

Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran Church

6514 E 750 N Ossian, IN 46777

A congregation of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod



Seventeenth Sunday of Trinity

Divine Service – Setting One

October 12, 2025

Vol. 127-46

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.

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Introit (sung responsively)



Righteous are you, | O LORD,*
and right are your | just decrees.

**Deal with your servant according to your | steadfast love,*
and teach me your | statutes.**

Blessèd are those whose way is | blameless,*
who walk in the law | of the LORD!

**Blessèd are those who keep his testi- | monies,*
who seek him with their | whole heart.**

Oh that my ways may be | steadfast*
in keeping your | statutes!

**Then I shall not be | put to shame,*
having my eyes fixed on all your com- | mandments.**

*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.
 Righteous are you, | O LORD,*
 and right are your | just decrees.
 Deal with your servant according to your | steadfast love,*
 and teach me your | statutes.

Kyrie

A In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mer - cy.

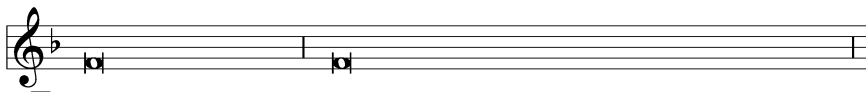
A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mer - cy.

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,

and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mer - cy.



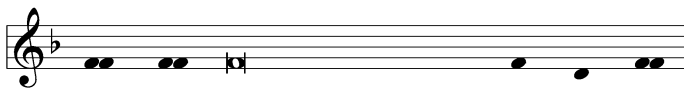
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



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.

Lord, we implore You, grant Your people grace to withstand the temptations of the devil and with pure hearts and minds to follow You, the only God; 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.

Old Testament Reading

Proverbs 25:6–14

⁶Do not put yourself forward in the king’s presence
or stand in the place of the great,

⁷for it is better to be told, “Come up here,”
than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

What your eyes have seen

⁸do not hastily bring into court,
 for what will you do in the end,
 when your neighbor puts you to shame?
⁹Argue your case with your neighbor himself,
 and do not reveal another's secret,
¹⁰lest he who hears you bring shame upon you,
 and your ill repute have no end.
¹¹A word fitly spoken
 is like apples of gold in a setting of silver.
¹²Like a gold ring or an ornament of gold
 is a wise reprover to a listening ear.
¹³Like the cold of snow in the time of harvest
 is a faithful messenger to those who send him;
 he refreshes the soul of his masters.
¹⁴Like clouds and wind without rain
 is a man who boasts of a gift he does not give.

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

Gradual

**Blessèd is the nation whose God | is the LORD,*
 the people whom he has chosen as his | heritage!
 By the word of the LORD the heav- | ens were made,*
 and by the breath of his mouth | all their host.**

Epistle

Ephesians 4:1-6

¹I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— ⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

- 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

Luke 14:1–11

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourteenth chapter.



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

¹One Sabbath, when [Jesus] went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching him carefully. ²And behold, there was a man before him who had dropsy. ³And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, “**Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?**” ⁴But they remained silent. Then he took him and healed him and sent him away. ⁵And he said to them, “**Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?**” ⁶And they could not reply to these things. ⁷Now he told a parable to those who were invited, when he noticed how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, ⁸“**When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by him, ⁹and he who invited you both will come and say to you, ‘Give your place to this person,’ and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. ¹⁰But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher.’ Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you. ¹¹For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.”**

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Hymn of the Day

#557 Seek Where You May to Find a Way

Sermon

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.**

Prayer of the Church

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

Grace Anderson (friend of Macie Saalfrank with brain tumor)
Lisa Imbody (Layne Fisher's sister) Deb Schumm (sister inlaw of Ted and Denise Schumm)
Hazel Krenzke (granddaughter of Dan and Sue Buchinger)
Brittany (Conrad) Clausius, Sandy Avey
Eleanor Fenker (granddaughter of Peter and Sandy Meyer)
Elaine Scallon (cousin of Loren Dathe battling cancer)
Steve Ashcroft (grandfather of Ron Trammel)
Raven Baker (daughter of Ryan and Kari)
Ron Whitesel, Donna Schumm, Gail Werling
Judy Morris (friend of Mike and Linda Bultemeier)
Carla Wiederbold (cousin of Otto Clausen battling cancer)
Brandon Tomlinson (son in-law of the Brinkleys), Sandra Flum (Susan Graft's sister)

