

# Bethlehem Lutheran Church

*To welcome all people to seek and serve God as members of the Body of Christ*

## Announcements

- Thank you for your generous offerings Christmas Eve for our youth to purchase needs for our local food pantries.
- Love Days will resume January 5.
- No fellowship circle for January.
- “Caring Support” a new ministry at Bethlehem is beginning in January. A booklet series Journeying Through Grief will be available to anyone who would like to share with someone who they know is grieving. Please contact the Caring Support coordinator, Marilyn Caswell.
- Prayer partners, please be sure to keep in contact with your partners a few times throughout the month.
- New Year, new bible study! Now and Not Yet: Pressing In When You’re Waiting, Wanting, and Restless for More by Ruth Chou Simons. January 7 – February 11. Wednesdays at 7:00 in the church library. Sign up is posted in the window. Please do so by December 21. Questions? Talk to Becky (605-759-0908), Megan, Michelle, DJ, or Deb.

**\*\* Jan. 4 No Sunday school.**

## **Worship Helpers**

**Reader:** Kim Gayer

**Acolyte:** Brielle Blankespoor

**Usher Team:** Gordon Eiesland Team

**Greeters:** Greg & Cheryl Twedt

## **Prayer Requests**

Grant & Trent Hoogendoorn, Tara Hoogendoorn, Norman Rentschler, Matt, Kendra Michael, Sadie Moen, Dan Moen, Rebecca Wolf, Austin, Erin Van Der Brink and Hazel Mae, Olson Family, McKenna Bouwman, Holly Horstman, Arnie Van Voorst, Arlyn Schreurs, Nate Weberg, Ed Baatz, Don Eiesland, Wayne Kollis, Michelle Johnson, Sarah Krupke, and all our Nursing Home residents (Vern, Joy, Marion, Bev, Jean M.)

**December 28, 2025**  
**Frist Sunday After Christmas**

Announcements  
Confession and Forgiveness  
Sunday School Christmas Program  
Opening Hymn **Red 275**  
Kyrie  
Canticle of Praise **Green 43**  
Prayer of the Day **O Lord God, you know that we cannot place our trust in our own powers. As you protected the infant Jesus, so defend us and all the needy from harm and adversity, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**  
Psalm  
First Reading  
Second Reading  
Gospel  
Children’s Message  
Sermon  
Hymn of the Day **Red 290**  
Apostles’ Creed  
Prayers  
Peace  
Offerings **Red 288**  
Prayer  
Lord’s Prayer  
Blessing  
Sending Hymn **Red 551**  
Dismissal

**Stewardship Notes** \$3,900.00 is needed per week to meet budget needs  
**Sunday December 21, 2025 Attendance – 85**

**General - Noisy Can- \$ Coffee - \$**

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**THIS WEEK AT GLANCE**



**December 28 – January 3, 2025**

**Today – 9:30 am Worship**

**Wed – No Confirmation**

**Thur – Happy New Year**  
8:00 pm AA in library

## **Daily Lectionary**

Monday: Hosea 11:1-11

Tuesday: Jeremiah 31:15-22

Wednesday: Matthew 13:54-58

Thursday: Exodus 1:15 – 2:10

Friday: Hebrews 11:23-28, 32-40

Saturday: Psalm 71:1-16

**CELEBRATE!**

**Birthdays:** 28<sup>th</sup> David Lantz, 29<sup>th</sup> Charmaine Pedersen, 31<sup>st</sup> Betty Kock, Koury Kramer, Paul Kippley 1/1 Isla Cartmill, 2<sup>nd</sup> Irene Antrim, Cora Van Beek

**Anniversaries:** 30<sup>th</sup> Damon & Susan Bahnson (1972)  
31<sup>st</sup> Jerry & Cindy Van Voorst (1982)  
Koury & Laura Kramer (2005)

**Baptismal Birthday:** 29<sup>th</sup> Lori Kock, 31<sup>st</sup> Kathy Rozeboom