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The Bethlehem

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Luther on Galatians 4:19

We continue our look at Luther's lectures on Galatians, looking particularly at his comments on Galatians 4:19 where Paul writes, "My little children, with whom I am again in travail until Christ be formed in you!"

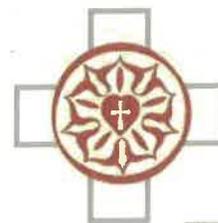
Luther writes, "This is an allegory. The apostles—like all teachers, though in a special way—acted in the place of parents; just as the latter give birth to the form of the body, so the former to the form of the mind. Now the form of the Christian mind is faith, the trust of the heart, which takes hold of Christ, clings only to Him and to nothing else besides. A heart that is equipped with such confidence has the true form of Christ, which is provided by the ministry of the Word. . . . For the Word proceeds from the mouth of the apostle and reaches the heart of the hearer; there the Holy Spirit is present and impresses that Word on the heart, so that it is heard. In this way every preacher is a parent, who produces and forms the true shape of the Christian mind though the ministry of the Word.

At the same time Paul attacks the false apostles in passing, as though he were to say: 'Through the Gospel I truly became your father. But those corrupters and distorters came and established a new image in your heart, not that of Christ but that of Moses, so that your confidence no longer rests on Christ but on the works of the Law. This is an alien and completely diabolical form, not the true form or the form of Christ.'

Paul does not say: 'I am again in travail with you until my form be formed in you.' No, he says; 'until Christ be formed in you.' That is: 'I am laboring in order that you may acquire the form and likeness of Christ again, not that of Paul.' With these words he rebukes the false apostles again; for they abolished the form of Christ in the minds of the believers and made up another form, namely, their own. 'They desire to have you circumcised,' he says in Gal. 6:13, 'that they may glory in your flesh.'

In short, [Paul says] 'I am in travail with you; that is, I am laboring anxiously again to call you back to your original faith, which you lost when you were deceived by the cleverness of the false apostles and fell back into the Law and works. Therefore a new and difficult labor has been laid upon me, to lead you back from the Law to faith in Christ.' This is what he calls 'being in travail'" (Luther's Works, American Edition, Volume 26, pages 430-431).

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March 2026

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat



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Land, Legacy, and Life! March 1, 2026 – Second Sunday in Lent Rev. Dr. Thomas Ahlersmeyer God holds your entire world in His hands through three special gifts: Land, Legacy, and Life! Learn how these gifts, promised more

than four thousand years ago to Abraham continue to share our past, present, and future. Sermon Text: Genesis 12:1-3 Readings: Psalm 121; Genesis 12:1-9; John 3:1-17 Featured Choirs: Holy Cross Junior Choir, Fort Wayne, Ind.; St. John Lutheran Adult Choir, Indianapolis, Ind. Featured Art and Architecture: Immanuel Lutheran Church, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Living Water March 8, 2026 – Third Sunday in Lent Rev. Shayne Jonker Our sin has left us parched and thirsty. No mere water can quench our thirst for God. Oh, how we try the alternatives. But, the polluted puddles of this world's religions and spiritualities can't quench the deep thirst we have for righteousness, for wholeness, for peace. Only God can provide that Living Water which flows freely like a stream. Only God in the flesh opens up that stream to us so that we may drink and live. Sermon Text: John 4:10 Readings: Psalm 95:1-9; Exodus 17:1-7; John 4:5-26 Featured Choir: Lincoln Lutheran High School, Lincoln, Neb. Featured Art and Architecture: Christ Lutheran Church, Woodburn, Ind.

Eyes That See March 15, 2026 – Fourth Sunday in Lent Rev. Paul Shoemaker Jesus performs a miraculous sign, giving sight to a man born blind. What a tremendous gift! But the religious leaders, who were spiritually blind, refuse to see with the eyes of faith that the Man before them is the Christ. We thank God for spiritual sight and the opportunities we have to lead others to spiritual sight. Sermon Text: John 9:1-7, 13-17, 34-39 Readings: Psalm 142; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-7, 13-17, 34-39 Featured Choirs: Christ Our Rock Lutheran High School, Centralia, Ill.; Indiana District LWML Choir Featured Art and Architecture: Zion Lutheran Church, Woodburn, Ind.

Is, Not Was March 22, 2026 – Fifth Sunday in Lent Rev. William Mueller John 11 brings us to one of the greatest miracles of Jesus: raising Lazarus from the dead. In this account, Jesus also teaches us two powerful truths. He shows what it means that He is the Resurrection and the Life, and He moves us to discover that believing this resurrection truth greatly impacts our life. Sermon Text: John 11:17-27, 38-53 Readings: Psalm 130; Ezekiel 37:1-14; John 11:17-27, 38-53 Featured Choirs: Saint Paul Singing Saints, Concordia, Mo.; Lincoln Lutheran High School, Lincoln, Neb. Featured Art and Architecture: Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Van Wert, Ohio

Do You Understand? March 29, 2026 – Palm Sunday Rev. Scott Zeckzer We are told that the disciples did not understand what was going on during the first Palm Sunday. The crowds were excited about Jesus but were confused, too. What about you? Do you understand Palm Sunday? Sermon Text: John 12:16 Readings: Psalm 118:19-29; Philippians 2:5-11; John 12:12-19 Featured Choirs: Holy Cross Angelis Choir, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Holy Cross Men's Chorus, Fort Wayne, Ind. Featured Art and Architecture: Emmanuel Lutheran Church, New Haven, Ind.

Birthday Blessings! March



- 01) Dale Meyer
Cole Patrick
Sarena Wirgau
- 02) Jonathan Dathe
RieAnn Krinn
Arlene Werling
- 03) Kim Graft
Olivia Lambert
Lucas Werling
- 04) Jordan Flesch
Grayson Smith
Greyson Taylor
- 05) Betsy Dodgers
Betty Roembke
- 06) Richard Brinkley
Jason Rekeweg
- 08) Kenneth Werling
- 09) Autumn Fisher
Michael Pursifull
Glen Werling
- 10) Brian Shelton
- 11) Lorie Bauermeister
Lisa Black
Violet Boehm
- 13) Sheryl Bauermeister
- 14) Elijah Campbell
- 15) David Flesch
Brittany Karns
- 16) Archer Todd
- 17) Preston Graham
Nicole Walda
- 18) Trent Aschliman
Adalyn Patrick
- 19) Sandra Graft
Diana Thorpe
Julie Werling
Tori Wiese
- 20) Burk Evans
Collin Laley
Phillip Werling
- 21) Donald Avey
Don Schueler
- 22) Vinny Fuhrmann
Makena Graham
- 24) Felicity Phillips
- 25) Cindy Meyer
- 26) Landri Bauermeister
Nathanael Werling
- 27) Emersyn Schumm
- 29) Emily Anthony
- 30) Sarah Bauermeister
Debbie Coty
Chandler Green
- 31) Sheldon Meyer

Wedding Anniversary Blessings

- March 3 Andrew and Gay Stoppenhagen (25)
 March 12 Brian and Kirsten Whitsitt (27)
 March 14 Mark and Susan Sauer (45)



Visual Faith Workshop | Tuesday, March 10 from 6-8pm

Join us for Around the Word, a practice where we focus on a passage of Scripture in different Bible translations and apply it to our lives today. We will also be creating Easter faith mail to share with friends and family. RSVP at <https://blcsossian.org/visual-faith-ministry/> or contact Deann Oliver at 616-894-0144

Spring Women's Bible Study:

"Christ in the Psalms"

We have been studying the appointed psalm for each Lenten week, correlating with Bethlehem's Lenten services and our Lenten devotional. We will incorporate Visual Faith practices, explore multiple Bible translations, and reflect on key words and phrases. We meet on Tuesday's at 2:00 and Thursday's at 6:30p.m. in the Art Room or Fellowship Hall. Please join us! Contact Deaconess Boehm if you have questions.

