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#### **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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#### **LAST WEEK AT A GLANCE**

ATTENDANCE: 93

Needed for Operating & Missions \$ 6,192.31 Offering for Operating & Missions \$ 2,691.00 Online Operating & Missions \$ 351.61 Designated Gifts \$ 533.58 Total Contributions \$ 3,579.19

# **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 nonperishable items on Sundays. Bring to the front pews during the offering.

DUR NEEDS ARE: Beans (dry or canned), soup, pasta, canned fruit & vegetables, and peanut butter.

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 2026 Community Fest meeting – FH

#### Monday, June 30

#### Tuesday, July 1

10:00pm-11:30am Food Bank 6:30pm Board of Elders

# Wednesday, July 2

10:00am -11:30am Food Bank

# Thursday, July 3

10:00am-11:30am Food Bank

# Friday, July 4

#### Saturday, July 5

4:00pm Worship w/Communion

#### Sunday, July 6

#### 9:00am Worship w/Communion

10:00am Coffee Hour – FH 10:30am Education Hour - Adults –Café

#### SERVING AMONG US +THIS WEEKEND+

Preacher The Rev. Steve Ahlersmeyer
Pianist (4:00pm) Kasey Hapner
Organist (9:00am) Janelle Deal
Altar Guild Mary Snow
Allison Cheng
Elder
(4:00pm) Brian Bates
(9:00am) Peter Schlie
Head Usher Dan Bates
Lay Reader
(9:00am) Kimberly Brooks
PowerPoint Operators
(4:00pm) Blake Sebring
(9:00am) Aaron Brown
Sound Operator
(9:00am)
Live stream Dave Volmerding

#### SERVING AMONG US +NEXT WEEKEND+

Preacher The Rev. Ben Ahlersmeyer
Pianist (4:00pm) Kasey Hapner
Organist (9:00am) Janelle Deal
Altar Guild Sharon Dietrich
Suzie Emley, Amber Herndon
Elder
(4:00pm) Brian Bates
(9:00am) John Bates
Head Usher Ron Gallmeyer
Lay Reader
(9:00am) Glenn Emley
PowerPoint Operators
(4:00pm) Carla Johnson
(9:00am) Josiah Hapner
Sound Operator
(9:00am) Dan Scheerer
Live stream Randy Hapner

# **BETHLEHEM SERVICES ONLINE**

The link to watch online: https://www.facebook.com/bethlehemfortwayne

# READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK (July 5th and July 6th)

FIRST READING Isaiah 66:10-14

EPISTLE READING Galatians 6:1-10,14-18

GOSPEL READING Luke 10:1-20

# **BETHLEHEM'S 100th ANNIVERSARY**

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

This is a tentative plan schedule.

- January 11, Sunday: Kick-off with sit-down meal
- March 13, Friday: FISH FRY
- April 19, Saturday: Great America Clean with the City event
- May 31, Sunday: Church Potluck Picnic
- June 20, Saturday: Neighborhood Walk including 3205 Alexander Ave.
- July 18, Saturday: Community Fest w/clubhouse
- August: LSUS clean up
- Sept. 13, Sunday: Education & Alumni Celebration with History of Education and recognition of Confirmation classes (a Charcuterie Table)
- October: Missions featured the entire month
- November: Collect food bank items the entire month
- December: Wrap up with a special musical event TBD Organ recital, song fest, etc.

#### **VIDEO RECORDING SESSION**

After some adjustments, we're finally able to reschedule the video recording session for part of Bethlehem's 100th anniversary celebration. The new date is **Sept. 7 from 1-4 p.m**. in the sanctuary.

These 5-minute videos will 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?

These recordings will be played before services throughout the anniversary year. Also, those being interviewed do not need to be current members. The main requirement is having some great memories about our church!

If you are interested, please consider emailing Blake Sebring at <u>blakeds@frontier.com</u> so we can get a rough estimate of those wishing to participate. Seating will be available in the Fellowship Hall, 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.

# SERVE AT THE RESCUE MISSION

Help serve lunch at the Rescue Mission! Volunteers needed every 4th Sunday of the Month upcoming dates include July 27, Aug 24, Sept 28, Oct 26, Nov 23, Dec 28

This is a great way to serve our local Ft. Wayne Community. Sign-up at the bulletin board outside the library, just past Fellowship Hall, and make this a meaningful service experience! Can't serve physically? Bake instead!



#### **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) our Grief Coordinator. 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.

