

Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran Church

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A congregation of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod



The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Divine Service Setting Three

August 1, 2021

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Opening Hymn #728 How Firm a Foundation



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, O saints of the Lord,
2 "Fear not! I am with you, O be not dis - mayed,
3 "The soul that on Je - sus has leaned for re - pose
4 "When through fi - ery tri - als your path - way will lie,
5 "Through - out all their life - time My peo - ple will prove



Is laid for your faith in His ex - cel - lent Word!
For I am your God and will still give you aid;
I will not, I will not, de - sert to his foes;
My grace, all - suf - fi - cient, will be your sup - ply.
My sov - 'reign, e - ter - nal, un - change - a - ble love;



What more can He say than to you He has said
I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,
That soul, though all hell should en - deav - or to shake,
The flames will not hurt you; I on - ly de - sign
And then, when gray hairs will their tem - ples a - dorn,



Who un - to the Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?
Up - held by My righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
I'll nev - er, no nev - er, no nev - er, for - sake!
Your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine.
Like lambs they will still in My bos - om be borne."

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Invocation (Please stand)

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Introit (sung responsively)



Behold, God is my | helper;*
the Lord is the upholder | of my life.

He will return the evil to my | enemies;*
in your faithfulness put an | end to them.

O God, save me, | by your name,*
and vindicate me | by your might.

O God, | hear my prayer;*
give ear to the words | of my mouth.

For strangers have risen against me; ruthless men | seek my life;*
they do not set God be- | fore themselves.

For he has delivered me from every | trouble,*
and my eye has looked in triumph on my | enemies.

*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.

Behold, God is my | helper;*
the Lord is the upholder | of my life.

He will return the evil to my | enemies;*
in your faithfulness put an | end to them.

Kyrie



C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis

P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward

men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,

we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.

O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -

on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

G And with thy spir - it.

P Let us pray.

P Let Your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of Your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions, make them to ask such things as shall please You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G A - men.

Old Testament Reading

2 Samuel 22:26–34

²⁶“With the merciful you show yourself merciful; with the blameless man you show yourself blameless; ²⁷with the purified you deal purely, and with the crooked you make yourself seem tortuous. ²⁸You save a humble people, but your eyes are on the haughty to bring them down. ²⁹For you are my lamp, O LORD, and my God lightens my darkness. ³⁰For by you I can run against a troop, and by my God I can leap over a wall. ³¹This God—his way is perfect; the word of the LORD proves true; he is a shield for all those who take refuge in him. ³²“For who is God, but the LORD? And who is a rock, except our God? ³³This God is my strong refuge and has made my way blameless. ³⁴He made my feet like the feet of a deer and set me secure on the heights.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

O | LORD, our Lord,*
how majestic is your name in | all the earth!
You have set your | glory*
above the | heavens.

Epistle

1 Corinthians 10:6–13

⁶Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. ⁷Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, “The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play.” ⁸We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. ⁹We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, ¹⁰nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. ¹¹Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. ¹²Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. ¹³No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

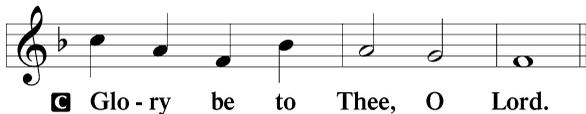
Alleluia



Holy Gospel

Luke 16:1–13

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixteenth chapter.



¹[Jesus] also said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. ²And he called him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.’ ³And the manager said to himself, ‘What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.’ ⁵So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he said to the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ ⁶He said, ‘A hundred measures of oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.’ ⁷Then he said to another,

‘And how much do you owe?’ He said, ‘A hundred measures of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and write eighty.’⁸The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light.⁹And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings.¹⁰‘One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much.’¹¹If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹²And if you have not been faithful in that which is another’s, who will give you that which is your own? ¹³No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.’”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord and giver of life,
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
 who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
 who spoke by the prophets.
 And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
 I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
 and I look for the resurrection of the dead
 and the life \dagger of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn of the Day #730 What Is the World to Me