TIMELINE | *Christ IN THE Psalms*

- 1** INTRO TO THE PSALMS & ASH WEDNESDAY
 - Monday, Feb 9
 - Thursday, Feb 12
- 2** INVOCABIT - PSALM 32
 - Monday, Feb 16
 - Thursday, Feb 19
- 3** REMINISCERE - PSALM 121
 - Monday, Feb 23
 - Thursday, Feb 26
- 4** OCULI - PSALM 4
 - Monday, Mar 2
 - Thursday, Mar 5
- 5** LAETARE - PSALM 132
 - Monday, Mar 9
 - Thursday, Mar 12
- 6** JUDICA - PSALM 43
 - Monday, Mar 16
 - Thursday, Mar 19
- 7** HOLY WEEK - PSALM 118, PSALM 116, & PSALM 22
 - Monday, Mar 23 (Spring Break Week)
 - Thursday, Mar 26 (Spring Break Week)

**The Endowment Committee thanks the Lord and the congregation
for the generous gifts to the Endowment Fund.**

Here is the monthly report for the Bethlehem Lutheran School Endowment Fund by the Lutheran Foundation. The following information is accurate as of January 31, 2026:

\$373,427.82 - Amount Bethlehem sent in since 2009
230,383.00 - Amount the Lutheran Foundation matched
417,176.07 - Amount generated since 2009
-179,500.00 - Amount disbursed to Bethlehem since 2009
\$841,486.89 - Value of the Endowment Fund as of January 31, 2026

Dr. David Nahrwold Fund
\$ 90,078.93 - Amount sent in since November 2024
12,141.40 - Amount generated since November 2024
-10,000.00 - Amount disbursed to Bethlehem since 2024
\$ 92,220.33 - Value of Dr. David Nahrwold Fund as of January 31, 2026

**Enjoy the convenience of Electronic
Giving!**

Please consider setting up a recurring giving plan. Automating your financial commitments means your contributions will be received on a steady, uninterrupted basis. If you wish to make a single online donation or set up recurring donations, you may do so on our website, www.blcsossian.org through our third-party provider-Vanco Payment Solutions. Online giving may be done as a credit card payment or ACH bank transfer. Please note, the church will incur a processing fee on each online transaction. Credit card transactions will be charged at least 2.75% fee. For ACH bank transfers, there is a fee of 1% of each dollar charged. This may affect how you wish to direct your online donations. You may also elect to increase your gift to cover the cost of the transaction fees.

The St. John-Emmanuel Lutheran School Craft Show (9909 Wayne Trace) will be held on **March 7 from 9 AM - 2 PM**. Come visit the booths of 40 different local vendors to shop for handcrafted items, gifts, and other goodies. Concessions will be available for purchase.



St. John Bingen annual Dan's Fish and Tenderloin Dinner – Sunday, March 15th, 10:30-1:00 pm, at Wyneken Memorial Lutheran School. Adults \$15.00; Children (6-12) \$10.00, 5 & under free. All proceeds go to the HVAC Fund. Drive thru and carry out available.

BETHLEHEM FINANCIAL REPORT

General Fund (Home Fund) to Pay Operating Bills:

Balance:	\$ 59,652.80
Outstanding Checks Paid:	\$ 16,497.87
Total Checking:	\$ 43,154.93

Savings Fund Balance:

	Accrued Amount	Restricted Amount Borrowed	Actual Balance
Improvement Fund:	\$ 33,467.19	\$ 14,983.81	\$ 18,483.38
Scholarship Fund:	\$ 16,525.89	\$ -	\$ 16,525.89
Music Fund:	\$ 4,043.15	\$ -	\$ 4,043.15
Relief Fund:	\$ 4,181.62	\$ -	\$ 4,181.62
Organ Fund:	\$ 5,915.93	\$ -	\$ 5,915.93
Endowment:	\$ 250.00	\$ -	\$ 250.00
Synod/Seminary Fund:	\$ 1,310.00	\$ -	\$ 1,310.00
Special Project - Flooring	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00
Reserved (TBD):	\$ 2,469.26	\$ -	\$ 2,469.26
Totals	\$ 73,163.04	\$ 14,983.81	\$ 58,179.23

Borrowed Amounts

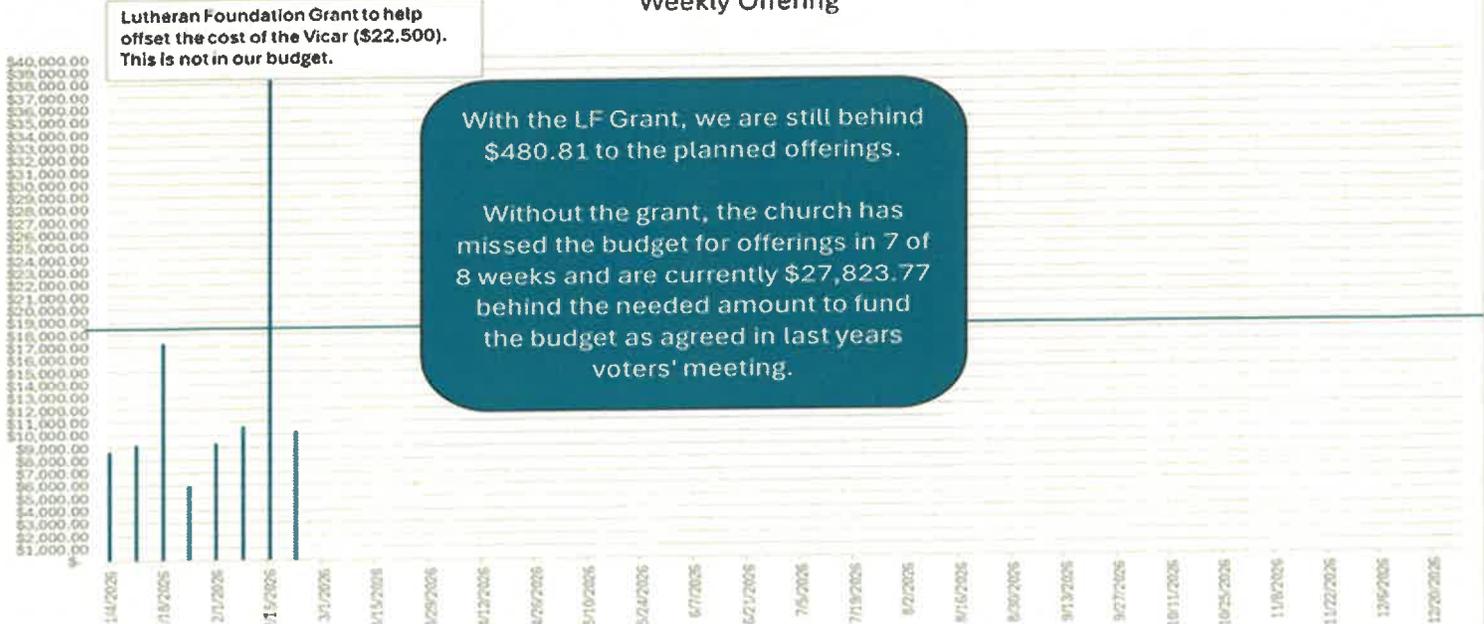
From Restricted Savings Account	\$ 14,983.81	
Operating Loan	\$ -	(of \$30,000 max available)
TOTAL BORROWED	\$ 14,983.81	(\$0.00/day for interest)

Total cash available to pay operate church

\$ 131,334.16

Bills due week of:	3/2/2026	\$	5,000
Bills due week of:	3/9/2026	\$	15,000

Weekly Offering



YOUTH Newsletter

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WHAT WE'RE LEARNING

Bible Study

The Middle School group attended the Christ Academy Confirmation Retreat on February 13–15, 2026 at CTSFW. We had 14 attend the event. Christ Academy offers confessional catechesis, liturgical worship, and Christian fellowship for all ages—confirmation students, high schoolers, college students, and parents.

