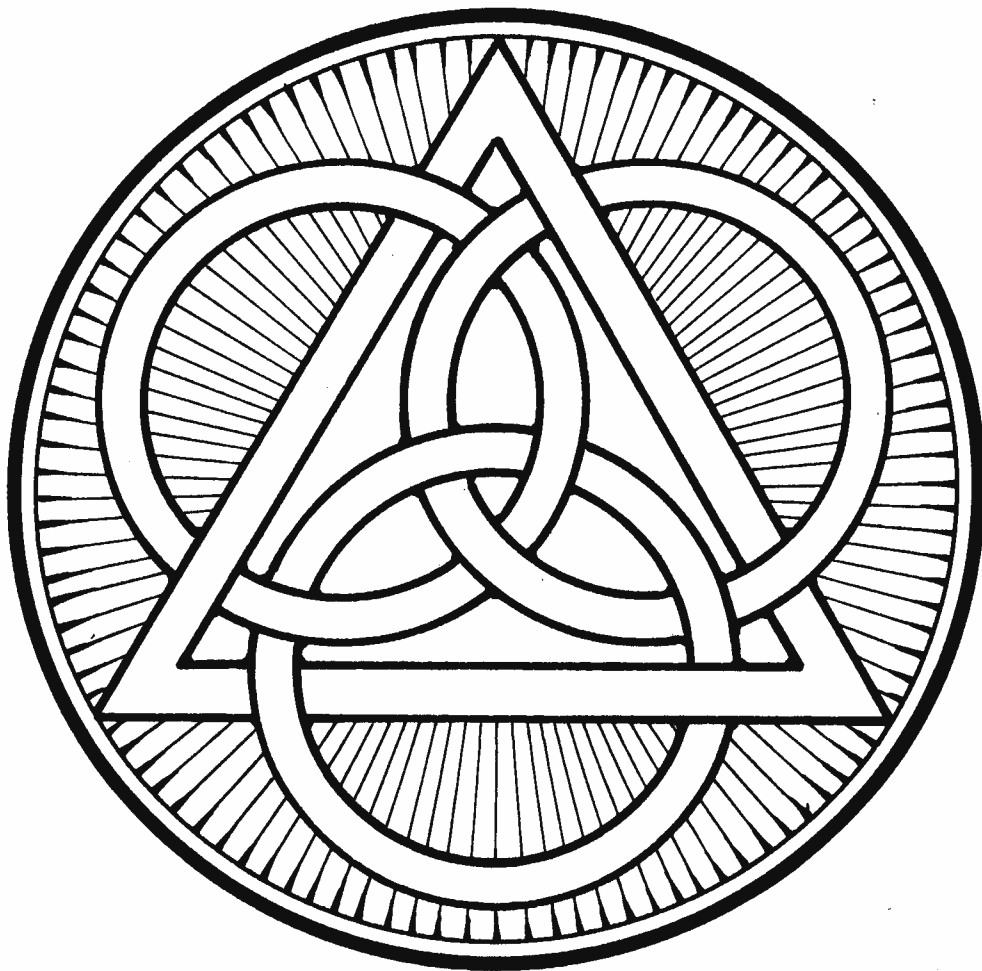


# Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran Church

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*A congregation of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod*



## *Holy Trinity Sunday*

*Divine Service One*

June 4, 2023

Vol. 125-27

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.

## Service of the Word pg. 151

Introit (sung responsively)



Blessèd be the Holy Trinity and the undivided | Unity.\*

Let us give glory to him because he has shown his mer- | cy to us.

**O | LORD, our Lord,\***

**how majestic is your name in | all the earth!**

You have set your glory above the | heavens.\*

Out of the mouth of babes and infants, you have es- | tablished strength.

**When I look at your heavens, the work of your | fingers,\***

**the moon and the stars, which you have | set in place,**

what is man that you are mind- | ful of him,\*

and the son of man that you | care for him?

**Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly | beings\***

**and crowned him with glory and | honor.**

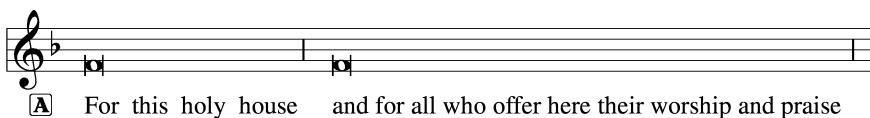
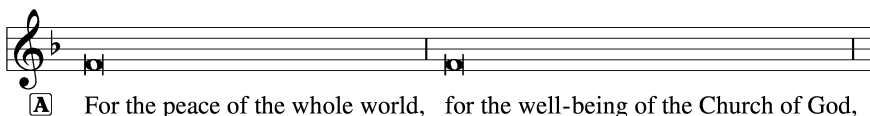
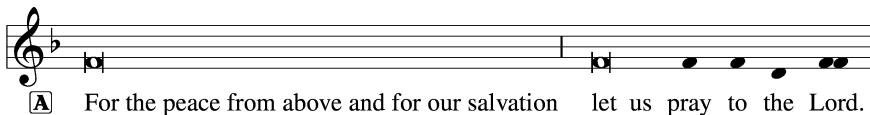
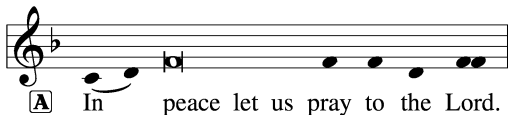
*Glory be to the Father and / to the Son\**

*and to the Holy / Spirit;  
as it was in the be- / ginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. / Amen.*


Blessèd be the Holy Trinity and the undivided | Unity.\*


Let us give glory to him because he has shown his mer- | cy to us.

## Kyrie




let us pray to the Lord.




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



## Gloria in Excelsis

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

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.  
 Almighty and everlasting God, You have given us grace to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity by the confession of a true faith and to worship the Unity in the power of the Divine Majesty. Keep us steadfast in this faith and defend us from all adversities; for You, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, live and reign, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

### Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 6:1–7*

#### Isaiah's Vision of the LORD

<sup>1</sup>In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup>Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. <sup>3</sup>And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!"

<sup>4</sup>And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup>And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

<sup>6</sup>Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. <sup>7</sup>And he touched my mouth and said: “Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

Blessèd are You, O Lord, who be- | holds the deep,\*  
and who dwells between the | cherubim.

Blessèd are You, O Lord, in the firmament of | heaven,\*  
and greatly to be praised for- | ever.

## Epistle

*Romans 11:33–36*

<sup>33</sup>Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! <sup>34</sup>“For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?” <sup>35</sup>“Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?” <sup>36</sup>For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

**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  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel

*John 3:1–17*

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



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

## You Must Be Born Again

<sup>1</sup>Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him.” <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, “**Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.**” <sup>4</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother’s womb

and be born?" <sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. <sup>6</sup>That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup>Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' <sup>8</sup>The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit."

<sup>9</sup>Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered him, "Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? <sup>11</sup>Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup>If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? <sup>13</sup>No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup>And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup>"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup>For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

### Athanasian Creed (spoken responsively)

<sup>1</sup>Whoever desires to be saved  
must, above all, hold the catholic faith.

**<sup>2</sup>Whoever does not keep it whole and undefiled  
will without doubt perish eternally.**

<sup>3</sup>And the catholic faith is this, <sup>4</sup>that we worship one God in Trinity  
and Trinity in Unity,  
neither confusing the persons  
nor dividing the substance.

**<sup>5</sup>For the Father is one person, the Son is another,  
and the Holy Spirit is another.**

<sup>6</sup>But the Godhead of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is one:  
the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.

**<sup>7</sup>Such as the Father is, such is the Son,  
and such is the Holy Spirit:**

<sup>8</sup>the Father uncreated, the Son uncreated,  
the Holy Spirit uncreated;

**<sup>9</sup>the Father infinite, the Son infinite,  
the Holy Spirit infinite;**

<sup>10</sup>the Father eternal, the Son eternal,  
the Holy Spirit eternal.

**<sup>11</sup>And yet there are not three Eternals,**

**but one Eternal,**

<sup>12</sup>just as there are not three Uncreated or three Infinites,  
but one Uncreated and one Infinite.

<sup>13</sup>**In the same way, the Father is almighty, the Son almighty,  
the Holy Spirit almighty;**

<sup>14</sup>and yet there are not three Almightyes,  
but one Almighty.

<sup>15</sup>**So the Father is God, the Son is God,  
the Holy Spirit is God;**

<sup>16</sup>and yet there are not three Gods,  
but one God.

<sup>17</sup>**So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord,  
the Holy Spirit is Lord;**

<sup>18</sup>and yet there are not three Lords,  
but one Lord.

<sup>19</sup>**Just as we are compelled by the Christian truth to acknowledge each distinct person as  
God and Lord, so also are we prohibited by the catholic religion to say that there are  
three Gods or Lords.**

<sup>20</sup>The Father is not made nor created  
nor begotten by anyone.

