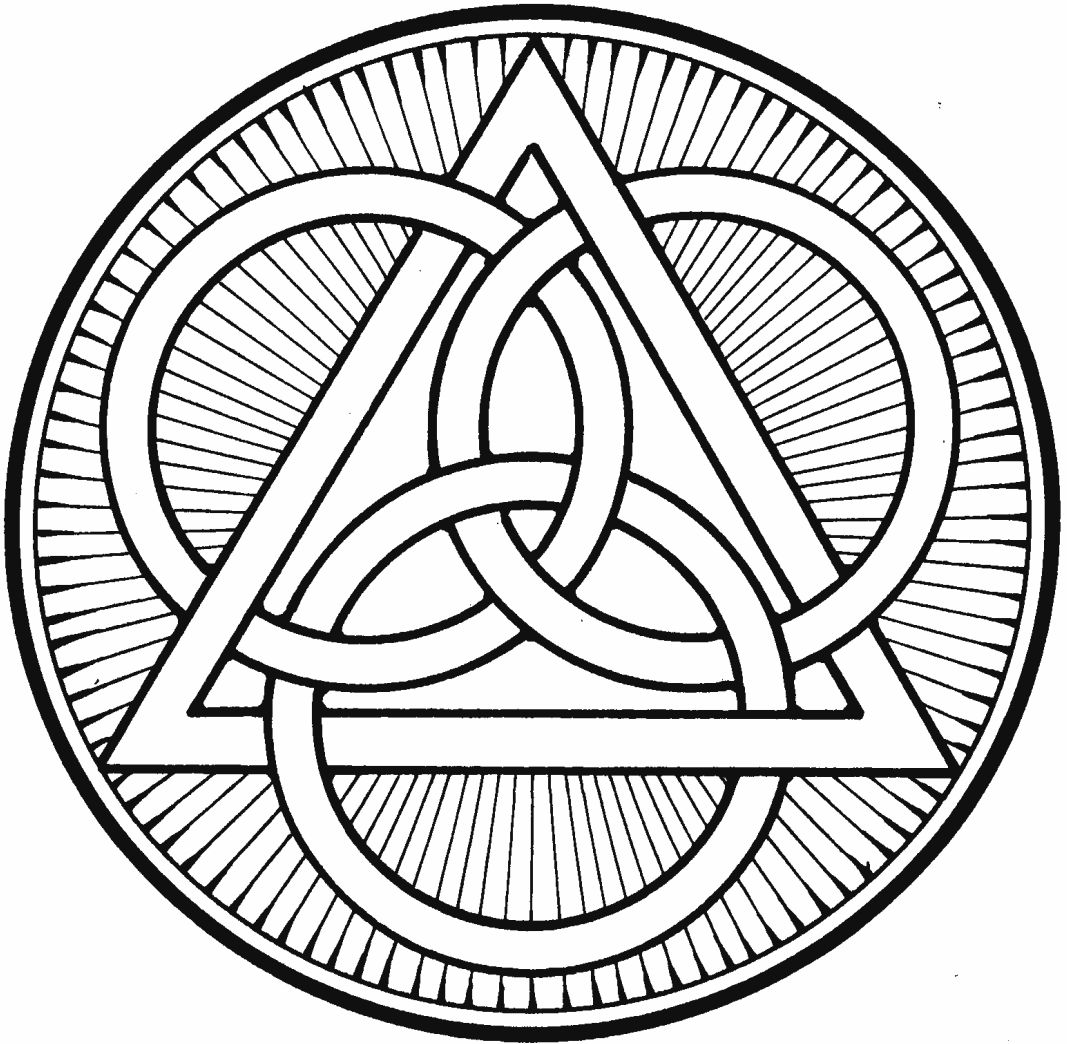


Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Holy Trinity Sunday

Divine Service Three

June 15, 2025

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Processional Hymn

#604 I Bind unto Myself Today



1 I bind un - to my - self to - day The
 2 I bind this day to me for - ev - er, By
 3 I bind un - to my - self to - day The
 4 A - gainst the de - mon snares of sin, The
 Δ 5 I bind un - to my - self the name, The



strong name of the Trin - i - ty By
 pow'r of faith, Christ's in - car - na - tion, His
 pow'r of God to hold and lead, His
 vice that gives temp - ta - tion force, The
 strong name of the Trin - i - ty By



in - vo - ca - tion of the same, The
 Bap - tism in the Jor - dan Riv - er, His
 eye to watch, His might to stay, His
 nat - ural lusts that war with - in, The
 in - vo - ca - tion of the same, The



Repeat after st. 1 only.

