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***"A Place Where There is Always Room"***

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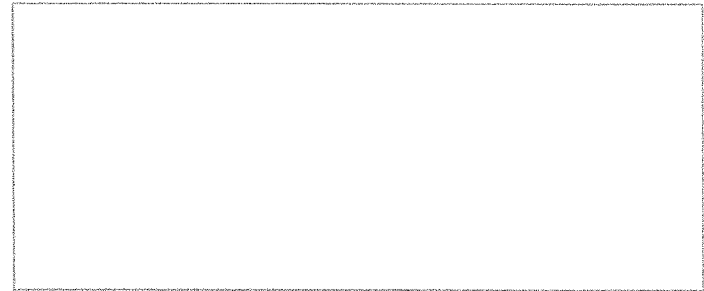
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## **December 2018 NEWSLETTER**



# Bethlehem News

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH  
1630 RUSHMORE ST.  
RAPID CITY, SD 57702-3370

*December*  
**2018**

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## **Congregational** **Annual Meeting**

December 9<sup>th</sup>  
10:15 am

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## ***Pastor's Ponderings***

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This month I am going to keep things very brief. Christmas is about Jesus. We can get caught up in what others make Christmas out to be. "They don't say 'Merry Christmas'" and the like. While we do care about non-Christians, I am much more concerned that Christmas is not about Jesus in name only for you this year. In other words, while you may say "Merry Christmas," and while you may come to all of the Advent and Christmas worship services we offer—it is still all too easy to make Christmas about something other than Jesus. It would seem that family, gift giving, decorating, food, and other non-essential rituals would be at the top of the list. Christmas is about Jesus whether we recognize it or not. But there is good news of great joy for you and it comes only in Christ Jesus. God grant that Christmas is about Jesus this year for you and yours.

God Grant You a Very Blessed and Merry Christmas,  
Pastor Josh

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# Caring by Sharing

At the November 15<sup>th</sup> Bethlehem Church Council meeting two recipients were approved to receive Caring by Sharing funds for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2018.

The Adult Day Center of the Black Hills will receive \$4250 to build a pergola and raised beds for vegetables and flowers. The Center's mission is: Enabling an aging and disabled population to remain at home by providing daytime respite care for families and caregivers. The Center provides daytime care, Monday through Friday, from 7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. There are activities for individuals who are elderly or disabled including personal care, cognitive activities, socialization, homemade meals, exercise/mobility and recreation.

Thank you, Virginia Reidt, for submitting the application. Her family benefitted from the caregiving provided by the Center when Floyd needed additional support.

Holly and Morgan Otten work with the Suncatcher Therapeutic Riding Academy (STRA) and submitted the second application. STRA provides therapeutic horseback riding to individuals with disabilities and special needs. All participants wear an ASTM-approved equestrian helmet. According to safety standards, helmets would be replaced after 5 years of use (most helmets have exceeded this.) The \$750 will purchase 15 helmets at a discounted price.

The mission of the Academy is: SunCatcher

Therapeutic Riding Academy, Inc. is a non-profit organization [501(c)(3) charitable status] providing equine-assisted activity and therapy programs for children, teens, and adults with special needs.

Caring by Sharing applications are available in a digital format so they can be filled out on your computer rather than by hand. Please contact the church office ([bethlehem@rushmore.com](mailto:bethlehem@rushmore.com)) or Jacque Sly ([jsly@q.com](mailto:jsly@q.com)) to have an application sent by email. The end of the next quarter will be March, 2019. Note that the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter CBS for 2018 was approved at the November Council meeting because they do not always meet in December.

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**In Case of Bad Weather...** If the Rapid City Police Department or any other agency issues a no-travel advisory or travel ban for Rapid City, please just assume that Bethlehem will not have church services until the ban or advisory is lifted. If you are not sure it's safe to travel, please stay home. We would much rather have you miss one week's service than have you take the chance of being injured on the streets or highways. As soon as is practical, we will change the outgoing message on the church's answering machine 343.2011 announcing that services are cancelled until the weather clears. We will also make every effort to post any cancellation notice on the church's website (<http://www.bethlehemlcms.net>) and on our Facebook page. But again, if in doubt, please just remain at home and be safe!

God's Blessings! Your Elders

# Veteran's Corner

Another year is upon us and we are assured that our Lord will be with us throughout 2019. He has promised that He will never forsake us.

To finish out the year take the VETERANS QUIZ!

Below you will find name of the veterans that we interviewed in 2018

Across from the names are excerpts from their interviews.

See if you can "pass" the quiz by matching the number (name) of the veteran with his correct letter (information).

Enjoy! May the Christ of Christmas bless all our veterans, their families, and you our Bethlehem brothers and sisters this Christmas season and throughout 2019.