<sup>21</sup>**The Son is neither made nor created,  
but begotten of the Father alone.**

<sup>22</sup>The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son,  
neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeding.

<sup>23</sup>**Thus, there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons;  
one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.**

<sup>24</sup>And in this Trinity none is before or after another;  
none is greater or less than another;

<sup>25</sup>**but the whole three persons are coeternal with each other and coequal,  
so that in all things, as has been stated above, the Trinity in Unity and Unity in  
Trinity is to be worshiped.**

<sup>26</sup>Therefore, whoever desires to be saved  
must think thus about the Trinity.

<sup>27</sup>**But it is also necessary for everlasting salvation  
that one faithfully believe the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

<sup>28</sup>Therefore, it is the right faith that we believe and confess  
that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is at the same time both God and man.

<sup>29</sup>**He is God, begotten from the substance of the Father before all ages;  
and He is man, born from the substance of His mother in this age:**

<sup>30</sup>perfect God and perfect man,  
composed of a rational soul and human flesh;

<sup>31</sup>**equal to the Father with respect to His divinity,  
less than the Father with respect to His humanity.**

<sup>32</sup>Although He is God and man,



He is not two, but one Christ:  
<sup>33</sup>**one, however, not by the conversion of the divinity into flesh,  
but by the assumption of the humanity into God;**  
<sup>34</sup>one altogether,  
not by confusion of substance, but by unity of person.  
<sup>35</sup>**For as the rational soul and flesh is one man,  
so God and man is one Christ,**  
<sup>36</sup>who suffered for our salvation,  
descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead,  
<sup>37</sup>**ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father, God Almighty,  
from whence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**  
<sup>38</sup>At His coming all people will rise again with their bodies  
and give an account concerning their own deeds.  
<sup>39</sup>**And those who have done good will enter into eternal life,  
and those who have done evil into eternal fire.**  
<sup>40</sup>This is the catholic faith;  
whoever does not believe it faithfully and firmly cannot be saved.  
*Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.*

Hymn of the Day

#498 Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest

Sermon

Prayer of the Church

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

*Delores Scheumann, Margaret Whitesel*

*Bill Gephart (Clara Conrad's brother in law)*

*Makayla Berkey (3<sup>rd</sup> grade student diagnosed with Hodgkin's Lymphoma)*

*Norwin Bauermeister, Lee Braselton*

*Brandon Tomlinson and Vicki Tomlinson*

*Joellen Meyer, David Nahrwold*

**Marriage Blessing** *Evan Springer and Reese Willson were wed Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>*

**Wedding Anniversary Blessing** *Jerry and Jennifer Meyer (30 years of marriage)*

**Graduation Blessing** *2023 Graduates*

**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*

Offering

Offertory

**Q** 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.

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Preface

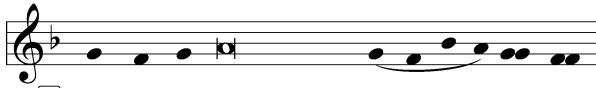
**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And al - so with you.



**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.

### Lord's Prayer

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

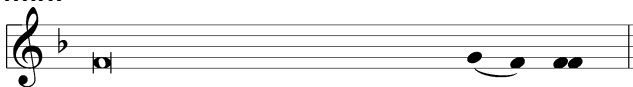
**C** Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name,  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth  
as it is in heaven;  
give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from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

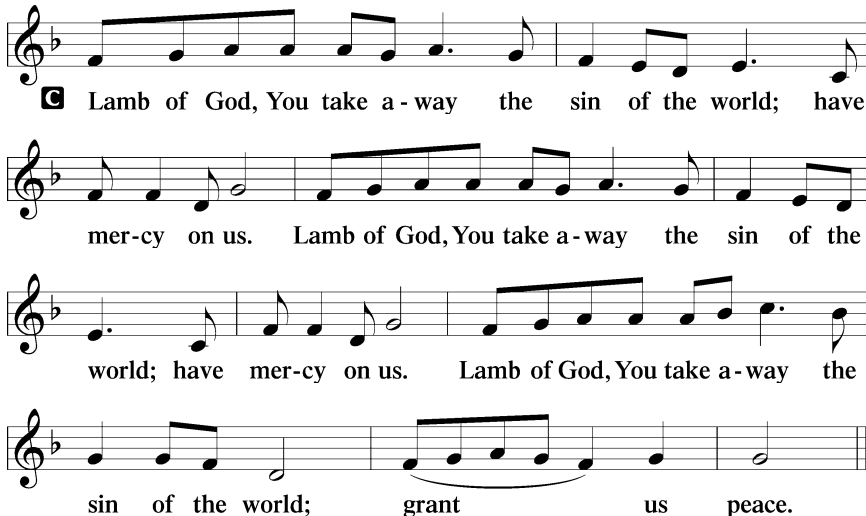


**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



A - men.