Thank you for all who came out to the Chili Cook-Off. Congratulations to our winners!

UPCOMING:

Lenten Suppers:

March 4, 11, 18, 25

Easter Breakfast: April 5

(funds will go towards Higher Things Conference at Washington University in St. Louis, MO on June 23-26, 2026)

Galatians 5:16-26

March 8th

New Hope 2nd year Seminarian

Middle: Seminarian William Harr

High: Vicar Charles McLain

Spring Break

“...walk by the Spirit...”

Galatians 5:16

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Bible Study: March 8
(6:30pm–8:00pm)
- Bible Study: March 22
NONE (Spring Break)



Christ Academy
Confirmation Retreat
Middle School Group



Chili Cook-Off Winners
Alex F., DoRena W., Ella S.

REFRESHMENTS

Doughnut Duty: Werling

Bible Study 8th: Rekeweg



"SING, PRAY, AND KEEP HIS WAYS:" NURTURING YOUNG FAITH IN WORSHIP

MARCH 2026

For Bethlehem

Focus

- Children ages 0-12
- **Location Groups:** Loft; Pew; Chancel; **SACRISTY**
- **Affinity Groups:** Relationships; **CATECHESIS AND DISCIPLESHIP;** Spiritual Care

Timeline

- Cohort 1 (Feb. 2026–Feb 2027)
- Grant: \$5,000 towards expenses that intentionally involve and teach children
- Tracking for 5 years

Our Project Plan

- Our project is intentionally focused on the Sacristy (Altar Guild) we will be creating intentional experiences for the kids to be directly involved in the beautification of the sanctuary.
- There will also be additional opportunities to develop faith-nurturing events, such as teaching and modeling family devotions and providing practical resources to equip households to continue Christ-centered devotions in the home.

About the Project

"Sing, Pray and Keep His Ways" is a five-year project guided by LCMS Worship Ministry through support from Lilly Endowment Inc. This initiative equips LCMS congregations to intentionally nurture children in lifelong faith through intergenerational, multisensory corporate worship that fosters spiritual care, catechesis, mentoring, and discipleship.

For more information visit:
<https://www.lcms.org/worship>

Upcoming Events

- July 18-23, 2026
(LCMS Convention, Phoenix, AZ)
We have 3 families attending that are providing 1 acolyte, 2 altar guild, 3 choir members.

Theme Hymn

*Sing, pray, and keep His ways unswerving,
Perform thy duties faithfully,
And trust His Word; though undeserving
Thou yet shall find it true for thee.
God never yet forsook in need
The soul that trusted Him indeed.*

*Final stanza of
"If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee" (LSB 750)*

Concordia University **SYSTEM FAIR!**

**SUNDAY
MARCH 15
12:00-3:00**

At Concordia Lutheran High School

Explore Your Future Opportunities!

- ✦ 7 Concordia Higher Education representatives will be present
- ✦ Learn about church work & other programs
- ✦ Ask questions about admissions, scholarships, & campus life



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Psychology & Social Work**

🎨 **Also enjoy the Lutheran School Fine Arts Festival**
Celebrate student talents in music & art.

Food trucks will be ready to serve throughout the event.



MARCH EVENT SCHEDULE

FACEBOOK: BRIDGE 20/30 GROUP FT. WAYNE | INSTAGRAM: THEBRIDGE2030

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MARCH 2026

MEETUP: LIVE MUSIC
7 PM THE CLUB ROOM @ THE CLYDE
CAROLYN & DAVE MARTIN
FLATBREAD SPECIAL!

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THE PORCH NIGHT: SERIES ON VANITY
7 PM THE HOLY CROSS YOUTH CENTER
3420 N ANTHONY BLVD

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BRIDGE SKATE NIGHT
8-10:30PM BELL'S SKATI&I RINK
7009 IN-930 FT WAYNE
\$10 ADMISSION & SKATE RENTAL
WEAR YOUR GREEN!

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MARCH 2026

LENTEN EXPERIENCE WITH PASTOR CHAD
7 PM THE GREENHAUS
3504 N. ANTHONY BLVD
FOLLOWED BY FELLOWSHIP & FUN!

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NO BRIDGE 20/30
CLOSED FOR SPRING BREAK



Programs and resources to amplify your generosity

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Your passion and excitement for your community are sure to make your Thrivent Action Team a success. Follow these steps to apply—and don't forget to share the results of your project with us.

1. Visit thrivent.com/actionteam for resources to help brainstorm ideas and prepare for your project.
2. Once you have your project idea, get ready to apply. Here's what you'll need when you fill out the application:
 - Your User ID and password
 - Your estimated project date (Allow 14 days for your Thrivent Action Kit to arrive)
 - A short description of your project and how you and your volunteer team will be involved
 - The church or other nonprofit organization that will benefit from the project, if applicable
 - How you'll use the Community Impact Card
 - Number of volunteers on your team and T-shirt sizes
3. Now that you have everything you need, visit thrivent.com/actionteam and click **Apply now** to begin the application process. Applying for a Thrivent Action Team takes less than 15 minutes.
4. If it is your first time logging in, you will need your Thrivent ID. If you don't know your Thrivent ID, please contact your Thrivent financial advisor or call 800-847-4836 for assistance.

After you've completed the application, watch your email inbox to see if your project was approved. You should receive an email within three business days of submitting your application.

After your project

Go to thrivent.com/actionteam and share your story. Reporting on your project takes less than 10 minutes. Make sure you have the following handy:

- Your User ID and password
- What your team accomplished
- Number of:
 - Hours to plan the event and length of event
 - Hours (on average) each person volunteered
 - Total participants
- The amount raised if you hosted a food drive or fundraiser
- **Optional:** Add your volunteer names, email and state

Questions? We're here for you.

Call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Action Teams."

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 - Scroll down to view the previous organizations you've supported. Locate the organization, click **Direct** and **enter the number of Choice Dollars** you would like to direct
 - b. To direct to a new organization:
 - In the search box, **enter keyword(s)** like organization name, ZIP code, cause, etc. Or, browse our curated lists to view top organizations by category, e.g., Nearby, Popular, Disaster relief, etc
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TIGER TALES



“Make a Joyful Noise”

Gaze upon the Beauty of the Lord

The first step in studying art (and creating art) is to gaze upon beauty. That’s not just glancing quickly or staring absentmindedly, like we do on our phones. We must give beauty our attention. We must gaze upon it with focus. Try spending two minutes really looking at the icon here in silence. What do you notice? What draws your eye? What raises questions? Beauty always leads to Truth. What is the art saying?

