

IN HIS SERVICE

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SUNDAY	9:00 a.m.	Matins
	10:30 a.m.	Board of Elders Meeting
	11:30 a.m.	Voice of Bethlehem (WZBD 92.7)
WEDNESDAY	10:15 a.m.	Chapel Service
	7:00 p.m.	Compline
NEXT SUNDAY	9:00 a.m.	Matins

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

LiveStream Services

<https://www.youtube.com/bethlehemplutheranchurchossian>

Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran Church

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A congregation of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod



THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Misericordias Domini

Matins

April 26, 2020

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OPENING HYMN “Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us” LSB #711

LITURGY p. 219 *Common Responsory*

VENITE p. 220 “Come, Let Us Sing” *Psalm 95:1-7*

PSALMODY *Psalm 23*
(Sung responsively with the pastor)



The LORD is my | shepherd; *
I | shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green | pastures. *
He leads me beside the still | waters.

He re- | stores my soul. *
He leads me in paths of righteousness
for his | name’s sake.

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil, for you are | with me; *
your rod and your staff, they | comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my | enemies. *
You anoint my head with oil; my cup | overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days | of my life, *
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for- | ever.

*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.*

OFFICE HYMN “The King of Love My Shepherd Is” LSB #709

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Ezekiel 34:11-16*
P: O Lord, have mercy on us.
C: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING *1 Peter 2:21-25*
P: O Lord, have mercy on us.
C: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL READING *John 10:11-16*
P: O Lord, have mercy on us.
C: Thanks be to God.

EASTER RESPONSORY p. 222
P: Sing to the Lord and bless His name, proclaim His salvation.....
**C: Give to the Lord all glory and strength, give Him the
honor due His name. Alleluia, alleluia**

SERMON

CANTICLE HYMN “Christ is Arisen” LSB #459

KYRIE p. 227

LORD’S PRAYER

COLLECTS

BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION (please stand) p. 228

CLOSING HYMN “The Strife Is O’er, the Battle Done ” LSB #464

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We will continue Livestreaming the Order of Services as listed below.

TODAY	9:00 a.m.	Easter Sunday
	10:30 a.m.	Board of Elders Meeting
WEDNESDAY	10:15 a.m.	Chapel Service
	7:00 p.m.	Compline
NEXT SUNDAY	9:00 a.m.	Matins

Livestream Services visit:

<https://www.youtube.com/bethlehemlutheranchurchossian>
also located on our website bethlehemossian.org under the church service tab.

To anyone wishing to pick up a Hymnal, please call the church office 597-7121 or Heidi Kleppinger at 260-387-4082 to arrange a time.

IN OUR PRAYERS

All those in need of continued strength and healing Fred Bienz

Thanksgiving for the blessing of a baby boy to Nathan and Lacey Meyer
born April 23rd

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)

FLOWERS PLACED ON THE ALTAR this morning have been given to the glory of God in loving memory of Glenn and Pauline Bauermeister and in honor of their 60th Wedding Anniversary from their children and families.

ELDERS MEETING – Today, Sunday April 26th at 10:30 a.m.

VOTER'S ASSEMBLY – Rescheduled to Sunday, May 17th at 11:20 am.

THE BETHLEHEM FISH FRY HAS BEEN CANCELLED FOR THIS YEAR.

Refunds will need to be given to those who have purchased tickets. Please mark your calendars for next year's event on April 24, 2021.

LIGHTED GARDENS CATERING - RSVP today for your carry-out dinner on Thursday, April 30th. Menu includes: Swiss steak, whipped potatoes, corn and dinner roll for \$9.00. Deadline for orders is April 28th call 622-4023 or email ltgrdns@aol.com.

The SCRIP TABLE will be closed until further notice. If you need to place an order, please contact Melissa Price 260-433-5307.

A HUGE THANK YOU for the ongoing gracious giving's either thru the mail, dropped off or using the E-giving option. The church has been able to sustain enough of a balance to get us thru the weeks financial obligations without borrowing. We are truly blessed to have your support during this difficult time. God's blessing to all of you.

E-GIVING – In light of our current situation and our members being asked to quarantine, Bethlehem has the option of **ONLINE E-GIVING** for your weekly offering. Please consider setting up a recurring giving plan. Automating your financial commitments means your contributions will be received on a steady, uninterrupted basis. If you wish to make a single online donation or set up recurring donations, you may do so on our website, www.bethlehemossian.org through our third-party provider-Vanco Payment Solutions. Online giving may be done as a credit card payment or ACH bank transfer. Please note, the church will incur a \$0.45 processing fee on each online transaction. Credit card transactions will be charged at least 2.75% fee. For ACH bank transfers, there is a fee of 1% of each dollar charged. This may affect how you wish to direct your online donations. You may also elect to increase your gift to cover the cost of the transaction fees.

Offering April 19, 2020

Financial Report

Average weekly need \$11,342

Home Fund Env. \$6,722.69

Synod 124.76

Loose

Sunday School

Improvement Fund 104.73

Endowment Fund

Scholarship Fund 50.00

Music Fund

Sound System

Home Fund Memorial 20.00

Total \$7,022.18

Home Fund Balance \$1,230.56

Next week bills due amt: \$13,000

Bills due in two weeks: \$13,000

Savings Account Balance \$42,655.42

Borrowed from Savings: \$20,321.00

Operating Loan Debt: \$25,259.07

Phase II Roof fund balance \$18,975.00

AC Unit fund balance \$21,615.10

Ezekiel 34:11-16 (ESV)

¹¹ “For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. ¹² As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. ¹³ And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. ¹⁴ I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵ I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GOD. ¹⁶ I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.

1 Peter 2:21-25 (ESV)

²¹ For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. ²² He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. ²³ When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. ²⁴ He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. ²⁵ For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

John 10:11-16 (ESV)

¹¹ **I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.** ¹² **He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them.** ¹³ **He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep.** ¹⁴ **I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me,** ¹⁵ **just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep.** ¹⁶ **And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.**

*HE IS RISEN!
HE IS RISEN INDEED!
ALLELUIA!"*

