

IN HIS SERVICE

Preaching	Rev. Samuel Wirgau
Fieldworkers	Sem. Matthew Goehring and Sem. Nicholas Gapski
Deaconess	Wendy Boehm
Head Elder	Lloyd Meyer
Elders on Duty	Neil Stoppenhagen and Glen Werling
Kantor	Richard Brinkley
Altar Guild Chairman	Dalene Springer
Acolyte	Caleb Biggs
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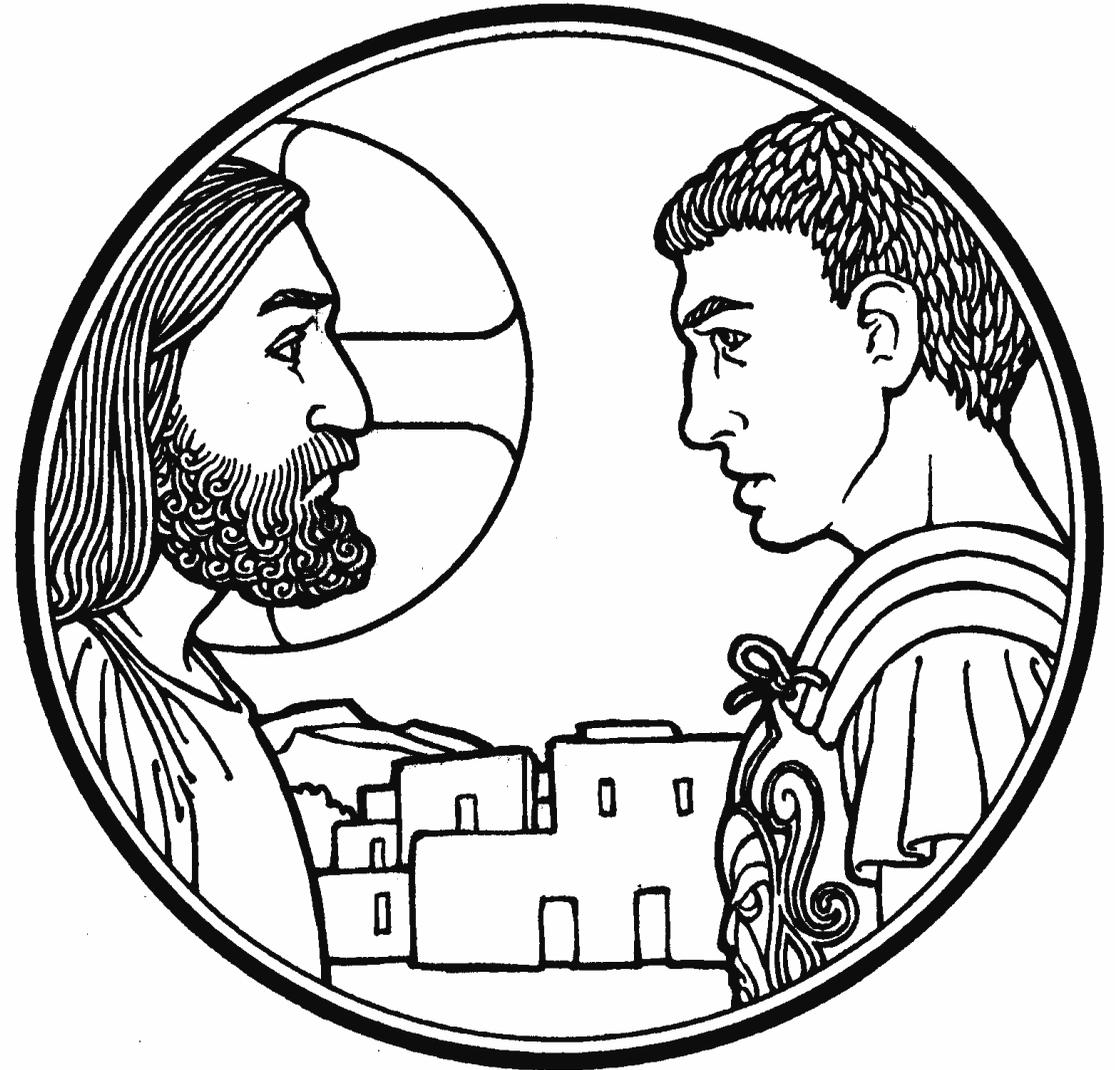
TODAY	9:00 a.m.	Divine Service
	10:30 a.m.	Adult Bible Class and Sunday School
	11:15 a.m.	Baby Shower
	Noon-3:00 p.m.	Bethlehem School Open House
	11:30 a.m.	Voice of Bethlehem (WZBD 92.7)
	6:00 p.m.	Lutheran Doctrine Class
	6:30 p.m.	LYF Bible Study
MONDAY	7:00 p.m.	Handbell Choir Practice
WEDNESDAY	10:15 a.m.	Chapel Service
	7:00 p.m.	Adult Choir Practice
THURSDAY – SATURDAY		Bethlehem Invitational JV Boys Tournament
SUNDAY	9:00 a.m.	Divine Service
	10:30 a.m.	Adult Bible Class and Sunday School
	11:15 a.m.	Special Church Council Meeting
	11:30 a.m.	Voice of Bethlehem (WZBD 92.7)
	6:00 p.m.	Lutheran Doctrine Class

