



## Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran Church

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### WORSHIP TIMES

**In-person worship:**

**Wednesdays at 6:20 pm**

**Sundays at 8:20 am**

**In-person and livestreamed:**

**Sundays at 10:30 am**

with communion on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays and following Wednesdays

### OFFICE HOURS

**The office is open on**

**Mondays—Fridays from 9:00 am—12:00 pm  
and Mondays—Thursdays from 1:00—4:00 pm.**

### CHURCH STAFF

**Senior Pastor:** Rev. Dr. Mark Skinner

**Children, Youth & Family Pastor:** Rev. Sarah Marshall

**Office Administrator, Worship Team Director and**

**Organist:** Cori Wrobel

**Bell Choir Director:** Stacy Erdal

**Senior Choir Director:** Al Albertson

**Youth Choir Director:** Nancy Albertson

**Financial Administrator:** Shelly Johnson

**Children, Youth & Family Ministry Coordinator:**

Joan Rosenow

**Food Services Coordinators:** Clarence and Kim Spencer

**IT Coordinator:** Scott Pederson

**Custodial Services:** Rob Larson

## From the Senior Pastor



### **Advent 2022**

In a culture that moves so quickly through the *holiday* season, and in many ways eclipses Advent and Christmas, Advent offers a time to wake up and slow down. Paul reminds us in Romans 13, “...now is the time to *wake* from sleep ... and to put on the Lord Jesus Christ.” When we think about what it means to “put on the Lord Jesus Christ,” we can remember our baptism, as we were joined to the death and resurrection of Christ (Romans 6). There is, however, more to the story than just *that* event in our lives. It is the now the *daily* opportunity to return to our baptism and to *put on* Christ! We do that by practicing *daily repentance* of our sins and being forgiven and restored in God’s love and mercy which has been poured out for us in Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit. We put on Christ as we rejoice in that forgiveness and as we live out the *love of God* to our neighbor as disciples of Christ. Whoever the neighbor might be. Join us each Wednesday night during Advent for worship and the opportunity to hear some deep stories of faith from members of our congregation. Pastor Sarah and I will be leading a dialogue with a different member each Wednesday night. Worship begins at 6:20 pm and dinner at 5:30 pm.

### **Christmas 2022**

Join us for Christmas Eve services at 2:00, 4:00 and 6:00 pm and then on Sunday morning (Christmas Day) at 9:00 am, as we celebrate the incarnation of God in and through Jesus Christ for the sake of God’s beloved world.

May God’s peace and love abide with you,

Pastor Mark





# From the Children, Youth and Family Pastor



## SUNDAY SCHOOL

For Youth age 3 - Grade 5  
Sunday mornings from 9:25 - 10:20 AM

Schedule:

- September 25
- October 2, 9, 16 and 30
- November 6, 13, 20
- December 4, 11 and 18
- January 8, 22 and 29
- February 5, 12 and 26
- March 5 and 26
- April 2, 16, 23 and 30
- May 7 and 14

"TEACH THEM TO YOUR CHILDREN, TALKING ABOUT THEM WHEN YOU ARE AT HOME AND WHEN YOU ARE AWAY. WHEN YOU LIE DOWN AND WHEN YOU RISE." DEUTERONOMY 10:19

## Itty Bitty Book Club

Listen to a story (take home the book), do an activity, and play!

Designed for children (with an adult) from birth to age 3 that are too young for Sunday School or anyone who'd like to participate.

**December 4 at 9:30**

1st Sunday of the month in the nursery at 9:30 am from October - May

The Christmas Program will be at 10:30 am on December 18.

## HELP NEEDED

Looking for people to run sound and video equipment for all services (Sundays at 8:20 and 10:30 am and Wednesdays at 6:20 pm). It's quite easy. Training available.

Contact the office for more information.

Welcome to our new members!

