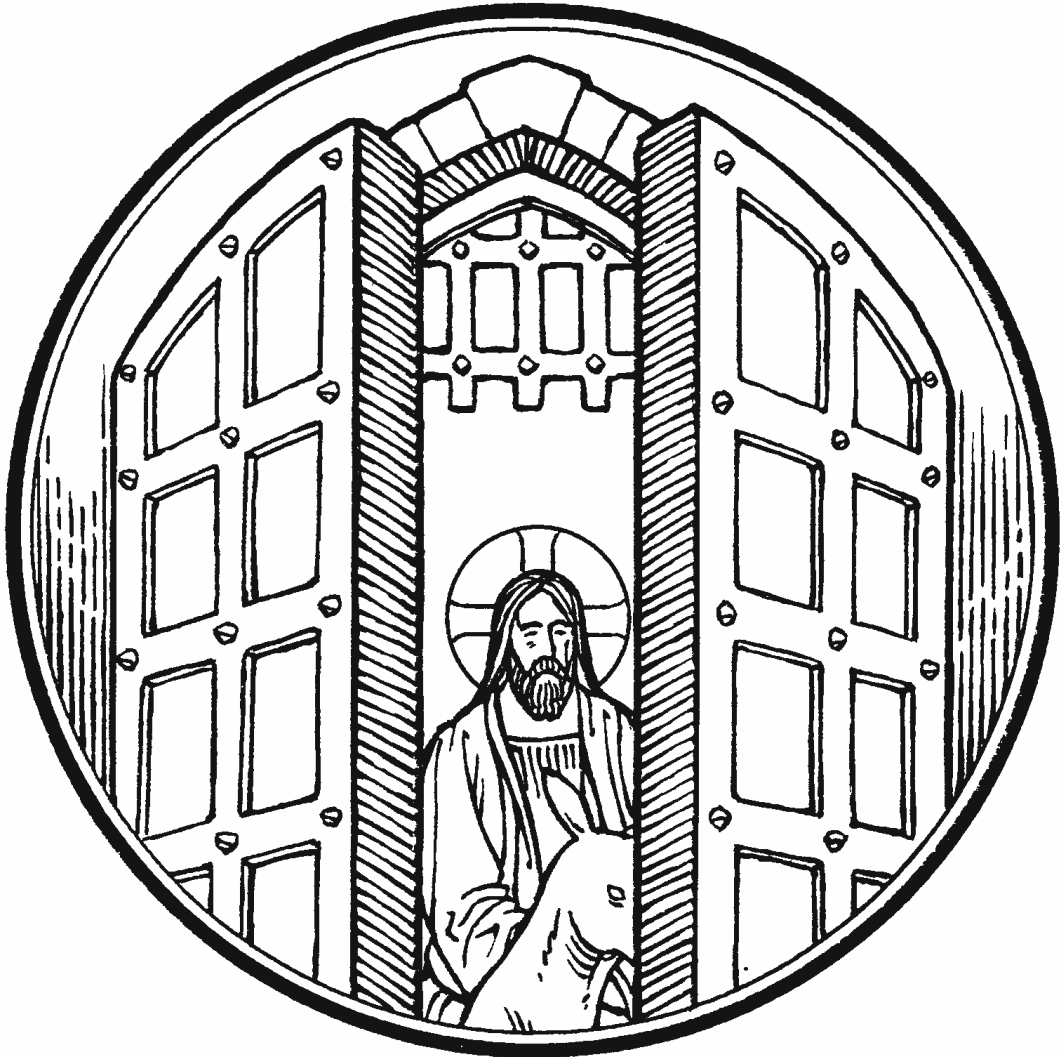


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A congregation of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod



First Sunday in Advent

Divine Service – Setting Three

November 30, 2025

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Processional Hymn

#331 The Advent of Our King



- 1 The ad - vent of our King Our prayers must now em - ploy,
2 The ev - er - last - ing Son In - car - nate deigns to be,
3 O Zi - on's daugh - ter, rise To meet your low - ly King,
4 As judge, on clouds of light, He soon will come a - gain



And we must hymns of wel - come sing In strains of ho - ly joy.
Him - self a ser - vant's form puts on To set His ser - vants free.
Nor let your faith - less heart de - spise The peace He comes to bring.
And His true mem - bers all u - nite With Him in heav'n to reign.

- 5 Before the dawning day
Let sin's dark deeds be gone,
The sinful self be put away,
The new self now put on.

- △ 6 All glory to the Son,
Who comes to set us free,
With Father, Spirit, ever one
Through all eternity.

