Bethlehem Lutheran Church



Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity November 14, 2021

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The Order of Worship

Divine Service Setting One (LSB 151)

(Please stand if you are able for portions of the liturgy marked with an *)

Announcements **Opening Hymn: O God, Our Help in Ages Past LSB 733 Confession and Absolution* LSB 151** Introit* (Ps. 95:1-4; antiphon: Ps. 95:6-7a) Oh come, Let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker! For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods. In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. Oh come, Let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker! For he is our God. and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. Kyrie* **LSB 152**

Collect*: Stir up, O Lord, the wills of Your faithful people that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by You be plenteously rewarded; through

LSB 155

This is the Feast*

Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 51:9-16

⁹Awake, awake, put on strength, O arm of the LORD; awake, as in days of old, the generations of long ago. Was it not you who cut Rahab in pieces, who pierced the dragon? ¹⁰ Was it not you who dried up the sea, the waters of the great deep, who made the depths of the sea a was for the redeemed to pass over? ¹¹ And the ransomed of the LORD shall return and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain gladness and joy, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away. ¹² "I, I am he who comforts you; who are you that you are afraid of man who dies, of the son of man who is made like grass, ¹³ and have forgotten the LORD, your Maker, who stretched out the heavens and laid the foundations of the earth, and you fear continually all the day because of the wrath of the oppressor, when he sets himself to destroy? And where is the wrath of the oppressor? ¹⁴He who is bowed down shall speedily be released; he shall not die and go down to the pit, neither shall his bread be lacking. ¹⁵ I am the LORD your God, who stirs up the sea so that its waves roar—the LORD of hosts is his name. ¹⁶ And I have put my words in your mouth and covered you in the shadow of my hand, establishing the heavens and laying the foundations of the earth, and saying to Zion, 'You are my people."

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gradual: You have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling. I love the LORD, because he has heard my voice and my pleas for mercy.

Epistle: Colossians 1:9-14

⁹And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, ¹⁰ so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him: bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; ¹¹ being strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy; ¹² giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. ¹³ He has delivered us from the

domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Alleluia*

Holy Gospel*: Matthew 9:18-26

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 9th chapter. Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁸ While he was saying these things to them, behold, a ruler came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." ¹⁹ And Jesus rose and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰ And behold, a woman who had suffered from a discharge of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his garment, ²¹ for she said to herself, "If I only touch his garment, I will be made well." ²² Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. ²³ And when Jesus came to the ruler's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴ he said, "Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. ²⁵ But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl arose. ²⁶ And the report of this went through all that district.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed*	LSB 158
Hymn of the Day: In the Very Midst of Life	LSB 755
Sermon	
Prayer of the Church*	
We Give Thee But Thine Own*	LSB 781
Service of the Sacrament*	LSB 160
Distribution Hymns: 741, 594, 633, 461	
Post-Communion Canticle*: Thank the Lord	LSB 164
Benediction*	
Closing Hymn: Thanks to Thee, O Christ, Victorious	LSB 548

LSB 156

Announcements

Cookbooks: The cookbooks have finally arrived! You can pick up your order in the secretary's office this morning. We also ordered extra books if you need more or know someone who does. Thank you.

Thank You from the Men's Group: Thanks for everyone's help! The Wurstmarkt was a big success again this year. We served over 1500 people! A special thanks to the youth group members that carried all the meals out to the cars, helped in the garage, and wherever else they were asked. We were blessed with many willing workers, beautiful weather, and all the hungry customers that made the trip to Ferrin.

Thanksgiving Eve Divine Service: There will be a Thanksgiving Eve Divine Service on Wednesday, November 24th at 7pm.

Poinsettia Order Forms: There are poinsettia forms on the table in the ushers' room. Poinsettias are \$12.50 each. Please give your order form and money/check to Sylvia Kleiboeker by **November 21, 2021**. Checks can be made payable to Bethlehem Lutheran Ladies Aid.

Midweek Advent Services: Join us December 1st, 8th, and 15th at 7:00pm for our midweek Advent Vespers. The theme for these services is "Immanuel: God with Us." Over 2000 years ago, God took on human flesh and blood in the person of Jesus to save us from our sin. He is truly Immanuel, which means, 'God with Us.' Yet, having ascended into heaven, God hasn't removed Himself from us. He continues to be with us today to give us His gifts of forgiveness and life. Throughout our midweek Advent services, we will look at the Gloria in Excelsis, the Sanctus, and the Agnus Dei to see how God continues to be with us today in the Divine Service. Refreshments will be served following the Dec. 15th service over at the school basement by the Ladies Aid. Donations of cookies are welcomed.

Advent by Candlelight: All ladies are invited to the Advent by Candlelight on November 29th at 6:30pm. There will be an opening Advent devotion, some singing, fellowship time, and, of course, dessert! Please sign up on the board in the Narthex. Come join us as we reflect on the Advent season.

Religion Class Schedule through Advent: We will not have religion class on Wednesday, November 24th due to Thanksgiving Eve. However, students and their families are encouraged to attend the Divine Service that evening at 7:00pm. Additionally, throughout the Season of Advent, Religion Classes will be from 5:45pm–6:45pm. Following class, students and their families are encouraged to attend the Vespers services at 7:00pm.

Children's Christmas Eve Program: Practice for the Children's Christmas Eve Program will be December 11th from 9:00am–11:00am, December 18th from 9:00am–11:00am, and December 22nd from 5:30pm–7:3-pm. the final practice includes a meal for all the students as our gift to them from the teachers. If you are not going to be part of this year's program, please let Dena, Deb or Pastor know by November 25th. Parts will be handed out on or before December 5th.

Assistant Sunday School Superintendent: If you or if you know of someone that would like to be the Assistant Sunday School Superintendent, please speak to either Dena Brammeier or Deb Albers. We need someone to take over this position in January.

Upcoming Events at Area Lutheran Churches:

- November 14th: Trinity Lutheran Hoffman Drive Thru Breakfast from 8:00am-11:00am
- November 14th: Trinity Lutheran Hoyleton Wurstmarkt from 10:30am-1:30pm
- November 14th: Immanuel Lutheran Okawville Music Festival at 3:00pm
- November 14th: Immanuel Lutheran Okawville Men's Club & Alumni Association Supper from 4:00pm-7:00pm

Find Bethlehem on Podbean or Facebook: Listen to Pastor Jennings sermons on Podbean or our Facebook page. Download the app 'Podbean' to your smartphone. Search for Bethlehem Lutheran church and begin listening.

This Week in our congregation:

Sunday: 8:30am Bible Class/Sunday School 9:30am Divine Service

Monday:	8:30am–11:00am Preschool
Wednesday:	8:30am Matins
	8:30am–11:00am Preschool
	6:00pm–7:30pm Religion/Confirmation Classes
Friday:	8:30am–11:00am Preschool
Sunday:	8:30am Bible Class/Sunday School
	9:30am Divine Service

Upcoming Events:

- November 14th: Agape Youth
- November 24th: Thanksgiving Eve Divine Service
- November 28th: First Sunday in Advent
- November 29th: Advent by Candlelight