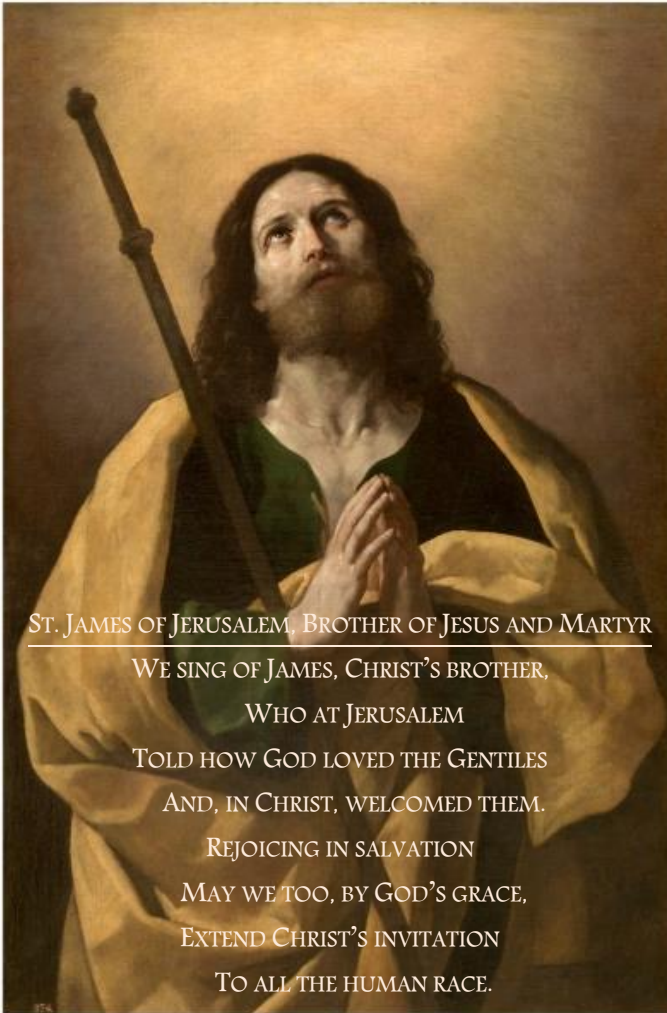


**ST. JAMES OF JERUSALEM  
BROTHER OF JESUS & MARTYR**

Sunday, October 23, 2022



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WE SING OF JAMES, CHRIST'S BROTHER,

WHO AT JERUSALEM

TOLD HOW GOD LOVED THE GENTILES

AND, IN CHRIST, WELCOMED THEM.

REJOICING IN SALVATION

MAY WE TOO, BY GOD'S GRACE,

EXTEND CHRIST'S INVITATION

TO ALL THE HUMAN RACE.

**BETHLEHEM EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**



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“LET US GO TO BETHLEHEM...” LUKE 2:15

Bethlehem is Hebrew for “House of Bread,” the city of David, King of Israel, and the birthplace of the Lord Jesus. This land was originally planned to be a town called Bethlehem, and eventually our congregation adopted it as its name. You are invited to believe that Jesus is present here, at Bethlehem today according to His Word and to confess the very Bread of Life Jesus feeds us with in the Sacrament.

**Prayers**

**In our prayers we remember:**

Those in need of healing & comfort: *Howard “Butch” Bahrns, Pam Berg-Kepley, Jim Brasel, Mike Gaede, Bernice Graumenz, Arlin Grobengieser, Lillian Grobengieser, Luella Rubin, Steve Voelker, Gene Wharton, and Marcella Wolf.*

Those celebrating Birthdays: (10/23-10/29): 10/23 – *Alysia Will*;  
10/24 – *Jack Webb*; 10/25 – *Addam Dahnke*; 10/26 – *Isabelle Heuerman, Konnie Heiden*; 10/29 – *Brad Wolff, Lorene Schultz*

Anniversaries: 10/21..... *Gary & Joyce Winter* ..... 32 years  
10/25..... *Jeff & Jennifer Alwardt* ..... 14 years  
10/28..... *Jeremy & Leigh Ann Ruffner*..... 23 years  
10/29..... *Travis & Kelly Stone*..... 23 years

Welcome to the new members of our congregation, *John & Donna Parker.*

**Church News**

**Trustee’s Report:**

Offering collected for Home Purpose General Fund on October 16: \$ 5,565  
*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

Building Fund donations on 10/16: \$50

Missions as of 09/30/2022 - \$3,900 sent of \$8,000 annual commitment.

Issues, Etc. as of 09/30/2022 - \$125 collected/sent of \$1,000 annual commitment.

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

Sunday School offering has been designated for our Radio Ministry.

Attendance on 10/16/2022, 9:30 Worship Service: 105



**Today in Bible Class – “Lifetime Plan for Giving” presentation**

Rev. Charles Olander & Scott Radden of the LCMS Foundation will provide you with information and materials to help you develop a “Lifetime Plan for Giving” & will discuss how wills, beneficiary designations, charitable trusts and gift annuities might be used to help you better provide for yourself, your family and your church. Individual follow-up meetings can be scheduled with no charge. Whether you have an estate plan in place currently or if don’t have a will, this would be an excellent presentation to attend. Please speak to Pastor if you have questions. Thank you.

