

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Sunday, July 19, 2026



*Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest,
And let these gifts to us be blessed.
Amen.*

BETHLEHEM EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
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“Let us go to Bethlehem...” Luke 2:15

The Lord calls us by the Gospel to His house to worship Him. It is only by the Holy Spirit that any of us can believe in Jesus Christ and receive His gift of salvation. The LC-MS confesses that the one holy Christian church includes all believers of Christ in all denominations, while also confessing Jesus' teaching of Closed Communion. If you are not in altar fellowship with the LC-MS please refrain from the Lord's Supper at Bethlehem until you have spoken with Pastor Manley.

Prayers

In our prayers we remember:

Those in need of healing & comfort:

Annette Altman	Gail Robert Heimgartner - cancer	Brad Suckow – back
Dwayne Beccue	Noah Luke Owen – heart	Katheryn Suckow – cancer
Lucille Beccue- LCC	Dale Roll	Steve Voelker
Karly Brummer - leukemia	Judy Stuemke – LCC	Catherine Zumwalt – cancer
Bernice Graumenz	Sam Stuemke – heart	
Lillian Grobengieser		

Birthdays (07/19-07/25): 07/19 – Lucas Kroening, Mike Miller; 07/23 – Emerson Caraway

Today we welcome Rich & Pam Siddens as members of Bethlehem.

Church News

Trustee's Report:

Weekly amount needed for unified budget 2026	\$	8730
Offering collected for <u>General Fund</u> on 07/12.....	\$	7227

Loose change in the offering plate is designated for LWML Mites for Missions

Attendance: Sun., 07/12, 9:30am – 108



*Bible Class – Game for all ages reenacting Jesus Feeding of the 4000.
We will meet at Rich & Pam Siddens residence around 12pm.*

Voters' Assembly - TODAY – 1:30 pm

Family VBS after church **TODAY** + Mini Bible Lesson, Game, then Pool Party and Lunch at Rich and Pam Siddens.

The new wireless **Sound System will be installed on July 20**. Two different **training sessions** will be offered by the Sound System installers. Either July 21 or 22 both from 6:00-8:00 p.m. We have several who have signed up to be trained and if you are interested in being trained, please contact either Ronnie Puttnam or Eric Grobengieser.

Old School Workday – Sunday, July 26 - Join us immediately following the worship service for an **Old School Workday**. Wear work clothes to church or bring a change of clothes as we work together to clean out the old school building. Please sign up in the narthex so we can plan accordingly. Lunch will be provided by the Ladies Aid for everyone who helps. Items that will not be kept by the church will be available for congregation members to take on **July 26**. Any remaining items after **August 9** will be disposed of. If you have any questions, please contact **Eric Grobengieser**.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church Altamont, IL – BBQ

August 30th - 11am - until the food is gone.

- Menu: Brisket, pulled pork, smoked chicken, hotdogs, German potato salad, apple pie baked beans, coleslaw, tea, lemonade, and Bethlehem Ladies Aid famous desserts.
- Tours of our historic 1867 church at 12:30 and 1:30
- Games: Barnyard Basketball, volleyball, badminton, cornhole, ring toss, and \$1 cake walk
- Freewill donation.
- Proceeds go to help with Bethlehem ALIS Tuition.
- Meal served in Bethlehem Parish Hall.

All are welcome to bring lawn chairs and stay for games, fellowship, and fun.

Contact Gary Grobengieser 618-553-9856



Bethlehem Lutheran Church Sweet Corn Plot

Sweet corn is available for a freewill donation, with all proceeds benefiting Bethlehem's ALIS tuition. For more information, please contact Pastor Manley or Lucas Kroening 618-977-9373.



A/C units, that are no longer needed in the Parish Hall, are available with donation:

- (1) 220-volt units, 24,000 BTU, suggested donation: \$200
- (1) 220-volt units, 18,000 BTU, suggested donation: \$150
- (1) 110-volt unit, 7,500 BTU, Free

For more information, please contact a Church Trustee.

✂✂✂ District & Synod News, Community Items & Acknowledgments ✂✂✂



Altamont Lutheran
INTERPARISH SCHOOL

Online enrollment for ALIS started on July 1, 2026.

Families were sent an email from Teacherease - Common Goal Systems (ALIS will not be using

Sycamore) with directions on how to access your parent account and complete enrollment online. We will also have in person Registration at ALIS on July 21st from 11-6pm and again on July 28th, 2026 from 4-6pm.

ALIS Registration Help: ALIS needs volunteers to help parents register and receive all the needed information for the upcoming school year. Volunteers are needed during the following time slots at ALIS: July 21st, 10:45am-2:30pm, 2:30pm-6:15pm. July 28th, 3:45pm-6:15pm. To volunteer call Mrs. Flach (815) 791-0362 or speak with Pastor Manley.



Donation box for non-perishable items for the Altamont Food Pantry is in the narthex. The Food Pantry had 64 participants on Tuesday, 07/14/2026.

Jesus said, I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me.” (Mt. 25:35). The Altamont Ministerial Alliance does this by caring for the poor in our community. The Altamont Food pantry is open at First United Methodist Church every Tuesday, 1-3pm for citizens with an Altamont address. When available, other funds are given to the poor with an Altamont address to help with their needs. The Altamont Ministerial Alliance has checks and balances to properly steward all donations to those who are living in our community and follow Jesus’ words to care for the poor.

Note from the Food Pantry: Just to update you...we are currently low on the following in the Food Pantry: Meat Helpers (Hamburger/Tuna), Fruit, Canned Chicken, Cereal, Ramen Noodles, Spam, Mustard, Ketchup, plus Milk and Hot Dogs are always appreciated. We are currently blessed with an abundance of canned corn, green beans, spaghetti sauce/pasta noodles, soups, mac & cheese, and pancake syrup.

This Week at Bethlehem:

Mon., July 20

5:30 pm - Adult Instruction

Sun., July 26 – Trinity 8

9:30 am – DSIII with Holy Communion

11:00 am – Work Day @ the Old School – Lunch provided

8:00 am – Bethlehem’s Radio program on KJ Country/102.3FM

5:00 pm – 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