Bonnie and Steve Almond  
Rebekah and Wayne Arndt  
Mariah and Lydia  
Mark Groettum  
Nancy Neptune  
Emily Thompson

## YOUTH CHOIR

2022-2023

OPEN TO YOUTH IN 2ND - 8TH GRADES

"MY LIPS WILL SHOUT FOR JOY WHEN I SING PRAISES TO YOU;" PSALM 71:23

REHEARSALS ON WEDNESDAYS 5:45-6:15 PM BEGINNING 9/28

YOUTH CHOIR WILL SING APPROXIMATELY ONCE EVERY OTHER MONTH.

TALK TO YOUTH MUSIC DIRECTOR NANCY ALBERTSON IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.

## BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH CATECHISM

6TH-8TH GRADES: APOSTLES' CREED, THE LORD'S PRAYER, AND MORE

9TH GRADE: LIFE APPLICATION OF THE PAST 3 YEARS OF CATECHISM

Wednesday nights from 7:00 - 8:00 PM beginning September 28

Wednesday evening meals will be served at 5:30 on the nights of catechism at a cost of \$10 per meal. Punch cards will be available for purchase.

"MAKE ME TO KNOW YOUR WAYS, O LORD; TEACH ME YOUR PATHS." PSALM 25:4

## Wednesday evening meals served 5:15 - 6:20 pm

Please sign up ahead of time.

\$10; \$7 for children 7 and under; 3 and under eat free

Enjoy the best meal in town!

- 11/16 - turkey, mashed potatoes, stuffing, corn, green beans, apple crisp
- 11/30 - ham noodle casserole with roasted veggies, savory onion focaccia, holiday fruit salad
- 12/7 - oriental chicken thighs and drumsticks with rice, green beans, and brownies
- 12/14 - Swedish meatballs with mashed potatoes, peas, corn, cranberry sauce, and dessert
- 12/21 - ham, potatoes, candied carrots, rolls, French silk pie bars

punch cards: 10 meals for \$90; purchase at meal, in office or on website

Meal Deal Punch Cards 10 meals \$90 (normally \$100)

can be used for:  
Wednesday night dinners  
Prayer Group dinners  
65+ Lunch Bunch brunches

can be shared by family members

Purchase in the office or at the meal for \$90 or online for \$93.



## December—January Funeral Service Groups

**Jean Anhalt**  
**Art and Colleen Jentsch**  
**Bill and Judy Kallroos**

Janey Adair  
 Kris Anderson  
 Carla and Clark Backstrom  
 Abbi and Kevin Bartolic  
 Shelly Birchem  
 Morgan Burgstaler  
 Marty and Teresa Christiansen  
 Deb and Rick Cole  
 Deloris Ebinger  
 Jennifer Grunewald  
 Carolyn Hale  
 Lee Ann Hollingsworth  
 DJ and Sandy Janssen

### Coordinators:

**Larry and Natalie Embertson**  
**Jenny Johnson**  
**Keith and Kirsten Olson**

### Assistants:

Aaron and Laura Johnson  
 John and Judy Jourdan  
 Kathryn and Sam Jourdan  
 Mary Ketterling  
 Kris Kolstad  
 Brenda and Jayme Laughton  
 Cathy and Dan Lee  
 Karly and Mike Lillo  
 Jeanette Listul  
 Cynthia Merrill  
 Janelle Mienert  
 Barbara Miller  
 Troy Miller and Joan Rosenow  
 Patricia Nelson

Curt and Sandy Nielsen  
 Doreen Olson  
 Pete and Sheri Olson  
 Bob and Kay Pederson  
 Jennifer Peterson  
 Ben Reimers  
 Mike Rosenow  
 Sue Skinner  
 Char Slough  
 Patrick and Teri Slough  
 Alice and Dave Smith  
 Corliss Smith  
 Nancy and Rick Sweet  
 Craig and Tricia Warner



## CREATION CARE

**O** The new climate bill offers a rebate of up to \$1,600 to install insulation and seal up drafts, making your home more energy-efficient. Sealing air leaks can make your home more comfortable, and can save up to 10% on annual energy bills, and includes weather stripping on doors, caulking around windows, and adding insulation in the attic. Installing new windows and doors qualifies for tax credits of up to \$1,200 per year, which not only helps improve the looks of your home, but can help increase energy efficiency if your home's entrances have lost their tight seal. Replace windows and doors if there is air leakage, visible damage or rot in the frame, or if there is condensation between panes, or if they no longer open or close easily.