## Agnus Dei



## 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

**#621 Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence**  
**#639 Wide Open Stand the Gates**  
**#507 Holy, Holy, Holy**  
**#822 Alleluia! Let Praises Ring**  
**#571 God Loved the World So That He Gave**  
**#504 Father Most Holy**  
**#949 Heavenly Hosts in Ceaseless Worship**

## Nunc Dimittis



Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have prepared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to reveal 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.

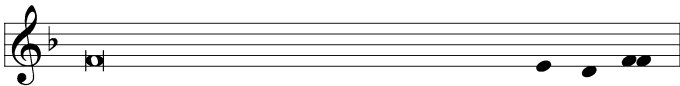
## Post-Communion Collect

**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

## #940 Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

## IN HIS SERVICE

**Preaching and Celebrant**

Rev. Samuel Wirgau

**Deacon**

Rev. Anthony Dodgers

**Fieldworkers**

Sem. Isaac Spangler and Sem. Morgan Phillips

**Deaconess**

Wendy Boehm

**Head Elder**

Lloyd Meyer

**Elders on Duty**

Lloyd Meyer and Dave Flesch

**Kantor**

Richard Brinkley

**Organist**

Sem. Morgan Phillips

**Acolyte**

Elders

**Altar Guild Chairman**

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**TODAY**

**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)

**WEDNESDAY**

**7:00 p.m.**

**Spoken Divine Service**

**THURSDAY**

9:00 a.m.

Blanket Sewing

**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)

*Announcements can be emailed to the church secretary at*

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<http://www.youtube.com/bethlehemplutheranchurchossian> 9:00 a.m. Livestream

***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 it 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.



**THE FLOWERS PLACED UNDER THE HYMNBOARD** this morning, have been given to the glory of God and in honor and celebration of the 30<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary to Jerry and Jennifer Meyer.

**SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL** – Throughout the summer, the children are welcome to join us in a family style Bible Study. We will be studying Lutheran Hymnody with a video and discussion. Please join us.

**GRADUATION SUNDAY TODAY-** Today we recognize this year's Bethlehem 8<sup>th</sup> grade students, along with all our 2023 congregational members who are graduating from High School or College. A list of recognized students is placed in today's bulletin.

**CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING – Monday, June 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.**  
*The August 2023-July 2024 Proposed Budget for Bethlehem Lutheran Church and School is now posted on the bulletin boards near the church entrances for your reference.*

**VOTER'S ASSEMBLY MEETING – Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup> after Family Bible Class.**

**THANK YOU** so much for your kind thoughts and words at my Confirmation. They are greatly appreciated. Sarena Wirgau

**THANK YOU** for your contributions to Phil's Friends, Orphan Grain Train, and Most Ministries for the LWML Ingathering. Your gifts will be used around the world!

**Indiana District LWML Treatshop** will be held at Emanuel Lutheran Church in Tipton, IN on August 12. Registration forms can be found on the bulletin board in the church hallway.

**New and used bedsheets (any size) are needed** for the Decatur Zone LWML Workshop at St. John Bingen on Saturday, September 16. Everyone is invited to sew cancer pads for Cancer Services of NE Indiana. Your donation of sheets can be placed in the green bin in the church hallway. Thank you.

**Bethlehem Lutheran School will be hosting a CPR/First Aid class on Tues, June 20<sup>th</sup>** beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the church Fellowship Hall. We have room for 10 more individuals if you are interested. Cost is \$65 per adult and needs to be RSVP'd by June 10<sup>th</sup> to the school office.

**A few items are still needed for VBS** – Please plan to stop by the VBS table in the north hallway to grab a tag and help with needed items. Registration forms are also available if you still plan to have your child attend the June 26-29 event.

**WOMEN OF BETHLEHEM BAKE SALE:** Sunday, June 11th following the church service.

**LUTHERAN NIGHT at the TinCaps – Tuesday, August 1<sup>st</sup>** – Post-game fireworks and Family Feast Night. Hot dogs, pizza slices, popcorn and soft drinks are all \$2. More information is posted to the bulletin board. In addition to discounted tickets, \$1 from each ticket will be shared with Lutheran Life Villages in support of their Employee Assistance Program.