You might see some letters. The more familiar “INRI” at the top of the cross is a Latin abbreviation of the inscription posted by Pilate: “Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews.” The other letters are Greek. The white letters on the arms of the cross are abbreviations for “Jesus Christ.” The red letters below Christ’s hands mean “The Crucifixion.” But now focus on the people. On the left are the women who were at the cross. Mary, the mother of Jesus, is in the front in dark red. Mary Magdalene, in light red, is embracing her. On the right, the young man is the disciple John who also witnessed the crucifixion (John 19:25-27). Behind him, the bearded man in armor is the centurion. He alone is looking up at the face of Jesus. It’s as if he sees the halo marking Jesus as God, for he makes the confession: “Truly this was the Son of God” (Matthew 27:54). But also notice that Mary, Mary Magdalene, and John are all looking out at you. Their eyes invite you to gaze back and take notice of what’s happening. It’s as if they’re saying: “Look. See. Believe. He did this for you.”

Finally, let your eyes follow the flow of His precious blood, from His hands, His side, and from His feet down into the earth. Adam’s skull is buried there, but that’s also a symbol for us. We are all sinful sons of the first sinner and so we all die and return to the dust. But Christ’s blood cleanses us from sin and enlivens our dry bones. His holy death on the cross and His holy blood are beautiful and they give us true and everlasting life.

Rev. Anthony Dodgers, Headmaster



Our Fourth Quarter Chapel Offering will support a seminary student, Paul Mroczenski, who is serving his vicarage in Puerto Rico. Our goal is to collect \$300. Please see his newsletter including pictures attached in Tiger Tales.

March 2026

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

1	2	3 <i>Lucas Werling</i> 	4	5	6 <i>End of third quarter</i> <i>K-2 Fieldtrip</i>	7 <i>WOB</i> <i>Craft for a Cause</i>
8 <i>Daylight Savings</i>	9	10 <i>Board of Education Meeting</i>	11 <i>Alive and Well Starts</i> <i>Violet Boehm</i> 	12	13 <i>Social Studies Fair</i>	14
15	16 <i>6 pm PTL Meeting</i>	17	18 4-6 pm <i>Kindergarten Round-up</i>	19 <i>Birthday Pizza Party</i>	20 <i>Mrs DeFrain</i> 	21
22	23	24	25	26	27 <i>Emersyn Schumm</i> 	28
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Friday, March 13th at 6:00 p.m.

This year, our academic fair highlights our Social Studies curriculum. Students have prepared independent projects that illustrate an aspect of Indiana, American, or World history and culture. Students will display their projects, demonstrating what they learned about their topic. During the fair, attendees are encouraged to ask questions of our students, so they can share with others what they have learned.

We are asking that each school family donate at least one dozen cookies (bought or homemade) to help provide refreshments for the event. Thank you!

School Gym Use after school hours – Before using the school gym after school hours, please be sure to contact our current Athletic Director, Brandon Schumm. Please call or text him at 260-273-7403 to make arrangements. Thank you
***Rules for the gym include NO Roller Blading or Skateboarding. Please be diligent in wearing clean non-marking shoes. Thank you**

With Gradelink you can stay updated on your child's academic progress at school and get information on upcoming assignments such as assignment descriptions and due dates. The following information is available to you when you **log in to Gradelink**:

- Current Grade in each class
 - Current GPA for the term, if applicable
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 - Descriptions and Due Dates for upcoming assignments
 - Assignment handouts or documents (attachments)
 - Email Alerts you can configure for grades and attendance
 - Attendance Information
 - Transcript Information, if applicable
 - Billing Information, online payment for tuition and lunch fees
- To access this information go to **www.gradelink.com** and click on the green Log In button.



PLEASE CALL THE SCHOOL OFFICE IF YOU NEED ANY HELP logging in.

PRIVACY NOTICE We all love to share pictures of our child's school activities and accomplishments. However, we have to be very careful where those pictures are posted and respect that other students might also be in the picture. Parents, please remember to not post pictures that may have students in them other than your own child. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the school office before posting anything. Thank you

Weather permitting the students will be going outside for recess time. Please have your child dress appropriately for the weather.

Potential delays and cancellations for Bethlehem will follow the same as Northern Wells Community Schools.



*****Bethlehem will be closed March 23-27 for Spring Break*****

Bethlehem **WILL** be following the Northern Wells Community Schools 2 hour delay on Wednesday, March 18th. Morning bus service **WILL** be provided. The 7-8th grade students **WILL** need to attend their NW morning classes. Bethlehem teachers will use the 2 hours for in-service. Chapel will be held at 11:30 a.m. Please contact the school office if you have any questions.

The School Spelling Bee took place on Thursday, February 5th. The following students were recognized as winners:

1st/2nd Grade

Winner: Vincent Schumm "sled"

Runner-up: Issac Wanner

3rd Grade:

Winner: Clyde Holtzclaw "speak"

4th Grade

Winner: Madeline Schumm "village"

Runner-up: Lucas Haiflich

5th-6th Grade:

winner: JT Holtzclaw "fury"

Runner-up: Emma Campbell



7th-8th Grade:

Winner: Matthew Rekeweg "demure"



As we approach the end of this school year, we need to start planning for the new school year enrollment. To help us make wise decisions in staffing and ordering materials, we need to know how many students we will be expecting. Please watch for information on tuition costs and pre-registration to be coming home in the next week.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR—KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP
will be held on March 18th 4-6 pm



Sign up today!

Shop at Kroger and help Bethlehem Lutheran School tuition assistance fund with the **Kroger Community Rewards Program**.

Register online at krogercommunityrewards.com, be sure to have your Kroger Plus card handy and register your card with Bethlehem Lutheran School as your organization for the reward. The NPO number for Bethlehem is **WG595#**.

If you don't have a Kroger Plus card, they are available at the customer service desk.

Members must swipe their registered Kroger Plus card or use the phone number that is related to their registered card when shopping for each purchase to count.



To redeem Box Top products, you will need to download the Box Tops app on your phone and then scan each receipt that contains your Box Tops products. **KEEP ON SCANNING!**

PLAN TO USE SCRIP FOR ALL YOUR SHOPPING NEEDS

Please see the flyer attached to this newsletter for information on how to create your own account through Raise Right using Bethlehem's enrollment code noted on the attached flyer. Physical cards, ecards and reloadable cards are all available for your purchase and can be sent directly to your home.

Please be sure to check out our new scrip order sheet attached to this newsletter. Physical cards from local vendors and more are now available for order. Ordering dates are set to reduce shipping costs. **For questions or for placing an order, please contact Jill Holtzclaw 260-301-1965 our current PTL representative.**

As you purchase SCRIP you will also accumulate a percentage of profit to be applied to your child's tuition. Thank you to the church congregation and school families for supporting the Scrip Program.

Our Washington D.C. group appreciates your support.

This year's trip for our 7th & 8th graders will take place in April 2026

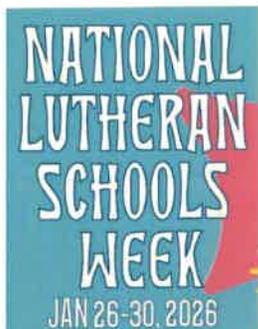
Please save your newspapers, catalogs, magazines, junk mail, old phone books, office/school papers and hard/soft cover books. Along with cereal type boxes (NO CARDBOARD). Bring your recycled paper to school and dispose of it in our "PaperGator" located right next to the trash dumpster in the front parking area of the school.



Aluminum cans and scrap metal The Washington DC group would like to remind everyone that we are looking for "pop can" style cans only for collection purposes. We are starting to find trash and glass in the recycling bin here at church which slows the sorting process down. If anyone has any questions, please contact Jay Werling or Jason Rekeweg. Thanks to everyone for your continued support.



