

Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran Church



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“LWML SUNDAY”

Divine Service - Setting One

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Opening Hymn #564 Christ Sits at God’s Right Hand



1 Christ sits at God’s right hand, His sav - ing work com - plete,
2 Christ was that priest God swore, U - nique - ly First and Last,
3 Christ’s al - tar was the tree, Where on the world’s be - half
4 What cost - ly sac - ri - fice To cov - er hu - man sin!



To reign till ev - ’ry foe will lie Be - neath His feet—
Who would in righ - teous - ness and love Be un - sur - passed:
He shed a blood, un - like the blood Of goat or calf,
Who but Christ Je - sus had the right To en - ter in?



All that the Fa - ther planned, The Son sought to ful - fill,
“A priest for - ev - er - more,” An oath God would not break,
To seal God’s guar - an - tee Of grace that can - not fail;
His blood, that sprin - kled price, So we might be as - sured



When first He said, “Lord, here am I To do Your will.”
“A priest with - in the or - der of Mel - chiz - e - dek.”
With blood He en - tered for our good Be - hind the veil.
That our in - her - i - tance in light Has been se - cured.

5 Then let us now draw near,
Washed in that precious flood
And enter the Most Holy Place
By Jesus' blood.
From hearts that are sincere,
Let tongues our hope profess,
And trust anew God's faithful grace
That we confess.

△ 6 All praise to Christ we bring,
Our Lord who intercedes,
Our great High Priest enthroned above
Who knows our needs;
And to the Father sing
Our songs of thankful praise,
Who with the Spirit reigns in love
For endless days.

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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 If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore 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)



Give peace, O Lord, to those who | wait for you,*
and let your prophets be proven | faithful.

Hear the prayer of your | servants,*
according to the blessing of Aaron upon your | people.

I was glad when they | said to me,*

“Let us go to the house | of the LORD!”

Pray for the peace of Je- | rusalem!*

May they be secure who | love you!

For my brothers and com- | panions' sake*

I will say, "Peace be with- | in you!"

For the sake of the house of the | LORD our God,*

I will | seek your good.

*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.

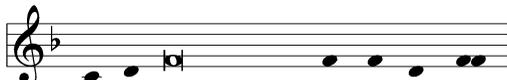
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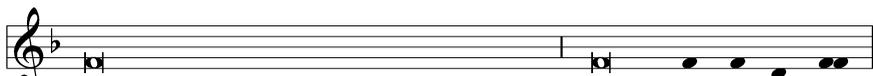
Kyrie



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

Gloria in Excelsis



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



For You a - lone are the Ho - ly One, You a - lone are the Lord,



You a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day



P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

O God, because without You we are not able to please You, mercifully grant that Your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 10:12–21

¹²“And now, Israel, what does the LORD your God require of you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, ¹³and to keep the commandments and statutes of the LORD, which I am commanding you today for your good? ¹⁴Behold, to the LORD your God belong heaven and the heaven of heavens, the earth with all that is in it. ¹⁵Yet the LORD set his heart in love on your fathers and chose their offspring after them, you above all peoples, as you are this day. ¹⁶Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your heart, and be no longer stubborn. ¹⁷For the LORD your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great, the mighty, and the awesome God, who is not partial and takes no bribe. ¹⁸He executes justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the sojourner, giving him food and clothing. ¹⁹Love the sojourner, therefore, for you were sojourners in the land of Egypt. ²⁰You shall fear the LORD your God. You shall serve him and hold fast to him, and by his name you shall swear. ²¹He is your praise. He is your God, who has done for you these great and terrifying things that your eyes have seen.”

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

Gradual

I was glad when they | said to me,*
“Let us go to the house | of the LORD!”
Peace be with- | in your walls*
and security within your | towers!

