**Bethany Christian Church (DOC)** 

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## Bethany Newscast—June 2025

Bethany Christian Church is an Open & Affirming Congregation of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

We at Bethany Christian Church are Disciples of Christ, a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world. As part of the one body of Christ seeking to learn the word, live the grace, and share the love, we welcome ALL to the Lord's Table as God has welcomed us with grace and unconditional love and acceptance. So, with open hearts, open minds, and open doors Bethany Christian Church acknowledges, accepts, and affirms ALL people as equal children of God and affirms OUR commitment to welcome and accept ALL people. Therefore, regardless of race, nationality, culture, ethnic origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic status, physical and mental ability, marital standing, or any other designation of individuals who have known the pain of exclusion and discrimination by the church and society, ALL are welcome to participate fully in the life, leadership, ministry, and mission of our church.

Check out Disciples LGBTQ+ Alliance (www.disciplesallianceq.org) to learn more!



June 1

Liturgist: Meichelle Paulson

Elder: Jean Page

CW&W Storyteller: Sheri Cox

June 8

Liturgist: Chris Gibson Elder: Steve Appel

CW&W Storyteller: Jean Page

<u>June 15</u>

Liturgist: Jean Page Elder: Nancy Boner

CW&W Storyteller: Vanessa Wagler

<u>June 22</u>

Liturgist: Whitney Wagler

Elder: Chris Gibson

CW&W Storyteller: Jean Page

<u>June 29</u>

Liturgist: Steve Appel Elder: Barb Hester

CW&W Storyteller: Sheri Cox

June Deacons

Primary: Meichelle Paulson

Supporting: Sue King (6/1 Michelle R.)

Backup: Connie Helm & Luke Wagler

## Get Your PRIDE On!

Join Bethany at the River City Pride Festival June 7—Parade at 12pm, Festival Begins at 1pm

### Participation Opportunities

- Attend and mingle wearing your Bethany T-shirt ●
- Set up (10a) or break down (8p) Bethany's Pride Fest area •
- Represent the church at Bethany's table (10a-1p, 1-4p, 4-8p)

Sign up at the church, contact Vanessa Wagler, or just come!



### **Birthdays**

3rd	Kevin Hester	14th	James Thomason
3rd	Amie Austin	16th	Jennifer Hester
4th	Amy Duncan	17th	Mary Jane Hunt
6th	Gina Heard	19th	Garrett Brown
7th	JoAnn Mitchell	20th	Shawn Sterne

7th Ethel Fowler 22nd Theodore "Teddy" Sterne

9th Deena Gibson 23rd Chelsea Duncan 10th David Goodwin 26th Clare Paulson

11th John Sterne

#### **Anniversaries**

1st	Ann & Greg Buckert	16th	Jack & Kathey Homburg
9th	Dan & Gina Heard	19th	Linda & Steve Appel
10th	Ryan & Vanessa Wagler	20th	John & Shawn Sterne
11th	Faril & Jenna Bunner	23rd	Jennifer & Kevin Hester



If you have additions to the prayer list, please call the church office Mon-Fri from 8:30a to 12:30p (812-422-5439).

Linda Appel, Steve Appel, Caroline Ashby, Stacy Baier, Nancy Boner, Steve Buckert, John Bunner, Family of John Cheadle, Stevie Chivlare, Dave Cox, Nita Cox, Steve Cox, Ron Dennis, Family of Gary Dorsey, Michelle Gilles, Cale Harper, Donna Harper, Barb Hester, Family & Friends of Diane Huett, Mary Jane Hunt, Katie Kelly, Lisa King, Ruth & Joe Lenko, Jeff Main, Nancy McGuyer, Debby Miller, Wes & JoAnn Mitchell, Angie Moers, Mary & Mike Pruiett, Jordan & Melanie Rundle, Lisa Russell, Frank Rynkiewich, Nancy Slaton, Sheila Smith, Shawn Sterne, Julia Wood, Myra Woolsey