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| 1. Burt Sly       | 6. Clyde Thompson |
| 2. Orville Hengen | 7. Roger Dubs     |
| 3. Nels Johnson   | 8. Chip Carlson   |
| 4. Barth Lippert  | 9. Joshua Schulz  |
| 5. Dean Meyers    | 10. Bill Schulz   |

1. He began selling insurance for Aide Association for Lutheran Fraternal which became Thrivent eventually becoming the regional manager.
2. His best assignment was Company Commander of 125 outstanding soldiers, training with them for over 18 months and seeing them perform bril-

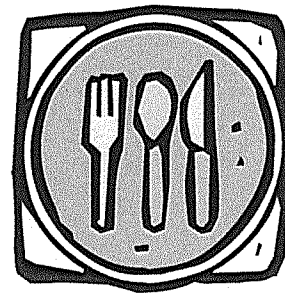
liantly in Desert Storm.

3. He was awarded three Battle Stars and fought in the Battle of the Bulge.
4. When he was reduced in rank from tech sergeant to staff sergeant he went to the PX and bought cigars and handed them out at the NCO club in recognition of his "promotion" to his "new" rank.
5. On June 9, 1972 he was the first person to report to the Army Aviation Support Facility (AASF) after the flood hit Rapid City. He spent that time "rescuing people from roofs."
6. He worked as a protocol officer in Kuwait for a one star general who told him he was going to watch him for a month to see if he was equal to the task and by the end of that month he was; in fact, in his exit interview the general told him he was the best protocol officer ever and "if I can ever do anything for you let me know."
7. In 1972, the day after the flood hit Rapid City, his unit was called up for his first real experience putting up a bridge (he had only trained for it). After working 24/7 for a day and a half, the bridge on Sheridan Lake Road was finished and remained operational throughout the summer.

8. He was only three miles from the atomic bomb blast. He and his buddies had to be dug out after the blast covered them with dirt. After they were dug out they were marched down to view a tank that had been nearer the blast. Only pieces remained. He was eighteen years old at the time of the blast.
9. He was assigned to NATO Headquarters Multi National Division South East located in Bucharest Romania. His Job title was "Intelligence Operations Branch Head." He is now stationed at Fort Hood, TX.
10. BONUS POINTS who is missing from the list?

Thanks for trying the Quiz. Bill Schulz has the answer key. bIf you are a veteran who has not been in the Veterans Corner, please see Bill Schulz. I would love to interview you!

In Christ, Bill Schulz



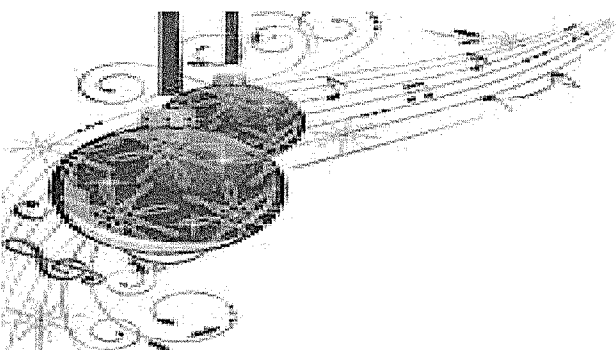
### **Senior Meals Program/ Meals on Wheels**

Many seniors in the Rapid City Community are unable to donate for their meals due to increasing costs of utilities, medicine, etc. All donations will be forwarded to the Senior Meals Program to help them continue to serve those who are unable to shop and/or prepare meals for themselves. Each \$20 donated can provide five meals. During the Advent season, special envelopes marked "Meals on Wheels" will be found on the table with the Angel Tree. For more information, speak with Pastor Josh or Lois Hartmann.

### **Christmas Cantata**

Saturday, December 8<sup>th</sup> — 7 pm

Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup> — 9 am

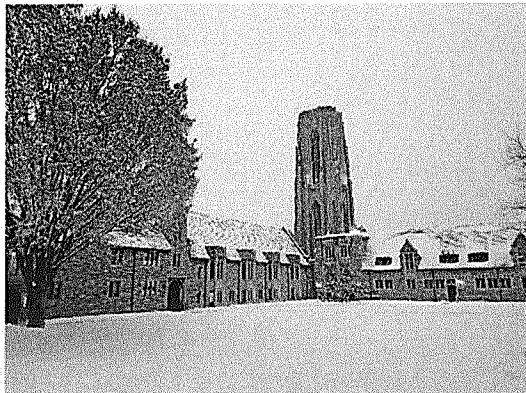


## Second Year Seminarian Nathaniel Brown's Journey

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and our LORD Jesus Christ! November has been very full and it is hard to think that the year is almost over. It has been a busy year for me and I'm sure it has for you also.