Three in One and One in Three.
 cross of death for my sal - va - tion,
 ear to hear - ken to my need,
 hos - tile foes that mar my course;
 Three in One and One in Three.



(2) His burst - ing from the spic - ed tomb, His
 (3) The wis - dom of my God to teach, His
 (4) Or few or man - y, far or nigh, In
 (5) Of whom all na - ture has cre - a - tion, E -



rid - ing up the heav'n - ly way, His
 hand to guide, His shield to ward, The
 ev - 'ry place and in all hours, A -
 ter - nal Fa - ther, Spir - it, Word. Praise

com - ing at the day of doom,
 Word of God to give me speech,
 gainst their fierce hos - til - i - ty,
 to the Lord of my sal - va - tion;

I bind un - to my - self to - day.
 His heav'n - ly host to be my guard.
 I bind to me those ho - ly pow'rs.
 Sal - va - tion is of Christ the Lord!

Text: attr. Patrick, c. 372-466; tr. Cecil F. Alexander, 1818-95
 Tune: Irish
 Text and tune: Public domain

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.

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



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

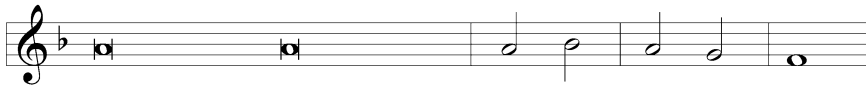
Gloria in Excelsis



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,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

R And with thy spir - it.



P Let us pray.

P 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

¹In 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. ²Above 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. ³And one called to another and said: “Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!”

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And 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!”

⁶Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And 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

³³Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! ³⁴“For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?”³⁵“Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?” ³⁶For 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.

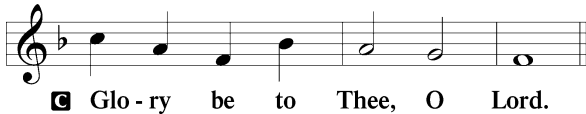
Alleluia



Holy Gospel

John 3:1-17

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



¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This 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.” ³Jesus answered him, “**Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.**” ⁴Nicodemus 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?” ⁵Jesus answered, “**Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.** ⁶**That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.** ⁷**Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’** ⁸**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.**” ⁹Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” ¹⁰Jesus answered him, “**Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things?** ¹¹**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.** ¹²**If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things?** ¹³**No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man.** ¹⁴**And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up,** ¹⁵**that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.** ¹⁶**For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.** ¹⁷**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.



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.**

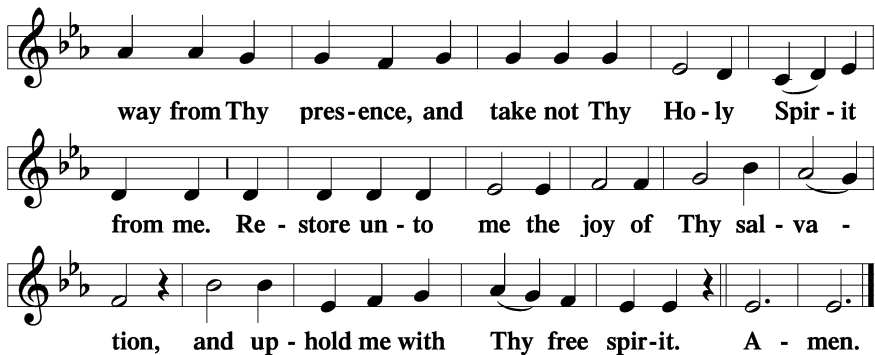
Hymn of the Day

#498 Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest

Sermon

Offertory

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:

