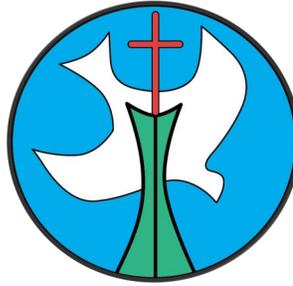


## Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Pastor Eric Hullstrom  
201 4th Street NE, Buffalo Center, IA  
641-562-2552  
March 8, 2026 @ 9:30 AM  
Third Sunday in Lent



## Mission Statement:

***“Faith, Hope and Love  
Make us available  
To our neighbors  
Near and far.”***

Pre-Service Music  
Welcome and Announcements  
Greeting Our Neighbors

Opening Prayer  
Opening Song

***“Here I Am to Worship”***

Confession & Forgiveness

Prayer of the day:

**Almighty God, consider the worthy desires of your humble servants. Reach out to defend us from evil by the word and work of your majestic right hand. Grant this, we pray, through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

First Scripture Reading - Exodus 17:1-7

Page 69 in pew Bible

Psalm 95:1-9

Second Scripture Reading - Romans 5:1-8

Page 1119 in pew Bible

Noisy Offering/Children's Message

Song of the Day

***“God So Loved”***

Gospel Reading - John 4:5-26

Page 1057 in pew Bible

Message

***“Worship as a Way of Life”***

Pastor Eric Hullstrom

Apostles' Creed

Offering

***“Everlasting God”***

Offertory

***“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”***

Offertory Prayer

Prayers of the Church

The Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

The Distribution

Post-Communion Prayer

***“Revelation Song”    “How Deep the Father's Love for Us”***

The Benediction

Closing Song

***“Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)”***

**Thank you for joining us today!**

## March Greeters & Ushers

\*8 Lily Winter Family & Mariah Roth Family  
15 Mike Baumann Family & Cheryl Baumann  
22 Julian Ernster Family  
29 Wyatt Bosma Family & Jen McGrady

## Calendar of Events

### March:

Today - Sunday School at 10:45 am  
Mar 9 - Church Council Meeting at 6:00 pm  
Mar 10 - Quilting at 1:00 pm  
Mar 10 - Susan is out of the office, her makeup day will be Friday, March 13  
Mar 11 - Lenten Worship at 7:00 pm  
Mar 11 - Confirmation at 7:45 pm  
Mar 15-20 - Pastor Eric on Destination DC Trip

### North Iowa Food for Families Needs for March:

Canned or dried fruits, cake mixes, large size peanut butter, jelly, syrup, and boxed chicken or hamburger meals

Donations can be dropped off in the church narthex or the BC Library during business hours.

### 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	

## 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!

Our March Mission Giving is going to SMILE (Single Moms in a Loving Environment). They host MOMS2MOMS group here 2 Mondays per month. See the bulletin board for more information. Let Susan know if you'd like to donate additional funds.

### Fellowship Serving Rotation:

Mar 8 - Work Group #1  
Mar 15 - Work Group #2  
Mar 22 - Work Group #3  
Mar 29 - Sunday School  
Apr 5 - Confirmation  
Easter Breakfast

03.01.26 Giving: **\$2,596**

Attendance: 65

Online views: 29

### 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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