Text: Charles Coffin, 1676-1749; tr. John Chandler, 1806-76, alt.
Tune: Aaron Williams, 1731-76
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.

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Introit (*sung responsively*)



To you, O LORD, I lift | up my soul.*

O my God, in you I trust; let me not be | put to shame.

Let not my enemies exult | over me.*

Indeed, none who wait for you shall be | put to shame.

Make me to know your ways, | O LORD;*
teach me | your paths.

**Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my sal- | vation;*
for you I wait all the | day long.**

May integrity and uprightness pre- | serve me,*
for I | wait for you.

**Redeem Israel, | O God,*
out of all his | troubles.**

***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.***

To you, O LORD, I lift | up my soul.*

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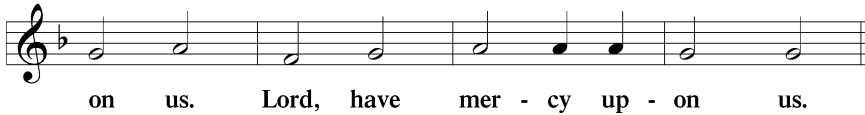
Let not my enemies exult | over me.*

Indeed, none who wait for you shall be | put to shame.

Kyrie



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



Salutation and Collect of the Day



P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.



P Let us pray.

P Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 23:5-8

⁵“Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: ‘The LORD is our righteousness.’ ⁷“Therefore, behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when they shall no longer say, ‘As the LORD lives who brought up the people of Israel out of the land of Egypt,’ ⁸but ‘As the LORD lives who brought up and led the offspring of the house of Israel out of the north country and out of all the countries where he had driven them.’ Then they shall dwell in their own land.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

None who wait for you shall be | put to shame; *
they shall be ashamed who are wantonly | treacherous.
Make me to know your ways, | O LORD; *
teach me | your paths.

Epistle

Romans 13:8–14

⁸Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet,” and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law. ¹¹Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. ¹²The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. ¹³Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

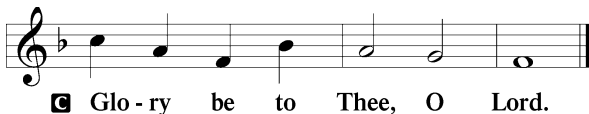
Alleluia



Holy Gospel

Matthew 21:1–9

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first chapter.



¹When they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, ²saying to them, “**Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me.** ³**If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will send them at once.**”

⁴This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying, ⁵“Say to the daughter of Zion, ‘Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.’” ⁶The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. ⁷They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. ⁸Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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:

Joel Chancellor (DoRena's uncle), Heather Hawke (DoRena's cousin)
 Jenny Peterson (friend of Cheryl Louison), Kenneth Werling, James DeFrain
 Megan Dunham, Dan Bush (stepfather of Chad Dunham)
 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
 Elaine Scallon (cousin of Loren Dathe battling cancer)
 Carla Wiederhold (cousin of Otto Clausen battling cancer)
 Brandon Tomlinson (son in-law of the Brinkleys), Sandra Flum (Susan Graft's sister)

Anniversary blessing: Leon and Arlene Werling celebrating 50 years of marriage

We pray for our expectant mothers Hannah Stuckwisch, Makena Graham

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

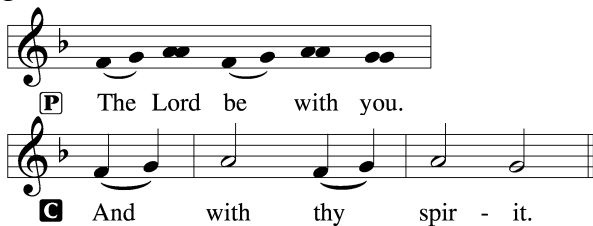
We pray for our members shut-in:

Ruth Witte (Ossian Healthcare)
 Marilyn Meyer (Kingston)
 Marilyn Franke (Christian Care)
 Rev. Donald Lutz (Lutheran Life Village)
 Norvin and Martha Bauermeister (Astral in Auburn)

We pray for our Church, School and all her workers

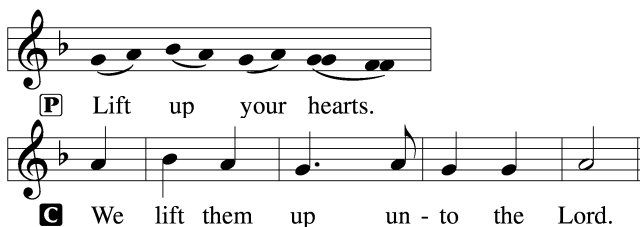
We pray for all military personnel

Preface



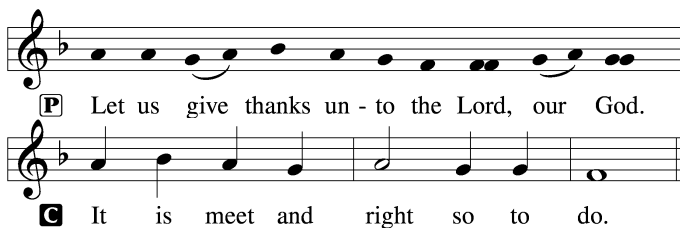
P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.



