

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY

For our members;

Teddy Bishop	Ruby Bonner	Lois Branigan	Evans Branigan
Waldell Bright	Margaret Burger	Willard Brown	Derek Crane
Dana Crane	Joan Domrow	Suzie Emley	Ina Gaunt
Pastor Jeff Geisler	Vicky Geisler	Jean Hille	Linda Kalthoff
Earl Kruger	Nancy Kruger	Donna Melcher	Gladys Middleton
Louise Nahrwold	Deanna Nelson	Richard Pierce	Nick Rasmussen
Jewel Robinson	Doris Scott	Sharon Shediack	Thomas Tinsley
Phil Urbahns			

For our friends and family:

Ruby Ahart (sister-in law of Nancy Pierce), **Vicky Baker** (mother of Cathy Finner) **Al Bebout** (brother of Amber Herndon), **Marilyn and Meg Busse** (sister and niece of Annette Diemer), **Darryl Calloway**, **Maria Gema Camumot** (aunt of Nancy Pierce), **Adrian Dance Jr.** (grandson of Rachelle Dance), **Matthew Derby** (friend of the Hapner family), **Donna Emley**, **Tammy Gibson** (sister of Threasa Lightning) **Larry Hollman** (brother-in-law of Greg Finner), **Mary R. Harris-Hill** (sister of Claudia Harris), **Anna Jones**, (mother of Trena Jones), **Don Kovac** (father of Michelle Miller), **Pastor Larry Merino**, **John Moerer** (son-in-law of John and Shirley Davis), **Karen Norby** (friend of Linda Stafford), **Brian Rasso** (brother of Gene Kalthoff), **Salgado Rivera** (client of Food Bank), **Paul Roach** (son of John and Linda Stafford), **Patricia and Natasha Saylor** (friends of Kathy Brehm), **Stacey Self** (friend of Kim Brooks), **Chris Terrazas** (son of Donna Adams), **Sam Terrell** (friend of Deanna Nelson), **Beverly Van Nalten** (mother of Jennifer Bradley), **LaToya Williams** (daughter of Ocleva Williams)

For the families of Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Shirley Brunson, Margaret Burger, Christina Carillo, Vivian Chaney, Greg Chapman, Allison, Rhonda, and Stephanie Cheng, Deb Christensen, Derek Crane, Robert Crawford, and Marilyn Curl. We pray for the family of Paul Miller (Connie Hawkins Brother-in-law) who passed on February 19.

For our church

Almighty Father, we commit our plans to You as we consider how best to utilize our building and ministries. Guide our hearts and hands as we pursue your will so that we do not get distracted or discouraged. Fill us with Your wisdom and passion so that our work brings hope to our neighborhood and rekindles the faith of our congregation, leading all to experience the love of Jesus.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

LAST WEEK AT A GLANCE

ATTENDANCE:	115
Needed for Operating & Missions	\$ 6,192.31
Offering for Operating & Missions	\$10,693.50
Online Operating & Missions	\$ 409.54
Designated Gifts	\$ 476.05
Total Contributions	\$11,579.09

OFFERINGS

You can make one-time or recurring gifts directly on our website. It's simple and secure.

www.bethlehemlcms.org

Offerings may also be mailed to
Bethlehem Lutheran Church
3705 South Anthony Boulevard
Fort Wayne IN 46806-4329.

Please make ALL checks payable to Bethlehem Lutheran Church. Use the memo line on check for designation.

FOOD BANK

Bring a grocery bag of a few non-perishable items on Sundays. Bring to the front pews during the offering.



URGENT NEEDS

Mac and Cheese
Pasta Sauces

Copies of the sermon are available in the Narthex ask an usher for assistance.

