

UPCOMING EVENTS

Today—Sept. 7th Communion

8:45 am Church at Lost Island

10:15 am SS at Lost Island

10:30 am Church at Bethany

Monday-Sept. 8th

9 am Quilters

5 pm Quilters

Tuesday-Sept. 9th

Office closing at Noon

6:30 PM Sarah Circle meets

At the Church

6:30 PM Cub Scouts Meet

Wednesday—Sept. 10th

Diane is Gone

12 Noon—Men's Bible Study

5:30 Board of Youth Meets

Youth Kick-Off

3:30—5 pm SACK

6:30—8 pm Connect

7:30—9 pm LIFE

Sunday—Sept. 14th

8:45 am Church at LI

9:30 am SS at Bethany

**9:45 AM Coffee Connection at
Bethany & Rally Sunday**

10:15 am SS at LI

10:30 am Church at Bethany

Meal after church

PRAYERS

for Paul Bedard, Darlene Naig, Shellee Wright, Doug Ort, Korbin Johnson, Jeff Duhn, Wilma Nielsen, Nolyn Johnson, Kylee Hill, Omundson Family (Alex), Shirley Knutson, Lon Twait, Jim & Carol Krause, David Stephens, Rick Rienhardt, Bridget Johnson, Robert Mortenson Jr., and those we name in our hearts.

*Our companion synods: The Southern Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania-Yakobi Parish companion with Lost Island and the Evangelical Lutheran Church Laz-Paz Parish in Chile, companion with Bethany .

*Our Military Members Tom Crocoll and Logan Murray

WELCOME TO CHURCH!

13TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 9.7.25

ORDER OF SERVICE—ELW SETTING 4 WITH COMMUNION

We invite everyone to please sign the attendance book either in your pew or in the back of the church. If you are a member, take a minute to notice people you don't know and welcome them to worship. If you are a visitor, we would like to get to know you better, please include your address and phone number.

*Please stand if you are able

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREET ONE ANOTHER/PRELUDE

INVOCATION

*GATHERING HYMN.....**#335 ELW** "Jesus, Keep Me Near The Cross"

*GREETING AND KYRIE.....ELW PG.147

*CANTICLE OF PRAISE.....**ELW Pg.149** "This is the feast....."

*SALUTATION

*PRAYER OF THE DAY.....See Insert

FIRST READING.....Deuteronomy 30:15-20

PSALMPsalm 1

SECOND READING.....Philemon 1-21

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION.....ELW PG.151

*GOSPEL.....Luke 14:25-33

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON.....Pastor Deb Mechler

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS...

ALL: Searching God, we are so attached to our possessions, we have trouble sharing them. We are so connected to our pleasures that we cannot feel the pain of those around us. We are so struck on ourselves, we cannot sense our souls slipping away into the shadows.

Most merciful God: loosen us from the grip of the world, so we may

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LOST ISLAND LUTHERAN- 3797 310TH ST, RUTHVEN

WORSHIP TIMES ON SUNDAYS
LOST ISLAND- 8:45AM BETHANY-10:30AM

feel your healing touch. Sever us from our sin, so your Spirit might bind us to you. Reshape us, redeem us, renew us, so we may take up our crosses and follow our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Silence is kept

The God who calls us is the God who created us; the God who formed us is the God who forgives us. This is the Good News—we are God's new creation. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are reshaped, renewed, forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen

*HYMN OF THE DAY:.....#798 ELW "Will You Come and Follow Me"

*APOSTLE'S CREED.....ELW PG 127

*PRAYERS.....Respond with **"Receive Our Prayer"**

*SHARING OF THE PEACE

*OFFERING/*OFFERTORY....#184 ELW "Let the vineyards be fruitful"

*OFFERTORY PRAYER: Some bear crosses hollowed out by hunger, some carry crosses called injustice. Sometimes or abundance is a cross which we struggle to bear. But as we learn to follow you, as we seeks to be as generous as you, we discover that we can gift others with hope, with grace, and with peace. **Receive our offerings this day, so they might bless your children in every way imaginable. This we pray in the name of Jesus. AMEN**

*GREAT THANKSGIVING.....ELW PG. 152

*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*THE LORD'S PRAYERELW PG. 154

HOLY COMMUNION.....ELW PG. 154*"Lamb Of God"....*

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION:

#810 ELW "O Jesus, I Have Promised" (Lost Island)

Either Sing Along or Meditate to "Give Us Clean Hands" (Bethany)

*POST-COMMUNION.....#207 ELW "Thankful Hearts..."

*POST COMMUNION PRAYER: O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING HYMN.....#793 ELW "Be Thou My Vision"

*DISMISSAL.....Go in peace to love & serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

VOLUNTEERS

TODAY, September 7th

LOST ISLAND

MUSICIAN: Tim Nielsen.....Tim Nielsen

ALTAR GUILD: Sue Geiger, Lavonne Mason.....Marla Noble
Linda Pitt

READER: Charles Henningsen.....Diane Clasing-Steger

USHERS:.....Terry Rouse., Joel Saxton

GREETERS.....Aaron & Jackie Leuer Family

COMM ASSIST: Kyle Norris.....Quentin Ort, Pat Vician,
Dianne Hough

NEXT WEEK, September 14th

LOST ISLAND

MUSICIAN: Tim Nielsen.....Holly Sidles

ALTAR GUILD: Sue Geiger, Lavonne Mason.....Marla Noble
Linda Pitt

READER: Kyle Norris.....Emmy Dooley

ACOLYTE:

USHERS:Joe Neary, Bob Steger

GREETERS:.....Jason & Laura Reinders Family

Rally Day

SUNDAY, SEPT 14TH

AFTER CHURCH IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
TO GO MEALS AVAILABLE

FREE WILL OFFERING-VBS & BIBLE FUND

SPONSORED BY FRANK VELTRI'S THRIVENT ACTION TEAM

MAID RITES, CHICKEN NUGGETS, MAC N CHEESE, SALADS, AND
DESSERTS



HOLY COMMUNION

We invite all who are baptized to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion with us. We ask that you believe that Christ is present in the bread and wine and that you desire the benefits He offers. If you would like to come forward for a blessing and not receive Holy Communion, please indicate by crossing your arms. If you are not able to come forward, please indicate to the usher and we will serve you at the pew.

The yellow colored cup is grape juice.

Gluten free wafers are also available.





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