Source: <http://www.nemnsynod.org/green-tips.html>

## Looking ahead...

There will only be one service at 9:00 am on Sundays every week beginning January 1.  
 January 8 at 10:00 am—Semi-annual congregational meeting  
 January 15 at 10:00 am—Epiphany Mission Conversation: Board of Stewardship and Properties  
 January 22 at 10:00 am—Epiphany Mission Conversation: Board of Congregational Care and Community  
 January 28 at 9:00 am—First Communion Class  
 January 29 at 9:00 am—First Communion Sunday  
 January 29 at 10:00 am—Epiphany Mission Conversation: Board of Worship and Music



If you have a prayer request for the Prayer Chain, please contact the church office at 829-3330 or [office@belcnet.net](mailto:office@belcnet.net). Prayers will be kept on the chain for 3 weeks. If you'd like it to be kept on for longer, please let the office know. If you would like to be a member of the Prayer Chain, please call the church office at 829-3330.

Please keep these people in your prayers:

**Sympathy:** Clarence Spencer and family on the death of his brother Tom; Barb Owens and family on the death of her brother; Jim Cole and family on the death of his brother

**Ongoing:** Pr. Mark's dad; Brenda Jonak's granddaughter; Marjorie Huls; Teresa Rosenow; John and Ruth Unger; Wayne and Donna Hansmann; Mary Anderson; Conner Erickson; Jessica Rodenbiker; Kacey Benson; Todd K.; Linda Wilcox; Ron; BELC member; Joan Rosenow; Randy and Margie Thiel; Bonnie; for peace in our world; all who are grieving; a BELC member; Phyllis Roberts; for all affected by COVID; residents and staff of assisted living/nursing home facilities; healthcare workers; all caregivers; everyone dealing with cancer /other diseases

**Military:** Nick Schwab in Navy

**If you check into the hospital,** please call the Church Office at 829-3330 or let the Chaplain know you are from Bethlehem Lutheran Church so we can pray for you.

**Please keep the following Bethlehem households in your thoughts and prayer this month of**

**December:** Heidi Woerheide; Kris Wyman; Doris Aasen; Janey Adair; Bret Adams and family; Al and Nancy Albertson; LeRoy and Linda Albertson; Carly and Patrick Almond; Ashley Anderson; Greg and Mary Anderson; Hans Anderson; Kris Anderson; Linda Anderson; Neil Anderson; Jean Anhalt; Jaclyn Avenson and family; Carla and Clark Backstrom and family; Bill and Cheryl Bailey; Abbi and Kevin Bartolic; Brad Bauer; Arliss and Harry Bement; Cathie and Nick Benson; Deb Berry; Shelly Birchem; Brandy and Sam Blum; Amy Boelter; Nancy and Tim Bogenschutz; Andrew Bontjes; Ashley Bontjes; Gary and Sharon Braun; Paul and Sue Bremer and family; Joyce and Kevin Brick; Gloria and James Brown; Janee Burgonye; Eric and Sasha Burgstaler; Frank and Margie Burgstaler; Morgan Burgstaler and family; Bill and Jackie Burkey; Darnel Carlson; Sharon Chaney; Karen Cheney; Caleb Christensen; Marty and Teresa Christiansen



# POINSETTIAS

You can honor or memorialize someone special by donating a poinsettia in their name. Any donations are welcomed and appreciated. Please make checks payable to BELC with "poinsettias" in the memo line. Fill out a form on the Narthex table or contact the office with your name and the name of who you are honoring or memorializing at 829-3330 or [office@belcnet.net](mailto:office@belcnet.net).

## BELC ADVENT WORSHIP SCHEDULE

1st Sunday of Advent:  
November 27 at 8:20 and 10:30 AM

2nd Sunday of Advent:  
December 4 at 8:20 and 10:30 AM

3rd Sunday of Advent:  
December 11 at 8:20 and 10:30 AM

4th Sunday of Advent:  
December 18 at 8:20 AM  
Christmas Program at 10:30 AM

Wednesdays at 6:20 PM using the Holden Evening Prayer liturgy:  
November 30, December 7, 14, 21

Sermons on Sunday mornings and faith dialogues on Wednesdays evenings will all be different so be sure to attend all services.