1 What is the world to me With all its vaunt - ed plea - sure
 2 The world seeks to be praised And hon - ored by the might - y
 3 The world seeks af - ter wealth And all that mam - mon of - fers
 4 What is the world to me! My Je - sus is my trea - sure,



When You, and You a - lone, Lord Je - sus, are my trea - sure!
 Yet nev - er once re - flects That they are frail and flight - y.
 Yet nev - er is con - tent Though gold should fill its cof - fers.
 My life, my health, my wealth, My friend, my love, my plea - sure,



You on - ly, dear - est Lord, My soul's de - light shall be;
 But what I tru - ly prize A - bove all things is He,
 I have a high - er good, Con - tent with it I'll be:
 My joy, my crown, my all, My bliss e - ter - nal - ly.



You are my peace, my rest. What is the world to me!
 My Je - sus, He a - lone. What is the world to me!
 My Je - sus is my wealth. What is the world to me!
 Once more, then, I de - clare: What is the world to me!

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Sermon

Offertory



☐ Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -

new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

Offering may be left before or after the service in the plates by the doors.

Installation of Church Officers

Prayer of the Church

All those in need of continued strength and healing

- Brandon Taylor (son of Michael and Rise Taylor)*
- Owen Winans (grandson of LouAnn Winans)*
- Deanna Sin (daughter of Imogene Bultemeier)*
- Bob Brown*
- Eliza Pontius (Great-granddaughter of Denny and Maxine Nahrwold)*
- Bryce Bowman (past Bethlehem student)*
- Marilyn Franke (Christian Care Room 107)*
- Bill Gephart Jr – (relative of the Conrad family)*
- Bernice Gephart (mother of Linda Bultemeier)*
- Jerry Clausen (brother of Otto Clausen)*

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, Marilyn Meyer (Ossian Healthcare)*
- Imogene Bultemeier, (Woodcrest)*
- Charlotte Dippel (Lutheran Life Village)*

Service of the Sacrament

Preface



P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.



P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them up un - to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.



C It is meet and right so to do.

Proper Preface (Abbreviated)

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,



bles - ed is He, bles - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✝ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✝ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

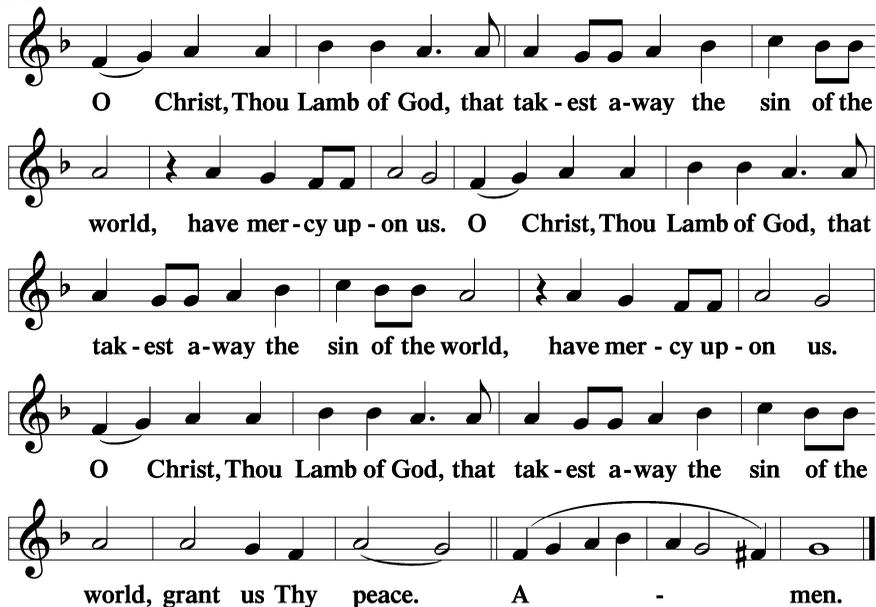


P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



G A - men.

Agnus Dei



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the
world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that
tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the
world, grant us Thy peace. A - - men.

Distribution

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.

