

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Pastor Eric Hullstrom
201 4th Street NE, Buffalo Center, IA
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May 11, 2025 @ 9:30 AM
Fourth Sunday of Easter



Mission Statement:

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

Pre-Service Music
Welcome and Announcements
Greeting Our Neighbors

"I Will Follow"

Sunday School Kids Sing
Children's Message

Happy Mother's Day!!

Opening Prayer
Opening Song

"Gratitude"

Order of Confession & Forgiveness - Psalm 32

Prayer of the day: **Almighty God, you show those in error the light of your truth, that they may return into the way of righteousness. Grant to all who are admitted into fellowship with Christ the power to avoid all things that are contrary to the faith and to follow you according to the will of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

SENIOR VIDEO/Graduate Recognition/Scholarships

Alyssa Olson, Ashlyn Bechler, Andy Buchs, Brendan Price, Kaiden McGrady

Scripture Reading: Acts 20:17-35
Psalm 23

Page 1105 in pew Bible

Song of the Day

"You Never Let Go"

Gospel - John 10:22-30

Page 1065 in pew Bible

Message

"First and Last Line of Defense"

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Apostles' Creed
Offering
Offertory
Offertory Prayer

"Offering"
"Praise to the Lord"

Sunday School Teacher Appreciation

Prayers of the Church
The Lord's Prayer

The Blessing
Closing Song

"The Blessing"

Dismissal

May Greeters & Ushers

- *4 - Owyn Ostermann Family and Wyatt Bosma Family
- 11 - Amelia Price Family and Lily Pentico Family
- *18 - Brayden Berggren Family and Colson Wubben Family
- 25 - Mayah Hullstrom Family and Mariah Roth Family

2025 Church Council

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

Calendar of Events

May:

Today - Worship @ 9:30 am/Senior Sunday/SS Teacher Appreciation/Mother's Day/SS Kids sing
Today - Last Day of Sunday School @ 10:45 am
May 12 - Church Council Meeting @ 6:30 pm
May 13 - Bible Study with Pastor @ 2:00 pm
May 14 - Baccalaureate @ 6:30 pm at North Iowa HS
May 17 - Men's Bible Study @ 7:00 am, Fellowship Hall
May 18 - Worship with Communion & Baptism, 9:30 am
May 18 - Worship at TMNH with Pastor Eric, 1:30 pm

**Every Monday - Coffee Hour 9:30-10:30 am @ Timely Mission Nursing Home

Upcoming Graduation Parties

Andy Buchs' party - Saturday, May 17, 3:00-6:00 pm, in the Fellowship Hall. He is the son of Laurie Sapp.

Alyssa Olson's party - Saturday, May 31, 9:00 - 11:00 am, in the Fellowship Hall. She is the daughter of Derek and Robin Olson.

Congratulations to our Graduates!



Ashlyn Bechler, Andy Buchs, Alyssa Olson
Brendan Price, Kaiden McGrady

Best Wishes from your Bethlehem Lutheran Family!

Thank you to all the Sunday School teachers and all those who helped to make Sunday School a success. We appreciate all of you!

"Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it."
- Proverbs 22:6

Fellowship Serving Rotation:

May 11 - Church Council

May 25 - Work Group #3

May 18 - Work Group #2

June 1 - Sunday School

05.04.25 Giving:
\$1,916

YTD Actual: \$50,183
YTD Budget: \$55,135
YTD Deficit: **-\$4,952**

Attendance: 40
Online views: 24

Pray for our Members and Friends:

Emily Schulz
Jaya Fever
Brian Bashans
Christina Coughlin
Roger Burnside
Virginia Cooper
Dennis Hullstrom
Penny Mitchell
Curt Vaudt
Pastor Mark Neumann

Emmagene Silber
Deloris Steffensen
Claire Rustemier-Hinz
Carolyn Bartz
Joy Albert
Darlene Hofbauer
Karen Buss
Harlan Melz
Jason Christensen

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.



Senior Scholarships: Our church scholarships were first established twenty-four years ago by Norma Quame Bosma in 2001 in memory of her sons Greg and Brad. In 2006, we were honored with additional scholarship money made available from the Sullivan Family. The Bierle family established a third scholarship in May of 2010. We are truly appreciative to all these families for the importance they placed on education and their willingness to share with our church family. The three separate scholarships have now been combined into the "Bethlehem Lutheran Church Scholarships" because the funding from two of the families is no longer being supported by them. We hope that members of the congregation will continue to support our youth by donating to this fund in the future. You may contact any committee member if you have questions regarding the scholarship fund. This year's Scholarship Committee consisted of Lorie Bierle, Dawn Meinders, Kelly Ruth Winter, Cassie Willmert, and Kim Ostermann.