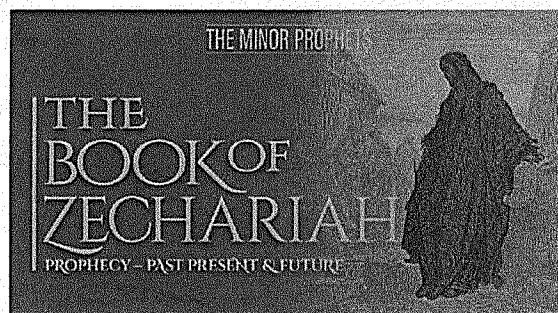
November on campus has been interesting. We had the trees change color in late October, which is late for St. Louis. Within two weeks we had 6 inches of snow fall, most of which happened overnight. One class was cancelled so everyone



could be safe getting to campus. The next day it was 50 degrees outside.

At Field Work, I have been teaching Sunday School. This past

week we were talking about the book of Zechariah. Reading and preparing for this week, I realized that this is of the more Christ-centered books of the Minor Prophets. It was really cool for me to see and interact with the book in a way that I hadn't for my whole life. I would encourage all of you to read the book sometime this month for your devotional readings.



### Prayer List

- For all people, that they may come to the knowledge of Christ and so be saved.
- For all our leaders, that the rules they enact may lead us to quiet and dignified lives.
- That the Church may be strengthened.
- For the Seminary students in St. Louis and in Ft. Wayne, that they may be able to serve His people faithfully.
- That the second years going on vicarage and fourth years receiving their first calls may be strengthened.
- For all pastors and professors that they may be faithful in their service to the Church and to the Scripture

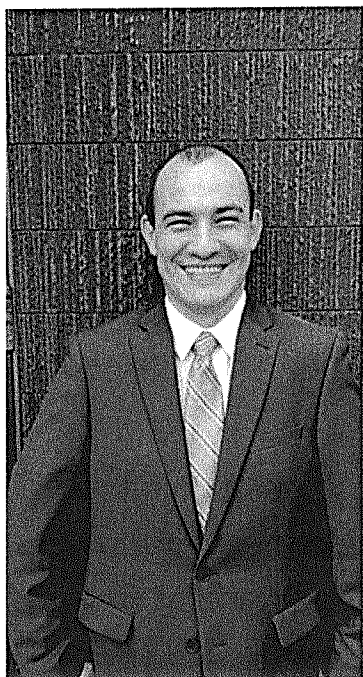
If you have prayer requests, or want to talk, please send them to me!

My email is

[brownn@csl.edu](mailto:brownn@csl.edu),

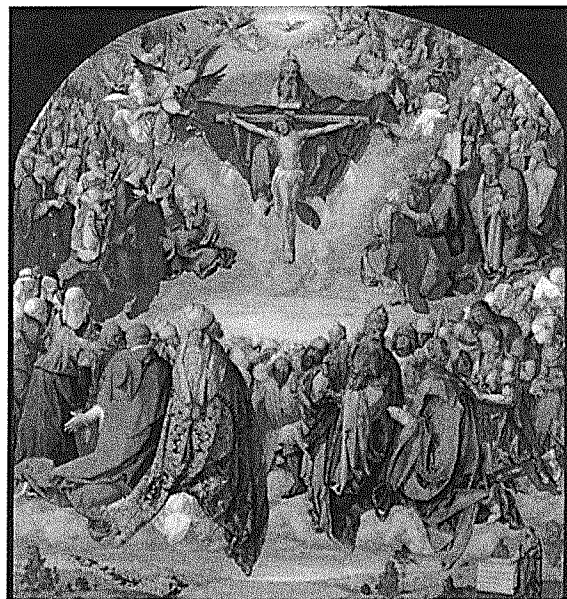
and my address is:

801 Seminary Place  
St. Louis, MO 63105



Vicarage keeps coming closer. In the next two months I will have my interview with Dr Nielsen, the Director of Vicarage, to discuss my preferences for worship style, location, size of congregation, and needs of my supervisor. I am very excited to have this interview and I can't wait to find out where I will be sent for Vicarage. A number of people have asked me where I will be, but I only get to give my preferences in the interview, and those might not all work together. I also will have no advance knowledge of where I am going. If you watch the Live Stream of Call Day on May 1, when my name is read, you will know where I am going, but that will be the first time I know where I am going. That is very humbling for me, but I know that between God, Dr. Nielsen, and the District Presidents, I am in very safe hands. Regardless of where I end up next year, it will be a time of growth and learning for me.