**Announcements can be emailed to the church secretary at hklep@msn.com
or by calling the church office at 597-7121.**

Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran Church

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A congregation of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod



THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Divine Service – Setting 1

January 26, 2020

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OPENING HYMN

“Filled with Joy, in Grace Abounding” **SEE INSERT**
 Children sing vs 1 & 3

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION p. 151 (*stand*)**INTROIT**

(*Sung responsively with the Liturgist*)



The heavens proclaim his | righteousness, *
 and all the peoples see his | glory.

**For you, O Lord, are most high over | all the earth; *
 you are exalted far a- | bove all gods.**

The Lord reigns, let the | earth rejoice; *
 let the many coast- | lands be glad!

O you who love the Lord, hate | evil! *

**He preserves the lives of his saints;
 he delivers them from the hand of the | wicked.**

Light is sown for the | righteous, *
 and joy for the up- | right in heart.

**Rejoice in the Lord, O you | righteous, *
 and give thanks to his | holy name!**

***Glory be to the Father and | to the Son *
 and to the Holy | Spirit;***

***as it was in the be- | ginning, *
 is now, and will be forever. | Amen.***

The heavens proclaim his | righteousness, *
 and all the peoples see his | glory.

KYRIE p. 152 *“Lord, Have Mercy”***HYMN OF PRAISE** p. 154 *“Gloria in Excelsis”***SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

FIRST READING

2 Kings 5:1-15a

P) This is the Word of the Lord.

C) Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

**Nations will fear the name | of the Lord, *
 and all the kings of the earth will fear your | glory.
 For the Lord builds up | Zion; *
 he appears in his | glory.**

EPISTLE READING

Romans 12:16-21

P) This is the Word of the Lord.

C) Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA and VERSE - COMMON p. 156**HOLY GOSPEL READING** (*please stand*)

Matthew 8:1-13

P) This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C) Praise be to You, O Christ.

NICENE CREED p. 158**HYMN OF THE DAY** *“From God the Father, Virgin-Born”*

LSB #401

SERMON**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH** (*stand*)**OFFERING****OFFERTORY** p. 159 (*stand*)**SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT** p. 160-164**COMMUNION HYMNS**

*“The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord”
 “All Depends on Our Possessing”*

LSB #634

LSB #732

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE (*stand*) p. 165 *Nunc Dimittis***BENEDICTION** (*stand*) p. 166**CLOSING HYMN**

“Salvation unto Us Has Come”

LSB #555

vs 1-6

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today we celebrate the Lord's Supper in our worship. Bethlehem Lutheran Church administers this Holy Supper in accordance with the Holy Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions. It is celebrated in the confidence that we receive, along with the Bread and Wine, the very Body and Blood of Jesus through which we receive the forgiveness of sins. Furthermore, the communicants as a body of believers make a confession of the unity of their faith. Those desiring to receive the Sacrament with us, who are not communicant members of Bethlehem or of a sister congregation of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, are asked to please speak with the Pastor before the service.

