

Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran Church

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A congregation of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod



The Baptism of our Lord

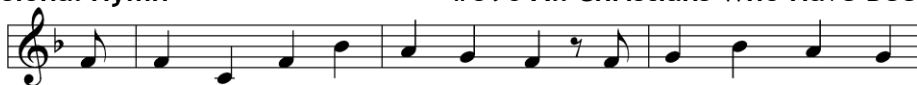
Divine Service - Setting One

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Processional Hymn

#596 All Christians Who Have Been Baptized



1 All Chris-tians who have been bap-tized, Who know the God of
 2 You were be-fore your day of birth, In-deed, from your con-
 3 But all of that was washed a-way— Im-merged and drowned for-
 4 In Bap-tism we now put on Christ— Our shame is ful-ly



heav-en, And in whose dai-ly life is prized The name of
 cep-tion, Con-demned and lost with all the earth, None good, with-
 ev-er. The wa-ter of your Bap-tism day Re-stored a-
 cov-ered With all that He once sac-ri-ficed And free-ly



Christ once giv-en: Con-sid-er now what God has done, The
 out-ex-cep-tion. For like your par-ents' flesh and blood, Turned
 gain what-ev-er Old Ad-am and his sin de-destroyed And
 for us suf-fered. For here the flood of His own blood Now



gifts He gives to ev-'ry-one Bap-tized in-to Christ Je-sus!
 in-ward from the high-est good, You con-stant-ly de-nied Him.
 all our sin-ful selves em-ployed Ac-cord-ing to our na-ture.
 makes us ho-ly, right, and good Be-fore our heav'n-ly Fa-ther.

5 O Christian, firmly hold this gift
 And give God thanks forever!
 It gives the power to uplift
 In all that you endeavor.
 When nothing else revives your soul,
 Your Baptism stands and makes you whole
 And then in death completes you.

6 So use it well! You are made new—
 In Christ a new creation!
 As faithful Christians, live and do
 Within your own vocation,
 Until that day when you possess
 His glorious robe of righteousness
 Bestowed on you forever!

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Invocation

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)



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.

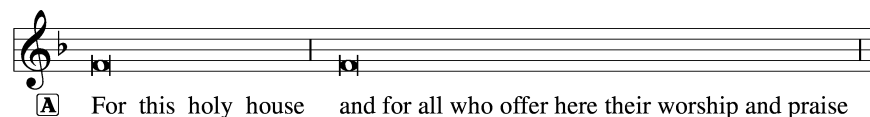
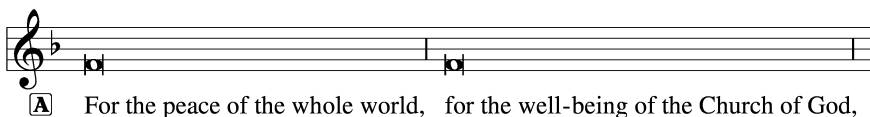
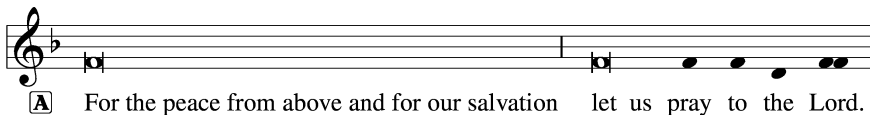
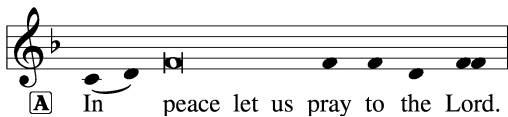
Behold the Lord, the ruler, has come,*

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 anointed him.

Kyrie

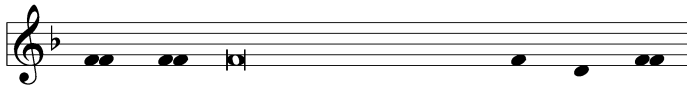




let us pray to the Lord.



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.
 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.



C 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 and Verse



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



Holy Gospel

Matthew 3:13–17

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



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

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 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 ✠ of the world to come. Amen.**

Hymn of the Day

#406 To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord

Sermon

Prayer of the Church

We remember all those in need of continued strength and healing

*Ed Thiele (brother of Martha Bauermeister in hospice), Hildegard Bauermeister
Enoch Krenzke (Dan and Sue Bachinger's grandson recovering from pace maker surgery)
Cathie Kammer (friend of Sylvia Wann recovering from a broken wrist and hip)
Carla Wiederhold (cousin of Otto Clausen battling cancer)
Sandy Avey, Dale Meyer, Gail Werling, Garrett Werling
Bryce Bowman, Ron Whitesel
Ellie Anderson (friend of Sarena Wirgau)
Brandon Tomlinson (son in-law of the Brinkleys)
Sandra Flum (Susan Graft's sister)*

We pray for our expectant mothers: *Amelia Phillips, Reese Springer, Allie Nabravold
Wendy Boehm, Destiny Laley, Shaeli Streeks*

We pray for protection: *Pastor and Mrs. Moehring's son Stephen in Israel.*

We pray for our members shut-in:

*Ruth Witte (Ossian Healthcare)
Marilyn Meyer (Kingston)
Marilyn Franke (Christian Care)
Charlotte Bultemeier (StoryPoint West)
Rev. Donald Lutz (Lutheran Life Village)
Norwin and Martha Bauermeister (Astral in Auburn)*

We pray for our Church, School and all her workers

We pray for all military personnel

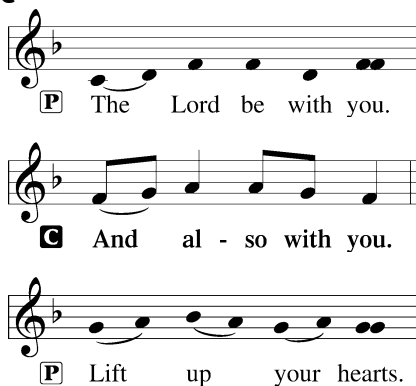
Offering Offertory



C 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 pg. 160

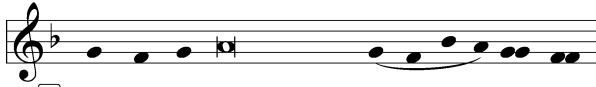
Preface



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:

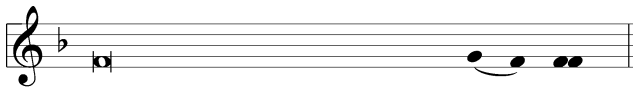
C Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the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

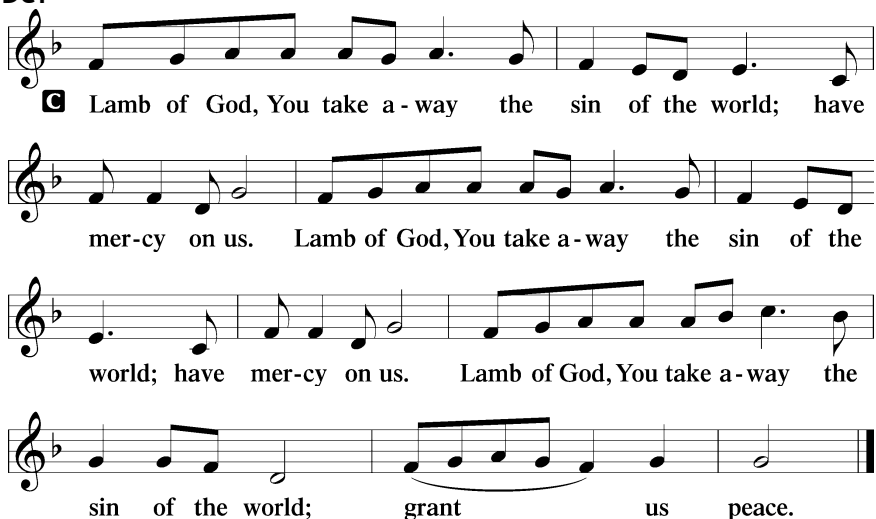


P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



C A - men.

Agnus Dei



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; 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 Hymns

#629 What Is This Bread

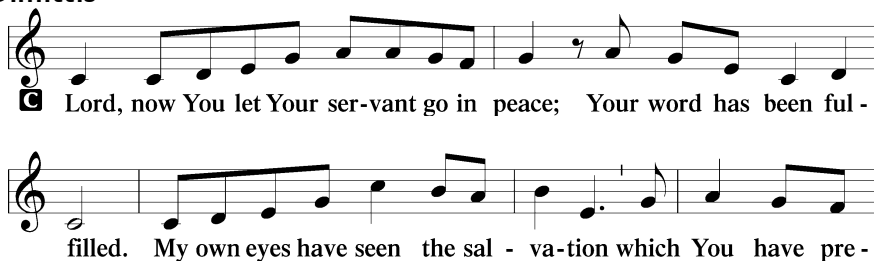
#722 Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me

