

Old Testament *Numbers 6:22–27*

²²The LORD spoke to Moses, saying, ²³“Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the people of Israel: you shall say to them, ²⁴The LORD bless you and keep you; ²⁵the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; ²⁶the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

²⁷“So shall they put my name upon the people of Israel, and I will bless them.”

Epistle *Romans 8:31–39*

³¹What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³²He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? ³³Who shall bring any charge against God’s elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. ³⁵Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? ³⁶As it is written, “For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are

regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”

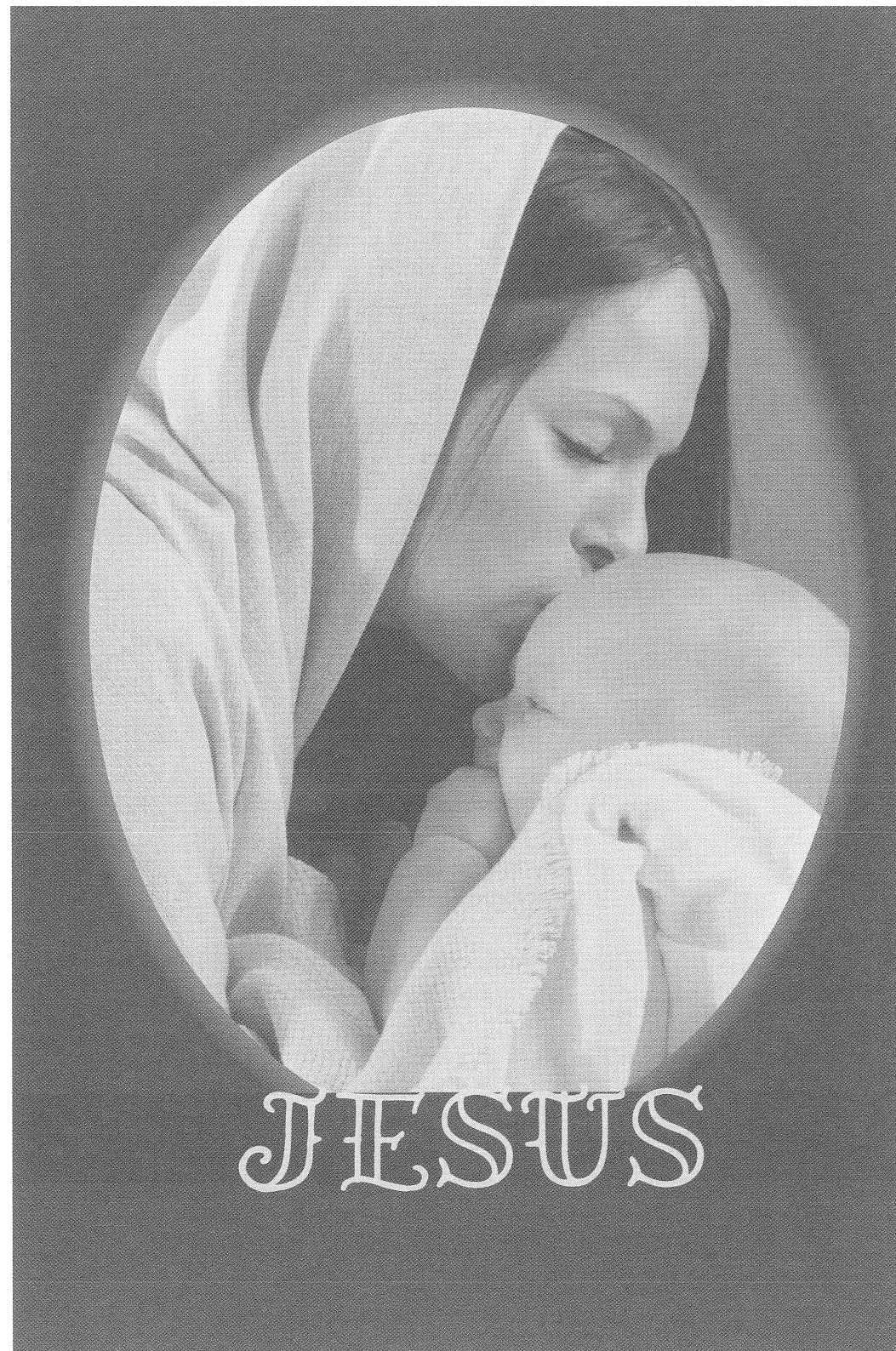
³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Holy Gospel *Luke 12:35–40*

³⁵[Jesus said:] “Stay dressed for action and keep your lamps burning, ³⁶and be like men who are waiting for their master to come home from the wedding feast, so that they may open the door to him at once when he comes and knocks. ³⁷Blessed are those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. Truly, I say to you, he will dress himself for service and have them recline at table, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸If he comes in the second watch, or in the third, and finds them awake, blessed are those servants! ³⁹But know this, that if the master of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have left his house to be broken into. ⁴⁰You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.”



