

## WU CAMPUS MINISTRY

The Bods Feeding Bods pantry will be open soon for the spring semester. Oral hygiene items are really needed. Please consider donating toothbrushes (individually packed), toothpaste, mouthwash, dental floss. The WU box for your donations will be by the east entrance through January 25. Then Debbie & Duane deliver to WU. Thank you!



# ANNUAL MEETING

**January 18, 2026**

Some agenda items of which to be aware:

+All ballot openings have been fulfilled with people who have said yes!

+There are constitution amendments, recommended by our churchwide body, which we will vote on. There are copies with changes highlighted available in the church office for review.

+We will be asked to vote to approve an internship recommended by the synod office. The intern candidate is Jannelle Hinck.

Thanks to everyone who has submitted their report for the annual report. Late reports may still be submitted no later than Jan. 14, please.

The meeting will take place in the sanctuary, immediately after worship.





## Join us for Bethany College Sunday - Jan. 18, 2026

During the 2025-2026 academic year, **Bethany College** will be making visits across the Central States, Rocky Mountain, and Arkansas Oklahoma Synods. Bethany College is committed to extending its work beyond campus by visiting congregations for worship and forum conversations. In addition to these visits, we encourage congregations and ministry settings to remember Bethany College in their worship services.

**The mission of Bethany College is to educate, develop, and challenge individuals to reach for truth and excellence as they lead lives of faith, learning, and service.** As a Lutheran, liberal arts college, Bethany College is committed to academic freedom, integrity, and courage. The way we approach education is rooted in this Lutheran tradition of freedom from and freedom for: freedom of thought, speech, and religion; freedom to encounter others; freedom to be curious; freedom to ask questions.

As Dr. L. Dale Lund, former Bethany College President wrote, "The aim of liberal [arts] education is not the development of skills but the [formation] of a certain kind of person...They have drunk from the rivers of many lands and cultures. They have thought long and hard about human nature and destiny. They have confronted the ultimate question - the meaning of life - and have been forced to abandon easy answers to difficult questions...Liberal arts are the learned habits of thought and speech considered essential for free people."

We are proud to be a College of the ELCA and the only institution of higher education in the Central States Synod. We continue to provide access to quality education to members of the CSS and beyond. Bethany College serves students who come from 31 states and 21 countries, who represent 24 faith traditions and a wide breadth of ethnic and cultural diversity. Together, we celebrate the rich history of the College and celebrate with the students, faculty, and staff who comprise this learning community today.

January 18 is Bethany College Sunday at Trinity. To celebrate, we welcome Pr. Melissa Woeppel to our midst as she leads and presides at worship and communion.

Bethany College, established by Swedish Lutheran immigrants in 1881, is a college of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. At Bethany, students join a community of dedicated educators and caring mentors who walk alongside them as they discover, explore, and navigate the path to their purpose. Bethany College is online at [bethanylb.edu](http://bethanylb.edu) and is located in Lindsborg, Kansas, the fine arts and crafts capital of the state.

To make a gift, you can mail a check, noting "Bethany College General Scholarship Fund" on the subject line or visit our donation portal at [bethanylb.edu/give](http://bethanylb.edu/give).

Additional information can be found at [bethanylb.edu/spiritual-development](http://bethanylb.edu/spiritual-development).



Peace!

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