#405 To Jordan's River Came Our Lord

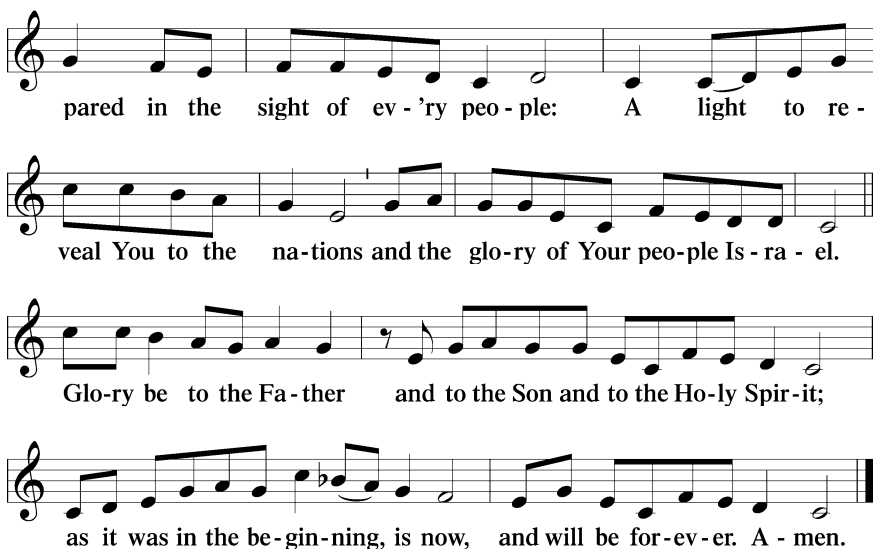
#404 Jesus, Once with Sinners Numbered

#602 The Gifts Christ Freely Gives

Nunc Dimittis



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.

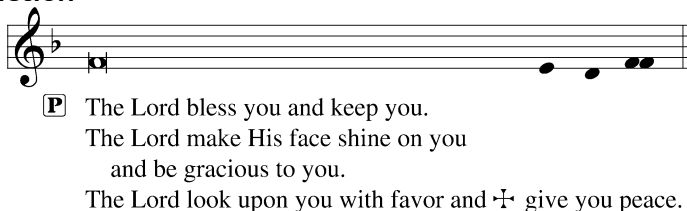
Post-Communion Collect

- 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

#594 God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It

IN HIS SERVICE

Preaching
Celebrant
Vicar
Fieldworker
Deaconess
Head Elder
Elders on Duty
Kantor
Acolytes
Altar Guild Chairman
Ushers

Rev. Samuel Wirgau
Rev. Anthony Dodgers
Sem. Morgan Phillips
Sem. Brandon Streeks
Wendy Boehm
Glen Werling
Steve Conrad and Bruce Meyer
Richard Brinkley
Jude Wirgau and Matthew Rekeweg
Cheryl Louison and Deann Oliver
Rory Geiger, Lane Harkless, Isaac Harkless
Darren Patrick, Mark Patrick, Cole Patrick

(a new usher schedule is available in the church office)

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Bethlehem Lutheran School	260-597-7366
Assoc. Pastor, Headmaster Rev. Anthony Dodgers	616-648-6489
Kantor Mr. Richard Brinkley	260-705-4105
Deaconess Wendy Boehm	260-415-8526
Vicar Morgan Phillips	605-391-4770

Website for Church and School: www.blcsossian.org

TODAY	9:00 a.m.	Divine Service with Holy Communion
	10:30 a.m.	Adult Bible Class and Sunday School
	11:30 a.m.	Board of Elders Meeting
	11:30 a.m.	Voice of Bethlehem (WZBD 92.7)
	6:30 p.m.	Middle School and High School Youth Bible Study
MONDAY	7:00 p.m.	Handbell Choir Practice
WEDNESDAY	10:00 a.m.	Chapel Service
	5:30 p.m.	Adult Catechesis Class
	7:00 p.m.	Spoken Divine Service
	7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Practice
THURSDAY		WOB Blanket Sewing
FRIDAY – SATURDAY		Bethlehem Varsity Boys Tournament
SUNDAY	9:00 a.m.	Divine Service with Holy Communion
	10:30 a.m.	Adult Bible Class and Sunday School
	11:30 a.m.	Voice of Bethlehem (WZBD 92.7)

Announcements can be emailed to the church secretary at

bethlehemossoniansec@gmail.com or the church office at 597-7121.

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

WE WELCOME ALL 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. If you are a visitor to today's service, please take a moment to sign one of the register books located in each of the church foyers. If you would like to be contacted by the pastor or an elder, then please take a moment to fill out one of the green cards on the narthex tables and give it to an elder or drop it in the offering collection plate. Thank you!

First Communion Forum - The Elders are planning to hold a third meeting in February to discuss First Communion and we would love to hear from you! A date for the forum will be set at the January 11th Elders meeting. If you have a question that you would like to have addressed at the forum about the practice of First Communion, then take a moment to speak to pastor or the Elders. If you would prefer, write it on a piece of paper and give it to an Elder before or after the service. Or email me at glen.werling@icloud.com or pastor at Samuel.wirgau@gmail.com. If you wish to remain anonymous, that's perfectly fine. We would love to hear from you!

