

Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran Church

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A congregation of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod



The Baptism of Our Lord


Divine Service- Setting Three

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Opening Hymn

#401 From God the Father, Virgin-Born



1 From God the Fa - ther, vir - gin - born To us the
 2 Be - gin - ning from His home on high, In hu - man
 3 Glide on, O glo - rious Sun, and bring The gift of
 4 A - bide with us, O Lord, we pray; The gloom of

on - ly Son came down; By death the font to con - se -
 flesh He came to die; Cre - a - tion by His death re -
 heal - ing on Your wing; To ev - 'ry dull and cloud - ed
 dark - ness chase a - way; Your work of heal - ing, Lord, be -

crate, The faith - ful to re - gen - er - ate.
 stored, And shed new joys of life a - broad.
 sense The clear - ness of Your light dis - pense.
 gin, And take a - way the stain of sin.

5 Lord, once You came to earth's domain
 And, we believe, shall come again;
 Be with us on the battlefield,
 From ev'ry harm Your people shield.



6 To You, O Lord, all glory be
 For this Your blest epiphany;
 To God, whom all His hosts adore,
 And Holy Spirit evermore.

Text: Latin, c. 5th–10th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–66, alt.
 Tune: Antiphoner, 1753, Grenoble
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Invocation

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

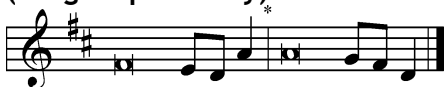
sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

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.

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Introit (sung responsively)



Behold the Lord, the rul- | er, has come,*
and the kingdom and the power and the glory are | in his hand.

I have found David, my | servant;*
with my holy oil I have a- | nointed him.

I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, for- | ever;*
with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all gener- | ations.

He shall cry to me, "You are my | Father,*
my God, and the Rock of my sal- | vation."

And I will make him the | firstborn,*
the highest of the kings | of the earth.

My steadfast love I will keep for him for- | ever,*
and my covenant will stand | firm for him.

*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 the Lord, the rul- | er, has come,*
and the kingdom and the power and the glory are | in his hand.

I have found David, my | servant;*
with my holy oil I have a- | nointed him.

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



The musical score is written on ten staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are printed below the staves, with some words aligned under specific notes. The lyrics are: Glory be to God on high: 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,



Salutation and Collect of the Day



P The Lord be with you.



G And with thy spir - it.



P Let us pray.

P Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized in His name faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



G A - men.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 42:1-7

- ¹Behold my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;
I have put my Spirit upon him;
he will bring forth justice to the nations.
- ²He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice,
or make it heard in the street;
- ³a bruised reed he will not break,
and a faintly burning wick he will not quench;
he will faithfully bring forth justice.
- ⁴He will not grow faint or be discouraged
till he has established justice in the earth;
and the coastlands wait for his law.
- ⁵Thus says God, the LORD,
who created the heavens and stretched them out,

who spread out the earth and what comes from it,
 who gives breath to the people on it
 and spirit to those who walk in it:
⁶“I am the LORD; I have called you in righteousness;
 I will take you by the hand and keep you;
 I will give you as a covenant for the people,
 a light for the nations,
⁷to open the eyes that are blind,
 to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
 from the prison those who sit in darkness.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Blessèd be the LORD, the God of | Israel,*
 who alone does | wondrous things.
 Blessèd be his glorious name for- | ever;*
 may the whole earth be filled with his glory! Amen and | Amen!

Epistle

1 Corinthians 1:26–31

²⁶For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. ²⁷But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; ²⁸God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, ²⁹so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. ³⁰He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, whom God made our wisdom and our righteousness and sanctification and redemption. ³¹Therefore, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia



Holy Gospel

Matthew 3:13–17

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the third chapter.



¹³Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. ¹⁴John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” ¹⁵But Jesus answered him, “**Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness.**” Then he consented. ¹⁶And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; ¹⁷and behold, a voice from heaven said, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.”

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 ✝ of the world to come. Amen.**

Hymn of the Day

#406 To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord



1 To Jor - dan came the Christ, our Lord, To do His
2 O hear and mark the mes - sage well, For God Him -
3 These truths on Jor - dan's banks were shown By might - y
4 There stood the Son of God in love, His grace to

Fa - ther's plea - sure; Bap - tized by John, the Fa - ther's Word
self has spo - ken. Let faith, not doubt, a - mong us dwell
word and won - der. The Fa - ther's voice from heav'n came down,
us ex - tend - ing; The Ho - ly Spir - it like a dove

