

### Announcements:

Aug. 29th Pastor Eric's first Sunday here.  
Aug. 29th Bethlehem Lutheran's 125th Anniversary Celebration.  
Sept. 8th Confirmation with Students and Parents@ 7pm.  
Sept.12th Rally Sunday, first day of Sunday School@10:30  
Sept.13th Council Meeting@ 6pm.



**Clean up** continues to go on, and we are so appreciative of those that have been plugging away at the parsonage. We still have needs to be met there and here at the church. There are lists placed in the parsonage kitchen and on the wall outside the church office of things to do and check off. Thanks!

**Sunday School registration forms** are available in the narthex, please get your child registered if they are going to be attending. Kelsey Bosma is your contact person. Thank You.

**Coffee Fellowship** is now back in the fellowship hall after services. Coffee will continue to be available when entering for service on Sunday mornings. With us being able to get back to normal routine, we need help! If you can take a Sunday to provide and serve, that would be wonderful! Please see Amy Walk for more information.

**Share A Salad!** For our 125th celebration, we are bringing back our grilled Turkey sandwich meal. Please share your favorite salad with us that day. A sign-up sheet is in the narthex for you to let us know what salad you are going to share.

### **Attention Singers!!!**

The 125 Anniversary Committee is getting together an adult choir to sing at the Sunday morning service on August 29th. If you would like to join the choir contact Cheryl Baumann. We would love to have you!

### **Back To School**

Starting August 1-22, Bethlehem will be taking donations for school supplies. A box can be found at the back of the church, along with a more itemized list. Some suggestions are: scissors, loose leaf paper, glue sticks, 24 box crayons, dry erase markers, Ticonderoga #2 pencils, Kleenex, Lysol wipes, wide ruled spiral notebook, large eraser, folders with pockets or highlighters. Thank You.

### **Food Bank Needs for August:**

Cake Mix, Frosting, Canned Fruit and Vegetables, Cereal, Juice and Snack Crackers. We are also accepting any Garden Produce you would like to share

Welcome to Bethlehem  
We are glad to see you!  
Sunday August 15, 2021

“So be careful how you live.  
Don't live like fools,  
but like those who are wise.

*Make the most of  
every opportunity...*”

Ephesians 5:15,16



# Bethlehem Lutheran Church

201 4th Street NE, Buffalo Center, IA  
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August 15, 2021, 9:30AM  
Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost

### Mission Statement:

*“Faith, Hope and Love make us available for our neighbors near and far.”*

### Order of Service

Prelude and Bell

Quiet Time for Silent Prayer

Welcome and Announcements

Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness

LBW pg. 56

**\*Prayer of the Day: Life-giving God, you sustain us with the power of your Word and feed us with your Son’s body and blood. Help us so to abide in him and he in us that we may live our lives in obedience to your will and service to others; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.**

*Opening Song - “Lord Whose Love In Humble Service”*

LBW pg. 423

First Lesson: Joshua 24: 1-2a,14-18

Bible pg. 234

Psalm: 34: 12-22

Second Lesson: Ephesians 5: 6-21

Bible pg. 1147

\*Gospel: John 6: 51-69

Bible pg. 1060

**\*Hymn of the day- “He Leadeth Me, Oh, Blessed Thought”**

LBW pg. 501

Message

Bonnie Iverson

\*Apostles Creed

LBW pg. 65

Prayers of The Church

Lord’s Prayer

LBW pg. 71

The Blessing

**\*Closing Hymn - “We Praise You, O God”**

LBW pg. 241

### **Prayers for Healing and Strength:**

Randy M, Harlan M, Mike H, Cheryl B and Christina C.

### **Those in our Care Centers:**

Carolyn B, Claire S, Deloris S. and Dick S.

**Thank you** to Bonnie Iverson and MaryAnn for being with us today.

### **Bethlehem Lutheran Church has moved to Tier 0 for our pandemic plan.**

While there are no special conditions at Tier 0, as always BLC will:

Respect others by allowing them the dignity to protect themselves, as well as others to have the dignity of risk.

- We will follow the guidance, as directed, by IDPH when appropriate.
- We will clean areas with reasonable care.
- As always, if they are sick, please take care and stay home.

### **Missions**

Your church council has voted to do a quarterly rotation for distribution of our missions giving as a church body. The order will be as follows:

- 1) LCMC Synod,
- 2) Local missions
- 3) Missions abroad.

If anyone has any suggestions for our missions ministry, please let Amy Walk or Jen McGrady know. Thank you.

### **Save the Date!!!**

Bethlehem will be celebrating 125 years. Join us on Sunday August 29th @ 9:30am for a special service, a meal and a time of remembrance and fellowship.

**Membership Forms** are available in the Narthex and on our website, [www.bethlehemplutheranbc.com](http://www.bethlehemplutheranbc.com) We are in the process of compiling and updating many old and new lists. You may be thinking that we already have your information, but we have a new program that is a little more detailed and user friendly. It will be so good to have a completed and updated list for our new incoming Pastor. Please drop them at the office or in the basket provided in the back of the church. Thank You.

**The More You Trust God, The More He Amazes You.**

Offering/Vanco last week 8/08/2021:	\$2471.70
Attendance last week:	40 in Church 13 Households Online