

WEDNESDAYS @ BETHANY

OCTOBER 6, 2021



BETHANY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome to our weekly newsletter! ***Wednesdays at Bethany*** will include important announcements for the life of the congregation. If you'd like to receive the email without the PDF attachment, please let us know. And if you would rather not receive this newsletter, please let us know and you will be removed from the list.

A celebration of life for Freda Lutz will be held at Bethany Presbyterian Church, 2400 Rosewood Drive San Bruno, CA, on October 9th at 11am. Friends and loved ones are invited to attend.

Freda Lutz passed away on Monday, August 2nd. She was very comfortable and at peace in her home with her family. As an Elder, Deacon, Youth Club mom, choir member and part of the Women's Association groups, Freda was an integral part of our congregation for over 50 years. We will miss her deeply. Our hearts go out to Freda's family and friends, and we offer our prayers for comfort to all.

Fellowship Time: We would like to provide brewed coffee, hot water, and a couple of snacks each Sunday after worship. Congregants can sign up to bring an item to share, i.e. fruit, coffee cake, donuts, bagels - you get the idea! Items will be available in the narthex, and congregants will be encouraged to take their snacks out to the patio to eat and visit. The list is available at the church, or you can contact the church office to sign up for a particular Sunday.

Thanks in advance for your participation in this new way of fellowshiping with each other! If you have any questions or concerns, please share with Rev. Deb, Pam Matthews, or Tamra Hollenbeck.

Liturgists Needed: Have you thought about participating in leading worship? Have you thought “I could stand up there and read scripture!” Then maybe you could be the liturgist! The liturgists are provided with a full script, so you don’t have to worry about what to say. For more information, and if you’re interested, please contact Pam Matthews, chair of Worship Committee – fpmatthews@aol.com or the church office.



**Guidelines for In-Person Gathering
Bethany Presbyterian Church
Beginning September 12, 2021**

In keeping with State and local guidelines, and CDC guidelines, we are posting this protocol for entry into our building. The space is deep cleaned once each week. Hand sanitizer is available. **Proof of vaccination is required.**

General

- Open for those fully vaccinated unless medically contraindicated (**proof of vaccination is required**)
- Please keep doors open for maximum air circulation
- Properly fitting masks** must be worn while indoors
- Maintain distance from others

10:00am Sunday Worship Service

- Open to all fully vaccinated people unless medically contraindicated (**proof of vaccination is required**)
- Please remain masked
- Please sit at a distance from other parishioners
- No touching – greet one another creatively!
- Singing is allowed while masked only
- Food to be eaten outside only
- Post- and pre-worship visiting outside only

Donations for San Bruno Hospitality House: There is a plastic bin outside the door closest to the lower parking lot at Bethany for Peter Stiehler's shelter donations so people can continue to donate for the shelter. The box will be periodically checked and items taken down to Peter's Second Ave. shelter. Any questions about this please contact Rina Ranahan: (650) 291-6979. Urgent needs right now are toilet paper, canned soup, jelly, syrup, and cereal

A current list of shelter needs is on our website: <http://bethanypcusa.org/we-do/shelter-needs.html>



Upcoming Meetings

Wed. 10/06 – Wednesday evening Zoom prayer meeting, 6:30 p.m.

- Prayz rehearsal, 6 – 7 p.m.

- Choir rehearsal, 7:30 p.m.

Sat. 10/09 – Story Time With . . . (posted on Facebook at 11 a.m.)

- Memorial for Freda Lutz, 11:30 a.m.

Mon. 10/11 – Ruth Covenant Group, 6:30 p.m.

Committee chairs/group leaders: please let me know if you have any changes to these dates.

Bethany Storytime



Saturdays at 11 on Facebook
Bethany San Bruno



Prayer Time

6:30 p.m. Wednesdays

A time to meet as the body of Christ, and pray together using Zoom. Shared readings, poetry, guided meditation, and of course the prayers of the People. Please contact us to be invited to the Zoom meeting: bethanypres@bethanypcusa.org

Prayers from 9/26/2021

- Prayers for Dave's younger brother Phil, who decided to stay in rehab to remain sober, and prayers for good results from the biopsy of mass on Phil's lung – Phil (Dave Wales)
- Healing for Rina's brother Richard Nanos, who is in the hospital diagnosed with pneumonia; comfort for Rina and Deb's friend Randy, who is in a nursing home, and not receiving visitors (Rina Ranahan)
- Prayers for our friend Randy Johansen, who is missed by his Bethany family; healing for Cynthia's niece who is having surgery to remove a cyst on her ovary (Paul Feliciano)
- Prayers of joy for Sue Bullis' birthday, for Pam's Dad's birthday, who passed 11 years ago and would have been 100 (Pam Matthews)
- Gratitude for the faithfulness of seasons as we enter fall, and the reminder of God's steadfast love for us; thanksgiving for the gathering of Luna's friends and families for her bday, and the beginning of community; prayers for Victoria Soledad Garcia, who was convicted of murder in the trial where Tamra served as a juror – for hard decision and her rough life; prayers for her two daughters, that they find stability and peace, and prayers in time of waiting and sadness (Tamra Hollenbeck)
- Prayers that love heals everyone – for Bonnie's brother's 72nd bday yesterday, for her sister Joanie and Walt anniversary (Bonnie Morgan)
- Prayers of comfort for the family and friends of Ellen Kross, especially for her son Edward (Deb McGuire)
- For Ken and Roberta and all the family and friends of Roberta's sister Chris as they prepare for her memorial service on Saturday (Ken Henry)

Prayers from 9/19/2021

- Prayers of thanksgiving for Jorie's grandson's first birthday; for her daughter's birthday today; healing and comfort for her friend's son Clayton Miller, who is dealing with Covid and diabetes (Jorie Abbott)
- Prayers of thanksgiving for Paul Delander's birthday on Saturday; for Bonnie's friend Claudia, who is doing better; for Bob Johansen, dealing with side effects of his booster vaccine; for Randy, adjusting to a new living situation (Deb McGuire)
- Healing for Richard Nanos, Rina's brother, who is hospitalized with pneumonia; for her friend Randy, whose spirits are improving (Rina Ranahan)
- For Tamra's brother in law Ross, dealing with health issues; thanksgiving for her granddaughter Aurora's 8th birthday; for Garry Cox's birthday today (Tamra Hollenbeck)
- Thanksgiving for memories of her father, whose birthday is this week; traveling mercies for her niece, visiting new friends in Germany; healing for a friend who had a fall and now has some bleeding on the brain (Barb Liedtke)

Lord, hear our prayers





MORE LIGHT

PRESBYTERIANS

Bethany's Purpose Statement:

Bethany's purpose is to provide a nurturing and energizing environment to feed the soul so we can go out into the world and reflect the glory of God, the love of Jesus Christ, and the power of the Holy Spirit.

Bethany's Welcoming Statement:

We don't yet know who you are,
but we do know that you are a dearly beloved child of God,
and you're already welcome here.
We invite you, on your unique spiritual journey,
to join us in the life and ministry at Bethany.



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