Despite the school closings due to bad weather during our January Lutheran Schools Week, we were still able to have a couple of fun dress up days! See if you can tell which teacher or staff member they dressed up as!!!



We also had characters from favorite books!





As you are able, please bring an Offering for Chapel on Wednesdays

Our God has given so much to us! One way that we worship Him is by giving back a portion of His gifts to Him and to His Church. Students may place their offerings in the offering plate as they come into chapel every Wednesday.

The third quarter chapel project for the Orphan Grain Train created quite the competition among our chapel families bringing almost \$600 in just the Penny War. Please see the Penny War chart listed separately in this newsletter showing the Boaz family



as winners! Some of those profits were used for bookbags and supplies that our students helped put together for the Orphan Grain Train. Chapel offerings for the Orphan Grain Train will continue through to March 6th. Thank you to all of our Bethlehem Chapel families for their efforts.



Please feel free to join us for Wednesday morning Chapel at 10:00 a.m.



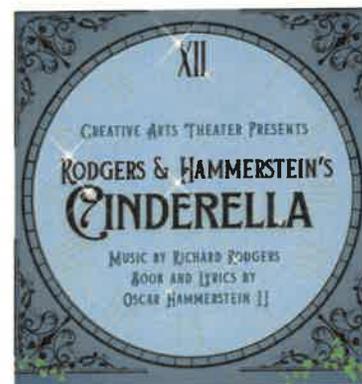
Cinderella at Creative Arts in Bluffton
(Ginny Wirgau in the ensemble)

March 13th @ 7pm

March 14th @ 2pm

March 14th @

Admission for 12 & under is \$10.
Admission for Adults is \$15.



<https://www.wellscocreativearts.com/>



February / March Birthday Pizza lunch
with Pastor Dodgers

Thursday, March 18th

Students celebrating birthdays are:

Madeline Schumm, Jon Fuhrmann, Mazie Day
Lucas Werling, Emersyn Schumm, Violet Boehm

Parents vs Kids Basketball Event

Thank you to all our basketball players and to the parents for their support. We look forward to seeing everyone return and seeing some new player's next season!

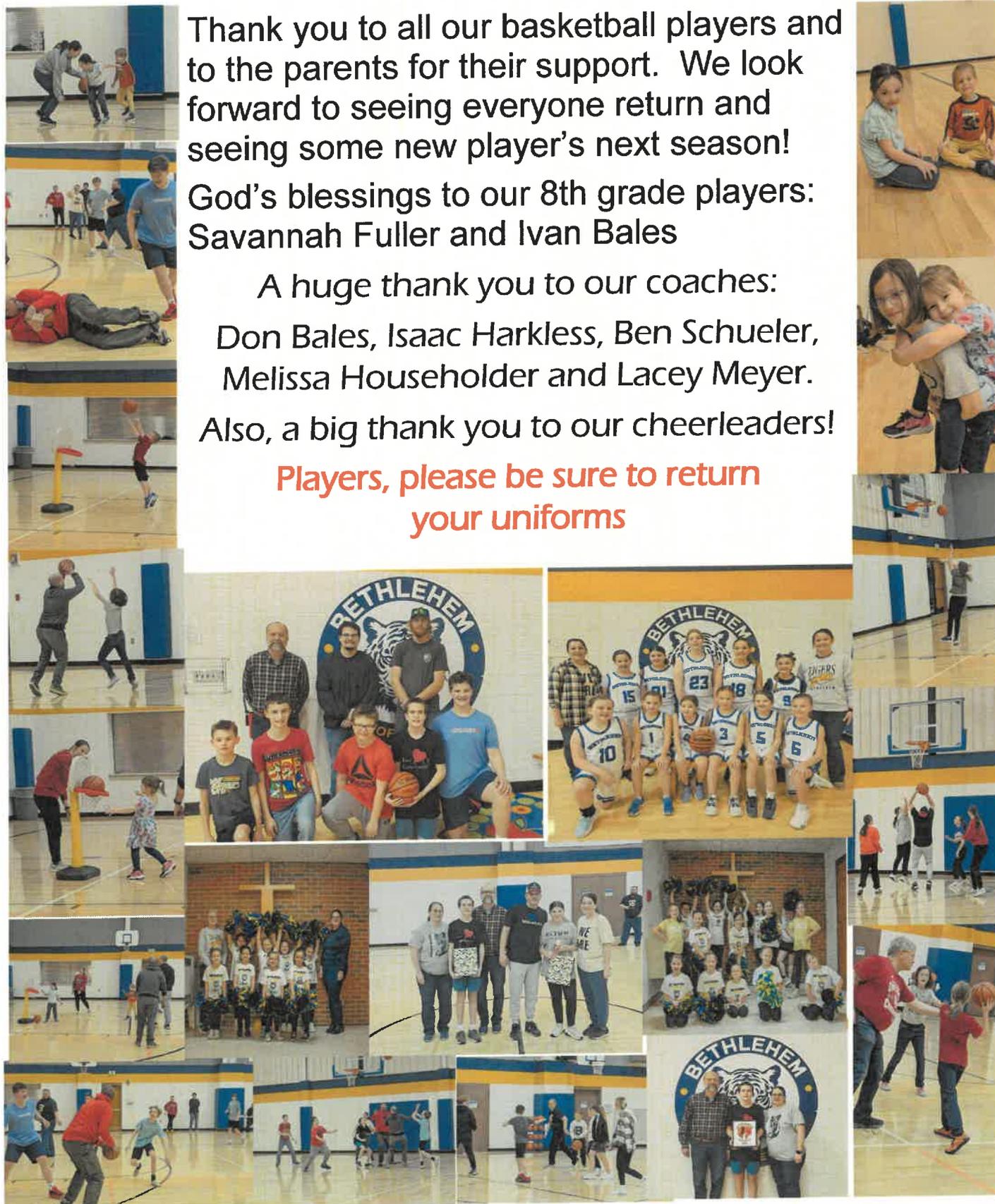
God's blessings to our 8th grade players: Savannah Fuller and Ivan Bales

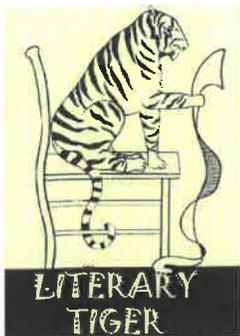
A huge thank you to our coaches:

Don Bales, Isaac Harkless, Ben Schueler, Melissa Householder and Lacey Meyer.

Also, a big thank you to our cheerleaders!

Players, please be sure to return your uniforms





Remember, you can browse our library catalog online any time from

<https://www.librarycat.org/lib/BLCSOssianLibrary/>

The search page shows the books most recently added to our system. We have several new picture books perfect for winter reading.

We also invite everyone to a Bingo reading challenge!

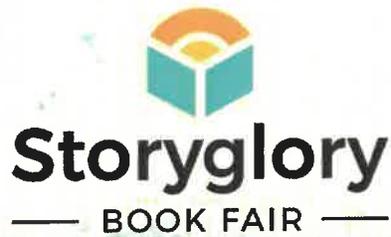
When you complete a Bingo you can get your picture in the Tiger Tales, plus a special prize! Last month's Bingo winners are: Mazie Day (K- not pictured), Lydia Harkless (1), Cora Day (2), Anthony Tolson (2)

You have until the last library day of the school year to work on the challenge. You have to share the titles of the books or tell the librarians about what you read. Yes, audiobooks and books read aloud by parents count! Printed Bingo cards will be distributed in the school library.



