

Bethlehem Lutheran Church



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The Order of Worship
Divine Service Setting Three (LSB 184)

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

Announcements

Opening Hymn: Rejoice, My Heart, Be Glad and Sing **LSB 737**

Confession and Absolution* **LSB 184**

Introit* (Ps. 84:1-2a, 4, 10b, 11b; antiphon: Ps. 84:9-10a)

Behold our shield, O God;
look on the face of your anointed!

For a day in your courts
is better than a thousand elsewhere.

How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!
My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD.

Blessed are those who dwell in your house,
ever singing your praise!

I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God
than dwell in the tents of wickedness.

The LORD bestows favor and honor.
No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly.

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.

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Kyrie* **LSB 186**

Gloria in Excelsis* **LSB 187**

Collect*: O Lord, keep Your Church with Your perpetual mercy; and because of our frailty we cannot but fall, keep us ever by Your help from all things hurtful and lead

us to all things profitable to our salvation; through 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: Proverbs 4:10-23

¹⁰ Hear, my son, and accept my words, that the years of your life may be many. ¹¹ I have taught you the way of wisdom; I have led you in the paths of uprightness. ¹² When you walk, your step will not be hampered, and if you run, you will not stumble. ¹³ Keep hold of instruction; do not let go; guard her, for she is your life. ¹⁴ Do not enter the path of the wicked, and do not walk in the way of the evil. ¹⁵ Avoid it; do not go on it; turn away from it and pass on. ¹⁶ For they cannot sleep unless they have done wrong; they are robbed of sleep unless they have made someone stumble. ¹⁷ For they eat the bread of wickedness and drink the wine of violence. ¹⁸ But the path of the righteous is like the light of dawn, which shines brighter and brighter until full day. ¹⁹ The way of the wicked is like deep darkness; they do not know over what they stumble. ²⁰ My son, be attentive to my words; incline your ear to my sayings. ²¹ Let them not escape from your sight; keep them within your heart. ²² For they are life to those who find them, and healing to all their flesh. ²³ Keep your heart with all vigilance, for from it flow the springs of life.

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

Gradual: It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to your name, O Most High; to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night.

Epistle: Galatians 5:16-24

¹⁶ But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷ For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. ¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. ¹⁹ Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, ²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, ²¹ envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. ²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness,

faithfulness,²³ gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.²⁴ And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia*

LSB 190

Holy Gospel*: Luke 17:11-19

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 17th chapter. **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

¹¹ On the way to Jerusalem he was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance ¹³ and lifted up their voices, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.” ¹⁴ When he saw them he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went they were cleansed. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; ¹⁶ and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus answered, “Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? ¹⁸ Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” ¹⁹ And he said to him, “Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

Apostles' Creed*

LSB 192

Hymn of the Day: From God Can Nothing Move Me

LSB 713

Sermon

Offertory*

LSB 192

Prayer of the Church*

Lord's Prayer*

Benediction*

Closing Hymn: Now Thank We All Our God

LSB 895

Announcements

Church Choir: We will be starting our church choir today (9/18). Those interested are asked to stay after church.

Thank You: I wish to thank Pastor Jennings for his many visits during the past 3 months to keep the word of God first and foremost in our daily life and to offer guidance and counseling. I also wish to thank everyone who sent cards and prayers; they were very much appreciated and uplifting. The food that was prepared for our family kept us going during this trying time and is a demonstration of what a fantastic church family we have at Bethlehem. I cannot thank you enough for all the support you provided. The Opal Jones Family

Thank You: I would like to thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers as I go through this journey. I am truly blessed by all the well wishes, cards, phone calls, and texts. I would like to thank Pastor Jennings for his visit and his phone calls. We are truly part of a wonderful, caring congregation. Thank you everyone and keep me in prayers as I continue my recovery. Blessings to all, Lynn and Ron Michael

Bethlehem Lutheran Church–We Need You: Pastor Jennings, Miss Dena, and the School Board met on August 31st and are more determined than ever to have a preschool again next year. But we need your help and support! We are seeking one person to step forward to fill an open spot immediately on the board and we will have another open spot in January.

Additionally, we are moving forward with all of our previous fundraisers and events. Mark you calendars for the following dates:

- **Sunday, October 23, 2022 11:00am-2:00pm**, Mostaccioli Meal-Carry Out only (includes salad and dessert)
- **Saturday, November 19, 2022 7:00pm**, Pinochle Tournament and Silent Auction
- **Saturday, December 24, 2022 7:00pm** Christmas Eve Program

We have some other exciting ideas in the works to hopefully attract more students for next year, so please be on the lookout for these event announcements. If you know of any child that will be 3, 4, or 5 next fall, please let the parents know that Bethlehem Lutheran Preschool will be accepting kids for next fall. They can call the church at (618) 545-9543 to tour the preschool and/or meet with Miss Dena and Pastor before then. Your help in continuing this wonderful preschool tradition is greatly needed and appreciated.

CORLHS: September is the month for our church to keep CORLHS in our personal prayers and to bring the staff or school some treats to know they are being prayed for and thought of. Any questions talk with Angie Siddell.

Helpers needed: Apple butter days are here again! **September 23-24** will be the weekend to peel, core and cook that yummy sweet butter. It has been a long time tradition here at Bethlehem and we need helpers of all ages. We need prayers from everyone for good weather, willing workers, and safety. PLEASE let a member know if you can come help us out at any time that weekend. Friday peeling will start at 1:00pm. Saturday washing of the apples will begin about 7:00am and cooking around 7:30am. Soups and sandwiches will be served. If you wish to bring a dish to share, that would be appreciated. It is a good time of fellowship, work and stories galore! Come help out and make some memories!

The Word of the Lord Endures Forever: The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a daily 15-minute verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Will Weedon. Pastor Weedon recently started a study on The Book of Genesis. You can listen on-demand at thewordendures.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

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

Wednesday: 6:00pm-7:30pm Religion/Confirmation Classes

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9:30am Divine Service