**Offering May 28, 2023**

<u>Average weekly need \$11,342</u>	
Home Fund Env.	\$6,852.75
Synod	210.00
Loose	1,507.19
Scholarship Fund	
Improvement Fund	160.00
Endowment Fund	
Music Fund	
Sound System/Video	
Sunday School	
Total	<u>\$8,729.94</u>

**Financial Report**

<b>Home Fund Balance (\$16,830.93)</b>
Next week bills due: \$5,000
Bills due two weeks: \$6,000
<b>Savings Account Balance \$42,211.85</b>
Borrowed from Savings: PAID
Operating Loan Debt: \$4,000

**Church/Communion Attendance**

Sunday	119/100
Wednesday	21/15

**The following information for the Endowment Fund is accurate as of April 30, 2023:**

\$205,927.82 - Amount Bethlehem sent in since 2009  
192,883.00 - Amount the Lutheran Foundation matched  
230,111.88 - Amount generated since 2009  
-104,500.00 - Amount disbursed to Bethlehem since 2009  
\$524,422.70 - Value of the Endowment Fund as of April 30, 2023

## 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.**

*"Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest" – Lutheran Service Book 498/499 (stz. 5-6)*

**(5) Drive far away our wily foe,  
And Your abiding peace bestow;  
With You as our protecting guide,  
No evil can with us abide.**

**(6) Teach us to know the Father, Son,  
And You, from both, as Three in One  
That we Your name may ever bless  
And in our lives the truth confess.**

***Bethlehem Lutheran Church  
Graduation Recognition  
June 4, 2023***

*The following 8th grade students completed  
their elementary education at Bethlehem Lutheran School and  
were presented with their Graduation Certificates on May 24, 2023:*

**LUKE HARKLESS**

Parents: Lane and Jeni Harkless

**MOLLY MISHLER**

Parents: Greg and Angela Mishler

**SARENA WIRGAU**

Parents: Samuel and DoRena Wirgau

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Headmaster and 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher: Rev. Anthony Dodgers  
Board of Christian Education: Jason Rekeweg, Brian Bultemeier, Andy Price  
Lane Harkless, Josh Boehm, Nathan Meyer

**HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES**

**Rachel Bauermeister** – daughter of Brian and Sheryl Bauermeister graduates from Norwell High School with an Academic Honors diploma and High Honors. She plans to attend Purdue University this fall to pursue a degree in Kinesiology with the ultimate goal of becoming a Physical Therapist.

**RieAnn Krinn** – daughter of Matt and Shelley Krinn graduates from Norwell High School with a CORE 40 Academic Honors diploma. She plans to attend IUPUI in Indianapolis to major in Health and Human Sciences.

**Ethan Ottinger** – son of Todd and Diane Ottinger will graduate from Norwell High School with an Academic Honors diploma. He plans to attend Purdue University, West Lafayette to major in computer engineering.

**Logan Taylor** – son of Michael and Rise' Taylor will be graduating from Norwell High School on June 4<sup>th</sup> with an Academic Honors Diploma with Distinction. He plans to attend Purdue University in the fall majoring in Mechanical Engineering.

### **COLLEGE GRADUATES**

**Brittany Conrad** – daughter of Steve and Clara Conrad graduated from IUPUI last December with a Bachelorette of Science in Dental Hygiene with a concentration in public health and minor in psychology. Brittany's accolades: Johnson Public Health Dental Hygiene Scholarship Award; American Association of Public Health Dentistry Award for Dental Hygienist; Harriett F Hine Award. She is currently employed with McCordsville Family Dentistry. Her future plans may include becoming a teacher in the dentistry field but she is also pursuing her M.R.S. degree.

**Cole Louison** - son of Jay and Cheryl Louison graduated, on May 6, 2023, from Trine University with a Bachelor of Science in Mathematics. Cole's future plans include finding a job in a math or teaching field.

**Grant Scheumann** – son of Brian and Janice Scheumann graduated from Purdue University with a Bachelor of Science in Agronomy. He plans on attending Purdue for another year to complete a second undergrad degree in Agribusiness Commodity Marketing.

**Joel Stoppenhagen** – son of Neil and Susan Stoppenhagen will graduate Summa Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Music Education degree from Valparaiso University in December. His final semester will be spent at Westfield House Seminary in Cambridge U.K.

### **A PRAYER FOR OUR GRADUATES**

*Lord God, heavenly Father, You provide schools and teachers for faithful instruction and dedicated learning. Receiving our thanks for the knowledge gained by those who are now graduating. As they continue to learn and grow, grant them Your Holy Spirit that their talents and abilities may be used for Your glory and as a blessing to others; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen*