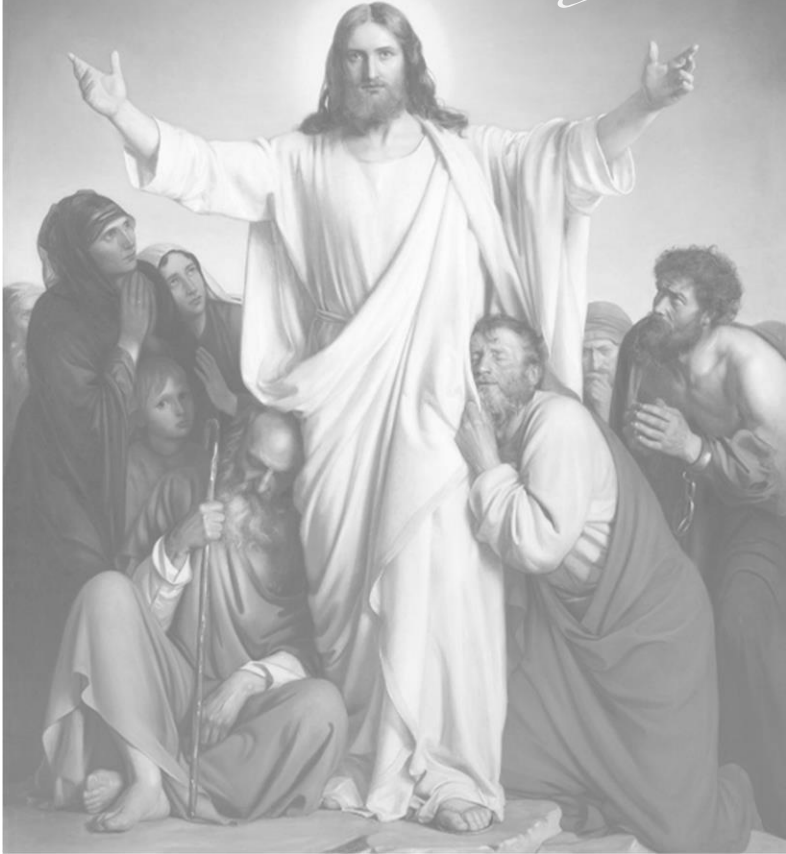


The Fourth Sunday of Easter - Jubilate

April 21, 2024

Shout for Joy



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"Let us go to Bethlehem..." Luke 2:15

Christ is Risen! We gather in Eastertide to hear of the joy of Christ's resurrection and His promise of our own. As we await Jesus' return, we remember His words, "Do this in remembrance of me." We follow Jesus' command to receive His body and blood faithfully. Visitors who have not communed at Bethlehem before are asked to speak with Pastor Manley before the service to give glory to God and to love and protect all who desire the Lord's Supper.

Prayers

In our prayers we remember:

Those in need of healing & comfort: *Lucille Beccue, Heather Davis, Teresa Riley (custodian at ALIS), Bernice Graumenz, Lillian Grobengieser, Pastor Heimgartner, Todd Luedtke, John Parker, Marybeth Potts, John Putnam, Marion Schmidt, Tim Stone, Steve Voelker, Mildred Wolf, & Catherine Zumwalt.*

Birthdays this week (4/21-4/27): 04/24 – Klaiton Strullmyer; 04/26 – Jersey Hille; 04/27 – Lauren Yagow

Anniversary: 04/21 – Orville & Janice Heiden
04/23 – Addam & Andy Dahnke
04/24 – Jason & Lexie Caraway

Church News

Trustee's Report:

Offering collected for <u>Home Purpose General Fund</u> on 04/14/2024.....	\$ 6,190
Bible Class Offering collected on 04/14/2024.....	\$ 13
Weekly amount needed for unified budget	\$ 7,400


Steeple & Roof Project Fund (goal of \$100,000) – collected \$62,922

Envelopes for donations to the steeple project are available in the narthex. Checks may be made payable to “**Bethlehem Lutheran Church Building Fund**” with “**Steeple Project**” on the memo line.



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

Attendance: Sunday, 04/14, 9:30am – 87

 **Bible Class – Colossians**
Today – Introduction, Colossians 1:1-2
April 28th – Colossians 1:3-14
May 5th – Colossians 1:15-23

Matins worship service is held every Wednesday at 9:30am.

Voters' Assembly – TODAY - Sunday, April 21st – 1:30pm

Lutheran Witness Annual subscriptions (11 issues) & renewals are due, just fill out the LW envelope (included in your offering envelope box set) & include \$20.65. **New subscriptions & renewals are due in the office by April 28**. Subscriptions begin with the June/July 2022 issue.

BLC will be recognizing our 2024 graduates in May. If you are graduating this year from grade school, high school, college, vocational or other, please contact Pastor or the church office.

BLC May 2024 calendar will be distributed on 04/28 – contact the church office by Wednesday, 04/24, if you have a church related item that you like included on the calendar. Thank you.

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

Immanuel Lutheran Augsburg Soup & Chili Luncheon - Sunday, April 21st – serving begins at 11:30am until 1pm. (1297 E 900th Ave., Shobonier) Menu: Chicken noodle, chili, sandwiches, desserts. Dine in or carry out. Freewill offering accepted. Sponsored by the Immanuel Ladies' Aid.

79th Annual LWML CID Convention – “Hark the Voice of Jesus Calling” April 26-27, 2024 at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Rock Island, Illinois. All are welcome. Contact Roberta Phillips or the church office for a registration form. Registration fee is \$30 – after April 1st - \$40



Catherine Zumwalt Benefit – Sunday, April 28th, 3pm-8pm, Carriage House, Altamont. Meal (free will donation), bake sale, silent auction & more. To donate baked goods/silent auction items please contact Mary @ 618-483-5519.

Blessings from Baskets – Ladies Gathering Invitation from St. Paul Lutheran Church Parish Hall (Route 40) – Sunday, May 5 at 2pm. Guest speaker, Marilyn Hungerford, will present on Breaking the Cycle of Poverty through the baskets of Ten by Three Ministries. Refreshments. Door Prizes. Text or call Penny White at (618)553-1311 to RSVP by April 28th. Baskets will also be available for purchase.

Immanuel VBS will be May 28th-31st at ALIS from 1pm-4pm. Online registration can be found here: <https://vbsmate.com/immvbs>

Bethlehem has an annual commitment of \$1,000 to support

Issues, Etc., please faithfully consider giving towards this ministry. Special marked envelopes for your gift to Issues, Etc. are

located in the narthex. - Thank you for your commitment to Issues, Etc. radio ministry.





LCMS – Central Illinois District News in your Inbox – Receive the “Gatepost” and “News You can Use” by subscribing on their website www.cidlcms.org.

LCMS CID - Question of the Week #17

Is believing that Christ is the only way to heaven a narrow point of view?

*To hear the answer to this question,
go to our Church website (via QR code) →*



Donation box for non-perishable items for the Altamont Food Pantry is located in the narthex. Monetary donations, checks payable to Altamont Ministerial Alliance Food Pantry, are also accepted and may be placed in the “Church Office” box in the narthex.
Your continued support and donations are greatly appreciated.

This Week at Bethlehem:

Wednesday, April 24

- 9:30 a.m. - Matins
- 4:30 p.m. – Kinderchor
- 7:00 p.m. – Choir

Sunday, April 28 – Easter 5

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

*To the Glory of God
&
The Salvation of Man*