About the Cover: We all have names. Some of us may like our name, others may not, but all our names have meaning. The name of Jesus is especially meaningful to us who believe in Him. He is our salvation. “At the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth” (Philippians 2:10). Jesus’ name holds so many meanings, but most important, it means that God loves us and sent His Son to save us.



NEW YEAR'S EVE/DAY

January 1, 2017

Sharing, Believing, Living, Caring

St. Bartholomew Lutheran Church
105 Horn St., Brillion, WI
(920) 756-3031
www.stbartbrillion.org

Rev. Mark L. Krueger, Pastor
Olivia Riemer, Organist
Pastor Email: sblcpastor@gmail.com
Secretary Email: sblcbrillion@gmail.com

Liturgy: Divine Service Setting Four p. 203

Hymns: 869, 813, 805, 702, 896, 733

Sermon: "God's Faithfulness" Joshua 23:14

***Holy Communion:** Members of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod are invited to receive the Lord's Supper. Non-members are requested to speak with Pastor before worship.*

THE MEASURE OF OUR LOVE

Attendance 12/24 (Christmas Eve 4 p.m.): 164 Offering: \$3,870.00

Attendance 12/24 (Christmas Eve 8 p.m.): 96

Attendance 12/25 (Christmas Day): 68 Comm.: 58 Offering: \$6,991.00

No S.S./No Bible Class

Budget Needs: \$3,244.00

Scrip Profit 12/25: \$ 52.00

KINGDOM WORK THIS WEEK

WEDS (1/04) 3:30-4:30 p.m. Confirmation Class

7:00 p.m. Worship

8:00 p.m. Stewardship/Evangelism Meeting

SUN (1/08) 8:00 a.m. S.S./B.C.

9:00 a.m. Worship

6:30 p.m. Farm & Home 4H Meeting

IN OUR PRAYERS we remember Mark Wittman who will be having hip-replacement surgery on Monday.

TODAY'S BULLETINS are sponsored by Pete & Cheryl Kittel in memory of Duane Kittel.

PENNIES FOR LIFE begins this Sunday and runs through the month of January. Be sure to deposit your pennies in the jar in the narthex (one penny for each year you've been alive.) *Please do not put junk pennies or Canadian pennies in the jar.* Donations will go to Lutherans For Life of Wisconsin.

CHURCH UNDECORATING will take place after church next Sunday, January 8. Please stay around after church for a few minutes to help next week.

GREETER SCHEDULE FOR 2017 – A Sign-up Genius schedule has been created for Greeters. You can access the link via <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/409054daaab2da5fa7-2017>. It is also posted on the Home page of the church website. We have also placed a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for those without internet access.

REMINDER: Annual Report items are due January 1, 2017. You may drop them off at the church office or email them to sblcbrillion@gmail.com. *Thank you!*

2017 FLOWER CHART & BULLETIN SPONSORSHIP – If you would like to donate flowers or sponsor bulletins for next year, please sign up now on the sheets posted on the bulletin board.

2017 CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES – If you have not yet picked up your envelopes, please do so as soon as possible as some box numbers have changed since last year. The envelopes are located on a table in the narthex along with the pictorial directories.

CHURCH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY – There are still a few household copies on a table in the narthex. If you haven't picked up your copy, please remember to do so. Even if you didn't have a picture taken, you still receive a copy.

IT MAY BE COLD AND SNOWY NOW, but summer will be here before you know it. Camp LuWiSoMo is offering 6 weeks of youth camp for summer 2017. Our summer youth camps provide faith-growing opportunities in a Christ-centered outdoor ministry setting for children from three years old through High School. Through the blessings of people, facilities, and God's Word, Camp LuWiSoMo provides an incredible learning experience for every child as they dive deeper into understanding faith. To learn more about our youth camps, visit: <http://www.luwisomo.org/youth-camp-summer>.