Steve Ashcroft (grandfather of Ron Trammel)
Raven Baker (daughter of Ryan and Kari)
Ron Whitesel, Donna Schumm
Hildegard Bauermeister, Gail Werling
Judy Morris (friend of Mike and Linda Bultemeier)
Carla Wiederbold (cousin of Otto Clausen battling cancer)
Ellie Anderson (friend of Sarena Wirgau)
Brandon Tomlinson (son in-law of the Brinkleys)
Sandra Flum (Susan Graft's sister)

Father's Day blessing

Marriage blessing: *Caleb and Nicole Meyer wed on Saturday (son of Peter and Sandy Meyer)*

Thanksgiving for the birth of a baby boy *to Peyton and Destiny Laley*

We pray for our expectant mothers: *Shaeli Streeks, Abigail (Springer) Mayer, Molly Kleppinger
 Betsy Dodgers, Caroline (Meyer) Fenker*

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

Landrie Levitz, sister of Mariah Trammel who is in the Middle East

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)

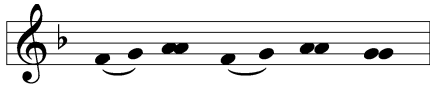
We pray for our Church, School and all her workers

The Board of Christian Education in search of a candidate for 1-2 Grade Teacher

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.



C It is meet and right so to do.

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,



bles - ed is He, bles - 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

- #623 Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray
- #624 The Infant Priest Was Holy Born
- #504 Father Most Holy
- #507 Holy, Holy, Holy
- #822 Alleluia! Let Praises Ring

Nunc Dimittis

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de-part in peace ac-
 cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,

which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,

a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy

peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry 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.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; 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

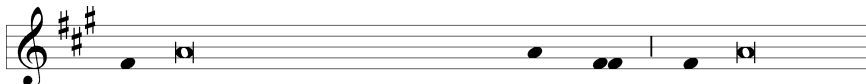


A Bless we the Lord.

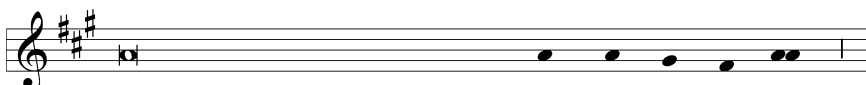


C Thanks be to God.

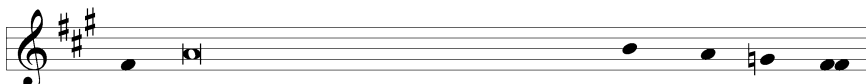
Benediction



P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

Closing Hymn

#506 Glory Be to God the Father

IN HIS SERVICE

Preaching	Vicar Morgan Phillips
Celebrant	Rev. Anthony Dodgers
Fieldworker	Sem. Brandon Streeks
Deaconess	Wendy Boehm
Head Elder	Glen Werling
Elders on Duty	Ted Schumm and Jerry Meyer
Kantor	Richard Brinkley
Acolytes	Elders
Crucifer	Lucas Werling
Altar Guild Chairman	Cheryl Louison and Deann Oliver
Ushers	Josh Boehm, Ed Black, Aspen Fisher, Brandon Schumm Don Schueler, Graham Stoppenhagen, Coty Newnum, Jason Rekeweg

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<i>Website for Church and School: www.BethlehemOssian.org</i>	

TODAY	9:00 a.m.	Divine Service with Holy Communion
	10:30 a.m.	Family Bible Class
	11:30 a.m.	Voice of Bethlehem (WZBD 92.7)
WEDNESDAY	7:00 p.m.	Evening Spoken Service
SUNDAY	9:00 a.m.	Divine Service with Holy Communion
	10:30 a.m.	Family Bible Class
	11:30 a.m.	Church Council Meeting
	11:30 a.m.	Voice of Bethlehem (WZBD 92.7)

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING – Sunday, June 22 after Bible Class.
VOTER’S ASSEMBLY MEETING – Sunday, June 29 after Bible Class
THE 2025-2026 PROPOSED BUDGET IS NOW POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARDS

Announcements can be emailed to the church secretary at bethlehemossiansec@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. 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. Please be sure to introduce yourself to the Pastor and to others in attendance and feel free to worship with us again. Thank you!