In thanksgiving for the marriage of *Graham and Megan (Herber) Stoppenhagen*

We pray for our expectant mothers *Grace (Bauermeister) Cornman,
Hannah Stuckwisch, Makena Graham*

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

We pray for our members shut-in:

Ruth Witte (Ossian Healthcare)

Marilyn Meyer (Kingston)

Marilyn Franke (Christian Care)

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

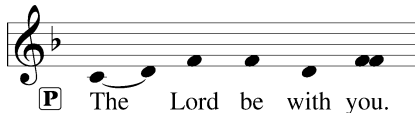
Offertory



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.



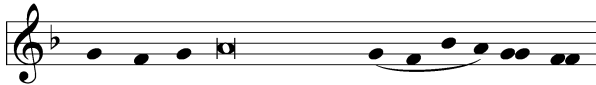
C And al - so with you.



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:

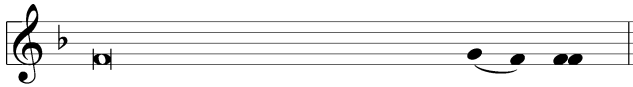
- C** **Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine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



C 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

#637 Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord
#639 Wide Open Stand the Gates
#662 Onward, Christian Soldiers
#857 Lord, Help Us Walk Your Servant Way
#644 The Church's One Foundation

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 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.

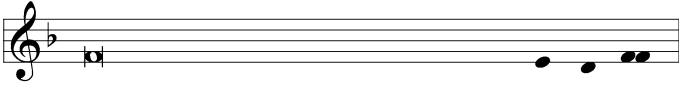
Post-Communion Collect

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.



G 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

#700 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

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!

IN HIS SERVICE

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

Rev. Samuel Wirgau
Sem. Charles McLain
Sem. Brandon Streeks
Wendy Boehm
Bruce Werling
Bruce Werling, Mike Schumm
Richard Brinkley
Emilie Meyer
Hunter Householder, Matthew Rekeweg
Cheryl Louison and Deann Oliver
Travis Avey, Jeff Gresley, Dean Scheumann
Peyton Laley, Gavin Laley, Kyle Patrick, Aaron Anthony

Pastor: Rev. Samuel Wirgau (Samuel.wirgau@gmail.com)	260-273-7595
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Bethlehem Lutheran School	260-597-7366
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Kantor: Mr. Richard Brinkley	260-705-4105
Deaconess: Wendy Boehm	260-415-8526
<i>Website for Church and School: www.blcsossian.org</i>	

TODAY **9:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion**
10:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class – Sunday School
11:30 a.m. Board of Elders Meeting
11:30 a.m. Voice of Bethlehem (WZBD 92.7)

MONDAY 2:00 p.m. WOB Bible Study
 NO Handbell Choir Practice

WEDNESDAY **10:00 a.m. Chapel Service**
5:30 p.m. Catechesis Class
7:00 p.m. Evening Spoken Service
 NO Adult Choir Practice

THURSDAY 7:00 p.m. WOB Bible Study

SUNDAY **9:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion**
10:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class – Sunday School
11:30 a.m. Voice of Bethlehem (WZBD 92.7)

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

FLOWERS PLACED UNDER THE HYMNBOARD are given with thanksgiving to God in celebration of the marriage of Graham and Megan Stoppenhagen, married yesterday at St. Joe, Hessen Cassel.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING – October 19th after Adult Bible Class

A HUGE THANK YOU- to all who volunteered and purchased meals for the smoked pork chop dinner! Both the Women of Bethlehem and the Northern Wells Food Pantry benefited from your generosity. If you took a yard sign advertising for the dinner, please return it to the church hallway so we can store them for next year.

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY - In remembrance and thanksgiving for all the saints who, having finished their course in faith, now rest from their labors, we would like to have a special "All Saint's Day" memorial on Sunday, November 5th. If you have a loved one you would like to add, please contact Deaconess Boehm or the church office with their name(s) by October 29th. There will be a special bulletin insert and those who have passed away in the last year will have their name read during the prayers. Please consider sharing in this special remembrance.