WE WELCOME ALL OUR VISITORS this morning to our church and worship service in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Please introduce yourself to the Pastor and to others in attendance. Please complete a green visitor's pew card and include it in this morning offering plate. Please worship with us again. **The church has larger print Bibles, hymnals and hearing devices for those members or guests needing them. Please ask an elder for assistance.**

IN OUR PRAYERS

All those in need of continued strength and healing: Jeff Bauermeister

Lutheran Schools Week

The Church and its faithful workers:

Rev. and Mrs. Steven Schumacher

Rachel Meyer (sister of Mr. Peter Meyer)

All military personnel: Active and Inactive

Our members currently shut-in:

Jackie Werling, Ruth Witte, Ilene Meyer (Ossian H.C.)

Lorene Rekeweg, Imogene Bultemeier (Woodcrest)

NATIONAL LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK- The theme for this year is "Joy-fully Lutheran" based on 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24. Bethlehem Lutheran School will be celebrating this week with special activities planned for each day. We Joy-fully give thanks to God and to Bethlehem Lutheran Church members for the opportunity to provide excellent academic preparation for the children we serve. We are most grateful for the opportunity to share Jesus' amazing love with children and their families. National Lutheran Schools Week gives us an opportunity to proclaim these great blessings within the communities we serve. Our schools are amazing incubators for faithful witness of God's love for us through Christ by teachers and students alike. **In conjunction with Lutheran Schools Week, Bethlehem will hold an OPEN HOUSE TODAY from noon – 3:00 p.m. Teaching staff, School Board members and current parents will be on hand to show you around and answer any questions you might have about our school. Everyone welcome!**

We will be holding a **Special Church Council Meeting** on Sunday, February 2nd after Bible Class to listen to / meet with Andy Behrmann, the Indiana LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor. This will NOT take the place of our regular February Church Council Meeting on Sunday, February 16th.

BABY SHOWER!! Please join us TODAY after Adult Bible Class! The church will be hosting a Baby Shower for Deaconess Wendy & Josh Boehm.

LADIES AID MEMBERS! The members will be celebrating Marilyn Franke's 80th Birthday on Saturday February 1st at the Galley in Decatur. Lunch will be at 11:00. Please contact Kathy Nahrwold @ 260-705-6257 or Kay Schumm @ 260-273-7402 by January 30th.

ATTENTION – We will be working on blankets on Thursdays, beginning February 6th at 9:00am here at church. Bring a sack lunch if you like and stay as long as you like. Everyone is welcome to help. These go to the needy, and to the seminary.

FISH FRY COMMITTEE WILL BE MEETING on Monday, February 3rd. at 6:00 p.m. anyone interested in being on the committee should contact Kathy Nahrwold @ 260-705-6257. The Fish Fry will be held on Saturday, April 25th.

ORDER YOUR SUPERBOWL SUBS TODAY! Orders will be taken at the table set up in the foyer today. Subs can be picked up on **Sunday, February 2 from 10:15 am - 11:30 am**. Just in time for the game or a good lunch. Proceeds will go to Bethlehem Scholarship Fund. Any volunteers who would like to help, please contact Denise Schumm or Tisha Laley.

WIDOWS CLUB will meet for lunch on Tuesday, January 28th at Nine Mile Restaurant and then to Berenice Stoppenhagen's for social time. All widows are welcome to join us.

THE NEXT PAINTING CLASS with Ruth Green as the instructor will be Saturday, February 8th at 2:00 p.m. in the church Fellowship Hall. Anyone 10 years and older is invited to attend. The cost is \$10 each. If interested contact Wendy Boehm, Joellen Meyer or Denise Schumm.

PORK CHOP DINNER – The Bethlehem 7th & 8th grade students will be having a Carry out only Pork Chop Dinner on Sunday, February 9th. Tickets are \$9.00 each and include a Smoked Pork Chop, Baked Potato, Dinner Roll and Applesauce. Students will be in the hallways for ticket sales. Thank you for your support of the class trip to Washington D.C. trip this spring.