CHURCH AND SCHOOL CUSTODIAL BIDS are now being accepted. Please submit your bid for the 2025-2026 school year to our Head Trustee, Jay Werling.

PAINTING CLASS – The Women of Bethlehem will be hosting a Painting Class with Ruth Green on Saturday, June 28th at 1:00 p.m. Cost is \$10 per person, which includes all the supplies needed for this project (birds). Everyone is welcome to come. Please RSVP with Pat Krumma or sign up on the sheet posted to the WOB bulletin board.

Metal dumpster is back!!! The metal recycling dumpster will be back in business this coming Wednesday and will run for about a month. Spread the word and bring us your metal! Located at the same place. 4126 E 800 N. Thank you from the Washington DC group for your support!

Jigsaw Puzzle Adoption Program - Who doesn't like to do a Jigsaw Puzzle! Bethlehem members are encouraged to participate in an Adult / Child jigsaw puzzle exchange program. Basically, take a puzzle / leave a puzzle or just take a puzzle! All for fun! We currently have quite a few that are ready for adoption and will be placed on a table in the north church hallway for your selection or exchange, starting TODAY. We will see how the response goes for the month of June then go to a once-a-month date starting in July. Please contact the church office if you have any questions.

"Big and Bold Faith" Bethlehem VBS will be June 23-26. There is a table in the north hallway that has child registration and volunteer opportunities. Please consider taking a yard sign to help us advertise this event. . You can also find registration information on our website, blcsossian.org.

The Friends of Wyneken will hold a tent sale at the historic Wyneken House on Thursday, June 26 and Friday, June 27 from 8 AM to 6 PM, and Saturday, June 28 from 8 AM to 4 PM. Come check out the bargains on tools, household items, antiques, books, crafts, toys and collectibles! Visitors are invited to tour the Wyneken House to learn about Pastor F.C.D. Wyneken and the German Lutheran immigrants who settled in northeast Indiana during the 1800s. The Wyneken House is located at 11730 NW Winchester Road, Decatur, Indiana.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT –Improvements are coming along nicely but we still have a few things that need to be done, which means activity in the school needs to be limited. If you have any questions, please contact our AD, Mr. Brandon Schumm or the school office. Thank you for your patience.

SCRIP – Please be sure to check out our new scrip certificate order sheet and ordering dates posted on the bulletin board. **The next order date is July 6.** Ordering dates are set to reduce shipping costs. For questions or for placing an order, please contact Mariah Trammel at 260-267-1614, our PTL representative.

Offering June 8, 2025

Average weekly need	\$13,818
Home Fund Env.	\$10,450.63
Synod	70.00
Loose	221.00
Scholarship Fund	
Sunday School	
Improvement Fund	491.00
Endowment Fund	
Organ Fund	231.10
Audio / Video	<u>100.00</u>
Total	\$11,563.63

Financial Report

Home Fund Balance	\$8,104.92
Next week bills due:	\$15,000
Bills due two weeks:	\$3,000

Savings Account Balance \$32,090.04

Borrowed from Savings:	\$24,000
Operating Loan Debt:	\$29,950

Church/Communion Attendance

Sunday	160/125
Wednesday	8/8

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.

"Salvation unto Us Has Come" – Lutheran Service Book 555 (stz. 3-4)

(3) It was a false, misleading dream

That God His Law had given

That sinners could themselves redeem

And by their works gain heaven.

The Law is but a mirror bright

To bring the inbred sin to light

That lurks within our nature.

(4) From sin our flesh could not abstain,

Sin held its sway unceasing;

The task was useless and in vain,

Our guilt was e'er increasing.

None can remove sin's poisoned dart

Or purify our guileful heart

So deep is our corruption.