P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them up un - to the Lord.



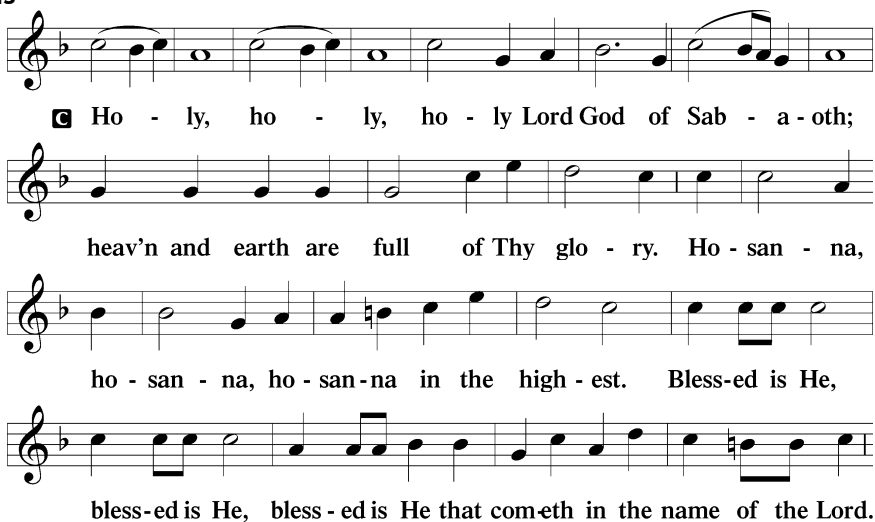
P Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.

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,

bless - ed is He, bless - 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

- #625 Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread
- #627 Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior
- #586 Preach You the Word
- #343 Prepare the Royal Highway
- #341 Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

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

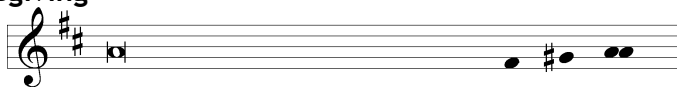


to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,

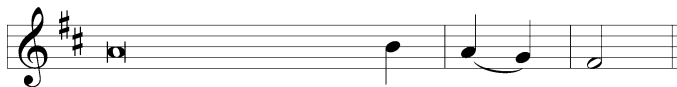


is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

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.

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.

Salutation



P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

Benedicamus

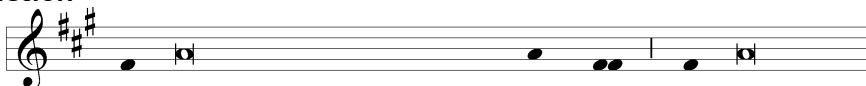


A Bless we the Lord.

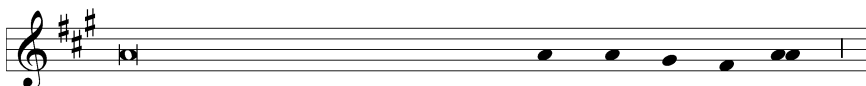


C Thanks be to God.

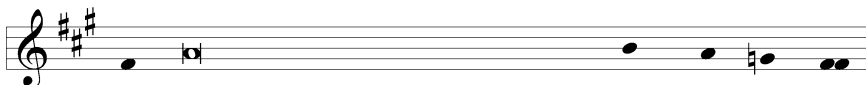
Benediction



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

#337 The Night Will Soon Be Ending

IN HIS SERVICE

Preaching / Celebrant	Rev. Anthony Dodgers
Vicar	Sem. Charles McLain
Fieldworker	Sem. Brandon Streeks
Deaconess	Wendy Boehm
Head Elder	Bruce Werling
Elders on Duty	Ted Schumm and Andrew Stoppenhagen
Kantor	Richard Brinkley
Organist	Emilie Meyer
Acolytes	Jonah Bultemeier and Matthew Rekeweg
Crucifer	Jude Wirgau
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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TODAY	9:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion
	NO Adult Bible Class or Sunday School
	11:30 a.m. Voice of Bethlehem (WZBD 92.7)
MONDAY	11:30 a.m. WOB Children's Christmas Luncheon
	6:00 p.m. Boys vs Harlan (away)
	7:00 p.m. Girls vs Harlan (away)
	7:00 p.m. Handbell Choir Practice
WEDNESDAY	10:00 a.m. Chapel Service
	5:30 p.m. Catechesis Class
	7:00 p.m. Advent Midweek Service
	7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Practice
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 bethlehemossoniansec@gmail.com or the church office at 597-7121.
<https://www.youtube.com/bethlehemlutheranchrossian> 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!