## BELC CHRISTMAS TREE OF SHARING

This year's tree has tags to purchase items for ISD 181

Lutheran Social Services (LSS)  
Mid Minnesota Women's Center  
and The Shop.

Items may be placed under the tree through December 27.

### GIVING TREE

BLESSING THOSE IN NEED

...AND GOD'S GRACE WAS SO POWERFULLY AT WORK IN THEM ALL, THAT THERE WERE NO NEEDY PERSONS AMONG THEM. ACTS 4:33-34

## BETHLEHEM BOOK CLUB

DECEMBER 1 -  
*LESSONS IN CHEMISTRY*  
BY BONNIE GARMUS

CONTACT MARGARET STEBLAY FOR MORE INFORMATION.

Wednesdays, December 7, 14, and 21

5:15 pm – Meal served for \$10    6:20 pm – Advent service    7:00 pm – High School Youth Group  
5:30 pm – BOW Team rehearsal    7:00 pm – Sr. Choir rehearsal  
5:45 pm – Youth Choir rehearsal    7:00 pm – Catechism



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent</b> 27	28	29	
8:20 am – In-person worship service 10:30 am – In-person and livestreamed worship service with communion		7:30 am – Men's bible study 10:00 am – Stephen Ministry meeting 11:30 am – 65+ Lunch Bunch 4:00 pm – BELC at the Sharing Bread Soup Kitchen	See sch 5:15 pm cassero
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent; Consecration Sunday</b> 4	5	6	
8:20 am – In-person worship service with communion 9:25 am – Sunday School 9:30 am – Itty Bitty Book Bunch 9:30 am – Adult Forum: Consecration Sunday breakfast 10:30 am – In-person and livestreamed worship service with communion 3:00 pm – Brainerd Leos and Roars	4:45 pm – Bell Choir rehearsal 6:00 pm – Board of Service and Evangelism meeting online	7:30 am – Men's bible study 5:00 pm – Board of Worship and Music meeting	See sch 1:30 pm 5:15 pm
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent</b> 11	12	13	
8:20 am – In-person worship service 9:25 am – Sunday School 9:30 am – Adult Forum: 10:30 am – BOW In-person and livestreamed worship service 1:00 pm – Bridge of Harmony recital	4:00 pm – BELC at the Sharing Bread Soup Kitchen 4:45 pm – Bell Choir rehearsal	7:30 am – Men's bible study 5:30 pm – Board of Congregational Care and Community meeting	See sch 5:15 pm
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent</b> 18	19	20	
8:20 am – In-person worship service with communion 9:25 am – Sunday School 9:30 am – Adult Forum: 10:30 am – In-person and livestreamed Christmas program with communion* 3:00 pm – Brainerd Leos and Roars 4:00 pm – Quiet Christmas Service of Healing	10:00 am – Ruth Circle 4:45 pm – Bell Choir rehearsal	7:30 am – Men's bible study 10:00 am – Stephen Ministry meeting	See sch 1:00 pm 1:30 pm 5:15 pm
<b>Christmas Day</b> 25	26	27	
9:00 am – In-person and livestreamed worship service with communion	Office closed	7:30 am – Men's bible study 11:30 am – 65+ Lunch Bunch	






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To view our online services on Sunday at 10:30 am, to <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCKGd23TW4V1mlqCsktOho3g>

The service will also be posted on our website at [www.belcnet.net](http://www.belcnet.net) upon completion of the service.

The office is open from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm on Mondays – Fridays and from 1:00 – 4:00 pm on Mondays – Thursdays.