THANK YOU - Dear Members of Bethlehem, Thank you so much for the love and support you have shown to us through your words and gifts this Christmas season. We are so thankful for all the support you have given to our family. Thank you for everything. We feel so thankful and blessed to be here at Bethlehem. God's blessings to you all, The Streeks Family

THANK YOU to all the members donating their end of year Thrivent Choice dollars to Bethlehem. Your gracious gifts are very much appreciated.

LUTHERAN BIBLE INSTITUTE – Make it your New Year's resolution to come and learn at the 56th annual Decatur Lutheran Bible Institute. Classes meet at Wyneken Memorial Lutheran School January 28-February 18th. Students and adults can choose from four stimulating courses. Please see today's insert for more information or contact our Bethlehem representatives Ted and Denise Schumm.

Reminder LWML Bible Study- Monday, January 13th at 2 PM, everyone is welcome to join.

BOOK CLUB: Our next book club pick will be "The Things We Cannot Say" by Kelly Rimmer. *About the Book:* Slipping between Nazi-occupied Poland and the frenetic pace of modern life, Kelly Rimmer creates an emotional and finely wrought narrative. *The Things We Cannot Say* is an unshakable reminder of the devastation when truth is silenced...and how it can take a lifetime to find our voice before we learn to trust it. We will meet at Crimson House on Saturday, March 8th (date has been changed) at 8:00am.

Bethlehem is invited to the Ordination of Zachary Bultemeier, Sunday, January 19th at 3:00 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church 2315 N Parham Road Henrico, VA 23229. The service will also be available on livestream <https://www.tlcrva.org/Worship>

Chapel Mission Project – Bethlehem will be having a “Penny War” between the chapel families to help with our next chapel offering to Lutheran Senior Ministries. There will be opportunities for the church and school to work together on donations. There are jars located in the hallway during school days and in the church on weekends. Each jar has the name of a chapel family. How to play: Pennies and dollars (\$1, \$5, \$10, etc.) count as positive points, silver coins (nickels, dimes, quarters) count as negative points. The chapel family with the most points at the end of the third quarter wins. All are encouraged to participate in this race!

Lutheran Special Education Ministries is looking for a full-time resource room teacher position at Lutheran South Unity School in Fort Wayne, IN. Applicants must hold a current Indiana Teaching License and have a special education certification /endorsement. Interested applicants looking for more information or wishing to submit a resume are asked to contact Richard Schumacher at (734)748-5253 or email at rschumacher@luthsped.org.

Offering January 5, 2025

<u>Average weekly need \$13,818</u>	
Home Fund Env.	\$13,884.35
Synod	15.15
Loose	140.06
Scholarship Fund	
Sunday School	
Improvement Fund	375.50
Endowment Fund	275.00
Music Fund	282.00
New Year's Eve	2,505.29
Reimb Vicarage Rent	<u>700.00</u>
Total	\$18,177.35

Financial Report

Home Fund Balance	\$1,047.03
Next week bills due:	\$15,000
Bills due two weeks:	\$14,000
Savings Account Balance	\$48,422.11
Borrowed from Savings:	\$16,300
Operating Loan Debt:	\$0.00

Church/Communion Attendance

Sunday	199/140
Wednesday	27/19

Here is the monthly report for the Bethlehem Lutheran School Endowment Fund by the Lutheran Foundation. The following information is accurate as of November 31, 2024:

\$221,427.82 - Amount Bethlehem sent in since 2009
208,383.00 - Amount the Lutheran Foundation matched
317,329.88 - Amount generated since 2009
-149,500.00 - Amount disbursed to Bethlehem since 2009
\$597,640.70 - Value of the Endowment Fund as of November 30, 2024

RECITATION & PRAYER FOR SCHOOL 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.

What are 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.

What is the Apostles' 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.*
- *A hymn may be sung.*
- *Scripture Reading and 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.

Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

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

What is the First Petition of the Lord's Prayer?

Hallowed be Thy name.

What does this mean?

**God's name is certainly holy in itself, but we pray in this petition that it may be kept
holy among us also.**

How is God's name kept holy?

**God's name is kept holy when the Word of God is taught in its truth and purity, and
we, as the children of God, also lead holy lives according to it. Help us to do this
dear Father in heaven!**

**But anyone who teaches or lives contrary to God's Word profanes the name of God
among us. Protect us from this heavenly Father!**

What is Matthew 18:20?

**[Jesus said] For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among
them. Matthew 18:20**



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