THE WIDOWS GROUP will be meeting on Sunday, October 26th at The Galley in Decatur after church. If interested in attending or need a ride, contact Gail Werling.

BETHLEHEM HOLIDAY BAZAAR AND SWISS STEAK DINNER to be held on Sunday, November 2nd 11:00 -1:30 pm in the school gymnasium. If you or someone you know is interested in reserving a vendor table for the Bazaar, please contact Kay Schumm at 260-273-7402. Volunteers will be needed to help with this event, please see signup sheets posted in the north hallway.

The LWML will have a cookie walk during the Holiday Bazaar and will need your donation of homemade cookies!

Bethlehem Lutheran School “ST. PADDY’S ALL CLOVER AGAIN”-Silent Auction and Gala Tickets are on sale NOW! Tickets will be available today after church at the SCRIP table. Join us November 8th for a legendary night of fun all while raising money for our wonderful school! See attached flyer for more information.

Veterans Day Program on Tuesday, November 11 | 1–2 PM | School Gym: Join us as we honor the men and women who have served our country with courage and sacrifice. All veterans, families, and community members are warmly invited. Please share the flyer in the newsletter with anyone who might be interested in attending. The event is free, but we kindly ask attendees to RSVP with the school secretary (260)597-7366 or bethlehemossiansec@gmail.com to help us plan for refreshments.

Decatur Circuit Tanzania Fundraiser – Friday, November 21 beginning at 6 p.m. at Cross Creek Golf Course Double Eagle Pavilion in Decatur. For a first attempt at such a fundraiser, we are keeping things simple and casual. A full meal will be provided, and cards and board games will be available for relaxed Christian fellowship. The suggested donation is \$25 per person, but we will certainly be thankful for any amount below or above that, as the Lord gives us each means to support His work in Tanzania. If you would like to help with donations, set-up, service, and/or clean-up, please contact Jared Lengerich or Pastor Brock.

FRIENDS OF WYNEKEN - In 1925, a group of Lutherans with strong ties to Fort Wayne purchased the campus of Valparaiso University with plans to turn it into a Lutheran school of higher education. The Friends of Wyneken will host a presentation on the history of the purchase of Valparaiso and its connections to the Ku Klux Klan, the Walther League, and the American Luther League **TODAY**, Sunday, October 12 at 3 PM at the historic Wyneken House. The house will be open for visitors to tour from 2-5 PM. It is located at 11730 NW Winchester Road, Decatur, IN.

VISUAL FAITH MINISTRY – Date change - Mark your calendar for our next **workshop on Tuesday, October 21st from 6 - 8 pm** in the school Art Room. Be sure to sign up so we have supplies ready for you! We will be making a gratitude garland to display in your home this fall. Sign up at <https://blcsossian.org/visual-faith-ministry/> Reach out to Deann Oliver via text at 616-894-0144 or by email deannrene@outlook.com for questions. No cost to attend, but donations will be appreciated to help with supply costs.

SENIOR CITIZENS LUNCH EVENT – New Hope Lutheran Church, Thursday, October 16th at 11:30 p.m. with entertainment by Coalition Quartet. Reservations can be made to 260-223-4830 or 260-622-5974. Free will offering will be appreciated.

St. Peter-Immanuel Lutheran School is having a **Dan's Famous Fish and Tenderloin Dinner & Bake Sale** on Saturday November 1st from 4:00-7:00pm with dine-in or drive thru service. Cost is \$15.00 per meal and includes AYCE fish and or tenderloin, also serving cheesy potatoes, applesauce or homemade coleslaw, cookies and a drink. Proceeds are going towards refurbishing the gym floor.

Emmanuel Lutheran Church (Soest), 9909 Wayne Trace, Fort Wayne, will be having their **Fall Rummage & Bake Sale** on Friday, October 17th, from 10am-6pm and on Saturday, October 18th, from 8am-noon. Bag Sale will be on Saturday, 1 paper grocery bag for \$2, or 1 13 gal. garbage bag for \$5.

Mark your calendars for the Lutheran Bible Institute to take place January 27, February 3, 10, 17. Contact Ted or Denise Schumm for further information or questions.