Bethlehem Library Bingo

Book with a One Word Title	Historical Fiction	2nd in a Series (after reading the first!)	Nonfiction American History Book	A Librarian Favorite
Re-read a Book	A Book Older than Your Dad	A Picture Book	Biography	Write a Book Review for Tiger Tales
Recommend a Book to Someone	Suggested by your Parent	Free Read	Mystery	Book from the Public Library
A chapter or story from the Old Testament	Read in a Blanket Fort	Book Made into a Movie	10 Poems	A Teacher Favorite
Nonfiction Animal Book	Read to Someone Else	Write a Story or Poem	Memorize a Poem or Psalm	Your Friend's Favorite Book



HAPPY BIRTHDAY, USA IT'S BOOK FAIR TIME!

Find wholesome, high-quality books for the entire family.
Enjoy 10% off your purchase, and 10% of sales will support BLCS.

BOOK FAIR HIGHLIGHTS:

- New and classic titles for Kindergarten to 8th Grade and Parents too!
- American History selections, in recognition of America's 250th anniversary this year
- Bibles, devotionals, and outstanding Christian fiction
- Family read-alouds for all ages

HOW TO SHOP:

- 1 Select Books Online**
April 19-26 at storyglorykids.org/bethlehem
- 2 Enter Student Details on the Cart Page**
Enter your student's name and homeroom teacher
- 3 Apply Promo Code**
Enter **BETHLEHEM** to receive 10% off and benefit your school
- 4 Choose Your Shipping Method on the Checkout Page**
Receive your order at school around May 11 by selecting **free "Ship-to-school"** shipping, OR receive books at home by selecting USPS Media Mail



Storyglory Kids Inc. is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization (EIN 33-2429105). To put more good books into the hands and hearts of children, visit storyglorykids.org/donate. All donations are tax-deductible to the extent of the law.

MIDDLE SCHOOL GIRLS

MAR 18
FEB 18

HANGING ON TO GUILT
HEAVEN'S FLAMETHROWER
SCRIPTURE: 2 KINGS 1



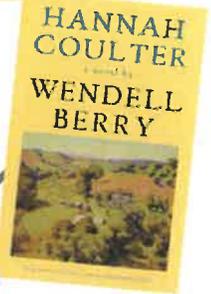
PENNY WAR

TOTAL FUNDS RAISED=594.06

	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3 & 4	TOTAL
Esther Family	+1,900 \$21.00	+508 \$49.78	+152 \$2.48	TOTAL=+2,256
Felix Family	+827 \$14.42	-2,426 \$14.42	+229 \$15.59	TOTAL=-1,370
Deborah Family	+562 \$15.12	+285 \$49.62	+133 \$4.73	TOTAL=+980
Boaz Family	+340 \$6.70	+2,827 \$28.37	+10,661 \$101.26	TOTAL=+13,828
Abel Family	+240 \$3.61	-352 \$18.82	+10,106 \$113.51	TOTAL=+9,995
Caleb Family	-78 \$0.94	-1,225 \$18.25	-780 \$6.91	TOTAL=-2,081
Gideon Family	-220 \$2.20	+4,486 \$58.46	-335 \$4.35	TOTAL=+3,931

Book Club

HANNAH COULTER
BY WENDELL BERRY
MEET APRIL 18



SAVE THE DATE

VBS
JUNE 8-11, 2026

Christ in the Psalms

MONDAYS @ 2PM
THURSDAYS @ 6:30PM
ENDS MARCH 26

DATES

- 1.8 Lent Devotional
- 1.22 Penny War
- 2.19 Baptismal Birthday

Deaconess Discussion

Lent Devotional

Available online or hard copies at church.

Baptismal Birthdays

We celebrated Baptismal Birthdays in February. This helps to reinforce and teach this meaning of baptism to our children but also provides an opportunity to give thanks. Ways to celebrate:

- Sing a hymn ("God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It")
- Light a candle (Baptismal Candle or wooden candle from Wicking Vicar)
- Hang your Baptism Certificate (what's your baptism date?)
- Look at pictures from your baptism (who are your sponsors?)
- Enjoy a special treat like choco-flan or cake (find the recipe through The Lutheran Ladies Lounge podcast "baptismal birthday")



Let's
Make
a Joyful
Noise PSALM 98:4





BETHLEHEM

LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

KINDERGARTEN

ROUND-UP

When: March 18, 2026

Time: 4pm-6pm

Where: 7545 N. 650 E. Ossian, IN
Ossian, IN 46777

Who: Anyone who is interested in sending their child to kindergarten at Bethlehem for the 2026-2027 school year



HEALTH & WELLNESS

CANCER RESOURCES

Phil's Friends:

<https://philsfriends.org/>

LCMS Life Ministry

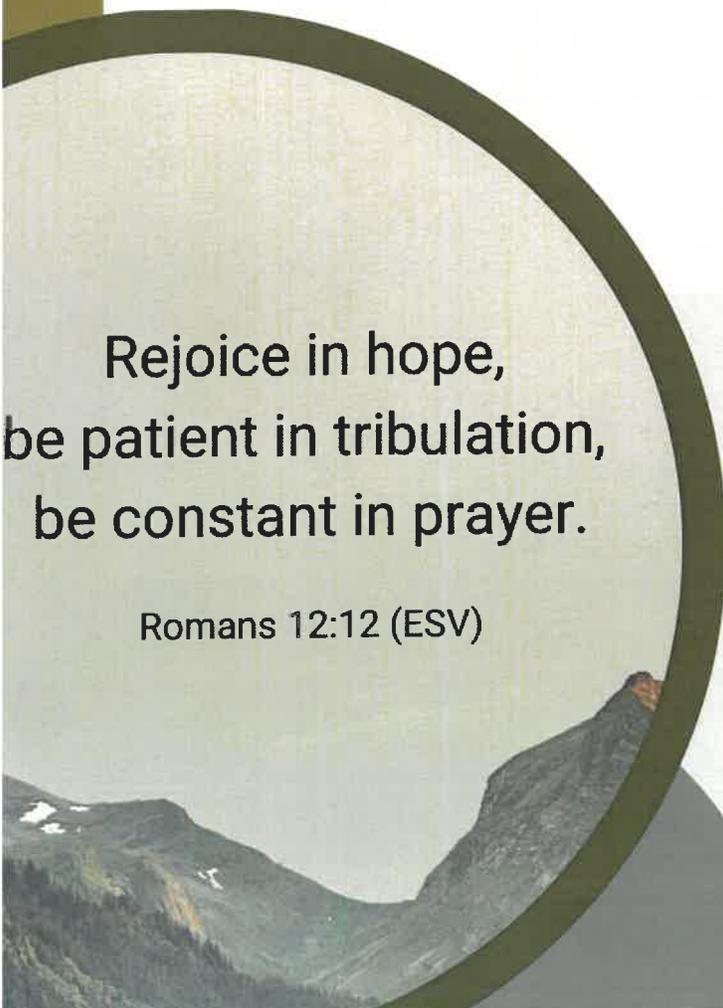
Cancer Services of NE Indiana

Stephen Ministries

www.stephenministries.org

Book: Cancer—Now What?

by Kenneth C. Haugk



Rejoice in hope,
be patient in tribulation,
be constant in prayer.

Romans 12:12 (ESV)

Rejoicing in Tribulation?

In Romans 5:1–5, St. Paul proclaims a stunning truth: “Having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.” This peace is not a fleeting feeling or the absence of hardship—it is the objective reality that, through Christ’s death and resurrection, the war between God and sinners is over. By faith, we stand reconciled before God, not as enemies but as beloved children. This gracious standing is secure and permanent, rooted entirely in Christ’s merit and not our own.

