

**SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY**  
**Sunday, January 16, 2022**

*Come, join in Cana's feast  
Where Christ is honored guest.  
He welcomes all who come to taste  
The wine His hands have blessed.*



*But Christ, the Word made flesh,  
Bids water turn to wine.  
He fills our empty cups again  
With grace and truth divine.*

**BETHLEHEM EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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**Lutherans for Life**  
**“God Chose You”**

**“You did not choose me, but I chose you and  
appointed you that you should go and bear fruit.”**

John 15:16

*Welcome to Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran Church, we are happy you are here today.  
It is customary when you enter the church nave to observe silence for meditation during  
your silent prayer, the ringing of the bells, and the prelude, in order to prepare you for  
the beginning of the worship service.*

*Thank you for joining us today and God's Blessings.*

**Prayers**

Prayer before worship: Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in  
heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your  
peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and  
reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

**In our prayers we remember:**

Those in need of healing & comfort: Vanessa Adams, Ella and Kaly Benning,  
Jim Brasel, Linda Crain, Tiffany Dunaway, Bernice Graumenz, Zoe Hoehler,  
Tim Mueller, Luella Rubin, Nancy Schroeder, Alonzo Shoaf, Karen Stuemke,  
Steve Voelker, Gene Wharton, Gary Wendling, and Lilly Wright.

Those celebrating **Birthdays**: (01/16-01/22) – 01/17 – Lena & Leti Spour;  
01/19 – Marea Yagow; 01/21 – Marion Schmidt

**Church News**

Communion Note – diluted wine is available, please request prior to worship service.

**Adult Bible Study** The Wedding at Cana

- What does Epiphany mean?
- Why do we study the Wedding at Cana during Epiphany?
- How can we be confident to know the Lord's signs today?

**Trustee's Report:**

Offering collected for the Home Purpose General Fund on January 9: \$10,904  
(Our anticipated weekly amount needed is \$5,972.)

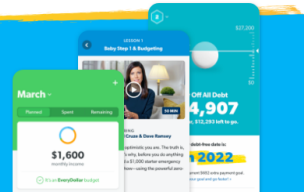
Loose change in the offering plate has been designated for the LWML Mites.

Church Window Project Fund total: \$13,987 (Total amount needed: \$55,000)

**Council Meeting** – January 19, 2022, 7:00 p.m.

**Voters' Assembly Meeting** – January 23, 2022, 1:30 p.m.

# RAMSEY+ Now Free for Members



**FREE RAMSEY+:** The CEF of the CID is giving every member a free year subscription of Ramsey+. Go to our church website to access your free subscription: [bethlehemaltamont.org](http://bethlehemaltamont.org).

## ✠✠✠✠ District & Synod News, Regional Items & Acknowledgments ✠✠✠✠

All are invited to our **Drive-Thru Chili Supper** from **3-5:30 p.m. on Sunday, January 16**, at **St. Paul Lutheran Church on Highway 40 in Altamont**. The menu will feature chili, chicken noodle soup, barbecue on a bun, chicken salad sandwiches, hot dogs, pie and other desserts. Proceeds from the free will donations will go to help purchase new playground equipment for LCC Kids, as well as wheelchairs for the residents of Lutheran Care Center. Covid precautions will be observed.

**St. Paul Blue Point – Annual Pancake & Sausage Supper (Drive-thru style) –**  
Sunday, January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022, 4:00 -7:00 pm



**KFUO Radio**, a media ministry extension of LCMS congregations, shares Christ for you anytime, anywhere on **KFUO.org** via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. You can find programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: @KFUOradio on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/kfuoradio), [Twitter](https://twitter.com/kfuoradio), and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/kfuoradio).

**CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org:** Hear specials on the sanctity of life leading up to the March for Life on The Coffee Hour (weekdays at 9:00 a.m. CT), study Luke 2-4 on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), and study Matthew 10-11 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT). Listen live or on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) and the KFUO Radio app!

**YOUR DAILY LUTHERAN BIBLE CLASS... Issues, Etc.** is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's teachings include: A Biblical View of Marriage, The Book of James, The Confession of Peter, Old Testament Matriarch Sarah, Jesus Blessing the Children and more. You can listen at your convenience at [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org), the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

→Special marked envelopes are available in the narthex for you to contribute to our annual 2022 commitment of \$1,000



**Lutherans For Life** believes that the Church is compelled by God's Word to speak and act on behalf of those who are vulnerable and defenseless. The crisis of our times is the repudiation of biblical truth manifested in the wanton destruction of innocent human life through legalized abortion-on-demand and the growing threat to the lives of others through legalized assisted suicide and euthanasia. Therefore, as Lutherans For Life, we will strive to give a Gospel-motivated witness to the Church and society on these and other

related issues, such as chastity, post-abortion healing, and family living. We will call God's people to compassionate action and foster life-affirming alternatives for those facing difficult situations.

## LIFE QUOTES 2022

“You are not and never have been simply a number, a blob of tissue, or an invisible nobody. Rather, you are now and always have been God's handcrafted gift to the world.”

*Michelle Bauman, director of Y4Life*

– A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)

**God Chose You ...**  
**and that changes everything!**

### **This Week at Bethlehem:**

#### **Today, Sunday, January 16**

– 6:30 p.m. – Catechesis Class

#### **Tuesday, January 18**

– 9:30 a.m. – Matins Service (Confession of Peter)

– 7:00 p.m. – Bible Class @ Zion

#### **Wednesday, January 19**

– 7:00 p.m. – Council Meeting

#### **Thursday, January 20**

– 4:30 p.m. – Kinderchor practice

– 7:00 p.m. – Choir practice

#### **Sunday, January 23 – Epiphany 3**

– 9:30 a.m. – Divine Service w/ Holy Communion

– 10:45-11:30 a.m. – Adult Bible Class and Youth Sunday School

– 1:30 p.m. – Voters' Assembly

– 6:30 p.m. – Catechesis Class

– 8:00 a.m. – Pastor Manley's Radio program on KJ Country/102.3FM

(Also available on the BLC website home page)

– 5:00 p.m. – Sunday morning worship service TV broadcast Ch.81

(Recording of today's worship service is also available on our YouTube channel - link via our church website)

**TO THE GLORY OF GOD & THE SALVATION OF MAN**