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Second Sunday in Lent

March 1, 2026

Genesis 12:1-4a

The blessing of God upon Abram

Psalm 121

I lift up my eyes to the hills; my help
comes from the LORD.

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

*The promise to those who share
Abraham's faith*

John 3:1-17

*The mission of Christ:
to save the world*

Ethel is turning 95 on March 5



HAPPY
Birthday
FROM YOUR
CHURCH FAMILY



On Sunday March 8 the Johnson
family will serve Coffee An' in
honor of Ethel

PRAYER list...

Healing prayers are requested:

Joan Bieber; Gene Erickson; Enno Limvere; Martha Rosbacka; Mary Sanders; Kristin Lindholm; Rolf Morck; Linda Zenk; Clayton Koss; Kamryn Johnson; Lois Johnson; Sarah Coe; Luke Gulstrand; Lynn Schulte; Christy Buetow; Annalisa Winje; Char Anderson; Bruce & Stacey Johnson; Rhonda & Butch Schulte; Stacey Schulte; Paulina Backstrom; Shae Lindholm; Hank Ferland; Margaret Dahl; Katrina Crouse; Tom Christiansen; Karen Shannon

This week we lift up these members: Paul & Diane Jacobson; Becca Jorgenson, Keaton Riley, MaKenzie, MaTaya, MaCoy, MaKai, & MaKota Fairbanks; Marlene Johnson; and Betty Allison. May God walk with these faithful friends in their Lenten journey.



This Week at Bethlehem:

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| Sun Mar 1 | 8:40 AM | Choir Practice |
| | 10:00AM | Worship Service |
| | | & Sunday School |
| Tues Mar 3 | 8:30 AM | Staff meeting |
| Wed Mar 4 | 8:00 AM | Church in Society |
| | 12:30 PM | Text Study |
| | 3:30 PM | Bethlehem Builders! |
| | 5:30 PM | Community Meal |
| | 6:00 PM | Lent Worship |
| Thurs Mar 5 | 8:00 AM | Bible Study |
| | 9:00 AM | Quilting |
| | 6:30 PM | Table Tennis |
| Fri Mar 6 | - - - - - | Clarity Hearing |
| | - - - - - | office is closed |
| Sun Mar 8 | 8:40 AM | Choir practice |
| | 10:00 AM | Worship Service |
| | | & Sunday School |



To Gene Erickson & family
for the passing of his loving wife, Barbara
this past week.



For what shall we pray?

“For what shall we pray?” is a weekly post inviting individuals, groups, and congregations to lift up our world in prayer. This resource is prepared by a variety of leaders in the ELCA and includes prayer prompts, upcoming events and observances, and prayer suggestions from existing denominational worship materials.

Prayer prompts:

- For an end to war, conflict, and uncertainty, especially in Gaza, South Sudan, Ukraine, Iran, and Venezuela...
- For escalating tensions in Iran and Lebanon and the safety of civilians and military personnel...
- For partisan cooperation across divisions and elected leaders to seek the welfare and dignity of all...
- For protection, compassion, and dignity for immigrants, refugees, and asylum seekers...
- For those living with uncertainty and grieving loss of life in Jalisco, Mexico, and neighboring states in the wake of recent gang-related violence...
- For those without adequate shelter during recent snowstorms in the northeast US...
- For the recent shootings in Macon, Georgia; Jacksonville, Florida; Virginia Beach, Virginia; New Orleans, Louisiana; and Kansas City, Missouri; and for an end to gun violence...
- For those experiencing heavy rains and flooding in southern Peru...

Events and observances:

- February Observances: Black History Month, American Heart Month, National Cancer Prevention Month, Ramadan (2/17-3/19)
- March Observances: Women’s History Month, Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month International Women’s Day (Mar 8)

Prayers from ELCA resources:

A prayer for state/provincial/local governments (ELW p.77)

Almighty God, we lift before you all who govern this country, Minnesota & Cook County. May those who hold power understand that it is a trust from you to be used, not for personal glory or profit, but for the service of the people. Drive from us cynicism, selfishness, and corruption; grant in your mercy just and honest government; and give us grace to live together in unity and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A prayer for faithful living in society (ACS p.50)

God, our gracious giver, your Son Jesus taught us that where our treasure is there our hearts will be also. Teach us to love people more than money, relationships more than things, and you above all, that the way we live will reflect what we truly value and believe. We ask this in the name of Jesus, who emptied himself in love for us, and now reigns with you and the Holy Spirit forever and ever. Amen.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A
A FEAST OF
Céad míle fáilte
A HUNDRED THOUSAND WELCOMES



ALL PROCEEDS GO TO HELPING OUR IMMIGRANT SIBLINGS

Saturday, March 14

**Seating times:
4:30 & 6:00 PM**

**Corned Beef and Cabbage
Vegan Irish Stew
Potatoes
Irish Soda Bread
Irish Cream Chocolate Cake**

**Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Grand Marais, MN
417 1st Ave W - Across from the YMCA**

Tickets - \$20 Adult - \$10 Child
Purchase tickets at church office or by phone
Advanced Ticket Sales Only

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Join us for Bethlehem Builders Club!