November is one of my favorite liturgical months of the Church Year. We as the Church start with All Saint's Day, where we remember with gratitude those saints that have come before us, but we also remember members of the Body of Christ who are living around the World, so that together with one voice we join the angels, archangels, and the whole company of God praising our God and saying, "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored. Hosanna in the highest." I love this day because as we live in this broken and corrupted world, we will have sorrow, and suffering, and yet when we put our focus on what God has done for you, we can rejoice remembering our loved ones who have died. We also have the same praise that we give to God across all languages that exist on the planet right now. It seems like a reversal of the Tower of Babel, and on the Last Day, there will be a perfect reversal and there will be one language that we all speak, giving praise to our God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.



Advent is quickly approaching and that may be my favorite season because it ties in to the beginning and end of the Church Year. Christ came once, and that starts our Church Year. Christ is coming again, and that closes our Year. As Christians, we ask Jesus to come quickly, and we remember that this month as we prepare for Advent. God's richest blessings to all of you this month!†





## ANGEL TREE ...

It starts with a gift, but it's so much more.

Each Christmas, over 2 million children have a parent in prison. Angel Tree is a ministry that reaches out to the children of inmates and their families with the love of Christ. This unique program gives our church an opportunity to share Christ's love by helping to meet the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of the families of prisoners.

Angel Tree Christmas works by connecting parents in prison with their children through the delivery of Christmas gifts. Every Christmas, thousands of churches like ours help brighten the lives of countless children by purchasing, wrapping and delivering gifts on behalf of their incarcerated parent – not only delivering a message of love from parent to child, but also the true meaning of Christmas – the good news of Jesus Christ.

Shortly after the Advent Season starts, you will see a special “Angel Tree” in the fellowship room. This tree stands as an invitation for you to become involved in this ministry. There are several ways each of us can participate in this ministry. You can:

**Pray:** Select a child, or a family of children and commit to pray for them and their family this year

**Volunteer:** Help prepare the gift tags for the Angel Tree

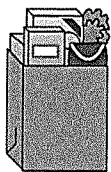
Help deliver the collected gifts to the Angel Tree families

**Give:** Select a tag from the Angel Tree and purchase a gift for a child

Donate \$25 to purchase a Wal-Mart gift card for an Angel Tree family care giver

Want to know more? Contact Lois Hartmann (390-9564) or Sheila Hillberry (348-1322)

### Christmas Community Outreach



Each Christmas season, Pastor is approached by families in our community seeking assistance with food, gifts, etc. To facilitate serving these families in a “hassle free” way, Pastor is asking for donations to purchase gift cards (Wal-Mart, Family Fare, etc.). During the Advent season, special envelopes marked “Pastor’s Community Outreach” will be found on the table with the Angel Tree. If you choose to personally purchase gift cards, they should each be for \$50; or the actual value should be marked on each card. For more information, speak with Pastor Josh or Lois Hartmann.



## Christian Stewardship

### December, 2018

Throughout his epistles and his preaching recorded in the Book of Acts, St. Paul refers, in one way or another, to thanksgiving and thankfulness nearly 50 times. Whether vertically toward God, or horizontally toward the neighbor, thanksgiving is a major theme within St. Paul's body of work.

What does this mean? It means thankfulness is intrinsic to the life of those baptized into Christ. In other words, giving thanks is what Christians do as they live out their lives in this world.

The problem is that we often forget this. Consider your average, run-of-the-mill, normal day. When you get home, and your parents, your spouse or your children ask about your day, what first comes to your mind? After 99 percent of things went right, went exactly as planned, were enjoyable and blessings, we tend to focus on and remember the 1 percent of things that went poorly, that didn't go as planned, and that were nuisances.

We remember the bad things. We focus on discontent. And we fail to give thanks in all circumstances for everything (Eph. 5:20) and to rejoice in the Lord always (Phil. 4:4).

Thankfulness and contentment go together. We are content with things for which we are thankful. St. Paul could be content with having plenty or when in need because He gave thanks to the Lord for all things. He thanked the Lord for those who had prayed for him and listened to his proclamation of the Gospel. He gave thanks

for their good works in and for the Church of Christ. He gave thanks for the grace of God in Christ Jesus and found that God's grace was sufficient for him.

So, give thanks for all things and in all circumstances dear brothers and sisters in Christ. For you have been saved from sin, death, and hell by the death and resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ. You have been added to the very family of God in an adoption of grace through Holy Baptism. God is your Father. Our Lord, Jesus Christ is your brother.

But He not only provides for your spiritual well-being, He cares also for this body and life. Your Father in heaven provides food and clothes, house and home, husband, wife, and children. He gives you reason and all your senses. He has given you the raw talents that you have developed into careers. Everything you are and everything that you have is a gift from His fatherly divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in you.

Give thanks for these things. Make a list – every morning if you must. Say them out loud. Sing about them within the congregation of the saints. And remember this: God has given you these things so that you may be of service to those around you – your family, your neighbors, your brothers and sisters in Christ. For to whom much is given; much shall be required (Luke 12:48).