From that foundation, Paul makes a surprising claim: “We also glory in tribulations.” Christians do not rejoice in pain itself, nor do we pretend suffering is easy. Rather, we boast in what God accomplishes through it. Tribulation strips away self-reliance and drives us back to Christ and His promises. In the theology of the cross, suffering is no longer a sign of God’s wrath but a place where He refines and shapes His people. Whether at a hospital bedside, a graveside, or in quiet daily struggles, believers cling to Christ—not with plastic smiles, but with tearful, stubborn faith.

Paul describes a Spirit-worked progression: tribulation produces perseverance, perseverance produces character, and character produces hope. This perseverance is not human grit but the Holy Spirit’s gift, sustaining believers when they feel weak and weary. Over time, endurance under the cross forms proven character—not moral perfection, but faith tested and refined. And that refined faith gives rise to hope—not wishful thinking, but confident expectation anchored in Christ’s victory.

Finally, Paul assures us that “hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts by the Holy Spirit.” The Christian’s hope rests not in personal strength but in God’s steadfast love. Peace with God does not remove suffering, but it transforms it. In Christ, no trial is wasted. Even in tribulation, we rejoice—not because we are strong, but because our Savior is faithful, and His promises never fail.

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MAY 7, 2025
BY REV. GARRICK SINCLAIR BECKETT
FULL ARTICLE AT:
[HTTPS://THELUTHERANCOLUMN.COM/2025/
05/07/REJOICING-IN-TRIBULATION/](https://thelutherancolumn.com/2025/05/07/rejoicing-in-tribulation/)

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SAINT LOUIS: CONCORDIA PUBLISHING
HOUSE, 2019.



SERVING THE LORD IN

Puerto Rico

January 2026



*Eleutherodactylus
Coqui*

As promised, pictured above is perhaps the most iconic animal of Puerto Rico: the *coqui*. It is basically a small treefrog, but it makes a big sound. Its name comes from the loud croak it makes that sounds like (“co-kee”). You can search *coqui* sounds on YouTube if you’re curious. If you spend an evening in Puerto Rico, you are likely to hear a few *coquis*, but you may never see one. I saw my first one just this month! They feature prominently in Puerto Rican art and culture.



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Prayer: The Foundation of Mission



Short-Term Team at the Mroczenski House

“Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest” Matt 9:38). The Lord Jesus, would have us begin mission with prayer. It ought not surprise us; no endeavor can succeed apart from the Lord’s blessing (Psalm 127). However, with prayer, we can accomplish things beyond our imagining, even the will of God himself! Thus we pray, *“Thy will be done.”* Hear how Luther speaks of prayer in the Large Catechism: *For this we must know, that all our shelter and protection rest in prayer alone. For we are far too feeble to cope with the devil and all his power and adherents that set themselves against us, and they might easily crush us under their feet. Therefore we must consider and take up those weapons with which Christians must be armed in order to stand against the devil. For what do you think has hitherto accomplished such great things, has checked or quelled the counsels, purposes, murder, and riot of our enemies, whereby the devil thought to crush us, together with the Gospel, except that the prayer of a few godly men intervened like a wall of iron on our side? ...however, we shall nevertheless be a match both for themselves and the devil by prayer alone, if we only persevere diligently and not become slack. For whenever a godly Christian prays: Dear Father, let Thy will be done, God speaks from on high and says: Yes, dear child, it shall be so, in spite of the devil and all the world* (LC, Lord’s Prayer, 30-32). Indeed, nothing you read about in these newsletters would be possible without your prayers. We would have succumbed long ago to the attacks of the devil, the world, and our own sinful flesh had it not been for the prayers of God’s faithful people. Thank you! And thanks be to God, for answering our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord!

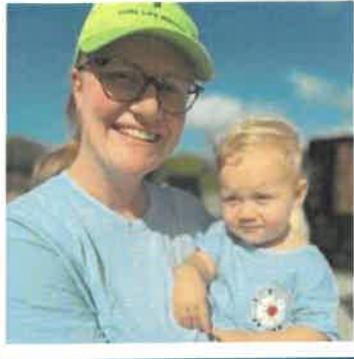
La Paz de Cristo (The Peace of Christ),

Paul, Courtney, & Jacqueline Mroczenski

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- Those doubting and enduring temptations; that the Lord guard them against the devil's attacks and comfort them by his word and sacraments.
- Our podcast, that it would reach many new people with the gospel and bring them to Christ's church.
- Peace and reconciliation among families, grounded in the cross of Christ.

GIVE THANKS FOR:

- The confirmation of a new member.
- The short-term team from Nebraska and their efforts.

PRAISE GOD FOR:

- His powerful word & gospel which never return void.
- The precious gifts of his sacraments, tangible means of grace for our salvation and comfort

Other News & Updates

March for Life:

January 19 was the annual March for Life here in Puerto Rico. The mission team, several church members, and the short-term team that was in town attended the March. It was our first time attending as a mission, but it will not be our last. We showed up with matching t-shirts and the iconic Lutherans for Life neon and were one of the largest and groups there. We will continue to be a strong voice for the value of life at all stages here in Puerto Rico.

Podcast:

Don't forget about our new podcast: *Cristo en el Centro* (Christ in the Center) [Cristoenelcentro](http://Cristoenelcentro.com). Even if you don't speak Spanish, liking and subscribing helps us reach people in Puerto Rico who do and who need to hear the pure gospel of "Christ crucified for sinners," as the Lutheran church proclaims it. As the name suggests, in our podcast, Christ is always in the center.



Congregation Member Being Examined Prior to Her Confirmation

Confirmation:

We celebrated a confirmation with great joy this month. It was particularly special for me, as it was the first confirmation I've witnessed of someone who I had a hand in catechizing. May God guard her in her baptismal faith now and always.

Volunteer Group:

A BIG thank you to the short-term team from Nebraska that was with us this month. They accomplished so many things (big and little) that needed to be done. Thank you!

I took advantage of the cooler weather to do a little fishing with pastor Neuendorf. I'm still on the hunt (still on the fish?) for a peacock bass—a type of tropical bass not found in the cold Midwest where I am from. However, I did catch this tropical fish (some type of cichlid) and some largemouth bass.



There are many opportunities to serve as short-term or GEO missionaries. Check out the current list and download an application at lcms.org/service. Click on "Service Opportunities."

Prayerfully consider partnering with the LCMS to support the work of Paul and Courtney Mroczenski. Make checks payable to:

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod
P.O. Box 66861
St. Louis, MO 63166-6861

OR

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40718 Highway E 16
Mapleton, IA 51034

On the memo line include: *Mroczenski-Puerto Rico*

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Call a donor care representative: 888-930-4438

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News Notes To Parents

Purdue University Cooperative Extension Services, Health And Human Sciences

March 2026

Green, Green, the more you eat...

March is the month I begin to think about green again after going through winter without. March is the start of Spring, the month of St. Patrick's Day, and when some folks begin thinking about planting seeds for their gardens. Speaking of green and gardening, leafy greens are generally a cool season crop with short growing periods. They can be planted in late spring and again in early fall because they thrive in more mild temperatures.

There are many varieties of leafy greens offering assorted flavors and textures. Using a few different types of greens can help make a salad much more interesting and enjoyable. More than that, leafy greens can be incorporated into eggs at breakfast, casseroles, pastas, soups, and stews towards the end of their cooking process.