Was giv - en us to trea - sure. This heav'n - ly wash - ing
And so re - ceive this to - ken. Our Lord here with His
Which we do well to pon - der: "This man is My be -
Up - on the scene de - scend - ing; The tri - une God as -

now shall be A cleans - ing from trans - gres - sion
Word en - dows Pure wa - ter, free - ly flow - ing.
lov - ed Son, In whom My heart has plea - sure.
sur - ing us, With prom - is - es com - pel - ling,

And by His blood and ag - o - ny Re - lease from death's
God's Ho - ly Spir - it here a - vows Our kin - ship while
Him you must hear, and Him a - lone, And trust in full -
That in our Bap - tism He will thus A - mong us find

op - pres - sion. A new life now a - waits us.
be - stow - ing The Bap - tism of His bless - ing.
est mea - sure The word that He has spo - ken."
a dwell - ing To com - fort and sus - tain us.

5 To His disciples spoke the Lord,
 “Go out to ev’ry nation,
 And bring to them the living Word
 And this My invitation:
 Let ev’ryone abandon sin
 And come in true contrition
 To be baptized and thereby win
 Full pardon and remission
 And heav’nly bliss inherit.”

6 But woe to those who cast aside
 This grace so freely given;
 They shall in sin and shame abide
 And to despair be driven.
 For born in sin, their works must fail,
 Their striving saves them never;
 Their pious acts do not avail,
 And they are lost forever,
 Eternal death their portion.

7 All that the mortal eye beholds
 Is water as we pour it.
 Before the eye of faith unfolds
 The pow’r of Jesus’ merit.
 For here it sees the crimson flood
 To all our ills bring healing;
 The wonders of His precious blood
 The love of God revealing,
 Assuring His own pardon.

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Sermon

Offertory

The musical score is written for a single voice part on a five-line staff. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is common time (C). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a mix of quarter, eighth, and half notes. The lyrics are written below the staff, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The text is as follows:

C 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

Prayer of the Church

We remember all those in need of continued strength and healing:

Bruce Thorpe (cancer) Lee Braselton (diagnostic testing)

Rev. David Seeger (car accident), Sam Powell (friend of Ted Schumm)

Joyce Schaper (broken hip), Deanna Sinn (daughter of Imogene Bultemeier)

Vicki Tomlinson (friend of the Brinkleys battling cancer)

Joellen Meyer, Gloria Siela, David Nahrwold, Margaret Whitesel

Bryce Bowman and family (former student battling cancer)

Tammy Dahling (wife of Pastor Dan Dahling)

Thanksgiving *Delores Scheumann celebrating her 92nd birthday*

We pray for our members shut-in:

Jackie Werling, Ruth Witte (Ossian Healthcare)

Imogene Bultemeier, (Woodcrest)

Marilyn Franke (Christian Care)

We pray for our schools

We pray for our Church and all her workers

We pray for all military personnel

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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.



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,
bless - ed is He, bless - 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 Hymns

#634 The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord
#636 Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness
#590 Baptized into Your Name Most Holy
#602 The Gifts Christ Freely Gives

Nunc Dimittis (Please stand)



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory 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,

C 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.

C A - men.

Salutation

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.

Benedicamus

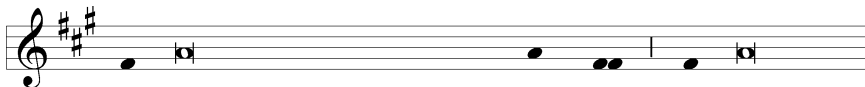


A Bless we the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

Benediction





No sphere His light con - fin - ing, No star so bright - ly
 Grim death to van-quish for us, To o - pen heav'n be -
 That we, through this world mov - ing, Each glimpse of heav - en
 Be - fore You mor - tals low - ly Cry, "Ho - ly, ho - ly,
 shin - ing As He, our Morn - ing Star.
 fore us And bring us life a - gain.
 prov - ing, May reap its full - ness there.
 ho - ly, O bless - ed Trin - i - ty!"

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Rev. Anthony Dodgers

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Wendy Boehm

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Website for Church and School: www.BethlehemOssian.org

TODAY	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)
MONDAY	7:00 p.m.	Handbell Choir Practice
	4:30 p.m.	JV Girls vs Sub. Bethlehem (HOME)
	5:45 p.m.	Boys vs Sub. Bethlehem (HOME)
	7:00 p.m.	Var. Girls vs Sub. Bethlehem (HOME)
TUESDAY	7:30 p.m.	Public School Catechesis
WEDNESDAY	10:15 a.m.	Chapel Service
	7:00 p.m.	Brief Spoken Divine Service
		Adult Choir Practice
THURSDAY	7:30 p.m.	Board of Christian Education Meeting
FRIDAY – SATURDAY		Bethlehem hosted Varsity Girls Tournament
SUNDAY	9:00 a.m.	Divine Service with Holy Communion
	10:15 a.m.	Adult Bible Class and Sunday School
	11:15 a.m.	Board of Elders Meeting
	11:30 a.m.	Voice of Bethlehem (WZBD 92.7)

WE WELCOME ALL OUR VISITORS this morning to our church and worship service in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We ask that you please complete a green visitor's card from the pew and place in the offering plate. Also, please be sure to introduce yourself to the Pastor and to others in attendance and feel free to worship with us again.