ACTIVITIES AND BIBLE STUDIES

+ THIS WEEK +



TODAY'S ACTIVITIES

9:00am Worship w/Communion
10:00am Coffee Hour – FH
10:30am Education Hour - Adults – Café
Kids – Sonshine Club Room

Monday, March 3

Tuesday, March 4

10:00pm-11:30am Food Bank

Ash Wednesday, March 5

10:00am -11:30am Food Bank
5:15pm Lenten Dinner (Peace)
5:45pm - Choir

6:30pm Worship w/Communion
Handbells

Thursday, March 6

10:00pm-11:30am Food Bank

Friday, March 7

Saturday, March 8

4:00pm Worship w/Communion

Sunday, March 9

9:00am Worship w/Communion
10:00am Coffee Hour – FH
10:30am Education Hour - Adults – Café
Kids – Sonshine Club Room

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<p><u>BETHLEHEM SERVICES ONLINE</u> The link to watch online: https://www.facebook.com/bethlehemfortwayne</p>							
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*The altar flowers are provided by Rhonda Cheng in memory of her father,
Russell Miller, on his March 14th birthday.*



Help us share Christ's love with your

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS!


All Choice Dollars must be directed by March 31, 2025!
Call Thrivent Customer Service at (800) 847-4836 with any questions.

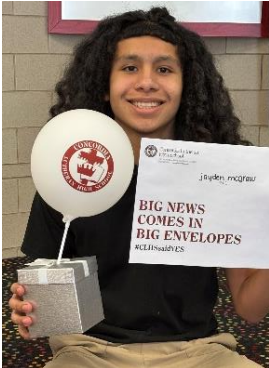
LSUS News

PRAYING FOR YOU!

Please pray for our students/staff; Adonis, Gabriella, Vachellia, Dontae, Khloe, Ivan, Max, Michael, Daylen, and De'Cora.

Future Concordia Cadets


 Congratulations to these 8th grade students, Sophia, Keh Ter Re, Maiya, Josef, Jayden, and Ariza, who have been accepted at Concordia Lutheran High school! Next year this group of students will embark on an exciting new chapter as future Cadets. These future Cadets will participate in a supportive and engaging environment where they can cultivate their talents, build lifelong friendships, and deepen their understanding of Christian values.



Encouragement Found in Scriptures:

For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.
—Romans 8:38-39



WELCOME
Kindergarten Roundup
Lutheran South Unity School
March 6th, 2025
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm



What to Expect: Children welcome to come!

- Kindergarten Scavenger Hunt
- Tour of the building
- Learn about the program
- Meet the teachers and principal



We are looking forward to hearing from your family!
Register with the QR code or call the office.
260-744-0459



OPEN ENROLLMENT
2025- 2026

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS LOOKING FOR A GREAT SCHOOL?

LUTHERAN SOUTH UNITY SCHOOL WOULD LOVE TO SHARE OUR CHRIST-CENTERED SCHOOL WITH YOU.

TOURS ARE AVAILABLE SO WE CAN SHARE HOW OUR SCHOOL CAN BENEFIT YOUR CHILD.

CONTACT BARB JOHNSON -- ADMISSIONS
BJOHNSON@LSUSFW.ORG
260-744-0459

RE-ENROLLMENT FOR CURRENT LSUS FAMILIES IS ON FAST DIRECT NOW.



BETHLEHEM'S 100th ANNIVERSARY

Our theme will be "**Throughout All Generations**" Psalm 90:1 *"Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations."*

Kick-off will be on Sunday, January 11, 2026 (same month as the first meeting of the church)

Education Celebration will be on Sunday, May 31, 2026 (History of education and recognition of Confirmation classes) Main Event will be on Sunday, September. 27, 2026.

To honor Bethlehem's 100th anniversary in 2026, we offer an opportunity to participate in a second videotaping session on April 13 from 1:00pm-4:00pm in the sanctuary.

These 5-minute videos consist of three questions:

1. **When and why did you come to Bethlehem?**
2. **What are a couple of your favorite memories?**
3. **What has Bethlehem meant to you?**

Understanding that everyone could talk for an hour, we are asking to keep the sessions to five minutes so we can include more people. These recordings will be played before services throughout the anniversary year. Those being interviewed also do not need to be current members.

If you are interested, please email Blake Sebring at blakeds@frontier.com so we can get a rough estimate of those wishing to participate. Seating will be available, and we will not schedule appointments, but we'll start a line and keep going until we are finished. Hopefully this will be a fun time of reminiscing.