## Council Meeting Minutes—October 19, 2018

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The meeting was called to order at 7:24 pm by President Mick Moulton and opened with prayer.

**Attendance:** Pastor Jones, Mick Moulton, Tony Mosel, Bridget Scherbarth, Dave McCarthy, Kendra Lambert, Judy McCarthy, Tara Wright, Joyce Bowman, and Terry Larson, Audrey Paepke.

**Caring by Sharing:** Audrey Paepke presented the nomination to support Tome and Amy Montoya as they had a house fire. The Caring by Sharing committee agreed this nomination fulfilled all requirements and recommend the entire \$5000.00 to the Montoya's.

Tara Wright motions to accept application/committee recommendations. Kendra Lambert seconded the motion. All were in favor in approval of the Caring by Sharing funds to be given to the Montoya family.

**Council Meeting Minutes:** Kendra Lambert motioned to accept the minutes from the last meeting. Dave McCarthy seconded the motion. All approved motion to accept the September meeting's minutes.

**Treasurer's Report:** Tony Mosel stated \$22,000.00 for the good for the year. Office supply expenses were a little higher due to soft ward updates. Kendra Lambert motioned to accept Treasurer's report. Terry Larson seconded motion. Unanimous passing of motion.

**Board Of Elders:** Dave McCarthy reported Elders have been working on the budget. He plans to meet with Tony regarding the proposed changes.

**Pastor's Report:** Pastor discussed happenings in congregation and Circuit as well as his family.

**Board Of Education:** Tara Wright stated the Board of Education has invited prospective people to come sit in during next meeting.

**Board of Parish Fellowship:** Kendra Lambert informed council of next TGIF on October 26<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 to help fill Operation Christmas child Box and are looking for donations.

**Financial Secretary:** Judy McCarthy is working on the quarterly statements, Pam provided a list of new members or those who give but are not members to get envelopes.

**Trustees:** Terry Larson stated the prep for winter is starting and the fascia had been pained. He plans to cover the air conditioner mid-November.

**LWML:** Joyce Bowman stated things are kicking off with good Bible studies and members are preparing for the Bazaar November 17 and 18<sup>th</sup>. Last Sunday the male quilts were provided to the Job Core as well as devotionals, both of which were made allowable by grant. Now that Job Core quilts are finished LWML is eligible for a new grant.

**Unfinished Business:** Preparation for end of year business meeting. Pam has developed a description of current boards with the current members and terms. Council has asked for this information to be put in the news letter/bulletin and at church for people to pick up. Council members were encouraged to motivate others to participate. Mick Moulton will speak to Pam about the council's request.

**New Business:** Tony Mousel informed council of the opportunity to put more money into the non –FDIC insured LCEF CD's. This would be for 40 months with a special rate. Kendra Lambert motioned to place \$20,000.00 in the 40 month CD. Judy McCarthy Seconded. After discussion all were in favor.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:26 pm after a motion from Kendra Lambert with a second from Judy McCarthy. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

**The next regularly Scheduled Council Meeting: Thursday, November 15,2018 at 7:15 pm.**

Respectfully submitted,

Bridget Scherbarth—Bethlehem Council Secretary

## Sunday School News

### *The Sunday School Team:*

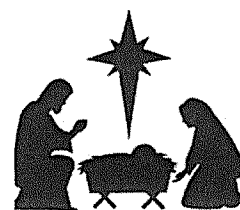


Snacks .....	Loretta Doyen
Pre-K, K, 1 <sup>st</sup> .....	Melissa Haugan
2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> .....	Andra Hagen, Jordan Wright, Cassies Wessels, Liz Burdsal, Kim Pfister
5 <sup>th</sup> , 6 <sup>th</sup> , 7 <sup>th</sup> , 8 <sup>th</sup> .....	Janet Pawlak
High School .....	Jamie Jones
Adults .....	Pastor Josh

If you ever have questions about Sunday School please email [joneszgirl@yahoo.com](mailto:joneszgirl@yahoo.com) or contact the church office 605-343-2011 and leave a message for Jamie Jones.

### **You are invited to a celebration!**

**Date: Sunday, December 16th**  
**Time: 10:30 (following worship)**  
**Place: Church Basement**



<b>December 2<sup>nd</sup></b> Lesson:	Lunch & Christmas Practice	11:30 – 1:00
<b>December 9<sup>th</sup></b> Lesson: The Birth of Jesus/Angel	Lunch & Christmas Practice	11:30 – 1:00
<b>December 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Christmas Celebration</b>	10:30 – 11:30
<b>December 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	No Sunday School	Christmas Break
<b>December 30<sup>th</sup></b>	No Sunday School	Christmas Break
<b>January 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sunday School</b>	10:15 Treats/Opening

# BYG News

Happy December everyone! BYG continues to meet every Wednesday from 6-7:30. Thank you for supporting the soup and salad luncheon. Over \$1000 was raised and will be used to cover the cost of the National Youth Gathering in Minneapolis July 2019. December fundraisers are the Schwan's Cares fundraiser and selling braided breads. For December we plan to finish tying blankets for the Bridges-Abbott House and deliver them before Christmas, pack Christmas goodie bags for the Sunday school children and of course have a Christmas party.

