

# 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 \*)*

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**Announcements**

**Opening Hymn: Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus** **LSB 531**  
**Confession and Absolution\*** **LSB 184**

**Introit\*** (Ps. 78:1-3, 4b; antiphon: Ps. 35:3b; 34:17a, 6b; 48:14a)

Say to my soul, "I am your salvation!"

When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears.

**The Lord saved him out of all his troubles;**

**this is God, our God forever and ever.**

Give ear, O my people, to my teaching;

incline your ears to the words of my mouth!

**I will open my mouth in a parable;**

**I will utter dark sayings from of old,**

things that we have heard and known,

that our fathers have told us.

**We will tell the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD, and his might,**

**and the wonders that he has done.**

**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\*:** Almighty and merciful God, of Your bountiful goodness keep from us all things that may hurt us that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish whatever You would have us do; 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: Genesis 28:10-17**

<sup>10</sup> Jacob left Beersheba and went toward Haran. <sup>11</sup> And he came to a certain place and stayed there that night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place to sleep. <sup>12</sup> And he dreamed, and behold, there was a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven. And behold, the angels of God were ascending and descending on it! <sup>13</sup> And behold, the LORD stood above it and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac. The land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring. <sup>14</sup> Your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south, and in you and your offspring shall all the families of the earth be blessed. <sup>15</sup> Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land. For I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." <sup>16</sup> Then Jacob awoke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place, and I did not know it." <sup>17</sup> And he was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

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

**Gradual:** O LORD, I call upon you; hasten to me! Give ear to my voice when I call to you! Let my prayer be counted as incense before you, and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice!

**Epistle: Ephesians 4:22-28**

<sup>22</sup> ... put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, <sup>23</sup> and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, <sup>24</sup> and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness. <sup>25</sup> Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. <sup>26</sup> Be angry and do not sin; do not let

the sun go down on your anger, <sup>27</sup> and give no opportunity to the devil. <sup>28</sup> Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need.

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

**Alleluia\***

**LSB 190**

**Holy Gospel\*: Matthew 9:1-8**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 9<sup>th</sup> chapter. **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup> And getting into a boat he crossed over and came to his own city. <sup>2</sup> And behold, some people brought to him a paralytic, lying on a bed. And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, “Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven.” <sup>3</sup> And behold, some of the scribes said to themselves, “This man is blaspheming.” <sup>4</sup> But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, “Why do you think evil in your hearts? <sup>5</sup> For which is easier, to say, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Rise and walk’? <sup>6</sup> But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins”—he then said to the paralytic—“Rise, pick up your bed and go home.” <sup>7</sup> And he rose and went home. <sup>8</sup> When the crowds saw it, they were afraid, and they glorified God, who had given such authority to men.

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

**Nicene Creed\***

**LSB 191**

**Hymn of the Day: Praise the Almighty**

**LSB 797**

**Sermon**

**Offertory\***

**LSB 192**

**Offering**

**Prayer of the Church\***

**Service of the Sacrament\***

**LSB 194**

**Distribution Hymns: 623, 746, 616, 613**

**Nunc Dimittis\***

**LSB 199**

**Benediction\***

**Closing Hymn: O Bless the Lord, My Soul**

**LSB 814**

## Announcements

**Church Officers Results:** The church has selected the following individuals to serve as church officers: Mark Kleiboeker (Vice-Chairman), Jaime Schneider (Secretary), Wayne Brink (Trustee), Cindy Hoffmann (Financial Secretary) and Jennifer Brink (Treasurer). We are still in need of a member to sit on both the Board of Elders and Education. If you have been asked to serve on one of these boards, please prayerfully reconsider. Or, if you know of someone who is interested, please speak with either the Board of Elders or Education

**Parents:** Sunday School/Wednesday Religion Class students will be singing during the opening hymn on **Sunday, October 30th**. Please have them attend Sunday School that Sunday (October 30) so that they can run through their hymn and also to be seated together for the opening of the Divine Service.

**Congratulations:** Congratulations to Zoe Kuper for completing Level 1 of the Catechism Learn-By-Heart program. Level 1 includes reciting the Ten Commandments, the Apostles' Creed, and the Lord's Prayer. Congratulations Zoe!

**Sausage Orders:** Please get your sausage orders to Earl Schneider or any Men's Club member by November 5<sup>th</sup>. The forms are on the table in the ushers' room.

**Sign Up Sheet:** There is a sign up sheet on the table in the secretary's office for helpers for the Wurstmarkt on Sunday, **November 6<sup>th</sup>**. As always, all help is appreciated.

**Are you interested in helping with the Agape Youth Group**, but just can't commit to helping all the time. Sara would love your help - here are some ways that you can help:

\*\* Thrivent grants - Do you have a Thrivent account? - Do you know that you can get up to 2 \$250 grants a year to support youth group fundraisers and activities, school projects, or other church activities. There is an online form and we can walk you through the steps. Let Sara or Pastor know if you are able to assist with these grants.

\*\* Blankets - Graduating seniors each receive a homemade blanket by a church member - Sara will accept donations of these at any time throughout the year to have on hand for when they are needed.

\*\*Just Hanging out - Do you just want to spend time with the youth just for one evening at some point and time during the year - this involves playing games, eating food, and

getting to hang out with some awesome youth. Let Sara know if you are interested in this.

**Issues, Etc:** Issues, Etc. is a radio-talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. You can tune in live weekdays from 3-5 p.m. on KFUD, 850 AM in St. Louis. You can also listen at your convenience at [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org), the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

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**This Week in our congregation:**

Sunday: 8:30am Bible Class/Sunday School  
9:30am Divine Service  
11:00am–1:00pm Mostaccioli Dinner (Carry-Out Only)

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

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9:30am Divine Service

**Upcoming Events:**

- November 6<sup>th</sup>: Sausage Supper
- November 19<sup>th</sup>: Card Tournament and Silent Auction