Distribution Hymn #620 Jesus Comes Today with Healing



- 1 Je - sus comes to - day with heal - ing, Knock - ing at my
- 2 Christ Him - self, the priest pre - sid - ing, Yet in bread and
- 3 Un - der bread and wine, though low - ly, I re - ceive the
- 4 God de - scends with heav'n - ly pow - er, Gives Him - self to



door, ap - peal - ing, Of - f'ring par - don, grace, and peace.
 wine a - bid - ing In this ho - ly sac - ra - ment,
 Sav - ior ho - ly, Blood and bod - y, giv'n for me,
 me this hour — In this or - di - nar - y sign.



He Him - self makes prep - a - ra - tion, And I hear His
 Gives the bread of life, once bro - ken, And the cup, the
 Ver - y Lamb of God from heav - en, Who to bit - ter
 On my tongue His pledge re - ceiv - ing, I ac - cept His



in - vi - ta - tion: "Come and taste the bless - ed feast."
 pre - cious to - ken Of His sa - cred cov - e - nant.
 death was giv - en, Hung up - on the curs - ed tree.
 grace, be - liev - ing That I taste His love di - vine.

5 Let me praise God's boundless favor,
 Whose own feast of love I savor,
 Bidden by His gracious call.
 Wedding garments He provides me,
 With a robe of white He hides me,
 Fits me for the royal hall.

6 Now have I found consolation,
 Comfort in my tribulation,
 Balm to heal the troubled soul.
 God, my shield from ev'ry terror,
 Cleanses me from sin and error,
 Makes my wounded spirit whole.

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Distribution Hymn #743 Jesus, Priceless Treasure



1 Je - sus, price-less trea - sure, Fount of pur - est plea - sure,
 2 In Thine arms I rest me; Foes who would mo - lest me
 3 Sa - tan, I de - fy thee; Death, I now de - cry thee;
 4 Hence, all earth - ly trea - sure! Je - sus is my plea - sure,



Tru - est friend to me, Ah, how long in an - guish
 Can - not reach me here. Though the earth be shak - ing,
 Fear, I bid thee cease. World, thou shalt not harm me
 Je - sus is my choice. Hence, all emp - ty glo - ry!



Shall my spir - it lan - guish, Yearn - ing, Lord, for Thee?
 Ev - 'ry heart be quak - ing, Je - sus calms my fear.
 Nor thy threats a - larm me While I sing of peace.
 Naught to me thy sto - ry Told with tempt - ing voice.



Thou art mine, O Lamb di - vine! I will suf - fer
 Light - nings flash And thun - ders crash; Yet, though sin and
 God's great pow'r Guards ev - 'ry hour; Earth and all its
 Pain or loss, Or shame or cross, Shall not from my



naught to hide Thee; Naught I ask be - side Thee.
 hell as - sail me, Je - sus will not fail me.
 depths a - dore Him, Si - lent bow be - fore Him.
 Sav - ior move me Since He deigns to love me.

5 Evil world, I leave thee;
 Thou canst not deceive me,
 Thine appeal is vain.
 Sin that once did blind me,
 Get thee far behind me,
 Come not forth again.
 Past thy hour,
 O pride and pow'r;
 Sinful life, thy bonds I sever,
 Leave thee now forever.

6 Hence, all fear and sadness!
 For the Lord of gladness,
 Jesus, enters in.
 Those who love the Father,
 Though the storms may gather,
 Still have peace within.
 Yea, whate'er
 I here must bear,
 Thou art still my purest pleasure,
 Jesus, priceless treasure!

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Distribution Hymn #761 Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me



1 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my - self in Thee;
 2 Not the la - bors of my hands Can ful - fill Thy Law's de - mands;
 3 Noth - ing in my hand I bring; Sim - ply to Thy cross I cling.
 4 While I draw this fleet - ing breath, When mine eye - lids close in death,



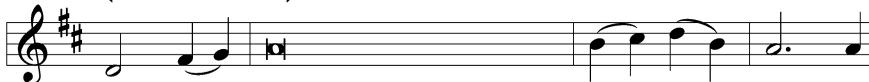
Let the wa - ter and the blood, From Thy riv - en side which flowed,
 Could my zeal no res - pite know, Could my tears for - ev - er flow,
 Na - ked, come to Thee for dress; Help - less, look to Thee for grace;
 When I soar to worlds un - known, See Thee on Thy judg - ment throne,



Be of sin the dou - ble cure: Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.
All for sin could not a - tone; Thou must save, and Thou a - lone.
Foul, I to the foun - tain fly; Wash me, Sav - ior, or I die.
Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my - self in Thee.