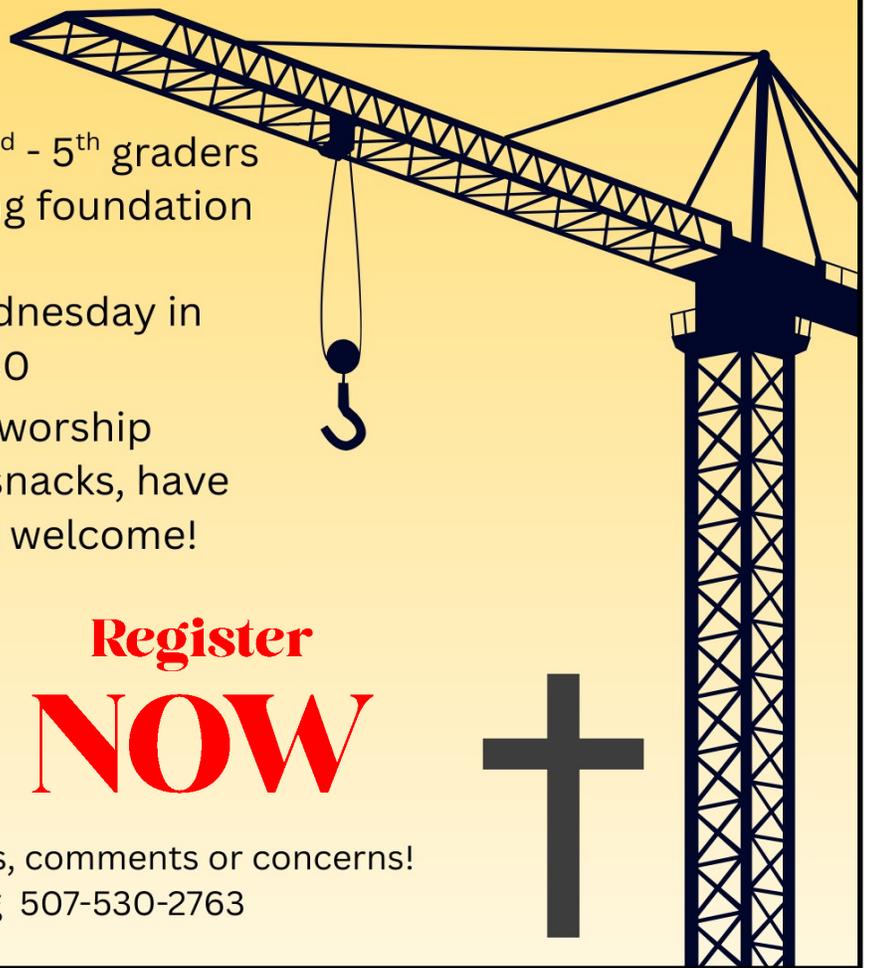
An afterschool program for 3rd - 5th graders where we are building a strong foundation of faith!

We will be meeting every Wednesday in March from 3:30-5:30

During this time we will worship together, play games, have snacks, have Bible study & more. All are welcome!



**Register
NOW**



Contact Jess with any questions, comments or concerns!
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Communion Class at Bethlehem

Come and learn about Communion! For 3rd - 5th graders **and anyone who missed this class.**