2 Kings 5:1-15 (ESV)

¹Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Syria, was a great man with his master and in high favor, because by him the LORD had given victory to Syria. He was a mighty man of valor, but he was a leper. ²Now the Syrians on one of their raids had carried off a little girl from the land of Israel, and she worked in the service of Naaman’s wife. ³She said to her mistress, “Would that my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy.” ⁴So Naaman went in and told his lord, “Thus and so spoke the girl from the land of Israel.” ⁵And the king of Syria said, “Go now, and I will send a letter to the king of Israel.” So he went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten changes of clothing. ⁶And he brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, “When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you Naaman my servant, that you may cure him of his leprosy.” ⁷And when the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, “Am I God, to kill and to make alive, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Only consider, and see how he is seeking a quarrel with me.” ⁸But when Elisha

Romans 12:16-21 (ESV)

¹⁶Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight. ¹⁷Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. ¹⁸If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.” ²⁰To the contrary, “if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head.” ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Matthew 8:1-13 (ESV)

¹When he came down from the mountain, great crowds followed him. ²And behold, a leper came to him and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, if you will, you can make me clean.” ³And Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him, saying, “**I will; be clean.**” And immediately his leprosy was cleansed. ⁴And Jesus said to him, “**See that you say nothing to anyone, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer the gift that Moses commanded, for a proof to them.**” ⁵When he entered Capernaum, a centurion came forward to him, appealing to him, ⁶“Lord, my servant is lying paralyzed at home, suffering terribly.” ⁷And he said to him, “**I will come and heal him.**” ⁸But the centurion replied, “Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof, but only say the word, and my servant will be healed. ⁹For I too am a man under authority, with soldiers under me. And I say to one, ‘Go,’ and he goes, and to another, ‘Come,’ and he comes, and to my servant, ‘Do this,’ and he does it.” ¹⁰When Jesus heard this, he marveled and said to those who followed him, “**Truly, I tell you, with no one in Israel have I found such faith.** ¹¹**I tell you, many will come from east and west and recline at table with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven,** ¹²**while the sons of the kingdom will be thrown into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.**” ¹³And to the centurion Jesus said, “**Go; let it be done for you as you have believed.**” And the servant was healed at that very moment.

Offering January 19, 2020

Financial Report

Average weekly need	\$11,342
Home Fund Env.	\$5,413.00
Synod	80.00
Loose	205.55
Sunday School	17.55
Improvement Fund	40.00
Endowment Fund	
Scholarship Fund	
Music Fund	
Copy Machine Usage	20.00
Roof/AC (Mincemeat)	170.00
Total	\$5,946.10

Home Fund Balance (\$870.27)
Next week bills due amt: \$13,000
Bills due in two weeks: \$11,500
Savings Account Balance \$40,381.59
Borrowed from Savings: \$20,321
Operating Loan Debt: \$7,059.07
Phase II Roof Balance \$18,975.00
AC Unit Balance \$17,172.11

LAST SUNDAY ATTENDANCE

Divine Service	174
Holy Communion	129
Adult Bible Class	40
Sunday School	26

The SCRIP TABLE will be OPEN today Plan to use SCRIP cards for all of your shopping needs. Please contact Melissa Price for all your SCRIP needs 433-5307.

NEWSLETTER ITEMS ARE NOW DUE and can be emailed to the church secretary at hklep@msn.com or by calling the church office at 597-7121.

2018 GIVINGS TAX STATEMENTS ARE NOW AVAILABLE IN THE NORTH HALLWAY IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER. (Statements with \$100 and over have been printed) If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

Please join The Lutheran Schools Partnership and Great Kids Make Great Communities on Thursday, Feb. 13 at Concordia Lutheran High School for a FREE parent event. "Top Tips for Parenting Children in a Digital Age - Developmental Psychologists Weigh In" will share important information about keeping children safe, and offer practical tips for setting guidelines with them. Two 45-minute sessions are available, one at 6:15pm and one at 7:15pm. Pizza will be served, and a Circle Home Plus device management tool will be given away at each session. Please register for this event at www.thelutheranschools.org.

ALUMINUM COLLECTION - A last load of aluminum will be taken in for recycling the month of February. Please be sure to drop off your large collections to Don and Amy Schuelers house or for small amounts place in the green container on the north end of the school. If you need someone to pick up your load, please contact Jay Werling at 260-438-8153. Thank you from the Washington DC Group.