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	1	2	3
<p>edule above left</p> <p>– meal for \$10: ham noodle</p> <p>le</p>	<p>9:00 am – Edgewood Brainerd worship service</p> <p>9:00 am – Quilting Group</p> <p>10:00 am – LSS PTSD Groups</p> <p>10:15 am – Edgewood Baxter worship service</p> <p>10:30 am – Bethlehem Book Club</p> <p>4:30 pm – Advent decorating</p> <p>5:45 pm – Sr. Choir Christmas party</p> <p>6:00 pm – Girl Scouts</p>		<p>9:00 am – Worker Bees</p>
7	8	9	10
<p>edule above left</p> <p>– Woodland worship service</p> <p>– meal for \$10: oriental chicken</p>	<p>10:00 am – LSS PTDS Groups</p> <p>12:00 pm – Nicodemus Group</p> <p>5:30 pm – Board of Education and Spiritual Formation meeting</p> <p>6:00 pm – Girl Scouts</p>		
14	15	16	17
<p>edule above left</p> <p>– meal for \$10: Swedish meatballs</p>	<p>9:00 am – Board of Stewardship and Properties meeting</p> <p>9:00 am – Edgewood Brainerd worship service</p> <p>9:00 am – Quilting Group</p> <p>10:00 am – LSS PTSD Groups</p> <p>10:15 am – Edgewood Baxter worship service</p> <p>1:30 pm – Mary Circle</p> <p>4:30 pm – Advent decorating</p> <p>6:00 pm – Girl Scouts</p>		
21	22	23	Christmas Eve 24
<p>edule above left</p> <p>– Martha Circle</p> <p>– Woodland worship service</p> <p>– meal for \$10: ham and potatoes</p>	<p>10:00 am – LSS PTSD Groups</p> <p>4:30 pm – Christmas decorating</p> <p>6:00 pm – Girl Scouts</p>	<p>2:00 pm, 4:00 pm, and 6:00 pm – Christmas Eve candlelight services with communion</p> 	
28	29	30	New Year's Eve 31
	<p>10:00 am – LSS PTSD Groups</p> <p>6:00 pm – Girl Scouts</p>		

Your help is needed!

## DECORATING FOR ADVENT

Can you help one of these evenings?

It's time to begin planning for Advent. The Board of Worship and Music is looking for individuals to help with these events.

December 1 at 4:30 PM- Put up the garland with blue bows and big wreath.



December 15 at 4:30 PM. Decorate the Christmas tree.



December 22 at 4:30 PM. Change the blue bows to gold bows.



If you can help one of these nights, please sign up on the yellow opportunities sheet. Talk to Board of Worship and Music director Pam Oslos if you have any questions.

# DECEMBER 3



## WANTED: WORKER BEES

Meet once a month on the first Saturday from 9:00 - 11:30 am to work on small projects around the building. To sign up, go to our website [www.belcnet.net](http://www.belcnet.net) or contact the office at 829-3330. For more information, contact Al Gardner.

## Consecration Sunday

BRING YOUR 2023 ENVELOPE WITH THE CARD IN IT AND ENJOY BREAKFAST AT 9:30 AM ON DECEMBER 4. BREAKFAST MENU: OVEN OMELETS, CREME BRULEE FRENCH TOAST, FRESH FRUIT, YOGURT PARFAIT BAR, JUICE, COFFEE, MILK



Our quilters are collecting new twin quilts and blankets through December 4. All will stay local.





**Quiet Christmas service of healing**

This has been a hard year for many people. If you're looking for a quieter celebration of Christmas, please join us on Sunday, December 18 at 4:00 pm.

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**CHRISTMAS WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

Christmas Eve in-person services with communion and candles at 2:00, 4:00, and 6:00 PM.

Christmas Eve livestreamed service at 4:00 PM.

Christmas Day in-person and livestreamed service at 9:00 am.

Sunday of Christmas in-person and livestreamed service at 9:00 AM on January 1.



BELC will provide volunteers from December 11 - 18.

Sign up here:  
<https://whocanbether.com/SignUp/week-of-dec-11/1O4lz0tJrXj>

The warming shelter needs:  
purchased snacks  
coffee  
disposable coffee cups  
little packs of cream and sugar

Drop items off at the shelter at 1926 S 7th Street

**Job opening: part-time custodian position**



Clean the building weekly Thursday - Saturday. 5-10 hours per week. Starting at \$15 per hour. Flexible schedule. Contact the office for more information.