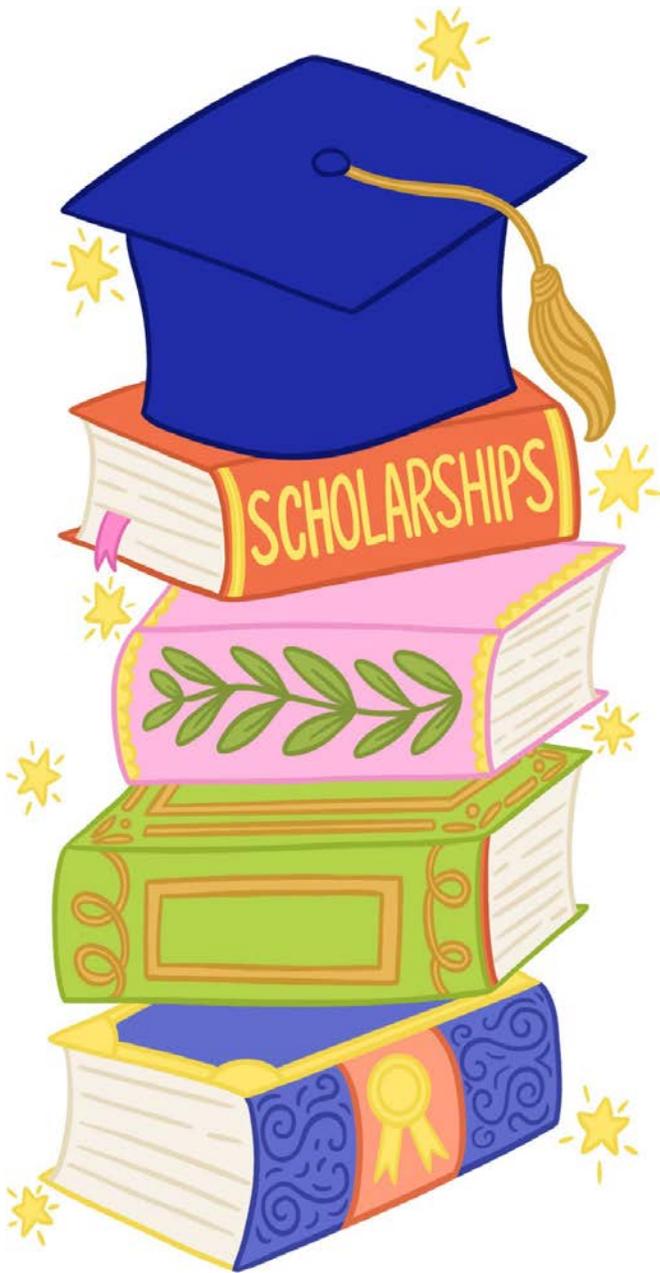
March 15th, 22nd & 29th @11am after Worship.



Register online now or contact Jess!

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Attention High School Seniors or first-time post secondary students



Bethlehem's Mission Endowment Committee is pleased to announce scholarships for members:

- 1) Mission Endowment Scholarship \$1000 one-time award.*
- 2) Concordia College Congregational Scholarship, \$5000/year, renewable for 4 years*

Both forms are found in file folder on the Youth Bulletin Board, and at:

<https://www.sharingchrist.org/forms>

Application Deadline is Friday March 27, 2026

Looking to go to camp this summer?

Camps are a great way to meet new people, grow closer to God and spend time outdoors.

Here at Bethlehem, we want every student to be able to experience camp! Bethlehem offers a \$250 scholarship to any Christian camp, they would like to go to!

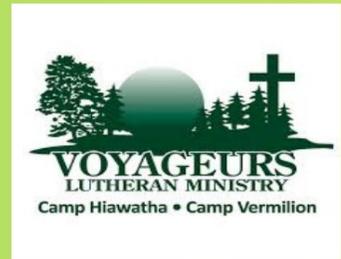
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Here are some camps that we love, if you are looking for an amazing camp experience!



**Wilderness
Canoe Base**



Application forms may be found at: <https://www.sharingchrist.org/forms>



Bethlehem Lutheran Church Camper Scholarship Application



Camper Name: _____

Grade entering _____

Church Camp attending: _____ Dates: _____

It is Bethlehem's intent to make Church Camp affordable so every child gets to go to camp.

How much money are you requesting? _____

How would you like to receive your campership?

Please reimburse me. (Please attach payment receipt)

Please mail the scholarship directly to camp



Camp Mailing Address: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ Phone: _____

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FREE BABYSITTING TRAINING

Head of the Lakes United Way is proud to offer free babysitter training to youth 11 years of age and older.



Training will be provided by FirstAidMN and will follow the American Red Cross curriculum.

TRAINING CLASSES:

HERE IN GRAND MARAIS

April 25, 2026

8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Grand Marais Community Center

WHAT YOU WILL LEARN:

- How to care for infants and children.
- What to do in an emergency and how to stay safe.
- Choosing activities that are age appropriate.
- Recognizing, understanding and handling certain behaviors.
- Starting your babysitting business.
- Receive certification of babysitting training and Pediatric CPR after completion of class.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- This is a one-day training; class starts at 8 AM and concludes at 4 PM.
- Space is limited to 24 participants
- Lunch and snacks will be provided.
- Parent/caregiver must provide transportation and accompany child to building for drop-off and pick-up. Parent/caregiver does not need to stay during the training.

Register here:



hlunitedway.org/babysitting
or scan qr code

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