Epistle

1 Corinthians 1:1–9

¹Paul, called by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus, and our brother Sosthenes, ²To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints together with all those who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge—⁶even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you—⁷so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁸who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

Alleluia and Verse



C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



Holy Gospel

Matthew 22:34–46

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

³⁴When the Pharisees heard that [Jesus] had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together. ³⁵And one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶“Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?” ³⁷And he said to him, **“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. ³⁸This is the great and first commandment. ³⁹And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. ⁴⁰On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”** ⁴¹Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them a question, ⁴²saying, **“What do you think about the Christ? Whose son is he?”** They said to him, “The son of David.” ⁴³He said to them, **“How is it then that David, in the Spirit, calls him Lord, saying, ⁴⁴“The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet”?** ⁴⁵If then David calls him Lord, how is he his son?” ⁴⁶And no one was able to answer him a word, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, 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 #694 Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower



1 Thee will I love, my strength, my tow - er; Thee will I
 2 Thee will I love, my life, my Sav - ior, Who art my
 3 I thank Thee, Je - sus, Sun from heav - en, Whose ra - diance
 4 O keep me watch - ful, then, and hum - ble; Per - mit me
 5 Thee will I love, my crown of glad - ness; Thee will I



love, my hope, my joy. Thee will I love with all my
 best and tru - est friend. Thee will I love and praise for -
 hath brought light to me; I thank Thee, who hast rich - ly
 nev - er - more to stray. Up - hold me when my feet would
 love, my God and Lord, A - mid the dark - est depths of



pow - er, With ar - dor time shall ne'er de - stroy. Thee will I
 ev - er, For nev - er shall Thy kind - ness end. Thee will I
 giv - en All that could make me glad and free; I thank Thee
 stum - ble, And keep me on the nar - row way. Fill all my
 sad - ness, And not for hope of high re - ward, For Thine own



love, O Light di - vine, So long as life is mine.
love with all my heart— Thou my Re - deem - er art!
that my soul is healed By what Thy lips re - vealed.
na - ture with Thy light, O Ra - diance strong and bright!
sake, O Light di - vine, So long as life is mine.

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Sermon

Prayer of the Church

All those in need of continued strength and healing

Jennifer Fuhrmann, Barb Werling

Brandon Tomlinson (son-inlaw of the Brinkleys)

Vicki Tomlinson (friend of the Brinkleys)

Brian Bultemeier, Bob Brown

Owen Winans (grandson of LouAnn Winans)

Deanna Sin (daughter of Imogene Bultemeier)

Eliza Pontius (Great-granddaughter of Denny and Maxine Nahrwold)

Bryce Bowman (past Bethlehem student)

Bill Gephart Jr – (relative of the Conrad family)

The Missions of LWML

Wedding Blessing – daughter of Amy Schueler, Rachel Lind to Sean Bennett

The Church and all its faithful workers

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)

Marilyn Franke (Christian Care)

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

Offertory



What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all His ben - e - fits to



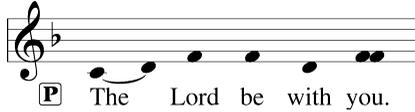
me? I will of - fer the sac - ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing and will



call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-
 va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my
 vows to the Lord now in the pres - ence of all His peo - ple, in the
 courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

Service of the Sacrament

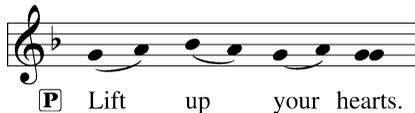
Preface



P The Lord be with you.



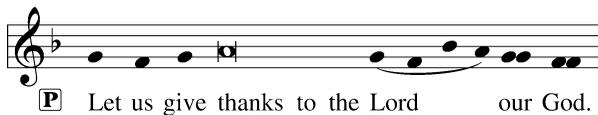
C And al - so with you.



P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface (Abbreviated)

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

Sanctus



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

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 #630 Now, My Tongue, the Mystery Telling

1 Now, my tongue, the mys - t'ry tell - ing Of the glo - rious
 2 Giv'n for us, and con - de - scend - ing To be born for
 3 That last night at sup - per ly - ing Mid the Twelve, His
 4 Word made flesh, the bread He tak - eth, By His word His
 △ 5 Glo - ry let us give and bless - ing To the Fa - ther

bod - y sing, And the blood, all price ex - cel - ling,
 us be - low, He with us in con - verse blend - ing
 cho - sen band, Je - sus, with the Law com - ply - ing,
 flesh to be; Wine His sa - cred blood He mak - eth,
 and the Son, Hon - or, thanks, and praise ad - dress - ing,