## Bible Studies Being in the Word

### **"Quilting"**

In the church basement

Wednesday

10 am—2:00 pm

Contact: Cathy Teeslink — 348-6283

## Small Groups at Bethlehem...

WHERE TWO OR  
THREE  
ARE GATHERED...

### **"Crafters"**

Bring your craft of choice  
and join us for fellowship  
and fun!

Every Tuesday night  
@ 6:30 pm

### **BYG (Bethlehem Youth Group)**

Always welcome!

Meeting every Wednesday

6 —7:30pm

### **Adult Bible Study**

**Saturday—5:30 pm**

Leader — Pastor Josh — 343-2011

**Sunday** during the Sunday School hour

Leader — Pastor Josh — 343-2011

### **High School Bible Study**

**Sunday** during the Sunday School hour.

### **Monday Morning Bible Study**

**Monday** mornings at 8:45 am

Bethlehem Church

Leader — Lois Hartmann — 390-9564

### **Women's Wednesday Bible Study**

**Wednesday** mornings at 7:45 am

Bethlehem Church

All women are invited.

Leader — Lois Hartmann — 390-9564

### **Men's Breakfast Bible Study**

**Thursday** mornings at 7 am

Hardee's Restaurant—Haines & Disk Dr., RC

Leader — Pastor Josh — 343-2011

### **Book Study**

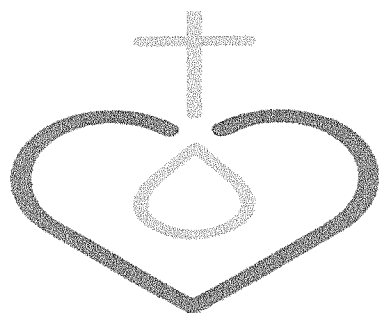
**Thursday Nights** at 5:45—6:45 pm

Bethlehem Church

Leader — Bill Schulz — 391-4284

### **Alternative Bible Studies call Church**

*for current times and locations*



**LWML**  
Lutheran Women *in Mission*

## December — 2018

December 3<sup>rd</sup> — 9:30am, Monday—Board Meeting

December 5<sup>th</sup> — Wednesday —Advent

**LWML serves potluck**

Bring main dish and salad or dessert to share

December 8<sup>th</sup> — Christmas Brunch – 9:30 am



Christmas Devotions, The Great Candy Pass game,  
Great food and fellowship!



*Treats will be furnished by the LWML Board.*



### **HUMAN CARE for December:**

- ♦ Mittens, hats, and scarves for local children

### **ONGOING MISSION PROJECTS:**

- ♦ *Family Fare* receipts (Lutheran Schools)  
— Box Tops & Family Thrift UPC code labels

### **LWML**

#### ***Bethlehem Lutheran Church***

*Helps sponsor:*

#### ***Black Hills Lutheran Schools***

Did you know that by turning in Family Thrift receipts can mean \$\$\$\$ for Black Hills Lutheran Schools?

Family Thrift Center will give \$500 to Black Hills Lutheran Schools

For only \$150,000 worth of receipts!  
Just bring receipts to Bethlehem and put them in the basket by the mailboxes.

### **Prayer Chain —**

Janet Thompson -791-0878 or  
Church Office – 343-2011

We also have yellow prayer request forms in the Narthex that can be filled out and left at the church office or with Pastor.



## Pursuing Academic Excellence, Empowering to Serve

Join us **December 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30** for our Christmas Concert and play where our **band and orchestra** students will be performing a variety of songs and carols that you know. Our play will be a great time as our students perform a **"Misdeeds at Mistletoe Mine."** If you enjoy music and theater this evening is for you!

### Common Misperceptions of Classical Education:

*Classical Education is a curriculum and a fleeting fad.*

Classical education is a pedagogy that trains students in the habits of the mind that will help them learn any subject.

*My student must be above average to attend a classical school.*

Classical is a pedagogy. Classical Schools have students who have been taught how to learn and then discuss their learning. These students have been challenged from their starting point, given tools to help them organize their learning and have been practicing their skills of rhetoric throughout their course work. What one is really observing is students who have been taught with time tested methods of education.