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

If you are a member of Bethlehem and experience the death of a family member who was not a member of the congregation, but feel you would also benefit from the care of our Stephen Ministry Bereavement program, please call Pastor Ben (989-907-9481), Threasa Lightning (260-417-1450) or Richard Pierce (260-450-2280), our Grief Coordinators. The Bereavement program provides a set of four short books, journeying through Grief, to send to people at four crucial times during the difficult first year after losing a loved one. Each book focuses on what the person is likely to be feeling at that point in their grief, providing care, support, compassion, and hope.

FREE COMMUNITY WELLNESS EVENT

Manchester University is having a FREE Community Wellness event on March 8 from 9:00am-1:00pm at McMillen Park Community Center at 3901 Abbott St. Free health assessments, Learn about important health topics, and Giveaways.

LENTEN MEALS 2025

Lenten Meals 2025: Thanks to those who has signed up for the Lenten Meals! There are still available slots to fill if you are still thinking of how or what to contribute. We are estimating there may be about 30 people eating. We may need to adjust as we go though! Please consult the sign-up station in the Fellowship Hall or email Rhonda Cheng.

Meals will begin at 5:15 PM and end at 6:15 PM in the Fellowship Hall. PB&J for kids and kids-at-heart.

ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP IS AT BETHLEHEM at 6:30pm.

Just a reminder, March 5 meal will be at Peace Lutheran for the chili cook off! RSVP if you can using this QR code!



BETHLEHEM LENTEN DINNERS MENU

March 12 - *The First Temptation Dinner* - Stone Soup, Bread, and fruits.

Need: Beef Veggie Soup, bread, and fruit salad.

March 19 - *Sleepy Disciples Dinner* - Turkey Tetrazinni, mashed potatoes, green beans. Turkey Tetrazinni (Kasey will make). Need: Mashed potatoes, green beans, dessert.

March 26 - *Take-Out Night* – Pizza Need: Pizza, carrots/ranch, fruit, dessert.

April 2 - *The Rooster crows Dinner* - Chicken Noodle Soup, Bread, and Salad
Need: Chicken Noodle Soup, Bread, Salad, dessert.

April 9 - *Mockary Mess Hall* - breakfast for dinner Sheet Pan "Pancakes" (Kasey will make). Need: syrup, sausages, fruit salad.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR LENT - EASTER

Wednesday 6:30pm services

ASH WEDNESDAY March 5 - Midweek Lent 1- 6:30pm

March 12 - Midweek Lent 2 – 6:30pm

March 19 - Midweek Lent 3– 6:30pm

March 26 - Midweek Lent 4– 6:30pm

April 2 – Midweek 5 – 6:30

April 9 - Midweek Lent 6– 6:30pm

April 17 - Maundy (Holy) Thursday - 6:30pm

April 18 - Good Friday - 6:30pm

April 19 – Easter Vigil 4:00pm

April 20 - Easter Sunday service 10:00am

EASTER – April 20, 2025

LILIES @ \$25.00

NAME_____

IN MEMORY OF_____

DEADLINE FOR ORDERING – **March 24, 2025**

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH
MAIL WITH FORM TO: 3705 SOUTH ANTHONY BLVD,
FORT WAYNE IN 46806

OR GIVE TO AN USHER. (NO PHONE ORDERS, PLEASE)

LILIES CAN BE PICKED UP AFTER THE 10:00 CHURCH SERVICE ON EASTER



EDUCATION ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

The Indiana District LCMS has a full-time opening for the position of Education Administrative Assistant. We are searching for a friendly, organized, and versatile individual who can work on a variety of tasks involving the Lutheran schools and educators of Indiana and Northern Kentucky. Qualifications include but are not limited to a servant attitude, effective communication skills, clerical skills, strong technical skills, self-motivation, a willingness to learn, and an eye for details. The position supports and facilitates the work of the District President and the District Education Executive in caring for the teachers, school administrators, and commissioned workers of the District, especially by managing the day-to-day office routines and coordinating communication between the Synod and workers, the schools and the state. All resumes should be submitted as soon as possible, as interviews will begin as these resumes are received. Interested individuals should submit their information either by email at lisa.slack@in.lcms.org.

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