



## Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Lutheran Church Missions in Christ

Pastor Eric Hullstrom,  
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Music: Mary Ann

April 30, 2023 @ 9:30AM

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

### Mission Statement:

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

Preservice Music

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

Opening song **“You Are My All In All”**

Order of Confession and Forgiveness-Psalm 155

Prayer of the Day: **Living God, your Son cares for your people as a shepherd cares for his sheep, calling us each by name. Grant that we may hear and recognize his voice, and, following him, be brought safely through every trial and temptation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Scripture: Acts 2: 42-47

pg. 1082 in Bible

Psalm 23-read **all together**

Noisy Offering and Children’s time

Song of the Day **“Precious Lord”**

#731 WOV

Gospel John 10: 1-10

pg. 1065 in Bible

Sermon Title **“The State of Not Wanting”**

Pastor Eric

Apostles Creed

Offering brought forward **“Praise God”**

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

The Lord’s Prayer  
(sing all together)

The Blessing

Closing Song **“Oh Praise The Name”**

***Have a Great Week!***

**Prayers  
for our members  
and friends:**

Marcia Aukes  
Brian Bashans  
Harlan Melz  
Randy Melz  
Christina Coughlin  
Isaac  
Carolyn Bartz  
Clarice Stonebreaker  
Deloris Steffensen  
Claire Hinz  
Jaya  
Kyle Winter

**Making ourselves available...**

**Food Bank for May: Can Chicken, Tomato soup, Can Veggies, Can fruit, Cereal and Cookie Mixes.**

**"Our numbers are increasing, so anything you donate will be helpful.  
Thank You.**

*All donations can be dropped off in the Narthex of the church.*

**HAPPY 90<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY!!!**  
**We celebrate you today**  
**Frances Ostermann**  
**God Bless You!**

**Upcoming Events and Announcements:**

**May**

- 1-One G planning meeting @6pm-Congo Church
- 2-Bible Study with Pastor Eric @2pm
- 6-Women' Day out in Mankato
- 7-Communion /Teacher Recognition/Meal
- Pastor gone 8-11<sup>th</sup> for Leader Care Retreat
- 12,13,14- Confirmation Retreat in Okoboji
- 14-Graduating Sr's Recognition/SS Kids Sing and Last SS Class @9:30am
- 15-Last Elementary 1G.
- 16-Last High School 1G breakfast.
- 17-Last Middle School 1G.
- 21-Communion Worship @9:30am
- 28-Traditional Liturgy @9:30am

**Ushers and Greeters**

**May**

- 7 Brooklyn Price(c) Family & Logan Willmert Family
- 14 Rande & Mary Geisking and Mark & Kim Ostermann
- 21 Amy Walk & Mary Badje  
Thomas & Amanda Blodgett
- 28 Chris Berggren Family

**June**

- \*4 Carter Wubben(c) Family and Shirley Hagenson
- \*12 Norah Blodgett(c) Family and Jeff Ostermann Family
- 18 Billy Jensvold Family and Marylys Dotseth
- 25 Dana Greensky Family and Linda Berhow

We have a few options for your giving here at Bethlehem. If you are a Thrivent member, you can direct your dollars to the church. We also have a very easy and simple way with our online giving. This QR code will access our website and the Vanco giving page. If you have any questions, please ask Jen.

**Thank you!**



**Project Fund Update:**

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 the general fund budget.

God is always at work within our church. When giving to this please designate.

**We are so Blessed and Thankful.**

May 7th we will be recognizing our Sunday School teachers and music leader during the worship service, and the kids will be involved in this as well! After church, during SS time, we will join together in fellowship and have a meal together!

We want this to be a very special day and would like all kids and families to be there!

On May 14th we will be celebrating all the moms in church, and the kids will be singing some special songs for this. After church we will be having our last day of Sunday school for this year. It will also be senior recognition on this day! **Remember to send in pictures of moms and kids and grandmas!**

**"I WILL NEVER LEAVE YOU ,  
NOR FORSAKE YOU.  
I LOVE YOU FOREVER."** **-GOD**