*Classical Education will be too hard for my student as they aren't the highest achiever.*

Classical Education has systematic and systemic teaching. Students engage with subjects many times in an in-depth manner so they are able to process information. Older students who may have reading and writing challenges have greater opportunities to engage in discussion and debate with their classmates instead of feeling bogged down in their challenge areas. Additionally, the nature of the texts that are read come in a variety of levels so when students do have challenges they are able to read the text at a level that works for them and allows for continued growth.

Classical Education is truly a beautiful education for every child!

Do you purchase **gift cards** for **Christmas**? Purchasing your gift cards through Black Hills Lutheran gives you the same great gift cards that you can purchase anywhere only when you **purchase through BHLS** the retailer gives BHLS money in return. With over 700 retailers available there is something for everyone! Call the school at 721-0760 for purchasing your gift cards through us.

BHLS will begin our **Christmas Break** December 21<sup>st</sup> at 1:00 pm and classes will resume on Wednesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>. We pray that all of you have a restful Christmas, enjoying the worship of our Savior's Birth!

In Christ,

Lacey Hoogland

Administrator/Teacher

# Serving the Lord — December 2018

## Elders / Ushers

### December — 2018

1 <sup>st</sup>	7pm	(Communion)	Chip Carlson
2 <sup>nd</sup>	9am	(Communion)	Dave Hoyer
5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>6pm</b>	(Advent)	Dave McCarthy
8 <sup>th</sup>	7pm		Andy Pfister
9 <sup>th</sup>	9am		Eric Scott
12 <sup>th</sup>	<b>6pm</b>	(Advent)	Dave McCarthy
15 <sup>th</sup>	7pm		Dave McCarthy
16 <sup>th</sup>	9am		Dave Hoyer
19 <sup>th</sup>	<b>6pm</b>	(Advent)	Andy Pfister
22 <sup>nd</sup>	7pm	(Communion)	Chip Carlson
23 <sup>rd</sup>	9am	(Communion)	Eric Scott
24 <sup>th</sup>	3pm	<i>Christmas Eve</i>	Eric Scott, Dave Hoyer
24 <sup>th</sup>	5pm	<i>Christmas Eve</i>	Chip Carlson
24 <sup>th</sup>	7pm	<i>Christmas Eve</i>	Andy Pfister
25 <sup>th</sup>	10 am	<i>Christmas Day / Communion</i>	Chip Carlson
29 <sup>th</sup>	7pm		Dave McCarthy
30 <sup>th</sup>	9 am		Andy Pfister

## Organist's

1 <sup>st</sup>	7pm	(Communion)	Beth Young
2 <sup>nd</sup>	9am	(Communion)	Beth Young
5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>6pm</b>	(Advent)	Sheila Hillberry
8 <sup>th</sup>	7pm		Sheila Hillberry
9 <sup>th</sup>	9am		Sheila Hillberry
12 <sup>th</sup>	<b>6pm</b>	(Advent)	Marlys Schoenborn
15 <sup>th</sup>	7pm		Beth Young
16 <sup>th</sup>	9am		Beth Young
19 <sup>th</sup>	<b>6pm</b>	(Advent)	Beth Young

## Acolytes

### December — 2018

1 <sup>st</sup>	7pm	(Communion)	Kaylee Iddings
2 <sup>nd</sup>	9am	(Communion)	Chelsea Hartmann
5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>6pm</b>	(Advent)	Amber Forbes
8 <sup>th</sup>	7pm		Daniel Wold-Fortier
9 <sup>th</sup>	9am		Willis Lemer
12 <sup>th</sup>	<b>6pm</b>	(Advent)	Brent Eisenbraun
15 <sup>th</sup>	7pm		Eden Otten
16 <sup>th</sup>	9am		Noah Jones
19 <sup>th</sup>	<b>6pm</b>	(Advent)	Ashly Forbes
22 <sup>nd</sup>	7pm	(Communion)	Amber Forbes
23 <sup>rd</sup>	9am	(Communion)	Kallie Flint
24 <sup>th</sup>	3pm	<i>Christmas Eve</i>	Hailey Wright
24 <sup>th</sup>	5pm	<i>Christmas Eve</i>	Emma Jo Eisenbraun
24 <sup>th</sup>	7pm	<i>Christmas Eve</i>	Volunteer
25 <sup>th</sup>	10 am	<i>Christmas Day / Communion</i>	Noah Jones
29 <sup>th</sup>	7pm		Sage Wold-Fortier
30 <sup>th</sup>	9 am		Aspen Montague

### ACOLYTES

If you cannot acolyte at the service you are scheduled for, please find your own replacement; and then email church office — [bethlehem@rushmore.com](mailto:bethlehem@rushmore.com) with changes.