**65+ Lunch Bunch Bingo**

Tuesday, December 27 at 11:30 am; cost is \$10 (\$9 if using prepaid punch card). RSVP to the office at 218-829-3330 or sign up on the yellow opportunity sheet by December 22. Bring a white elephant gift.

**BETHLEHEM BOOK CLUB**

**JANUARY 4 AT 10:30 AM**

**FINDING CHIKA BY MITCH ALBOM**

**HEARTLAND SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA** 46th Season 2022-2023

*Holidays Around the World*  
WINTER 2022 CONCERT SERIES

December 1 • 7:30 PM The Log Church, Crosslake  
December 3 • 7:30 PM Charles D. Martin Auditorium, Little Falls  
December 4 • 2:30 PM Gichi-zibi Center for the Arts, Brainerd

*Concerto for 2 Violins in A Minor, RV 522*  
soloists include Leslie Zander, Concertmaster and Sandy Larson, Violin

*Sonata Pian'e Forte (from "Sacrae Symphoniae")*  
featuring members of the HSO Brass Section


The orchestra will conclude the concert with traditional holiday selections from different countries around the world.

Collaborating with Brainerd High School Orchestra and Central Lakes College String Orchestra at Gichi-zibi.

Conducted by Ryan Webber. Conductor Chats held prior to concerts.  
6:45 PM in Crosslake • 6:45 PM in Little Falls • 1:45 PM in Brainerd

FREE FOR ALL AGES. Good will donations encouraged.

For more information: Visit HeartlandSymphony.com or our Facebook page | Call 1-800-826-1997  
E-mail HeartlandSymphony@gmail.com | Search for Heartland Symphony on YouTube



These concerts are made possible by the voters of Minnesota through grants from the Minnesota State Arts Board and the Five Wings Arts Council, thanks to a legislative appropriation from the arts and cultural heritage fund. In Little Falls, the Laura Jane Musser Fund provides additional support.



**First Lutheran Church Holiday Cookie Walk Bake Sale**

Lefse, Krumkake, Rosettes and Christmas Confectioneries, and Crafts  
Homemade Soup, Fresh Bread, Bar and Beverage  
\$7.00 (10am to 1pm)

Also available, Homemade Soup to Go

**Saturday, December 10th 9am to 1pm**

**Koinonia Hall**  
424 South 8th Street, Brainerd MN  
(218)829-9552  
[www.flcbrainerd.com](http://www.flcbrainerd.com)



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# Thank you!

January—October update  
 Total Revenue \$351,875\*  
 Total Expenses \$347,510  
 Net Income +\$4,365\*

\*Without Shared Ministry income from Trinity Lutheran, our income and net income would be \$329,172 and **-\$18,338.**

Thank you for your continued generosity!

## *Designated Fund*

\$25 in memory of Jim Cole's brother from friends and family  
 \$25 in memory of Barb Owens' brother from friends and family

## *Choir Fund*

\$25 in memory of Barb Owens' brother from friends and family

## *Youth Choir Fund*

\$20 in memory of Barb Owens' brother from friends and family



Please keep these people in your prayers on their birthdays.

1 ~ Sandy Nielsen, Ali Samp

3 ~ Kristi Holloway

4 ~ Matthew Rhoda

5 ~ Brandy Blum, Finnley Sullivan

6—Charlie Johnson

7 ~ Chelsea Klinger

8 ~ Brad Bauer

9 ~ Jan Munsch

10 ~ Megan Heinrich, David Innes, Bernice Johnson

12 ~ Jackie Stromback

13 ~ Steve Almond, Jeff Emery, Sue Wiger

14 ~ Forrest Crocker, Nicholas Munsch, Carla Stall

16 ~ Megan Praught

18 ~ Carolyn Cole, Lynn Nelson, Marie Numedahl, Mike Stanek

19 ~ Jennifer Grimm

20 ~ Dave Johnson, Chris Lundgren, Doreen Olson, Matthew Olson, Cyndy Thompson

21 ~ Forrest Crocker Jr.

