

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
Sunday, January 23, 2022

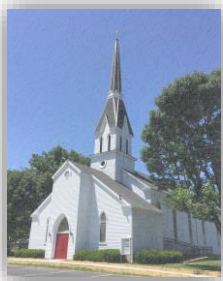


BETHLEHEM EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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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, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; 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, Alonzo Shoaf, Karen Stuemke, Steve Voelker, Gene Wharton, Gary Wendling, Marcella Wolf and Lilly Wright.*

Those celebrating **Birthdays:** (01/23-01/29) 01/23 – Jeannie Yagow; 01/25 – Owen Kroening; 01/26 – Michael Yagow-Wenthe; 01/27 – Jennifer Berg

Church News

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

Adult Bible Study Jesus the Healer- Matthew 8:1-13

- How can we know God's will?
- How does this affect our prayers and faith?
- What are the differences and similarities between the leper and the centurion?

Trustee’s Report:

Offering collected for the Home Purpose General Fund on January 16: \$12,331

Weekly amount needed for Bethlehem’s tuition students to ALIS.....\$3,238.46

Weekly budgeted for salary and home purpose in addition to tuition.....\$2,733.54

Weekly total.....\$5,972.00

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

Building Fund collection on 01/16/2022: \$300

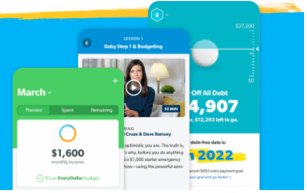
Church Window Project Fund total: \$13,987 (Total amount needed: \$55,000)

Voters’ Assembly Meeting – TODAY– January 23, 2022, 1:30 p.m.

Special Voters’ Assembly – Sunday, February 6, following the worship service, to discuss and vote on the final draft of the ALIS constitution.

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for Members**



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★★ Bethlehem church contact information:

All mail for the church should be directed to the church office address:

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(The council has decided to discontinue the P.O. Box)

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✻✻✻ District & Synod News, Regional Items & Acknowledgments ✻✻✻

St. Paul Blue Point – Annual Pancake & Sausage Supper (Drive-thru style)

– Sunday, January 30th, 2022, 4:00 -7:00 pm

Trivia Night Fundraiser at Immanuel, Altamont Parish Hall- Mark your calendars for February 11th! The LCMS Gathering youth will be holding a trivia night fundraiser. Doors open at 6:30, trivia starts at 7 pm! \$10 per participant. Max 10 ppl in a group. Come with a group or come by yourself! \$2 per person discount will be given to those who sign up on or before Feb. 1st. Text Sara Ruding 618-704-8510.

ALIS will be accepting applications for 4th grade teaching position that will be available next year as Mary Zumwalt is planning to retire.

Applications and nominations will be accepted from January 22 through February 7th, 2022. Resumes may be sent electronically to

robiflach@alisrockets.com or dropped off at the school office. ALIS has a mailbox next to front doors of the school if dropping off after hours.

Family Life Center in Newton is now hiring a Registered Nurse. Training will be in Effingham Monday through Thursday 9-5 with similar hours when we open in Newton later this year. Job duties include being a one-on-one advocate for clients, offering options counseling, pregnancy testing, STI testing, prenatal and parenting education along with education on sexual risk avoidance.

Interested applicants can send a resume to director@familylifepcc.org or drop it off at 605 Eden Ave, Effingham.



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

The Lord called all things into being, from the greatest to the least, with His mighty mere Word. But He formed the human bodies with His own fingers and His very breath. He lovingly, intimately, and meticulously knits us together in our mothers' wombs."

Pastor Michael Salemink, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

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

This Week at Bethlehem:

Today, Sunday, January 23

- 1:30 p.m. – Voters' Assembly
- 6:30 p.m. – Catechesis Class

Tuesday, January 25

- 9:30 a.m. – Matins Service (Conversion of Paul)
- 7:00 p.m. – Bible Class @ Zion

Wednesday, January 26

- 7:00 p.m. – Choir practice

Thursday, January 27

- 4:30 p.m. – Kinderchor practice

Sunday, January 30 – Epiphany 4

- 9:30 a.m. – Divine Service w/ Holy Communion
- 10:45-11:30 a.m. – Adult Bible Class and Youth Sunday School
- 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