22 <sup>nd</sup>	7pm	(Communion)	Sheila Hillberry
23 <sup>rd</sup>	9am	(Communion)	Sheila Hillberry
24 <sup>th</sup>	3pm	<i>Christmas Eve</i>	Beth Young
24 <sup>th</sup>	5pm	<i>Christmas Eve</i>	Beth Young
24 <sup>th</sup>	7pm	<i>Christmas Eve</i>	Natalie Montoya
25 <sup>th</sup>	10 am	<i>Christmas Day / Communion</i>	Sheila Hillberry
29 <sup>th</sup>	7pm		Beth Young
30 <sup>th</sup>	9 am		Beth Young



# Birthdays

## **December 1<sup>st</sup>**

Tom Berger

## **December 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Kallie Flint

Sebastian Gutzmer

## **December 5<sup>th</sup>**

Deonne Taylor

## **December 6<sup>th</sup>**

Mata Carlson

Judy Rickard

## **December 7<sup>th</sup>**

Robert Temme

## **December 9<sup>th</sup>**

Gary Drewes

Sara Holste

## **December 10<sup>th</sup>**

Vicky Bella

Christina Hartmann

Natalie Montoya

Arley Pease

Destonie Recio

Beverly Selgeby

## **December 12<sup>th</sup>**

Mar Richard

Cheryl Sparagon

Ty Tucker

## **December 13<sup>th</sup>**

Autumn Hagen

Ricky Holste

## **December 14<sup>th</sup>**

Andrea Strain

## **December 15<sup>th</sup>**

Joey Davis

Alan Mikkelsen

## **December 16<sup>th</sup>**

Linda Brown

## **December 17<sup>th</sup>**

Dotty Johnson

Peggy Kepner

## **December 18<sup>th</sup>**

Scott Moody

## **December 19<sup>th</sup>**

Timothy Schulz

## **December 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Sharon Goldhammer

Carl Schoenborn

## **December 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Roger Dubs

## **December 26<sup>th</sup>**

Gaylen Bialas

Joshua Jones

Paitonne Palmer

## **December 29<sup>th</sup>**

Greg Bunkowske

Shannon McCarthy

## **December 30<sup>th</sup>**

Kay Reidt

Ted Hovey

## **December 31<sup>st</sup>**

Aspen Montague

Kellie Nitz

Jacob Schild

## Prayerfully

## Consider...

## Serving Bethlehem...

These are some of the position that need filled and need to be on the church ballot for the Annual Meeting, December 9<sup>th</sup>.

### Following Positions:

#### ◆ Counters (3 yr term)

Please call Judy McCarthy  
605-343-6922 for more information

◆ Officers Position—Vice President  
605-343-2011 for more information

#### ◆ Elders (3 yr Term)

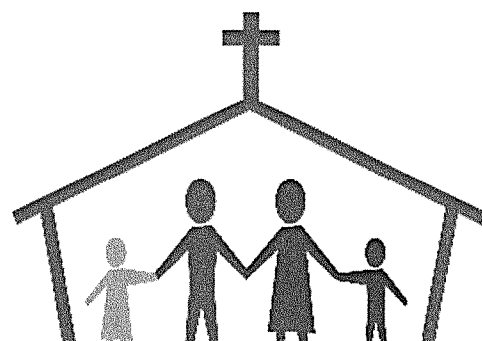
Please call Pastor Josh  
605-343-2011 for more information

#### ◆ Board of Christian Education

#### ◆ Board of Outreach

#### ◆ Board of Parish Fellowship

605-343-2011 for more information





## December 2018

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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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## Anniversaries

Rob & Tina Stephens	12/20/2003 (15)
Bill & Kathy Moyers	12/27/1993 (25)
Mike & Deb Tadlock	12/27/1987 (31)
Rick & Sherri Hayes	12/27/1986 (32)
Les & Diane Munger	12/26/1981 (37)
Dale & Loretta Gunderson	12/29/2006 (12)
Roger & Kathy Dubs	12/29/1973 (45)
Jim & Anne Way	12/23/1968 (50)



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## Weekly Service Times

*Saturday—7pm*

*Sunday—9am*

**Educational Hour –**

*Sunday – after worship service*

♦ **Cantata** – December 8<sup>th</sup> (7pm) & 9<sup>th</sup> (9 am)

♦ **Sunday School Christmas Celebration**—December 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:15 am

### Holiday Service Times:

**Advent Services** – Wednesdays — December 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, & 19<sup>th</sup>

5:45 pm

Advent Potlucks @ 6:30pm

**Christmas Eve** – Monday — December 24<sup>th</sup>

3:00 pm, 5:00 pm, & 7:00 pm

**Christmas Day** – Tuesday — December 25<sup>th</sup> – 10am

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Please join us as we walk humbly with God

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