

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Pastor Eric Hullstrom
201 4th Street NE, Buffalo Center, IA
641-562-2552
April 19, 2026 @ 9:30 AM
Third 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

Sunday School Kids Sing
Noisy Offering/Children's Message

Opening Hymn ***“Hallelujah! Jesus Lives!”*** LBW #147, Vs 1-4

Confession & Forgiveness - Psalm 51

Prayer of the day:

O God, by the humiliation of your Son, you raised up this fallen world. Teach us whom you have rescued from endless death to have the fullness of eternal joy, through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. For he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Scripture Reading - 1 Peter 1:13-25 Page 1203 in pew Bible
Psalm 116:1-14

Hymn of the Day ***“Just a Closer Walk with Thee”*** See song sheet

Gospel Reading - Luke 24:13-35 Page 1051 in pew Bible

Message ***“The Long Walk”*** Pastor Eric Hullstrom

Apostles' Creed
Offering
Offertory
Offertory Prayer

“We Give Thee but Thine Own”

Prayers of the Church
The Lord's Prayer (***sing***)

The Benediction

Closing Hymn ***“I Know that My Redeemer Lives”*** LBW #352 Vs. 1,3,7,8

Thank you for joining us today!

April/May Greeters & Ushers

19 Rita Ellsworth, Lorie Bierle, and Amy Walk
26 Riley Price Family and Mayah Hullstrom Family
*3 Brynlee Engelbarts Family and Mark & Deb Landheer
*10 Tessa Holland Family and Ted & Darla Thompson

Calendar of Events

April:

Today - Sunday School at 10:45 am
Apr 21 - Worship Committee Meeting at 8:30 am
Apr 22 - Confirmation - 6:45 pm snacks, 7:15 class
Apr 26 - Worship at 9:30 am, SS Teacher Appreciation
Apr 26 - Sunday School at 10:45 am
Apr 29 - Confirmation - 6:45 pm snacks, 7:15 class
May 1-3 - Confirmation Retreat

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

Music and Mingle is scheduled for June 7, from 5:00 - 7:00 pm, at the Heritage Town Center. Nathan and Mindy Sletten will be entertaining us with their musical talents.

Please see Amy Walk if you would be willing to donate any items or services for the silent auction.

Pray for our Members and Friends:

Brian Bashans	Emmagene Silber
Jaya Fever	Deloris Steffensen
Curtis Vaudt	Claire Rustemier-Hinz
Christina Coughlin	Carolyn Bartz
Roger Burnside	Joy Albert
Virginia Cooper	Karen Buss
Dawn Jensvold	Harlan Melz
Penny Mitchell	Leroy Weaver
Jason Christensen	Frances Ostermann
Dean Swenson	Randy Holstad
Delores Griffin	Marge Becker
Monica Tyler	Jen McGrady
Nicky Shackleton	Doug Hofbauer
Pastor Mark Neumann	Linda Abels

2026 Church Council

Derek Thilges ~ President
Darla Thompson ~ Vice President/Worship
Thomas Blodgett ~Treasurer/Technology
Kim Ostermann ~ Secretary
Jen McGrady ~ Evangelism
Katie Mathahs ~ Fellowship
Megan Holland ~ Education
Amy Walk ~ Stewardship
Larry Lawson ~ Property

Please contact Derek Thilges at 641-430-3903 if you have any questions or concerns.

North Iowa Food for Families is open on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month, at the United Methodist Church in Buffalo Center, from 3:00 to 5:00 pm. They are looking for volunteers. If you would like to help, please contact Amy Walk at 641-590-5845. They need help on Monday mornings to bring food in and on Monday afternoons to help distribute food. Thanks!

04.12.26 Giving: **\$1,397**

YTD Budget: **\$45,434**

YTD Actual: **\$34,693**

YTD Deficit: **-\$10,741**

Attendance: **44**

Online views: **26**

Fellowship Serving Rotation:

Apr 19 - Work Group #1
Apr 26 - Work Group #2
May 3 - Work Group #3
May 10 - Sunday School
May 17 - Church Council

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.

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