# **FESTIVAL MUSIC SERVICE**





#### LIVE PERFORMANCE





Martini Lutheran Church 333 Moeller Road, New Haven, IN 46774



In July 1925 Martini Lutheran Church purchased, installed, and dedicated a brand new Tracker Organ.

One hundred years later that same organ, still leads the saints gathered at Martini every Sunday morning.

In thanksgiving to God for His gift of musical singing led by our 100 year old organ, Martini will be hosting a Festival Music Service with Kantor Matthew Machemer of Concordia Theological Seminary as organist. Refreshments will be served following the musical service. Please join us!



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# LWML/WOMEN OF BETHLEHEM

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# **DESSERTS FOR DADS**

Thanks to all the awesome Bethlehem Bakers who prepared and decorated boxes. And to all of you who purchased a dessert for those special fathers. 19 Desserts were donated and \$435.00 was raised for the Women of Bethlehem's General Fund.

# **FOR YOUR SUMMER CALENDAR:**

Saturday, July 26th, WOB Summer Social at Berne Swiss Days, followed by food/fellowship at Rainbow Lake (Hapner's Cottage). Car pool from Bethlehem, more details later.

# INDIANA DISTRICT LWML TREATSHOP

August 9, 2025, 9:30am-3:30pm

Trinity Lutheran Church 8540 E 16<sup>th</sup> St, Indianapolis, IN 46219

Price: \$20.00 (includes a continental breakfast, a light lunch, and various materials for the sessions.)

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# ANNUAL CAMP LUTHERHAVEN CHICKEN DINNER

Sunday, July 20, 2025. Worship begins at 11:00am. Our new directors: Keith Peters as Executive Director and Andrew Schroeder as Director of Summer & Youth Ministry be installed during the worship service. Following worship, join us for our annual Chicken Dinner, complete with mouthwatering chicken, delicious sides, and yummy desserts served in the open air pavilion along the shores of Lake Muncie. Tickets can be purchased at the door for \$17 for Adults (age 13+), \$12 for Youth (age 6-12), and Children 5 & Under are free.

Come for the worship. Stay for the chicken. Leave with a full heart.

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#### LSUS News

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LSUS registration is continuing for the 2025-2026 school year at Lutheran South Unity School. We are still looking for more students who would like to join our school family. Call Barb Johnson or the office at LSUS (260-744-0459) to make an appointment for a tour. Then the registration process will be explained to you. To help with tuition, we take Choice Vouchers. We also have scholarships and financial aid available. Someone is in the office Monday - Friday 9:00am to 3:00pm. Make your appointment now.





#### PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY

#### For our members:

Teddy Bishop
Evans Branigan
Dana Crane
Pastor Jeff Geisler
Linda Kalthoff
Donna Melcher
Louise Nahrwold
Adam Rice
Thomas Tinsley

Beau Bishop Margaret Burger Shirley Davis Vicky Geisler Carla Kay Gladys Middleton Deanna Nelson Jewel Robinson Phil Urbahns

Ruby Bonner Willard Brown Joan Domrow Jean Hille Earl Kruger Bob Miller Eddie Pierce Doris Scott Lois Branigan
Derek Crane
Ina Gaunt
Carla Johnson
Nancy Kruger
Jane Miller
Nick Rasmussen
Sharon Shediack

# **PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY**

# For our friends and family:

Vicky Baker (mother of Cathy Finner) Al Bebout (brother of Amber Herndon), Tori Bruce (granddaughter of Sharon Shediack), 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), Madalene Eggold, Donna Emley, Tammy Gibson (sister of Threasa Lightning), **Tony Griggs** (brother of Denise DeYampert), **Larry** Hollman (brother-in-law of Greg Finner), Mary R. Harris-Hill (sister of Claudia Harris), Shawn Hemmestad (son of Deanna Nelson), Marilyn Hyatt (sister of Deanna Nelson), Butch Johnson (brother of Deanna Nelson), Don Kovac (father of Michelle Miller), John Moerer (son-in-law of John and Shirley Davis), Karen Norby (friend of Linda Stafford), Brian Rasso (brother of Gene Kalthoff), Paul Roach (son of John and Linda Stafford), Patricia and Natasha Sayler (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), and those we name in our hearts.

#### For the families of Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Marlene Berning, Teddy Bishop, Beau Bishop, Mark Blessing, Ruby Bonner, Craig Bradley, Evans Branigan, Lisa Bratton, Kathy Brehm, Kimberly Brooks, Willard Brown, and Shirley Brunson.

#### 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.