

E-NEWS



Middle School Game Night
Friday January 19th
6:30 – 8:00 PM
Bring a friend!

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Worship Schedule


Wednesdays 6:00pm

Sundays 10:00am

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Upcoming Events

Game Night
January 19, 2024
6:30—8:00 PM

All middle schoolers are invited to a night filled with lots of fun!

Join Pastor Calvin for a fun evening. Snacks provided.

Pick up time is 8:00 pm

New Member Sunday

January 21, 2024
10:00 AM

Anyone interested in formally joining Bethlehem is invited to participate in their Affirmation of Baptism during worship this Sunday.

Coffee An' Fellowship time will include a cake and a chance for everyone to meet the new members.

Livestream link:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3ZImNU1vVVw>

Annual Meeting
January 28, 2024
11:15 AM

The Annual Congregational Meeting of Bethlehem Lutheran Church will take place following worship on January 28th in the Fellowship Hall.

All voting members are encouraged to attend, in person or via Zoom:
Meeting ID: 882 6028 1569
Passcode: 991509
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88260281569?pwd=akhlcXoxcWtTU2hDN2wwNzl1K1JRZz09>

Third Sunday After Epiphany
January 21, 2024
10:00 AM

As we continue through the time after Epiphany, stories of the call to discipleship show us the implications of our baptismal calling to show Christ to the world. Jesus begins proclaiming the good news and calling people to repentance right after John the Baptist is arrested for preaching in a similar way. Knowing that John was later executed, we see at the very outset the cost of discipleship. Still, the two sets of brothers leave everything they have known and worked for all their lives to follow Jesus and fish for people.

New Members Are Welcome

Sunday, January 21st during the worship service we will receive new members and we will enjoy fellowship with cake and coffee, taking the chance to get to know these new members.

If you are interested in becoming a member, you are most welcome. Show up at 9:40 am Sunday to meet with Pastor Calvin and go through instructions for the service.

Quilters receive donations of fabrics and vintage quilt top, Kathy Bolstad model.



Upcoming Commemorations

Agnes, martyr, died around 304 - Sunday, January 21, 2024

Agnes was a girl of about thirteen living in Rome. The details of her martyrdom are not clear, but she gave witness to her faith and was put to death as a result, most likely by the sword. The church has honored her as one of the chief martyrs of her time.

Conversion of Paul - Thursday, January 25, 2024

The week of prayer begun by the remembrance of Peter's confession now comes to an end as we recall the pivotal moment in the life of the other pillar of the early church, the apostle Paul. His encounter with the risen Christ turned him from persecutor of the followers of Christ to one of their leaders.

Timothy, Titus, and Silas, missionaries - Friday, January 26, 2024

These three early Christian men were missionary companions of the apostle Paul. Timothy became bishop of Ephesus, Titus bishop of Crete, and Silas was imprisoned with Paul at Philippi until they were delivered by an earthquake.

Lydia, Dorcas, and Phoebe, witnesses to the faith - Saturday, January 27, 2024

Women as well as men were important Christian leaders from the beginning, as demonstrated by these coworkers of the apostle Paul. Lydia, a seller of purple goods, lent her home for a church; Dorcas was known for charitable works; and Phoebe was a deacon in the church at Cenchræe.



Prayer Requests

Please keep these members and friends in your prayers

Kati Kristenson Stieler
Kim Schulte
Jim & Jody Daugherty,
Jill Pederson,
Emily Ulhorn,
Bruce Johnson,
Lynn Schulte,
Lois Johnson,
Barbara Erickson,
Vera Finn,
Char Anderson,
Rhonda Schulte,

Paulina Backstrom,
Les Donek,
Carly Hawkinson-Sohm,
Elsa Sorenson,
Kristi (Speck) Perales,
Emi Heikkinen,
Betty Jones
Hank Ferland,
Ray Baker,

Member Families to
Pray for this Week:

Mike, Teresa, Joey &
Cecelia Chmelik
Ed & Kris Hedstrom
Chet Lindskog
John, Mindy & Jack
Fredrikson
Leif, Sissy, Ezra & Elsa
Lunde

Bethlehem has a **Prayer Chain**. All requests to Laura Popkes, call or text 218-370-0721 or office, 218-387-2227 blc@boreal.org. We appreciate updates on all persons on our prayer list. Thank you.

Ways to Give:

We appreciate your giving. Did you know that you can also give online? Go to our website and click on the giving tab on our homepage. You can also stop by and drop your offering in the offering box in the lower entryway.

Online @ <https://www.sharingchrist.org/strategic-giving>





Prayer prompts for this week:

For peace among nations, especially between Israel and Palestine, Russia and Ukraine...

For victims of and responders to the runway crash in Tokyo, Japan...

For relief and recovery efforts following an earthquake in western Japan...

For continued tensions and disruptions among those traveling the Red Sea...

For all victims of gun violence...

For renewed commitments to compassion, collaboration, and equity across political divides...

For astronomers, physicists, photographers, and all artists who reveal the beauty and mystery of the cosmos to us...

The Third Sunday After Epiphany, Jan. 21, 2024

Live Stream Link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3ZImNU1vVVw>

Readings and Psalm

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Repentance at Nineveh

Psalm 62:5-12

God alone is my rock and my salvation.

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Living in the end times

Mark 1:14-20

The calling of the disciples at the sea

PASTOR CALVIN'S SERMON SERIES:

*Call is not (only) being a Pastor:
1/14/24*

*Call is not Comfortable—Sunday
1/21/24*

*Call is not (only) in the Church:
1/28/24*

Call is not alone— 2/4/24

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YouTube Channel:*

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This Week at Bethlehem

Fri Jan 19	6:30 PM	Middle School Game Night
Sun Jan 21	10:00 AM	Worship & Sunday School
	2:00 PM	Care Center Service
Wed Jan 24	12:30 PM	Text Study
	5:30 PM	Community Meal
	6:00 PM	Worship
	6:00 PM	Confirmation
Thurs Jan 25	8:00 AM	Bible Study
	9:00 AM	Quilting
Sun. Jan 28	8:40 AM	Choir Practice
	10:00 AM	Worship and Sunday School
	11:15 AM	Annual Meeting