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Nunc Dimittis (Please stand)



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -



cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and



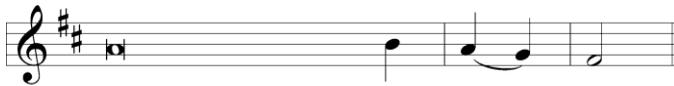
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,



is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

Thanksgiving

A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



G and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



G A - men.

Salutation

P The Lord be with you.



G And with thy spir - it.

Benedicamus

A Bless we the Lord.



G Thanks be to God.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



G A-men, a-men, a - men.

Closing Hymn #703 How Can I Thank You, Lord



1 How can I thank You, Lord, For all Your lov - ing - kind - ness,
2 It is Your work a - lone That I am now con - vert - ed;
3 Lord, You have raised me up To joy and ex - ul - ta - tion
4 Grant that Your Spir - it's help To me be al - ways giv - en
△ 5 O Fa - ther, God of love, Now hear my sup - pli - ca - tion;



That You have pa - tient - ly Borne with me in my blind - ness!
O'er Sa - tan's work in me You have Your pow'r as - sert - ed.
And clear - ly shown the way That leads me to sal - va - tion.
Lest I should fall a - gain And lose the way to heav - en.
O Sav - ior, Son of God, Ac - cept my ad - o - ra - tion;



When dead in man - y sins And tres - pass - es I lay,
Your mer - cy and Your grace That rise a - fresh each morn
My sins are washed a - way; For this I thank You, Lord.
Grant that He give me strength In my in - fir - mi - ty;
O Ho - ly Spir - it, be My ev - er faith - ful guide



I kin - dled, ho - ly God, Your an - ger ev - 'ry day.
Have turned my ston - y heart In - to a heart new - born.
Now with my heart and soul All e - vil I ab - hor.
May He re - new my heart To serve You will - ing - ly.
That I may serve You here And there with You a - bide.

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SUNDAY	9:00 a.m.	Divine Service with Holy Communion
	10:15 a.m.	Family Bible Class (Fellowship Hall)
	11:30 a.m.	Voice of Bethlehem (WZBD 92.7)
TUESDAY	4-7 p.m.	School Registration
WEDNESDAY	7:00 p.m.	Wednesday Evening Service
THURSDAY	9:00 a.m.	Blanket Sewing
NEXT SUNDAY	9:00 a.m.	Divine Service with Holy Communion
	10:15 a.m.	Family Bible Class
	11:30 a.m.	Voice of Bethlehem (WZBD 92.7)

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<https://www.youtube.com/bethlehelutheranchurchossian> 9:00 a.m. Livestream

INSTALLATION OF NEW CHURCH OFFICERS today.

Secretary: Dan Springer

Treasurer: Brian Scheumann

Board of Elders: Jerry Meyer, Glen Werling, Lloyd Meyer

Board of Trustees: Todd Ottinger, Cale Schumm, Darrin Werling

Board of Finance: Jay Louison, Rick Meyer, Jason Laley

Board of Christian Education: Richard Brinkley, Andy Price, Lane Harkless

We will be having a Women's Visual Faith Book Bible Study starting this fall either August or September. The book will be one of these three choices: 1) Altogether Beautiful: A Study of Song of Songs by Heidi Goehmann; 2) Be Still & Know: A Study of Rest and Refuge by Deb Burma; 3) Joy: A Study of Philippians by Deb Burma. If interested please contact Deaconess Wendy Boehm.

THRIVENT CARD NEEDED - If there is anyone who has a Thrivent card to assist with providing college care packages, please contact Wendy Boehm. Thank you!

