. -Congregational Vote -Soup & Fellowship Gathering (FH)	11 7:00 pm— Finance Veteran's Day	12 5:30 am— Preschool Board (SCR) 5:30 –9:30 pm— GM Chorale (FH)	13 10:30 am— Table Talk at Luther Ridge 6-9:45 pm— NE Chamber Choir (FH) 6:30-8 pm— Bell Choir (BCR)	14	15	16
17 Poinsettia Deadline 9:30 am—Worship with Holy Comm. 10:45 am— Executive Comm. (L) 11 am— Council (L) 2:30-5 pm— NE Chamber Choir (FH)	18	19 5:30 –9:30 pm— GM Chorale (FH)	20 10:30 am— Table Talk at Luther Ridge 6-9:45 pm— NE Chamber Choir (FH) 6:30-8 pm— Bell Choir (BCR)	21 1:30 pm—Saints Alive (L)	22	23 1- 4 pm— NE Chamber Choir (FH)
24 9:30 am—Worship with Holy Comm.	25	26 7:00 pm— Community Thanksgiving Service at Covenant Living	27 10:30 am— Table Talk at Luther Ridge 6-9:45 pm— NE Chamber Choir (FH) 6:30-8 pm— Bell Choir (BCR)	28  Offices Closed	29	30 1- 4 pm— NE Chamber Choir (FH)

† Services are being offered online (youtube) as well as Indoor at 9:30 a.m. †

YouTube Link: <https://www.youtube.com/@BethanyLutheranCromwellCT>

Facebook Link: <https://www.facebook.com/bethanycromwellct/>

POINSETTIA ORDER FORM

Please return or mail your order to the church office or place it in the offering plate *(with payment)*.

I would like to order:

_____ red poinsettia(s)

_____ white poinsettia(s)



Given by: _____

In (Memory or Honor) of: _____

The cost is **\$8.50 per plant**.
(The plants are in a foil-wrapped 6-1/2" pot and are 12"-15" high with 5 - 7 blooms.)

DEADLINE FOR ORDERING : November 17, 2024

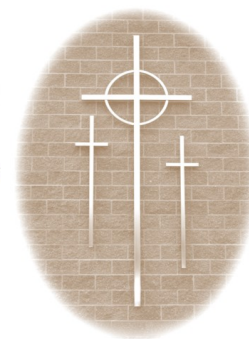
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