

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Pastor Eric Hullstrom
201 4th Street NE, Buffalo Center, IA
641-562-2552
September 20, 2026 @ 9:30 AM
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost



Mission Statement:

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

Pre-Worship Music
Welcome and Announcements

Greeting Our Neighbors
Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn ***“Jesus Shall Reign”*** LBW #530

Holy Baptism for **Teddie Elizabeth Mathahs** LBW, Page 121
*all kids are welcome to come up to watch baptism

Confession & Forgiveness—Psalm 51

Prayer of the day:

Direct our hearts, O Lord, by your merciful reign, because without your help it is impossible to please you. 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 Reading - Isaiah 55:6-13 Page 731 in pew Bible
Psalm 27:1-9

Hymn of the Day ***“Oh Jesus, I Have Promised”*** LBW #503

Gospel - Matthew 18:10-14 Page 978 in pew Bible

Message ***“The One or the Ninety-Nine”*** Pastor Eric Hullstrom

Offering
Offertory ***“We Give Thee but Thine Own”***
Offertory Prayer

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

The Benediction
Closing Hymn ***“Lord of All Hopefulness”*** LBW #469

Thank you for joining us today!

Sept Greeters & Ushers

*6 Caleb Hagedorn Family and Bill Jensvold Family
*13 Chris Jensen Family and Ted & Darla Thompson
20 Lorie Bierle and Mark & Deb Landheer
27 Mayah Hullstrom Family & Brynlee Engelbarts Family

Calendar of Events

Sept:

Sept 20 Sunday School at 10:45 am
Sept 22 Quilting at 1:00 pm
Sept 23 Confirmation – snacks 6:45, class 7:15 pm
Sept 25 5th Quarter Bonfire after Homecoming game
Sept 27 Worship at 9:30 am, SS at 10:45 am
Sept 30 Confirmation – snacks 6:45, class 7:15 pm

Pray for our Members and Friends:

Brian Bashans	Emmagene Silber
Ruth Noren	Deloris Steffensen
Curtis Vaudt	Claire Rustemier-Hinz
Linda Abels	Carolyn Bartz
Roger Burnside	Joy Albert
Virginia Cooper	Karen Buss
Dawn Jensvold	Harlan Melz
Penny Mitchell	Leroy Weaver
Jason Christensen	Frances Ostermann
Dean Swenson	Delores Griffin
Randy Holstad	Marge Becker
Monica Tyler	Berneice Maass
Nicky Shackleton	Susan Jensen
Harvey Rossmiller	Doug Hofbauer
Tony & Nancy Scalisi	Mark Beenken
Dave Kakacek	Pastor Mark Neumann
The Family of Roger Jespersen	

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Bethlehem Lutheran Sunday School

Congratulations to Teddie Elizabeth Mathahs on her baptism today!

Teddie's parents are Josh and Katie Mathahs.

Her sponsors are Noah and Anna Mathahs.

Her grandparents are Dave and Amber Evans, Joe and Tina Mathahs, and Eric and Dawn Koele.

Teddie's siblings are Jensen and Davie Mathahs.

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 Needs for September:

Diced tomatoes, stuffing mixes, 10 oz canned chicken, cream of chicken or mushroom soup.

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

Fellowship Serving

Rotation:

Sept 6 - Church Council

Sept 13 - Work Group #1

Sept 20 - Work Group #2

Sept 27 - Work Group #3

09.13.26 Giving:
\$2,035

Attendance: 101
Online views: 62

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.

