

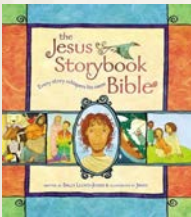
December 14, 2025

★ CHRISTMAS ★ PROGRAM

WELCOME TO BETHLEHEM'S NO REHEARSAL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Everyone is welcome to join today's program, especially children. Grab a hat of your choice from the tables in the Narthex to participate.

Jess will give the instructions at the beginning of the service.



This program is taken from
“The Jesus Storybook Bible”
By Sally Lloyd-Jones

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Welcome

Pastor Calvin Konop

How this works

Jess Christenson

Let's learn together!

Hymn

Away In a Manger

ELW 277

HE'S HERE!

The Nativity, from Luke 1-2



Hymn

Light Dawns on a Weary World

ELW 726 verses 1&2



Hymn

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

ELW 257 verses 1 & 2



Hymn

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

ELW 276



Hymn

O Come All Ye Faithful

ELW 283 verses 1 & 3

"If you or your child is wearing a shepherd's hat, walk up to the front to Jess during verse 3 of this song."



THE LIGHT OF THE WHOLE WORLD

The Story of the Shepherds, from Luke 2

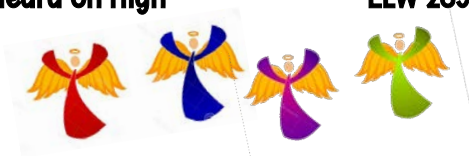
Hymn: It Came Upon the Midnight Clear ELW 282 verses 1 & 2

"If you or your child is wearing an angel's halo, walk up to the front to Jess during verse 2 of this song."



Hymn: Angels We Have Heard on High

ELW 289



Hymn Good Christian Friends, Rejoice ELW 288 verses 1 & 3

"If you or your child is wearing a crown, walk up to the front to Jess during verse 3 of this song."



THE KING OF ALL KINGS

The story of the Wise People, from Matthew 2



Hymn Away in a Manger

ELW 277



Sharing the Peace

Offering

Karina Roth

****Students will collect our noisy offering and then return to their seats with their families!****



Offering Prayer

Sermon

Pastor Calvin Konop

Hymn

Joy to the World

ELW 267



Great Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Communion Welcome

Hymn

Lamb of God

ELW page 112

Blessing

Hymn

Go Tell It On the Mountain

ELW 290 verses 1 & 2



Go In Peace



TO FULFILL WHAT THE LORD HAD SPOKEN BY THE PROPHET.

Matthew 1:22

Thank you to Jess Christenson, the Director of our Children, Youth & Family Ministries, for putting this year's program together! Thank you to all our participants! You may keep your hats from the program.

Wednesdays in Advent: join us as we worship using the Holden Evening Prayer Service. Come for the meal at 5:30. Worship starts at 6:00–6:30 pm.

This week we lift up these members: Karen Shannon, Lois Johnson, Linda Zenk, Luke Gulstrand, Sarah, Cam, Barb and Paul Coe; Lynn & Craig Schulte, Phyllis Olson, Joan Bieber, Gene & Barbara Erickson, Bruce & Stacey Johnson, Butch & Rhonda Schulte, Christy Buetow; Clayton Koss; Patty Nelson; Annalisa Winje, Paulina Backstrom; Shae Lindholm; Char Anderson; Stacey Schulte; Hank Ferland; Ramiro Acero; Margaret Dahl; Katrina Crouse; Tom Christiansen.

This week we lift up these members: Tom, Lynnea & Runa Morse; Mary MacDonald & Jeff Morgan; Jonathan, Nancy, Paavo & Tuuli Rova; Paul & Marilyn Ranum; and Pete & Carline Gresczyk. May God walk with these faithful friends as they live their Advent journey.

Our Mission of the Month for December will support the **Damiano Center** in Duluth. The Damiano Center "welcomes people in need and serves them without judgment" as the largest emergency meal provider in our region and a source for comprehensive services including clothing, health realization, hygiene access, and more. **Member Challenge:** In addition to financial support, please contribute winter wear to the hat and mitten tree in the narthex. Donations will be delivered to the Damiano Center!



Thank you, Kent Anderson and helpers! It's amazing how he does it every year—finding the biggest and best tree in the forest just for us! This is another magnificent tree! Please thank Kent the next time you see him. Thank you to our volunteers: Pastor Calvin & Ashley, Shane & Emma Steele-Spoon, Garness family, Tracy-Heinonen family, Tom & Runa Morse; and to Philis Anderson for coordinating the tree delivery for us.



Sponsor a Poinsettia for Christmas Eve by donating to our **Grocery Card Ministry**. Fill out a form with your donation and get it to the office this week. (Forms in narthex)



Annual Reports from all council members, groups and committee chairs are due to the office **NO LATER THAN JANUARY 5, '26**. Reports will be available on Sunday Jan. 11.

Traveler Cards and Local Grocery Cards are available from BLC to members of the community that need help. Please contact the office.





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This Week at Bethlehem:

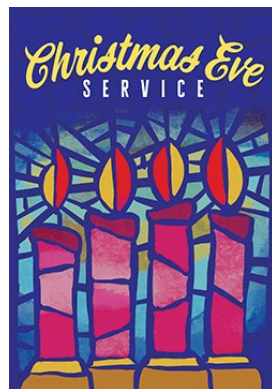
- Sun Dec 14 8:40 AM Choir practice
 10:00 AM **Worship Service**
 Sunday School Program
 11:00 AM Young Adult
 Bowling in TBay
- Mon Dec 15 6:30 PM Church Council
- Tues Dec 16 9:30 AM Staff meeting
- Wed Dec 17 12:30 PM Text Study
 5:30 PM Meal
 6:00 PM Advent Worship
 6:30 PM Confirmation
 Food Drive &
 Holiday Party
- Thurs Dec 18 8:00 AM Bible Study
 9:00 AM Quilting
 6:30 PM Table Tennis
- Fri Dec 19 - - - - - Clarity Hearing
- Sun Dec 21 8:40AM Choir practice
 10:00AM **Worship Service**
 & **Sunday School**
 2:00 PM Care Center
 Worship Service

Church Council: monthly reports are due to the office tomorrow, Monday Dec. 15 at 8am.

January Newsletter articles are due to the office on December 18th, Friday.

Confirmation this week: We will go out into the community to sing **Christmas Carols** and collect non-perishable foods for the **Food Shelf**. This will be the last class of 2025. Classes resume Jan. 7, 2026.

Table Tennis anyone? Join us on Thursday evenings, 6:30 to 8pm in the fellowship hall. All are welcome and we encourage you to get out and swing some paddles and hit some balls on cold winter evenings. It's a great community social time and we would love it if Bethlehem members would join in the fun.



Christmas Eve Services:

**December 24 at
3pm & 5pm**

We are looking for helpers for both services. Please sign up on the board in Narthex.

Young Adult Group: Today's the day! Libby Larson is leading a bowling adventure in Thunder Bay. Sign up sheet is in the Narthex. Any questions, please reach out to Libby at lib.lou.lars@gmail.com

Late Christmas Sale The Cornerstone Community Church invites you Sat. Dec. 20, 1:00-4:30pm. Collectible rocks, crafts, gifts, jewelry, cookie sale, etc. Drawings and free treats available. All are welcome. Proceeds go to Arrowhead Animal Rescue & Fountain of Christ School in Haiti.