THE FLOWERS ADORNING THE ALTAR this morning have been given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving of 50 years of marriage to Leon and Arlene Werling.

CARD SHOWER - Leon and Arlene Werling will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, November 29. If you would like to send them an anniversary card, their address is 8601 N 450 E, Ossian 46777. We wish them God's blessings and a Happy Anniversary!

Please join us for Holiday Worship: Wednesday evening Advent Divine Services begin December 3rd at 7:00 pm. *The Youth Group will be providing a light supper before each of the Advent Services beginning at 6 pm. (BBQ Chicken Sandwiches, Chips, Veggies, Cookies will be served on December 3rd)* The Children's Christmas Service will be held on Wednesday, December 17th at 7:00 pm. Christmas Eve Service on December 24th at 7:00 p.m. and Christmas Day Service on December 25th at 9:00 a.m. New Year's Eve Service on December 31st at 7:00 p.m.

ADVENT DEVOTIONAL – Be sure to grab a copy of the Advent Devotional after church today. This booklet goes from Advent to Epiphany. The readings follow Pastors "House of Daily Bread" weekly devotional. Artwork in this booklet was done by the Bethlehem school students.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON is tomorrow, Monday, December 1. Thank you for volunteering to help and offering to bring food. Please have all the dishes in the fellowship hall kitchen by 11:00 am on Monday. We will serve the children, teachers and school staff at 11:30 am.

Women of Bethlehem will be putting together fruit baskets for our elderly and shut-in members on Monday, December 1st. We will assemble them in the Fellowship Hall at 9 am. Please consider meeting at that time to help put the baskets together and deliver them. The baskets are very much appreciated by our members.

PROGRESSIVE WOB CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON- The 2nd Annual WOB Progressive Christmas Luncheon is officially happening! Plan to meet at Bethlehem at 12:30 on Sunday, December 7th to carpool to Kim Werling's home (7535N 600E Ossian, IN) to enjoy a few snacks and a delicious entree or two complete with sides and drinks. Once your appetite has been somewhat satisfied there, travel to Ronda Flesch's home (8438N 750E, Ossian, IN) for desserts and drinks! Dinner cost is \$10 (Layne is collecting this) and please let Ronda, Kim, Layne or Emily Anthony know before Wednesday, December 3rd, that you are coming! Hope to see all the WOB ladies there!!

Visual Faith Workshop — **Tuesday, December 9 | 6–8 pm** Ready to spark your creativity and express your faith visually? Join us for an inspiring evening as we continue working on our prayer & gratitude journals in the downstairs school art room. Haven't started one yet? No worries—this is the perfect time to jump in and begin your journey! Come for fellowship, fun, and a chance to create something meaningful. Leave with a journal that reflects your gratitude and prayers in beautiful, personal detail. **RSVP by December 5th** at: blcsossian.org/visual-faith-ministry Let's create, connect, and enjoy fellowship together—your journal is waiting for you!

METAL RECYCLING DRIVE – Scrap metal collection is still in progress! Our DC group's container at the Werling's house has plenty of room left - let's fill it up! If you need help with loading or transport? Jay Werling and Jason Rekeweg are happy to assist! Let's make this recycling effort a success - every piece counts!

CHEESE BALLS – The youth still have homemade cheese balls available in the Fellowship Hall kitchen freezer. \$7.00 each or 3 for \$20. Please see Deaconess Boehm or a member of the youth group.

PULLED PORK FOR SALE - 1 lb. package for \$5.00 each from Women of Bethlehem.

BOOK CLUB - Join us for our next winter book club pick: “The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe” by C.S. Lewis. We will meet Saturday, January 17th after Christmas break.

The Friends of Wyneken will host a Christmas open house at the historic Wyneken House on Sunday, December 7 from 1-5 PM. The house will be decorated for the holiday season with a variety of themed Christmas villages including a Victorian town, an alpine village and a Thomas Kinkadee neighborhood. The Wyneken House is located at 11730 NW Winchester Road, Decatur, Indiana.

