

## Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Pastor Eric Hullstrom, 201 4th Street NE, Buffalo Center, IA 641-562-2552 Reader: Aurora Pentico

November 19, 2023 @ 9:30AM Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost Mission Statement:
"Faith, Hope and Love
Make us available
To our neighbors
Near and far."

Preservice Music

Welcome and Announcements

SS Kids Sing Noisy Offering and Children's Sermon

Call to Worship Opening Prayer

Opening song- "In Christ Alone"

Order of Confession and Forgiveness-Psalm 51

Prayer of the Day: Lord God, rule and govern our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit, that while keeping the end of all things in mind, we may be stirred up to holiness in this life and come to be with you forever in that life to come. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Scripture- 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
Psalm 90-Read responsively.

Song of the Day- "Waymaker"

Gospel- Matthew 25:14-30

Sermon- "A New Designation" Pastor Eric

**Apostles Creed** 

Offertory- "Thank You Lord"

Prayers of the Church- To those in need of healing and to those in our care centers

The Lord's Prayer

The Blessing

Closing Song- "I Thank God"

**Have a Great Week!** 

# Prayers for our members and friends:

Brian Bashans
Harlan Melz
Randy Melz
Carolyn Bartz
Clarice Stonebreaker
Deloris Steffensen
Claire Hinz
Logan Sabin
William Jensvold, Sr.

BLESSED BY PRAYER

"God is good all the time...
All the time God is good!"

WHEN YOU CAN'T FIND THE SUNSINE....
BE THE SUNSHINE!

### Giving

11.12.23

\$2,360.00

Attendance 70

Online Views 30 Budgeted weekly

Giving: \$2,830.00

#### GIVING THANKS TOGETHER....

We will join with our community to give thanks for all our blessings.

Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service
is Wed. Nov. 22 @7pm
First Reform Church

#### <u>Upcoming Events and Announcements:</u> November

19-Worship @9:30/SS kids sing/SS

21-Worship Comm meets @8:30am

22-Thanksgiving Eve Service @7pm. First Reformed

26-Worship @9:30/SS

27-Bethlehem serves 1G supper

28-Quilting @1pm

#### December

3-Hanging of the Greens Service @9:30am Thanks Meal for members @11:30am

5-Bible Study with Pastor Eric @2pm

■ 6-Confirmation @6:45pm

10-Traditional Worship/Communion @9:30/SS

Tour Of Lights @5pm

- 12-Worship committee @8:30am

12-Quilting @1pm

- 17-Worship @9:30/SS

SS Christmas Program @5pm

#### **MEMBERS THANKS MEAL**

Be our guest to a meal "in your honor"

Join us on Sunday Dec. 3rd @ 11:30 am

Hot Beef Sandwich

Scalloped Corn

Green Beans

Buttermilk Brownies

Coffee, Milk and Water

"Kids, look for a special menu for just for you"

#### HATS\*MITTENS\*HATS\*MITTENS\*HATS\*MITTENS

We are gathering items for the Giving Tree Ministry in our community. Donations of Hats and Mittens will be taken here for our students at NICS. There is a tote on the altar for them. THANK YOU!

Our goal is to keep the Project Fund ongoing so that we will be able to address and take care of the unexpected and ongoing care of our church building and parsonage. This way we are not dipping into our property fund budget. As this does not cover bigger expenses that may come about.

We are so Blessed and Thankful.

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#### **Greeters and Ushers**

November

26 Amy Walk Family & Mary Badje

<u>December</u>

\_\*3 Lily Winter(c) Family Wyatt(c) Olson Family

\*10 Jackson Holland(c) Family and Carter(c) Wubben Family

17 Mark & Kim Ostermann Linda Berhow

24 Jesse Bosma Family and Jen McGrady

31 Shirley Hagenson

Glenda Sapp and Laurie & Andi Buchs

# Making ourselves available... FOOD BANK

**November**: Instant Mash Potatoes, Gravies, Green Beans, Cream of Mushroom Soup, Pie Crust Mix and Canned Pumpkin, along with your choices.

Through November, the Sunday School children will collect your donations during Noisy Offering. Help them build a mountain of GOODNESS!

A volunteer cleaning list has been placed in the kitchen. It is great to see some things done already. If you can help, wonderful, if you have questions see Derek Thilges or Amy Walk. THANK YOU.

Hanging of the Greens Sunday Dec.3<sup>rd</sup>.

We will be asking for help to get our church home ready for Christmas. This is a very special day!