Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Pastor Eric Hullstrom 201 4th Street NE, Buffalo Center, IA 641-562-2552 December 7, 2025 @ 9:30 AM Second Sunday of Advent



Mission Statement:

"Faith, Hope and Love make us available to our neighbors near and far."

Welcome and Announcements **Greeting Our Neighbors** Lighting of the Advent Candle - Peace

Opening Hymn "Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Emmanuel" LBW #34, v 1,2,5

Brief Order for Confession & Forgiveness

Kyrie

Hymn of Praise "This is the Feast"

Prayer of the day:

Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of your only-begotten Son, that by his coming we may be enabled to serve you with pure minds; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Scripture Reading - Isaiah 9:1-7 Page 680 in pew Bible

Psalm 72:1-7

Children's Message

"Just As I Am, without One Plea" Hymn of the Day LBW #296, v 1,2,6

Gospel - Luke 4:16-21 Page 1021 in pew Bible

Message Abram Neumann

Special Offering

Nicene Creed

Offerina "For Those Tears. I Died" Special Music by Bekah Jensvold

"Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful, Lord" Offertory

Offertory Prayer Prayers of the Church

The Words of Institution The Lord's Prayer (sing)

Communion Hymn "Lamb of God"

The Distribution "Around You, O Lord Jesus" Special Music by Bekah Jensvold

Post-Communion Canticle "Thank the Lord"

Post-Communion Prayer

The Benediction

Closing Hymn "Comfort, Comfort Now My People" LBW #29, v 1 & 3

Kids, join us for Sunday School at 10:45 am.

Adults, join us for coffee, treats, and fellowship time in the Fellowship Hall.

December Greeters & Ushers

- *7 Aubri Wubben Family and Amelia Price Family
- *14 Elsa Adams Family and Tracy & Jodi Adams
- 21 Deegan Schroeder Family & Grant Jacobs Family
- *24 Julian Ernster Family & Brayden Berggren Family
- 28 Julie Weaver, Colin Weaver, and Tanner & Anne Weaver

Calendar of Events

November:

Today - Sunday School at 10:45 am

Dec 9 - Quilting at 1:00 pm

Dec 10 - Church Council Meeting at 5:30 pm

Dec 10 - Confirmation - 6:45 pm snack, 7:15 class

Dec 14 - Worship with Communion at 9:30, SS at 10:45

Dec 14 - Worship at 1:30 pm at TMNH with Pastor Eric

**Every Monday - Coffee Hour 9:30-10:30 am @ TMNH

Pray for our Members and Friends:

Emily Schulz
Jaya Fever
Brian Bashans
Christina Coughlin
Roger Burnside
Virginia Cooper
Dawn Jensvold
Penny Mitchell
Curtis Vaudt
Jason Christensen

Charlie Schaefer

Emmagene Silber
Deloris Steffensen
Claire Rustemier-Hinz
Carolyn Bartz
Joy Albert
Karen Buss
Harlan Melz
Leroy Weaver
Shirley Hagenson
Pastor Mark Neumann

During worship today, we will be taking a special offering for Abram's organization, Iglutheca. Please make checks out to Pine Ridge Reconciliation Center. Thank you, Abram, for joining us today.



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2025 Church Council

Derek Thilges ~ President
Kelsey Bosma ~ Vice President/Stewardship
Thomas Blodgett ~Treasurer/Technology
Kim Ostermann ~ Secretary/Education
Darryl Friest ~ Evangelism
Katie Mathahs ~ Fellowship
Darla Thompson ~ Worship
Larry Lawson ~ Property

Fellowship Serving Rotation:

Dec 7 - Church Council

Dec 14—Work Group #1

Dec 21 - Work Group #2

Dec 28—Work Group #3

Jan 4 - Sunday School

11.30.25 General Offering: \$1,103

YTD Actual:

\$118,233

YTD Budget:

\$147,024

YTD Deficit:

-\$28,791

YTD Bank Loan Balance: \$2,000

Attendance: 67
Online views: 46

Good News!

North Iowa Food for Families will be opening Dec. 15th at the United Methodist Church in Buffalo Center from 2:00 to 4:00 pm. They will be open on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month.

They are looking for volunteers. If you would like to help, please contact Amy Walk at 641-590-5845. They will need help on Monday mornings to bring food in and on Monday afternoons to help distribute food.

Thanks!

VANCO Giving

Weekly, monthly, and on-demand giving is available through Vanco's app or you can scan here. Many of us have found this to be an easy and useful way to give. For more info or questions, contact Thomas B or Susan. Thanks.