22 ~ Carly Almond, Marcus DeChaine,

23 ~ Aubriella Logelin, Reva Snell, Carlie Sweet, Gene Teufert

24 ~ Everett Stanek, Kristen Woods

25 ~ Mary Ann Frisch

26 ~ Linda Anderson, Ryder Vanderschaaf

27 ~ Ben Reimers

28 ~ Carla Backstrom, Johonna Stanek

29 ~ Joanne Kampf

30 ~ Henry Praska, Marlys Ray

31 ~ Myla Gilderman

We continue to update our contact information. If your birthday is missing or incorrect, please let the office know at 829-3330 or office@belcnet.net.

GET YOUR LOOSE CHANGE READY!

## NOISY OFFERING

IN NOVEMBER, YOU DONATED \$328.80 FOR THE BRIDGE ON 7TH OVERNIGHT SHELTER. IN DECEMBER, MONEY WILL BE COLLECTED FOR LSS PTSD GROUPS.

## HOW CAN YOU GIVE TO BETHLEHEM?

Click the QR code to donate.

### TEXT TO GIVE

Text the word "give" to 218-231-4698

Thank you for your generosity!

# December Worship Assistants

	8:20 am	10:30 am
<b>Greeters:</b>	4: Cathy and Dan Lee 11: Bev Gotti 18: Al Gardner and Pam Stock 25 at 9:00 am: <b>STILL NEEDED</b>	Kay Theien Beth Larson Pam and Steve Oslos
<b>Ushers:</b>	4: Becky and Dave Meyer 11: Janis and Jim Peterson 18: Janis and Jim Peterson 25 at 9:00 am: <b>STILL NEEDED</b>	Kathy Dufour and Rick Patton Jen and Joe Lindholm Bob and Kay Pederson
<b>Readers:</b>	4: Cathy Lee 11: Bev Gotti 18: Pam Finch 25 at 9:00 am: Rebecca Timmins	Wendy Gindorff Jen Lindholm Kathleen Weisman
<b>Communion Preparation:</b>	4: Sasha Burgstaler, Shelly Birchem 18: John and Judy Jourdan 25 at 9:00 am: Cheryl and Jeff Macejkovic	Jen and Joe Lindholm <b>STILL NEEDED</b>
<b>Communion Servers:</b>	4: Sue Skinner, Deb Steuck 18: Al Gardner, Pam Stock 25 at 9:00 am: <b>3 STILL NEEDED</b>	Jen and Joe Lindholm <b>2 STILL NEEDED</b>
<b>Sound:</b>	4: Scott Pederson 11: Jerry DeChaine 18: Jerry DeChaine 25 at 9:00 am: <b>STILL NEEDED</b>	Todd Person Todd Person Todd Person
<b>Video:</b>	4: none 11: none 18: none 25 at 9:00 am: <b>STILL NEEDED</b>	Tonya Person Tonya Person Tonya Person
<b>Flowers:</b>	4: in celebration of Dale and Jackie Spaulding's 50th anniversary 11: <b>STILL NEEDED</b> 18: <b>STILL NEEDED</b> 25: in memory of Mark Skogen from Cori Wrobel	
<b>Treats:</b>	4: Consecration breakfast 11: Pam Stock 18: <b>STILL NEEDED</b> 25: <b>STILL NEEDED</b>	
<b>Wednesday ushers</b>	7: Greg and Sue Wiger 14: Greg and Sue Wiger 21: Greg and Sue Wiger	
<b>Wednesday sound</b>	7: Scott Pederson 14: Scott Pederson 21: Scott Pederson	

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**CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED**



If you would rather receive this newsletter by email or would like to stop receiving it, please let us know.

**Please let the church office know if you will be stopping your mail service for an extended period of time so we do not send you any publications. Thank you.**



Get updates, share pictures and RSVP for events on our Facebook page...  
[www.facebook.com/bethlehem.brainerd](http://www.facebook.com/bethlehem.brainerd)

### Our Mission Statement

We are called into compassionate community by the Holy Spirit through the confession of the Gospel of Jesus Christ to publicly confess the faith of the Triune God in, under, and with our daily callings in the community of God's world.