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 will be November 2nd.** 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 October 5, 2025

Average weekly need \$14,000

Home Fund Env.	\$12,675.93
Synod	
Loose	184.75
Scholarship Fund	
Sunday School	6.77
Improvement Fund	50.00
Endowment Fund	
Organ Fund	
Total	<u>\$12,917.45</u>

Financial Report

Home Fund Balance \$17,731.86

Next week's bills due: \$6,000

Bills due two weeks: \$15,000

Savings Account Balance \$15,281.81

Borrowed from Savings: \$46,000

Operating Loan Balance \$30,000

Borrowed from Op Loan \$0.00

Church Attendance

Sunday 169/113

Wednesday 25/20

Here is the monthly report for the Bethlehem Lutheran School Endowment Fund by the Lutheran Foundation. The following information is accurate as of August 31, 2025:

\$367,127.82 - Amount Bethlehem sent in since 2009

224,083.00 - Amount the Lutheran Foundation matched

370,297.75 - Amount generated since 2009

-179,500.00 - Amount disbursed to Bethlehem since 2009

\$782,008.57 - Value of the Endowment Fund as of August 31, 2025

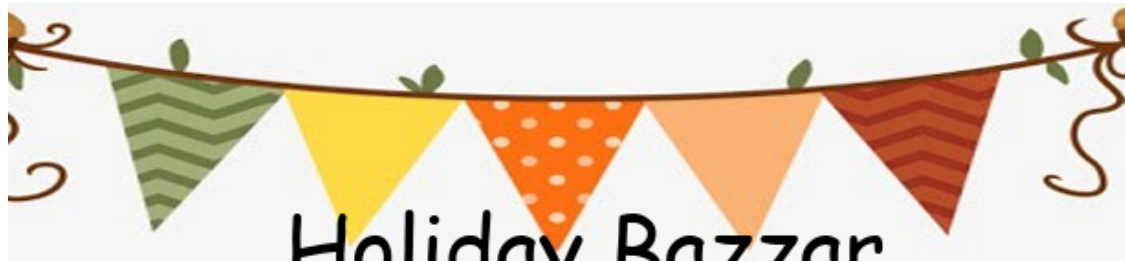
Dr. David Nahrwold Fund

\$ 90,078.93 - Amount sent in since November 2024

6,992.76 - Amount generated since November 2024

-10,000.00 - Amount disbursed to Bethlehem since 2024

\$ 87,071.69 - Value of Dr. David Nahrwold Fund as of August 31, 2025



Holiday Bazaar and Swiss Steak Dinner

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

6514 E 750 N Ossian, IN 46777

**Sunday, November 2, 2025
11:00 to 1:30 pm**

*Swiss Steak
Mashed Potatoes
Gravy
Green Beans
Dinner Roll
Dessert*

Adults \$15.00

Children 10 & under \$6.00

Hot Dog meal \$4.00

DINE IN or CARRY OUT

*Proceeds go to
Women of Bethlehem
project fund.*



Bethlehem Lutheran School St Paddy's All Clover Again Silent Auction and Gala

~Featuring entertainment by The Ragtag Bunch~

Join us for a legendary night of fun...
all while raising money for our wonderful school!

November 8, 2025
at The Lighted Gardens ~ 10794 St Rt 1, Ossian, IN

Doors open & Silent Auction begins at 5:15pm ~ Dinner served at 6:30pm
Silent Auction ends at 7:10 ~ The Ragtag Bunch performs at 7:15

Ticket Prices

\$65 individual ~ \$115 couple ~ \$480 table of 8 (guaranteed seated together)

If purchasing a table, please have everyone at your table fill out a registration.

*** Last day to purchase tickets is October 26th! ***
Seating is limited!

Contact Jennifer Bultemeier 419-230-8068 or the school office 260-597-7366 for tickets

Please fill out the section below and return with payment. Thank you!