Wyneken Memorial Lutheran School, (11565 N US HWY 27, Decatur, IN) is hosting a craft show on Saturday, December 6, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. In addition to craft vendors, enjoy the Cookie Corner and Homemade Concessions. All proceeds are directed towards the Washington D.C. class trips. Vendor booths are still available. If you are interested in a booth or would like more information, please email craftshow@wyneken.org.

COOKIE FAIR- Emmaus Lutheran will host its annual Cookie Fair on Saturday, December 13 from 9 am to Noon. Cookies and fudge will be \$9/lb. Other treats include homemade jams, kringle and Rada cutlery. Emmaus is located at 8626 Covington Road. Call the church office at 459-7722 with any questions.

SCRIP – Please be sure to check out our new scrip certificate order sheet and ordering dates posted on the bulletin board. **Deadline for the next order date is December 7th**. 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 November 23, 2025

Average weekly need \$14,000

Home Fund Env.	\$16,299.86
Synod	70.00
Loose	162.50
Scholarship Fund	
Sunday School	8.75
Improvement Fund	22.00
Endowment Fund	
Organ Fund	<u>10.00</u>
Total	\$16,770.11

Financial Report

Home Fund Balance \$14,927.58
Next week's bills due: \$15,000
Bills due two weeks: \$5,000
Savings Account Balance \$18,015.48
Borrowed from Savings: \$46,000
Operating Loan Balance \$30,000
Borrowed from Op Loan \$0.00

Church Attendance

Sunday 176/
Wednesday

Christmas Poinsettia plants can NOW be ordered using the bulletin insert and returning to the church office. Thank you

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA PLANT ORDER FORM

**Poinsettia plants will again be used to decorate the church for Christmas!
If interested in ordering plants, please return this form with your payment
to the church office by Sunday, Dec. 14th**

*Flowers can be picked up after the Christmas Day Service. Thank you

_____ 6" pot \$13.00



Please make checks payable to: Women of Bethlehem.

Ordered by: _____

IN MEMORY OF: _____

IN HONOR OF: _____

The House of Daily Bread

A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer following
The week following the First Sunday in Advent



The new Church Year begins by focusing on the humble coming of our Lord. "Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey" (Matt. 21:5). Even as He was born in a lowly manger, so Jesus rides into Jerusalem on a beast of burden. For He bears the sin of the world. He is the Son of David riding to His enthronement on the cross, where He shows Himself to be "The LORD is our Righteousness" (Jer. 23:5-6). Our Lord still comes in great humility to deliver His righteousness to us in the Word and Sacraments. Before receiving Christ's body and blood, we also sing, "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!" (Matt. 21:9) And as we receive the Sacrament, we set our hearts on His return in glory, for "our salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed" (Rom. 13:11).

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: "I Am Jesus' Little Lamb" LSB #740

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

The Catechism:

What is Baptism?

Baptism is not just plain water, but it is the water included in God's command and combined with God's word.

Which is that word of God?

Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew: Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Matthew 28:19

What benefits does baptism give?

It works forgiveness of sins, rescues from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe this, as the words and promises of God declare.

Which are these words and promises of God?

Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Mark: Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned. Mark 16:16

What is John 3:5?

Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. John 3:5

Psalm 24 and/or the appointed daily Psalms listen below.

Daily Psalm	Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
A.M.	115	117, 118	119:1-24	119:49-72	119:89-112	119:137-152	122, 123
P.M.	116	120, 121	119:25-48	119:73-88	119:113-136	119:153-176	124

Daily Bible Reading

Mon.	Matthew 3:1-6, 13-17 - The Baptism of Our Lord Isaiah 7:10-8:8
Tues.	John 1:19-34- Behold the Lamb of God Isaiah 8:9-9:7
Wed.	John 3:1-16 - Nicodemus Comes to Jesus by Night Isaiah 9:8-10:11
Thu.	John 4:1-30 - The Woman at the Well Isaiah 10:12-27a, 33-34
Fri.	John 5:1-15 - The Pool of Bethesda Isaiah 11:1-12:6
Sat.	<i>Look ahead to Sunday's Readings</i>

Prayers

Collect of the Day

Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father 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: Joel, Heather, Jenny, James, Kenneth, Meghan, Dan, Grace, Lisa, Deb, Hazel, Enoch, Brittany, Elaine, Carla, Brandon, Sandra **Expectant mothers:** 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: Second Sunday in Advent

Old Testament: Malachi 4:1-6; Epistle: Romans 15:4-13; Gospel: Luke 21:25-36; Hymns: 355, 336, 333, 334, 335, 346, 338, 834