ATTENTION PARENTS WITH LITTLE ONES- For those who use the mouse prints activity bags for church, they have been cleaned out and new crayons have been added for young ones to enjoy”

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS ARE NEEDED - If anyone is interested in teaching Sunday school please contact Josh Boehm (260) 258-3998.”

BACK TO SCHOOL – Bethlehem will be holding open registration **Tuesday, August 3rd** from **4-7 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall. The 2021-2022 school year begin with the first day on August 11th. The opening Chapel Service will be held at 10:15 a.m. everyone is invited to attend.

125th Anniversary committee meeting – Monday, August 16th at 7:00 p.m.

The 125th Anniversary of Bethlehem is coming! The Ladies Aid would like to compile a “small” cookbook to commemorate the event! We are asking that members give us the name of some of their favorite recipes from any of the church cookbooks from over the years. The committee will look at them and then decide which ones will be printed into the cookbook which will be for sale. Please either email or text the name of whose recipe it is and which cookbook if possible. Sue Buchinger @ 758-0004 17buchs@gmail.com or Kathy Nahrwold @ 705-6257 mnahrwold@aol.com. Deadline for submission will be September 1st. Thank you in advance in making this a very unique cookbook!

Fellowship Hall/Kitchen: As many of you already know, the walls/ceilings in both the Fellowship Hall have been repaired and repainted. It looks amazing; check it out! **THANK YOU VERY MUCH TO MEMBERS OF OUR CONGREGATION FOR DONATING THE MONEY TO COVER THE EXPENSE.** The Ladies Aid is now wanting to replace the 40 year old flooring too but we need your help. The approximate cost will be \$6500 which includes the new flooring and new baseboard in both the kitchen and the storage room. The Ladies Aid will be donating some of this money but cannot cover it all. Asking for donations so that the flooring can be replaced before school starts this fall. Please make checks payable to Bethlehem Lutheran Church but marked for "Kitchen Flooring". Thanks in advance for your support. Any questions please contact Kathy Nahrwold.

LWML Mites – Your Mites for Missions can be placed in the LWML Mite box in the narthex at any time. Thank you

The SCRIP TABLE will be OPEN TODAY, July 25th. Please continue to use the scrip program for all of your shopping needs! **Don't forget all the summer occasions such as Confirmation, Graduations and Weddings.** You can call or text your order to Melissa Price at 260-433-5307. Thank you

Offering July 25, 2021

Average weekly need	\$11,342
Home Fund Env.	\$15,514.15
Synod	161.32
Loose	79.50
Scholarship Fund	
Improvement Fund	44.73
Endowment Fund	200.00
Music Fund	
Sound System/Video	
Kitchen Floor Project	<u>1,000.00</u>
Total	\$16,999.70

Financial Report

Home Fund Balance	\$12,656.21
Next week bills due:	\$13,000
Bills due two weeks:	\$10,000
Savings Account Balance	\$69,964.33
Borrowed from Savings:	\$3,500
Operating Loan Debt:	PAID
AC Unit fund balance	\$23,626.96
Fellowship Hall Kitchen Floor	\$1,970.00
Church/Communion Attendance	
Sunday	132/111
Wednesday	19/12

RECITATION & PRAYER FOR CLASSROOM AND HOME

The sign of the cross may be made in remembrance of Baptism.

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

A hymn may be sung.

Recite Together:

The Ten Commandments

You shall have no other gods.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath Day by keeping it Holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Additional Memory Work for the week may be recited.

Scripture Reading and/or Devotion Lesson

Prayers and Intercessions

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

**Having gone through Luther's Small Catechism we will spend some
time learning-by-heart some hymns of the Church.**

**Learn-by-heart all or some of the provided text as age and ability of
your household allows.**

"Lord, Help Us Ever to Retain" – Lutheran Service Book 865 (stz. 3-4)

(3) Hear us, dear Father, when we pray

For needed help from day to day

That as Your children we may live,

Whom you baptized and so received.

(4) Lord, when we fall or go astray,

Absolve and lift us up, we pray;

And through the Sacrament increase

Our faith till we depart in peace.