THANK YOU - The family of Anita Dathe is thankful for the prayers, words of support, hugs, phone calls, food, money cards, plus memorials to LWML, Bethlehem, the Endowment Fund, etc. Also special thanks to Pastor Wirgau, Deaconsess Boehm, Kantor Brinkley and the Children's Choir, the audio/visual recording team, and anyone else I might have missed.

THANK YOU for all the beautiful cards and well wishes. Also, the gift from Ladies Aid. Thank you to the school children for the cards. God's blessings Marilyn Franke

BIRTHDAY CARD SHOWERS - Please consider sending birthday wishes to these two wonderful ladies:

Ruth Witte celebrated her 90th on December 9th

Ossian Healthcare 215 Davis Road Apt. 417 Ossian, IN 46777

Delores Scheumann will have her 92nd birthday on January 10th

413 Bittersweet Lane Ossian, IN 46777

OUR LWML BIBLE STUDY will be held on Thursday, January 19th at 1:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. The topic is Dilemmas and Decisions. We have all faced them in our lives. Everyone is welcome.

SOUP AND BAKE SALE!- Ladies Aid will be hosting a soup and bake sale on Sunday, January 22nd following the church service. Ladies bake your favorite and bring.

The Decatur Lutheran Bible Institute If you've never attended the Decatur Lutheran Bible Institute (LBI), make 2023 the year you DO! LBI classes meet on Tuesday nights January 24, 31, February 7 & 14 at Wynken Memorial Lutheran School, Decatur. Come and learn. Choose from four courses of study: Psalms – Dr. Geoff Boyle, Professor at CTSFW, Gospel of Isaiah- Dr. Ryan Tietz, Professor at CTSFW, The Sin of Racism and Gospel Response – Rev. Michael Saylor, Redeemer, Convoy, OH, The Bound Will and Modern Christendom- Rev. Berett Steffen, Associate Pastor at St. John, Bingen. For more information, please contact Mike or Linda Bultemeier.

2023 ALTAR SCHEDULE has been posted on the bulletin board or see Amy Schueler or Tisha Laley to sign up. Please consider helping prepare the altar for a few weeks or a month. We are happy to show you how to do this. Thank you.

2023 FLOWER CHART IS NOW POSTED Members are reminded to sign up for flowers to be placed on the Altar or Hymn board table. Simply use the 2021 flower chart posted on the bulletin board to sign up on the date you wish to have flowers. Purchased flowers should be brought to church before the designated date to be sure they are placed properly. For help in placing the flowers, please contact Tisha Laley or Amy Schueler. **Announcements concerning the flowers should be given to the church office.** Thank you

SCRIP Thank you for supporting the scrip program. For questions or to place an order, please call or text Melissa Price at 260-433-5307.

Announcements can be emailed to the church secretary at bethlehemossiansec@gmail.com or by calling the church office at 597-7121. <https://www.youtube.com/bethlehemplutheranchurchossian> 9:00 a.m. Livestream

Offering January 1, 2023

Average weekly need \$11,342

Home Fund Env.	\$21,461.91
Synod	40.00
Loose	101.30
Scholarship Fund	
Improvement Fund	5,044.85
Endowment Fund	5,025.00
Music Fund	
Sound System/Video	
Sunday School	
Home Fund Memorials	295.00
Church Supply Refund	228.00
Food Pantry	49.47
Total	\$32,245.53

Financial Report

Home Fund Balance \$35,646.43

Next week bills due: \$6,000

Bills due two weeks: \$15,000

Savings Account Balance \$29,478.92

Borrowed from Savings: PAID

Operating Loan Debt: PAID

Church/Communion Attendance

Sunday 98/84

Wednesday 11/7

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.

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

What is the Introduction to the Lord's Prayer?

Our Father who art in heaven.

What does this mean?

With these words God tenderly invites us to believe that He is our true Father and that we are His true children, so that with all boldness and confidence we may ask Him as dear children ask their dear father.

What is Galatians 3:26?

For in Christ Jesus, you are all sons of God, through faith. Galatians 3:26