Which the Gen-tiles' Lord and King, Once on earth a -
 Dwelt, the seed of truth to sow, Till He closed with
 Keeps the feast its rites de - mand; Then, more pre - cious
 Though the sens - es fail to see; Faith a - lone the
 While e - ter - nal a - ges run; Ev - er too His



mong us dwell - ing, Shed for this world's ran - som - ing.
 won - drous end - ing His most pa - tient life of woe.
 food sup - ply - ing, Gives Him - self with His own hand.
 true heart wak - eth To be - hold the mys - ter - y.
 love con - fess - ing Who from both with both is One.

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Distribution Hymn #795 Voices Raised to You We Offer



1 Voic - es raised to You we of - fer; Tune them, God, for
 2 All cre - a - tion joins to praise You; Earth and sky Your
 3 Christ, the song of Love in - car - nate, Touch - ing earth with
 4 Spir - it, flam - ing through cre - a - tion, Kin - dle faith with -
 5 How can an - y praise we of - fer Mea - sure all the



songs of praise. Hearts and hands we bring in trib - ute
 works dis - play. Art and mu - sic, gifts You lend us,
 heav - en's grace, For Your liv - ing, suf - f'ring, dy - ing,
 in each heart. Lift our voic - es high in cho - rus;
 thanks we owe? Take our hearts and hands and voic - es—



For Your gifts through all our days. Al - le - lu - ia!
 We re - turn to You to - day. Al - le - lu - ia!
 For Your ris - ing, hear our praise! Al - le - lu - ia!
 Through our hands Your love im - part. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Gifts of love we can be - stow. Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Tri - une God, to You we sing!
 Al - le - lu - ia! God, Cre - a - tor, source of life!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Christ, Re - deem - er, Lord of life!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Spir - it, Help - er, breath of life!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Tri - une God, to You we sing!

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Distribution Hymn #646 Church of God, Elect and Glorious



1 Church of God, e - lect and glo - rious, Ho - ly
 2 God has called you out of dark - ness In - to
 3 Once you were an al - ien peo - ple, Strang - ers
 4 Church of God, e - lect and ho - ly, Be the



na - tion, cho - sen race; Called as God's own
 His most mar - v'ulous light; Brought His truth to
 to God's heart of love; But He brought you
 peo - ple He in - tends; Strong in faith and



spe - cial peo - ple, Roy - al priests and heirs of
 life with - in you, Turned your blind - ness in - to
 home in mer - cy, Cit - i - zens of heav'n a -
 swift to an - swer Each com - mand your Mas - ter



grace: Know the pur - pose of your call - ing,
 sight. Let your light so shine a - round you
 bove. Let His love flow out to oth - ers,
 sends: Roy - al priests, ful - fill your call - ing



Show to all His might - y deeds; Tell of love that
 That God's name is glo - ri - fied And all find fresh
 Let them feel a Fa - ther's care; That they too may
 Through your sac - ri - fice and prayer; Give your lives in



knows no lim - its, Grace that meets all hu - man needs.
 hope and pur - pose In Christ Je - sus cru - ci - fied.
 know His wel - come And His count - less bless - ings share.
 joy - ful ser - vice— Sing His praise, His love de - clare.

Distribution Hymn #857 Lord, Help Us Walk Your Servant Way



1 Lord, help us walk Your ser - vant way Wher -
 2 You came to earth, O Christ, as Lord, But
 3 No gold - en scepter but a towel You
 4 You bid us bend our hu - man pride Nor
 5 Lord, help us walk Your ser - vant way Wher -



ev - er love may lead And, bend - ing low, for -
 pow'r You laid a - side. You lived Your years in
 place with - in the hands Of those who seek to
 count our - selves a - bove The low - est place, the
 ev - er love may lead And, bend - ing low, for -



get - ting self, Each serve the oth - er's need.
 ser - vant - hood; In low - li - ness You died.
 fol - low You And live by Your com - mands.
 mean - est task That waits the gift of love.
 get - ting self, Each serve the oth - er's need.

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Nunc Dimittis (Please stand)



Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been ful -



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have pre -



pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re -



veal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el.

Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it;
as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

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.

C A - men.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you
and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C A - men.

Closing Hymn #919 Abide, O Dearest Jesus



1 A - bide, O dear - est Je - sus, A - mong us with Your grace
 2 A - bide, O dear Re - deem - er, A - mong us with Your Word,
 3 A - bide with heav'n - ly bright - ness A - mong us, pre - cious Light;
 4 A - bide with rich - est bless - ings A - mong us, boun - teous Lord;



That Sa - tan may not harm us Nor we to sin give place.
 And thus now and here - af - ter True peace and joy af - ford.
 Your truth di - rect and keep us From er - ror's gloom - y night.
 Let us in grace and wis - dom Grow dai - ly through Your Word.

5 Abide with Your protection
 Among us, Lord, our strength,
 Lest world and Satan fell us
 And overcome at length.

6 Abide, O faithful Savior,
 Among us with Your love;
 Grant steadfastness and help us
 To reach our home above.

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SUNDAY	9:00 a.m.	Divine Service with Holy Communion
	10:15 a.m.	Adult Bible Class and Sunday School
	10:30-1:30 p.m.	Pork Chop Dinner (drive thru at Lighted Gardens)
	11:30 a.m.	Voice of Bethlehem (WZBD 92.7)
	3:00 p.m.	Grade School Catechism Class
MONDAY – TUESDAY	NO SCHOOL – Teachers attending INPEA Conference	
TUESDAY	7:00 p.m.	Women’s Bible Study
WEDNESDAY	10:15 a.m.	Chapel Service (Everyone is invited)
	1:30 p.m.	Ladies Aid Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Wednesday Evening Service
	7:30 p.m.	Board of Christian Education Meeting
NEXT SUNDAY	9:00 a.m.	Divine Service with Holy Communion
	10:15 a.m.	Adult Bible Class and Sunday School
	11:30 a.m.	Voice of Bethlehem (WZBD 92.7)
	NO	Grade School Catechism Class

FLOWERS PLACE ON THE ALTAR this morning are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Deb’s Birthday and our Wedding Anniversary from Rick Meyer and family.

FLOWERS UNDER THE HYMN BOARD are given with all glory to God and in celebration of the 90 blessed years of life granted to Lois Lutz on Tuesday, Oct. 5.

LWML SUNDAY - This year’s LWML Sunday theme is “Our Hearts in HIS Hand,” based on 1 Peter 4:8: *Above all keep loving one another earnestly.* Verse 11b goes on to say: *that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.* We glorify God by sharing His love with others. Because of your generous donations to mites, we can share the gospel throughout the world. Join us TODAY to give thanks and praise to God. Thank you for supporting the LWML!

Following the church service today, there will be a continental breakfast served by the LWML. A free-will donation for Mites will be taken.

Adorning the pews this morning, are the quilts made by the women of our congregation. Thank you for these quilts that will be given to those in need.

LADIES AID MEETING – Wednesday, Oct. 6th at 1:30 with the LWML meeting prior.

ATTENTION LADIES AID – There will be a very special meeting to discuss the future of Ladies Aid on Sunday, October 10th immediately following the church service in the overflows area. This is an important meeting; please be sure to attend.

Pork Chop Carry out Dinner - Don't forget to pick up your pre-ordered dinners at Lighted Gardens TODAY from 10:30-1:30 p.m. Thank you

Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne is having their annual Donation Day event on Tuesday, October 12th. If you have any items you would like to donate (clothing, furniture, food, miscellaneous items), please contact Deaconess Wendy Boehm. If you would like to attend the event you can go to their website <https://www.ctsfw.edu/ctsfw-events/donation-day/> for more information and to register.

IT'S TIME AGAIN TO DO A NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY - Mark your calendars for November 18-20 photography dates. **ONLINE SCHEDULING AVAILABLE!** To schedule your photography appointment online, simply go to www.ucdir.com, and click on schedule your photography session on the right side, enter **IN1721** in the Church Code field and enter **PHOTOS** in the Church Password field. Follow the prompts to schedule your family's appointment time. If you have 5 or more in your family, please use two consecutive time slots. The online scheduling option is only available Monday thru Friday. For in-person appointments, please sign up on the tables out in the church foyer after the church service. We are also asking for volunteers to be hostesses during the days of photography. For questions, please contact Heidi Kleppinger 260-387-4082 or Wendy Boehm at 260-415-8526.

