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## BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

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*Let all that you do  
be done in Love*

1 Corinthians 16:14

### OFFERINGS

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

**[www.bethlehemlcms.org](http://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.**

**OUR 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, July 7

#### Tuesday, July 8

10:00pm-11:30am Food Bank

6:30pm Board of Directors

#### Wednesday, July 9

10:00am -11:30am Food Bank

#### Thursday, July 10

10:00am-11:30am Food Bank

#### Friday, July 11

#### Saturday, July 12

**4:00pm Worship w/Communion**

#### Sunday, July 13

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

10:00am Coffee Hour – FH

10:30am Education Hour - Adults –Café

## SERVING AMONG US +THIS 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

## SERVING AMONG US +NEXT WEEKEND+

Preacher ..... The Rev. Steve Ahlersmeyer  
Pianist (4:00pm)..... Kasey Hapner  
Organist (9:00am) ..... Janelle Deal  
Altar Guild ..... Kim Ellison  
   Sharon Shediack

Elder  
(4:00pm) ..... Ed Ramos  
(9:00am) ..... Greg Shediack  
Head Usher ..... Evans Branigan  
Lay Reader  
(9:00am) ..... Suzie Emley  
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## **BETHLEHEM SERVICES ONLINE**

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

## **READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK (July 12<sup>th</sup> and July 13<sup>th</sup>)**

OLD TESTAMENT READING  
EPISTLE READING  
GOSPEL READING

Leviticus 18:1–5; 19:9–18  
Colossians 1:1–14  
Luke 10:25–37

# **BETHLEHEM'S 100<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Volunteers are still needed!** Please pray and consider using your skills and talents and join one of the following committees:

Thank Offering, Commemorative item (s), Community Service or any other available committee. Please contact Rhonda in church office for questions or you may contact a member of the steering committee—Pastor Ben, Rachele Dance or Sharon Dietrich.

## **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 [blakeds@frontier.com](mailto:blakeds@frontier.com) 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**



Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Martini's Organ

**SATURDAY, 12 JULY 2025 | 01:30 PM**

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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### **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.

The poster for the 1st Annual LSUS Golf Outing features a grey background. At the top, the text "1ST ANNUAL LSUS" is in a bold, black, sans-serif font, flanked by two red circular logos with white crosses. Below this, the word "GOLF" is written in a large, bold, black, sans-serif font. Underneath "GOLF" is a green banner with the word "OUTING" in a bold, white, sans-serif font. Below the banner, the text "FUNDRAISER BENEFITING LUTHERAN SOUTH UNITY SCHOOL" is written in a small, black, sans-serif font. In the center, there is a green golf ball with the text "Pace Maker" written on it. To the left of the golf ball is a black rectangular box with the text "TICKET \$65 PER PERSON" in a bold, white, sans-serif font. To the right of the golf ball is a black rectangular box with the text "AUGUST 8TH 2025 11 AM" in a bold, white, sans-serif font. Below the golf ball is a red rectangular box with the text "18 HOLE FLORIDA SCRAMBLE" in a bold, white, sans-serif font. Below the red box, the text "LUNCH PROVIDED | CASH BAR AVAILABLE ON COURSE" is written in a small, black, sans-serif font. At the bottom left, the text "MCMILLEN PARK 3900 HESSEN CASSEL RD., FORT WAYNE, IN 46806" is written in a bold, black, sans-serif font. At the bottom right, the text "REGISTER NOW" is written in a bold, black, sans-serif font. To the right of the text is a QR code with the text "SCAN ME" above it. At the very bottom, the URL "http://bit.ly/3FJokEq" is written in a small, black, sans-serif font.



## **PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY**

### **For our members;**

<b>Teddy Bishop</b>	<b>Beau Bishop</b>	<b>Ruby Bonner</b>	<b>Lois Branigan</b>
<b>Evans Branigan</b>	<b>Margaret Burger</b>	<b>Willard Brown</b>	<b>Derek Crane</b>
<b>Dana Crane</b>	<b>Shirley Davis</b>	<b>Joan Domrow</b>	<b>Ina Gaunt</b>
<b>Pastor Jeff Geisler</b>	<b>Vicky Geisler</b>	<b>Jean Hille</b>	<b>Carla Johnson</b>
<b>Linda Kalthoff</b>	<b>Carla Kay</b>	<b>Earl Kruger</b>	<b>Nancy Kruger</b>
<b>Donna Melcher</b>	<b>Gladys Middleton</b>	<b>Bob Miller</b>	<b>Jane Miller</b>
<b>Louise Nahrwold</b>	<b>Deanna Nelson</b>	<b>Eddie Pierce</b>	<b>Nick Rasmussen</b>
<b>Adam Rice</b>	<b>Jewel Robinson</b>	<b>Doris Scott</b>	<b>Sharon Shediack</b>
<b>Thomas Tinsley</b>	<b>Phil Urbahns</b>		

## **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 Oclewa Williams), and those we name in our hearts.

### **For the families of Bethlehem Lutheran Church**

Margaret Burger, Christina Carrillo, Greg Chapman, Allison Cheng, Rhonda Cheng, Stephanie Cheng, Derek Crane, Robert Crawford, Davina Crawford, Marilyn Curl, Rachele Dance, and Tu Dang.

### **For our church**

Loving Father, guide us as we reimagine our church space and outreach efforts. Give us a renewed sense of vision and purpose in this ever changing neighborhood. May our building serve as a haven of hope and renewal for both our community and our members, drawing all into a closer relationship with the life-changing work of Jesus.