Silent Auction Registration 2025

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City, State, & Zip: _____

Phone number: _____ Number of tickets: _____

Email Address: _____

The House of Daily Bread

A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer following
The week following the Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity



“Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence” (Prov. 25:6–14). Rather, take the lowest position at the table. Humble yourself before Him. For your place is not for you to take but for Him to give. Conduct yourself with all lowliness and gentleness, bearing with one another in love (Eph. 4:1–6), that the King may give you glory in the presence of those at the table with you. “For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted” (Luke 14:1–11). Is this not the way of Christ? He is the one who took the lowest place, who humbled Himself even to the point of death for us. He is now exalted to the highest place at the right hand of the Father that penitent believers may be exalted together with Him in the resurrection. To the humble at His Supper He says, “Friend, move up higher,” giving you His very body and blood for your forgiveness that you may ascend to take part in the great wedding feast which has no end.

The Order of Meditation and Prayer

Pray and confess out loud as much from the order of meditation and prayer you are able, or as your family size and ages dictate.

Learn by heart the verse, catechism, and hymn of the week.

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.

Hymn of the Week: "Seek Where You May to Find a Way" LSB #557

Recite the Ten Commandments and the Apostles' Creed (LSB pg. 264)

The Catechism:

What is the First Article of the Apostles' Creed?

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

What does this mean?

I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them.

He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have.

He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life. He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me.

For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him. This is most certainly true.

What is Hebrews 11:3?

By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

Hebrews 11:3

Psalm 2 and/or the appointed daily Psalms listen below.

Daily Psalm	Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
A.M.	137, 138	140, 141	144	147	148	1, 2	5
P.M.	139	142, 143	145	146	149, 150	3	4, 6

Daily Bible Reading

Mon.	John 1:1-18 - The Word Made Flesh Deuteronomy 11:26-12:12
Tues.	John 1:19-34 - Behold the Lamb of God Deuteronomy 12:13-32
Wed.	John 1:35-51 - The First Disciples Deuteronomy 13:1-18
Thu.	John 2:1-11 - The Wedding in Cana of Galilee Deuteronomy 14:1-2, 22-23, 28-15:15
Fri.	John 2:13-22, - Jesus' First Cleansing of the Temple Deuteronomy 15:19-16:22
Sat.	<i>Look ahead to Sunday's Readings</i>

Prayers

Collect of the Day

Lord, we implore You, grant Your people grace to withstand the temptations of the devil and with pure hearts and minds to follow You, the only God; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Daily Themes For Prayer

Sunday: *For the joy of the resurrection among us; for the fruit of faith nourished by the Word and the Sacraments.*

Monday: For faith to live in the promises of Holy Baptism; for one's calling and daily work; for the unemployed; for the salvation and well-being of our neighbors; for schools, colleges, and seminaries; for good government and for peace.

Tuesday: For deliverance against temptation and evil; for the addicted and despairing, the tortured and oppressed; for those struggling with sin.

Wednesday: For marriage and family, that husbands and wives, parents and children live in ordered harmony according to the Word of God; for parents who must raise children alone; for our communities and neighborhoods.

Thursday: For the Church and her pastors; for teachers, deaconesses, and other church workers; for missionaries and for all who serve the Church; for fruitful and salutary use of the blessed Sacrament of Christ's body and blood.

Friday: For the preaching of the holy cross of our Lord Jesus Christ and for the spread of His knowledge throughout the whole world; for the persecuted and oppressed; for the sick and dying.

Saturday: For faithfulness to the end; for the renewal of those who are withering in the faith or have fallen away; for receptive hearts and minds to God's Word on the Lord's Day; for pastors and people as they prepare to administer and receive Christ's holy gifts.

In our Prayers this week: Strength and healing: Grace, Lisa, Deb, Hazel, Brittany, Sandy, Elaine, Eleanor, Steve, Raven, Ron, Donna, Gail, Judy, Carla, Brandon, Sandra **Marriage:** Graham and Megan **Stoppenhagen** **Expectant mothers:** Grace, Hannah, Makena **Protection:** Stephen, **Homebound:** Ruth, Marilyn, Marilyn, Donald, Norwin and Martha.

Lord's Prayer and Morning or Evening Prayer from the Catechism
(LSB pg. 266)

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**

Looking forward to Sunday Morning: Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity
Old Testament: Isaiah 35:5-8; Epistle: 2 Timothy 4:5-18; Gospel: Luke 10:1-9; Hymns: 518, 810, 640, 641, 826, 856, 656