TICKETS ON SALE NOW! Black Tie and Blue Jeans Gala and Silent Auction, Saturday, November 6, 2021 at Lighted Gardens. Doors open at 5:00, auction begins at 5:30, dinner at 6:30 and entertainment by Christian comedian, Shawn Reynolds at 8:00pm. Adult ticket prices include: dinner, 2 drinks tickets, and entertainment. Tickets are \$55 for individuals or \$95 for couples. Stop by the scrip table for your tickets today or contact Melissa Price at 260-433-5307 or Jennifer Bultemeier at 419-230-8068. Proceeds are to provide support to Bethlehem Lutheran School. **Auction items are still needed!** If anyone has anything they would like to donate from a business or themselves, let the committee know. Monetary donations are also greatly appreciated.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for the Annual Ladies Aid Swiss Steak Dinner on Sunday, November 7th from 10:30-12:30 p.m. This will be a drive-thru only dinner which includes Swiss Steak, Mashed Potatoes & gravy, Green Beans, Roll and Cookie. Cost is \$11.00 per dinner and can be pre-ordered by calling Peggy Goede at 260-705-9182 or Dorothy Krick at 260-438-7839. Proceeds go to Bethlehem Church and School Repair Fund.

SAVE THE DATE, Friday, November 19, 2021. It's time for a Square Dance! The 125th Anniversary committee is planning a night of food, music, and square dancing at Lighted Gardens. More information coming soon!

The SCRIP TABLE will be OPEN TODAY, Oct. 3rd. Please continue to use the scrip program for all of your shopping needs! You can call or text your order to Melissa Price at 260-433-5307. Thank you

125th Anniversary snip-its from the past!

April 15, 1899 - It was decided to incorporate, and the Trustees are to collect the necessary costs for this. The Trustees are to inspect the chimney on the Parsonage and to decide whether to repair or build new.

October 15, 1899- That the Parsonage cellar shall be filled with 20 inches of gravel.

April 8, 1901 - A summer kitchen is to be built for the parsonage. It is to measure 12' wide and 20' long.

May 7, 1901 - to buy one dozen Hymn Books (given by the school) for worship service. To install a (schutz want) protective wall in the school stove.

Offering September 26, 2021

<u>Average weekly need</u>	<u>\$11,342</u>
Home Fund Env.	\$7,153.50
Synod	175.00
Loose	224.25
Scholarship Fund	
Improvement Fund	104.73
Endowment Fund	
Music Fund	
Sound System/Video	
Sunday School	<u>15.50</u>
Total	\$7,672.98

Financial Report

Home Fund Balance (\$10,990.17)
Next week bills due: \$2,000
Bills due two weeks: \$13,000
Savings Account Balance \$65,392.51
Borrowed from Savings: \$10,000
Operating Loan Debt: PAID
AC Unit fund balance \$24,348.52

Church/Communion Attendance

Sunday	185/140
Wednesday	22/16

Reminder regarding the food collection ending October 31st The Lutheran School Partnership is sponsoring a food collection for Thanksgiving food boxes for (NINE) Northeast Indiana Neighborhood Engagement.

The following items are needed: 1 pound box spaghetti, CANNED spaghetti sauce, Boxed macaroni and cheese, Chicken and broccoli flavored rice, Chicken flavored rice, CANNED chicken, Canned fruit, and vegetables, 8 pack of Peanut Butter Crackers, 8 pack breakfast bars, 6 pack Ramen noodles, Variety pack Instant Oatmeal

Thank you for your donations

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 bear 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.

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

What does this [the close of the commandments] mean?

God threatens to punish all who break these commandments.

Therefore, we should fear His wrath and not do anything against them.

But He promises grace and every blessing to all who keep these commandments. Therefore, we should also love and trust in Him and gladly do what He commands.

What is James 2:10?

For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become guilty of all of it. James 2:10