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Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, September 26, 2021

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Face masks are optional for fully vaccinated individuals at worship services. Per CDC and county guidelines, unvaccinated individuals are asked to continue wearing masks.

Sunday School 9:00-9:45 am
Bible Study 9:00-9:45 am - with Pastor Tim in fellowship hall
Worship at 10:00 AM
Holy Communion is celebrated 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays

WELCOME to all of our visitors today. If you're here for the first time or as a returning guest, we are very pleased to be able to worship with you today. The order of service and songs will be projected. An outline of the service is printed in your bulletin.

~ COMING UP AT BETHLEHEM ~

Devotions on Facebook Tues., Sept. 28th at 9:00 am.

Prayer Group - Tues., Sept. 28th at 10:00 am, in the prayer room.

Supper - Wed., Sept. 29th at 5:30 pm in the fellowship hall. This is a light family meal for everyone, but particularly for Confirmation Students & Bible Study attenders who may not have had a chance to grab a bite to eat.

Confirmation - Wed., Sept. 29th at 6:00 pm in the youth room.

Bible Study - Wed., Sept. 29th at 6:00 pm in the fellowship hall; The Story Chapter 2.


Next Sunday, Oct. 3rd - Sunday School at 9:00 am. Bible Study at 9:00 am. Worship with Holy Communion 10:00 am. In preparation for Bible Study and Sermon please read *The Story* - Chapter 3, "Joseph: From Slave to Deputy Pharaoh" this week.

~ COMMUNION POLICY ~

At Bethlehem, we believe that the Lord's Supper is more than a remembrance and more than a ritual. We believe that Jesus Christ Himself is truly present, and that this meal strengthens our relationship with Him and with each other.

If you believe that God loves you, that He gave His only Son, Jesus, to die for you, that through Jesus' death and resurrection your sins are forgiven, and that the body and blood of Jesus are truly present in the bread and wine in a supernatural way, then we welcome you to join us as we celebrate the Lord's Supper.

If you have not been instructed in the Lutheran faith, if you doubt any of those statements above, or if you have a confession different than the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet you desire to receive this sacrament, we encourage you to speak with the pastor.



IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK WE REMEMBER Vern Noggle; Karen Overhulser; Donald Ganther (Gib's brother); Shannah Juliot (Peace Church); Nancy Foubert's brothers, Jon & Jerry, and niece Kerri; families affected by COVID-19; hurricane cleanup; God's blessings on our journey through *The Story*.
If you or a member you know of has been hospitalized or moved to a care facility please notify the church office so we can share their whereabouts with the church family.

FELLOWSHIP TREATS are provided by Cheri & Roy Borseth. Sign up sheet to serve at a future service in on the kitchen serving area. Talk to LeAnne Hohman if you'd like to supply treats but can't serve.

ALTAR FLOWERS are placed by Zach, Gina, Sydney & Hallie Becker in loving memory of Laurel Becker.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

	<u>Today</u> 10:00 AM	<u>Sun. Oct. 3</u> 10:00 AM
ELDER / USHERS:	Randy Schamberger	Gary Hansen
ACOLYTE:	Madi Brown	Luke Hansen
GREETER(S):	Marlene Bredesen	Randy & Missy Schamberger
READER:	Nancy Foubert	
SOUND BOOTH:	Noah Jordan	Nathan Hansen
MUSIC:	Heather Krause	Amanda Bradley

To volunteer as a reader contact Carole Licht, to be an usher contact the church office. Scheduled worship assistants, please make every effort to be here.

Attendance Last Week
Sun., Sept. 19, 2021
117 - 10:00 am

Bethlehem's Giving Report as of last week 9/19/21
Weekly Income Needed: \$ 3,871.00
Offerings Received Last Week: \$ 3,747.95
Total Offerings 2021 Year To Date: \$149,939.45
These totals do not reflect Daycare Income

~ YOUR STORY IS PART OF GOD'S STORY ~

If you're interested in joining a small group to discuss and reflect on *The Story*, see the listing on the special insert in today's bulletin.

~ NURSERY AVAILABLE ~

Young children are welcome in the sanctuary for worship. There is also a nursery available for nursing mothers or children who need other activities to occupy their attention. For safety reasons please do not leave your child unattended in the nursery.

~ MUSIC JAM SESSION ~

We're looking for musicians ages 12 and up. Do you sing or play an instrument? We have a fun-filled "jam" night planned starting at 6:30 p.m. **Thursday, Oct. 14**, here at the church. Bring your instrument, your voice, and your excitement.

~ MISSED THE PHOTO SHOOT? ~

If you were unable to have your photo taken for the directory earlier this month, you can still schedule a photo session at another church in the area. Photographers will be at Spirit Lutheran on Oct. 19-20 and St. Olaf on Oct. 21-23. Call Universal Church Directories toll-free at (888) 742-5823 and let them know you want to schedule an appointment at another church.

~ AGING WELL ~

The next North Wisconsin District Adult Gathering will be from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 12, at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church in Weston. Rev. Dr. Robert Weise and others will talk about "Aging Well in Christ in This Topsy-Turvy World." The cost is \$25, which includes refreshments, program, and lunch. To register, go to <https://bit.ly/nwd-aging>.

~ Life Chain ~

The Eau Claire County Chapter of Wisconsin Right to Life is sponsoring the annual Life Chain on Sunday, Oct. 3, from 2:00-3:30 pm. Life Chain is a peaceful witness and prayer vigil on behalf of unborn children whose lives are threatened by abortion. Get your pro-life sign at the Regis High School parking lot, and then stand with us along South Hastings Way as we pray for an end to abortion.

~ THANK YOU ~

I want to extend to you my most sincere thank you for allowing me to lead worship in your church! It brings me so much joy, and I hope that you feel the Spirit move when you come to worship. I truly appreciate all the love and kindness that you have given to me! I appreciate you all! Love, Heather Krause