We hope to see you there!

**MATINS AT BETHLEHEM-** All are invited to Matins every Tuesday at 9:30am at Bethlehem, Altamont. Whether you were unable to make it to church on Sunday, have the day off, or need to pray about something. Every service is themed around a part of the Small Catechism. Join us this Tuesday!

Date	Hymn	Catechism	Bible
Oct. 25	LSB #622	C Q&A:12-14	1 Cor. 11:23-26

**BETHLEHEM DRIVE THRU CHILI SUPPER-** Sunday, November 6th from 3:00-5:30. There will be no inside seating. The menu will include Chili, Chicken Noodle Soup, Sauerkraut Soup, Chicken Salad Sandwiches, BBQ & Hot Dogs. Pies include: Coconut Cream, Raisin Cream, Apple, Peach, Pecan & Pumpkin. Desserts offered are Chocolate Layered & Cherry Delight. Soups will be served in 16 oz (1 Bowl) or 32 oz (2 Bowls) containers. Free Will Donation. Proceeds will go towards church parsonage improvements. If you will not be available to work or donate this year please let Sherri Strullmyer as soon as possible 618-553-0960.

**Old Church Windows** – The old church windows will be made available for members, please contact Dennis Guffey, 618-267-5595, by Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> for more information.

*Thank you to the Ladies' Aid/LWML for donating the funds to have the church carpet professionally cleaned. Thank you to all you helped facilitate this project.*

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

**7<sup>th</sup> Annual Fall Vendor Open House, Saturday, October 29, 9am - 2pm, Faith Lutheran Church, Shumway, IL.** Free Admission – Donations will be accepted to help support local Missionaries Kraig & Jodie Soltwedel, originally from the Shumway area, now residing and spreading the gospel in New Zealand.



**ALTAMONT REFORMATION RALLY**

**October 30<sup>th</sup> – 5:00 p.m. at Immanuel Lutheran, Altamont, Illinois.**

Luther posted his statement of faith, known as the 95 Theses, on the castle church doors in Wittenberg, Germany, on October 31, 1517. Join the four Altamont LCMS Churches as we celebrate the anniversary of the beginning of the Lutheran Reformation 505 years ago. Our guest preacher for the evening will be Rev. Dr. Thomas J. Egger, President of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, and professor of Exegetical Theology. Our ALIS children will also be singing during the worship service. All are welcomed to come and hear that we are saved by Grace Alone, through Faith Alone, in Christ Alone.


**St. Clare Catholic Church, Altamont, Annual Chili Supper** - Sunday, Oct. 30 4:00pm-7:00pm, free will donation, carry out available.


**St. Paul Lutheran, Wheeler, celebrating 150 years.** Oct.29 – Museum open 12-4pm & Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> – 10am worship service w/ German Lunch to follow service.




**Altamont Area LYF Groups to Host Trunk-or-Treat for Altamont Community**  
**Monday, October 31, 2022**

**6:30 pm to 8:00 pm** in the north parking lot of Immanuel Lutheran Church.

 **Host a Trunk** – All parishioners are invited to join in the fun by decorating a trunk and distributing treats at the event. Contests will be held for best youth decorated trunk and best parishioner/other decorated trunk. A sign-up sheet is available in the narthex for those wishing to participate, please sign to reserve your space. All trunks should be set up by 6:00 pm for judging.

 **Youth Pizza & Costume Party** – For all area LYF members in the Immanuel parish hall from 8:00 pm to 9:00 pm with prizes awarded for best costumes.

 **Please Contact Alysia Wills (Bethlehem/Zion) at 618-292-4715, Andy Wendling (Immanuel) at 618-335-1175 or Wes Duncan (St. Paul - Blue Point) at 217-821-4906 for additional information.**



Altamont Ministerial Alliance **Food Pantry** provides local families in need with grocery items and various living expense vouchers (for utilities, fuel, temp. housing, etc.) – Bethlehem Church will be collecting non-perishable items for the Food Pantry. Donation box will be located in the narthex. Monetary donations and checks, payable to Altamont Ministerial Alliance Food Pantry, are also accepted, please place in the “Church Inbox”.

*Current items in need at the Food Pantry:*

*crackers-any kind*

*canned meals*

*chunky soup*

*ketchup*

*peanut butter*

*Hamburger Helpers*

**This Week at Bethlehem:**

**Tuesday, October 25** – 9:30 a.m. – **Matins**

**Wednesday, October 26**

– 4:30 p.m. – Kinderchor practice

– 7:00 p.m. – Choir practice

**Sunday, October 30** – **Reformation Sunday**

– 9:30 a.m. – Divine Service with Holy Communion

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

– 5:00 p.m. – **REFORMATION RALLY** @ Immanuel, Altamont

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

– 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)