Creating a mix of colors, textures, and shapes can help turn the vegetable dish into something to get more excited about. Romaine lettuce provides a crisp texture and is often used when making Caesar type salads. Arugula is actually a part of the mustard family and gives a distinct peppery flavor that can be a nice addition to a sandwich. Mizuna is recognized for its fringed leaves and tangy flavor that is sometime incorporated into salad mixtures. Spinach is one of the more well known, dark green varieties. Spinach has a fairly mild flavor that becomes increasingly savory as the leaves turn more wrinkled and curlier. Red leaf lettuce gives the salad more color making it more aesthetically pleasing and nutrient dense. Red offers different nutrients than its green counterparts.



The more colorful our plates and the richer those colors are, the more nutrients we gain. The darker the green, the richer in nutrients. This concept makes spinach a great choice. The flavors are mild and it's pretty versatile in its uses. Spinach can be eaten raw or cooked. Cooking methods include sautéing, cooking in the microwave, and steaming on a stovetop. Remove any large, tough stems from the leaves. For best cleaning practices, soak leaves in a bowl of lukewarm water and leave them for several minutes to remove dirt. Drain the water and rinse the leaves again under a light stream of cool water. Allow spinach leaves to dry almost completely on a paper towel prior to storage. Store in a plastic bag with a damp paper towel in the refrigerator for 4-5 days. Spinach can be frozen for up to 5 months.

Tip: Salad dressing is great! Vinegar and oil, regular, or reduced fat are all ok! Dressing can actually be beneficial when used in portions of 1-2 tablespoons at a time. Vitamins A, D, E, and K are all fat-soluble vitamins. Vitamins A and K are often found in lettuce and greens and will be better absorbed in our bodies when we add a little fat to the mix. Other sources of fat that can be added to a salad are avocados, shredded cheese, egg, sunflower seeds, and walnuts.

Jessica Riffle, HHS Educator Purdue Extension – Fulton County

Photo Credit: Carva

Fix It and Forget It



Basic Tips for Crock Pot Successes

To test a crock pot's accuracy, heat two quarts of water on Low for eight hours and check the temperature immediately after removing the lid. It should be between 180°F and 200°F. Temperatures above 200°F may overcook food, while temperatures below 180°F are unsafe and indicate the crock pot should be replaced.

Low cooking temperatures range from 180–200°F and High is about 300°F. One hour on High equals two to two and a half hours on Low. Crock pots should be filled halfway to three-quarters full, with vegetables placed on the bottom and meat on top. Do not remove the lid during the first quarter of cooking. Cooked food should not be stored in the crock pot.

For easier cleanup, use a liner or spray the crock pot. Juices can be thickened by cooking uncovered on High at the end or by stirring in a cornstarch and cold-water mixture. Food must reach 140°F within four hours for safety. Frozen food should not be cooked or reheated in a crock pot; reheat by other methods first, then keep warm on Low. In the event of a power outage, discard food if you are not home, or finish cooking immediately by another method if you are home. Store leftovers in shallow containers and refrigerate within two hours, reheating by other means before holding warm in the crock pot.

Credit: Linda Souchon - Purdue Extension-Johnson County Office

Slow Cooker Salsa Chicken

Ingredients:

- 2 lbs. boneless, skinless chicken thighs
- 1 tsp. salt
- 1/2 tsp. black pepper
- 2 (16-oz.) containers medium salsa
- 8 cups hot cooked rice

Directions:

1. Place chicken in a 6-quart slow cooker; sprinkle evenly with salt and pepper. Add salsa.
2. Cover and cook on HIGH until a thermometer inserted in thickest portion of thighs registers 165°F, about 2 hours. Turn off slow cooker. Transfer chicken to a large heatproof bowl and let cool 10 minutes.
3. Shred meat into bite-size pieces. Add liquid in slow cooker to chicken; toss to coat. Serve over hot rice.



Credit: Slow-Cooker Salsa Chicken Recipe

Molly Hoag, Health & Human Sciences Educator www.extension.purdue.edu/wells

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Bethlehem Lutheran Scrips Order Form [Orders due on Monday]

Date: _____ Student _____

Name _____ Circle One: **BLS** Student(named above)

Phone # _____ Check # _____ Total _____

				QTY.	Total					QTY.	Total
A	Amazon.com	1.6%	\$25			M	Marathon	3%	\$25		
	Amazon.com	1.6%	\$100				Marathon	3%	\$100		
	Applebee's	8%	\$25				Marathon	4%	\$250		
	Arby's	8%	\$10				McAlister's Deli	6%	\$25		
	Arby's	8%	\$25				McDonalds	5%	\$5		
B	Barnes & Noble	8%	\$10				McDonalds	5%	\$10		
	Barnes & Noble	8%	\$25				McDonalds	5%	\$25		
	Bath & Body Works	12%	\$10				McDonalds	5%	\$50		
	BP	1.5%	\$50				Meijer	3%	\$25		
	BP	1.5%	\$100				Meijer	3%	\$50		
	Buffalo Wild Wings	8%	\$10				Meijer	3%	\$100		
	Buffalo Wild Wings	8%	\$25				Menard's	3%	\$25		
	Burger King	4%	\$10				Menard's	3%	\$100		
	Burger King	4%	\$25				Mike's Carwash	20%	\$11		
C	Chipotle	10%	\$10			N	Nine Mile	8%	\$20		
	Colliers Comfort	5%					O'Charley's	13%	\$25		
	Cracker Barrel	8%	\$10			Old Navy	14%	\$25			
	Cracker Barrel	8%	\$25			Olive Garden/Cheddars	8%	\$25			
	Culvers	10%	\$10			& Longhorn Steakhouse					
D	Dairy Queen	6.5%	\$10			P	Outback	10%	\$25		
	Dick's Sporting Goods	8%	\$25				Panda Express	8%	\$25		
	Disney	3%	\$25				Panera Bread	8%	\$5		
E	East of Chicago	10%	\$10				Papa John's Pizza	8%	\$10		
	East of Chicago	10%	\$25				Pizza Hut	8%	\$10		
F	Fazoli's	9%	\$25			R	Richards	10%	\$20		
G	Galley	10%	\$20				Red Lobster	8%	\$25		
	Ginger Fresh Market	5%	\$25			S	Speedway	4%	\$25		
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H	Hall's	10%	\$15				Subway	6.0%	\$10		
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	Hardees	5%	\$10				Target	2.5%	\$25		
	Hills Market	4%	\$25				Texas Roadhouse	8%	\$25		
	Hills Market	4%	\$50				T.J Maxx/ Marshalls	6%	\$25		
	Hills Market	4%	\$100			V	prepaid VISA	1.25%	\$25		
	Hollywood Nails	17%	\$20				prepaid VISA	1.25%	\$50		
I	iTunes	5%	\$15				prepaid VISA	1.25%	\$100		
	Kohl's (can NOT use to pay bill)	4%	\$25				prepaid VISA	1.25%	\$250		
K	Kohl's (can NOT use to pay bill)	4%	\$100			W	Walmart / Sams Club	2.5%	\$25		
	Kroger	4%	\$25				Walmart / Sams Club	2.5%	\$50		
	Kroger	4%	\$100			Walmart / Sams Club	2.5%	\$100			
L	Little Caesars	8%	\$20			Walmart / Sams Club	2.5%	\$250			
	Lowe's	4%	\$25			Walgreens	5%	\$25			
	Lowe's	4%	\$100			Walgreens	5%	\$100			
						Wendy's	6%	\$25			
						Z	Zurcher Tire	5%			