\*Tai Chi, Choir, & GEY events resume in August\*

Thursdays, 12p Guided Meditation
Will not meet on June 19

Thursdays, 6p Art Journeys
Will not meet on June 5

June 1, after worship Elders' Meeting

June 7, 1-10p River City Pride Festival

June 13, 6-10p Board Game Night

June 14 Labyrinth Meditation Outing

June 18, 11:30a Keenagers

June 22, after worship Board Meeting



# **Spend Time With Your Pastor!**Arrange a visit with Pastor Michelle by phone, email, or scanning this QR code.



Hear the good news:

"The Realm of God is near!"

Jesus calls us to bring it nearer.



Bethany will resume GEY Dinner, RPG Club, & Crochet Club in August

The IYG and the Greater Evansville Youth provide a safe space to educate; empower; and support the lives of LGBTQIA+ youth, young adults, and their allies in the Evansville area.

IYG is located at 501 John St, Suite 12, in Evansville.

Want to learn more? Contact Pastor Michelle, Jean Page, or Shawn Sterne for information on how you can support this group.

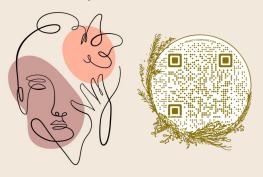
### **Bethany Mental Wellness Update**

Jean Page continues to offer many opportunities for reflection, learning, and mindfulness as she leads the Art Journeys ministry. So far, we have explored tessellation, mandalas, crochet, clay, and much more. Participants have reported feeling more relaxed and less affected by stress at the end of the sessions. Bethany also received a donated kiln and is preparing to have it installed this summer.



Pastor Michelle leads Midday Meditation on Thursdays that has so far focused on mindfulness practices. You can participate in person (we will start in the Bethany basement wellness space) or on Zoom (see QR code below).

## Midday Mindfulness

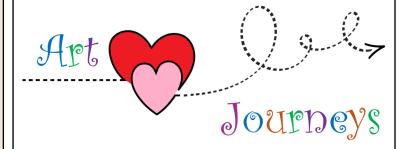


30-minute Meditation Practice
12pm Thursdays ♦ In Person ♦ On Zoom

Mats, cushions, comfy couches, and lift chair available



Courage is being scared to death...and saddling up anyway. — John Wayne



### Thursdays, 6:00pm

Art Journeys will begin meeting on Thursdays in June, with first session on June 12. Join us as we continue to explore how acts of creation can calm the body and mind and fill the spirit. All ages and abilities are welcome. The journey begins (and continues) in Bethany's wellness space located in the church basement. Enter through the doors on the east side of the building nearest to the Mill Road parking lot entrance. We look forward to seeing you there!

# **June 2025**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
1 FOOD PANTRY	2	3	4	5	6	7	
OFFERING		10a-1p	1-4p	12-12:30p	1-4p	1-10p Pride Festival	
10:30a - Worship		Pastor Office Hrs	Pastor Office Hrs	Midday Meditation	Pastor Office Hrs	(Bethany Table 1-8p)	
12p - Elders' Meeting							
8 PENTECOST	9	10	11	12	13	14	
10:30a - Worship		10a-1p Pastor Office Hrs	1-4p Pastor Office Hrs	12-12:30p Midday Meditation 6p - Art Journeys	1-4p Pastor Office Hrs 6-10p Board Game Night	Labyrinth Meditation Outing (Details TBA)	
15 FATHER'S DAY	16	17	18	19	20	21	
BDAY & ANNIV.	Pastor Michelle at Church Camp						
OFFERING 10:30a - Worship			11:30a - Keenagers	бр - Art Journeys			
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	
10:30a - Worship John Rich Preaching 12p - Board Meeting	23	24	1-4p Pastor Office Hrs  6p - Strategic Planning Committee Meeting	12-12:30p Midday Meditation 6p - Art Journeys	1-4p Pastor Office Hrs	20	
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# Pride and Pentecost

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