

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Sunday, June 14, 2026

The LORD

is my ROCK

and my

FORTRESS

and my

DELIVERER.

Psalm 18:2

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:

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

Birthdays (06/14-06/20): 06/17 – Connie Roll, Juniper Phillips; 06/18 – Matthew Putnam; 06/20 – Aubree Willenborg

Anniversaries: 06/14 – Alonzo & Megan Shoaf
06/17 – Matthew & Serena Buchanan

Church News

Trustee's Report:

Weekly amount needed for unified budget 2026	\$	8730
Offering collected for <u>General Fund</u> on 06/07	\$	6565

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

Attendance: Sun., 06/07, 9:30am – 91



Bible Study Today: Matthew 8:28-34 | The Gadarenes Demons

- What do the tombs look like that the demons lived in?
- Why be a demon when you know Jesus is going to win?
- What do Jesus' miracles prove?
- How should we face evil principalities?

Bethlehem Summer Events - Save the Dates:

June 24, 7pm – Movie Night and Popcorn at Bethlehem Parish Hall.

The Story of Everything.

July 12, after church – Work Day + Lunch, Clean Old School

July 17, 6pm – Altar Guild Meeting at Barn & Bottle

July 19, after church – Family VBS after church + Mini Bible Lesson, Craft, then Pool Party and Lunch at Rich and Pam Siddens.

Aug. 30, after church – Bethlehem BBQ (all are welcome).



Hymn Sing and Fellowship at Bethlehem Guess the hymn!

Join us on Sunday, June 28th at Bethlehem. Hymn sing starts at 5:00 pm in the Bethlehem Church. Fellowship and pizza at 6:00 pm in Bethlehem Parish Hall. All are welcome.

*Pizza will be provided.
(optional: you may bring a dessert to share)*

✿ District & Synod News, Community Items & Acknowledgments ✿

Bethlehem Church's Focus for June 2026:



Donation box for non-perishable items for the Altamont Food Pantry is in the narthex. *The Food Pantry had **26** participants on Tuesday, 06/09/2026.* 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.



Hope for Every Heart Family Fest

Join Family Life Center on Saturday, June 13, at the Cross in Effingham for a FREE community family event hosted by the Family Life Center. The Prayer Walk begins at 9:00 AM, followed by worship music, inflatables, games, a petting zoo, food trucks, and fun for the whole family starting at 9:45 until noon. Bring your lawn chairs, invite your friends and neighbors, meet the Family Life Center staff, and enjoy a morning of family fun and encouragement.

A colorful graphic for a "BABY BOTTLE Fundraiser". The background is light pink with blue and pink bunting at the top and scattered baby bottle icons. The text "BABY BOTTLE Fundraiser" is in large, pink and blue letters. Below it, a banner says "MAY 10 - JUNE 21". Further down, it says "CELEBRATE LIFE WITH US BY SUPPORTING THE FAMILY LIFE CENTER FROM MOTHER'S DAY TO FATHER'S DAY". On the left, there is a QR code and the URL "https://rebrand.ly/bbeff". At the bottom right, there is a small logo for Family Life Center.

BABY BOTTLE
Fundraiser

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<https://rebrand.ly/bbeff>

Pick up baby bottle or give online to Family Life Center.

Family Life Center

→→→→→→→→ **Please bring back your Baby Bottle next week!**

Braille Volunteer Luncheon – Tuesday, July 14th at noon, at St. John's Effingham Fellowship Hall. The president of Lutheran Braille Workers, Rev. Dr. Robert Hartwell, will be our special guest. A sign-up sheet for attendance is in the Braille workroom at St. John's. If you cannot sign up in person, please call Marilyn (217-821-0508) or Kathy (217-254-9390). Please sign up by July 6th.



With thankful hearts, the Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) Central Illinois District rejoices in the many blessings of our recent convention held in Decatur, Illinois. Delegates gathered in Christian fellowship, worship, and prayerful consideration as important decisions were made to guide the work of our district in the coming years.

Mite Goal for 2026–2028 - \$220,000 Biennium Goal

Sharing Christ's Love Through Your Mite Offerings

The following mission grants were approved for the 2026–2028 biennium:

- **Student Church Workers** — \$60,000
- **Christ-Centered Crisis Support - LFS** — \$25,000
- **Sharing Our Savior, 1 Meal at a Time** — \$7,500
- **Hands that Serve, Hearts that See - Braille** — \$12,000
- **Care Packages - Phil's Friends** — \$5,000
- **Children's Books - LHM State Fair** — \$10,000
- **Lutheran Books for Children - World** — \$5,000
- **Set Apart to Serve** — \$10,000
- **Gospel Access for Aging Adults - CID** — \$13,000
- **Deaconess Kim Bueltmann in Germany** — \$10,000
- **Family 4 Life in CID** — \$7,500



All coins in the offering plate at Bethlehem are given to the LWML for Mite Missions.

This Week at Bethlehem:

Monday, June 15

5:30 a.m. – Adult Instruction

Sunday, June 21 – Trinity 3

9:30 am – DSIII with Holy Communion

10:45 am – Bible Class

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