

The Star

Newsletter of Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Through God's abundant love we invite, welcome, and serve as a light in the world.

Summer Newsletter!

Worship Services

Sundays at 8:00 a.m. and 10:15 a.m.

Youth Sunday School at 9:15 a.m. July 9, July 23, and August 6

Outdoor Services

- July 9 at the 10:15 a.m. service
- July 23 at the 8:00 a.m. service
- August 13 at the 8:00 a.m. service
- August 27 at the 8:00 a.m. service

We need extra volunteers to set-up and clean-up for outdoor services. [Please see the website to sign-up](#)

Epic BBQ and Concert!

Bethlehem is hosting a potluck BBQ and with Longmont Concert Band providing entertainment on Sunday, July 30. The potluck BBQ will begin at 12:00 p.m. (the band will be invited to eat first) with a concert beginning at 1:00 p.m. Friends from Light of Christ, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Cornerstone Preschool are invited to attend. Please bring your favorite dish to share!



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Rev's Revelations



Coloradans don't do well with rain. I learned this working in a restaurant my first year in Colorado as customers would come in grouchy, scoffing as they sat down, complaining before they even tasted their warm and gooey mac and cheese. As a Midwesterner, I thought the rain and food was a great mix. I didn't get it. When I was called to congregational ministry, I experienced similar reactions to rainy days among church people. Everyone gets whiney, everyone gets cabin fever. As I write this, we are coming out of a very rainy June. I think, we've seen more thunderstorms than we have late evening summer sunsets this summer. Except, not at 15th and Pratt. Here, on this corner, there's a light shining brighter than the storms.

A light shined in the darkness as we celebrated three baptisms in June. We lit candles and gave the baptismal commission to Kirby, Casper, and Emmy, "Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven." (Matthew 5:16)



Baptism



VBS

We learned to "Shine Jesus' Light" during Stellar VBS with dozens of children and volunteers, with stories and stickers and snacks, even with a true Moonian!

This summer we have lived into our mission, "Through God's abundant love we invite, welcome, and serve as a light in the world." (BLC Mission Statement)

As the summer continues may your light so shine!

Peace,

Rev KJC



Drum Concert

Sunday, July 2, 2023

The welcome of baptism is for all God's children. This baptismal gift sets us free from the power of sin and death. In today's gospel, Christ promises that the disciple who gives a cup of cold water to the little ones serves Christ himself. From worship we are sent on our baptismal mission: to serve the little ones of this world and to be a sign of God's merciful welcome. **Readings:** Jeremiah 28:5–9, Romans 6:12–23, Matthew 10:40–42

Sunday, July 9, 2023

God's ways are sometimes mysterious, hidden, and not what people expect. Jesus associates with those often excluded from the religious community. Like Paul, we struggle with our own selfish desires and seek God's mercy and forgiveness. We gather to be refreshed by Christ's invitation: "Come to me, all you that are weary." Gathered around word, water, and meal, we find rest for our souls. **Readings:** Romans 7:15-25a; Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Sunday, July 16, 2023

God's word is like the rain that waters the earth and brings forth vegetation. It is also like the sower who scatters seed indiscriminately. Our lives are like seeds sown in the earth. Even from what appears to be little, dormant, or dead, God promises a harvest. At the Lord's table we are fed with the bread of life, that we may bear fruit in the world. **Readings:** Isaiah 55:10-13; Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Sunday, July 23, 2023

It is an age-old question: why is there evil in the world? In the parable of the wheat and the weeds Jesus suggests that both grow together until the harvest. Having both weeds and wheat within us, we humbly place our hope in the promises of God, and from the Lord's table we go forth to bear the fruit of justice and mercy. **Readings:** Isaiah 44:6-8; Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Sunday, July 30, 2023

Healing Service

Reading: Romans 8:26-39

Sunday, August 6, 2023, 2023

In today's first reading God invites all who are hungry or thirsty to receive food and drink without cost. Jesus feeds the hungry multitude and reveals the abundance of God. At the eucharistic table we remember all who are hungry or poor in our world today. As we share the bread of life, we are sent forth to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry. **Readings:** Isaiah 55:1-5; Matthew 14:13-21

Sunday, August 13, 2023

Elijah finds the presence of God not in earthquake, wind, or fire, but in the sound of sheer silence. When the disciples face a great storm on the sea, they cry out with fear. Jesus says: "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Amid the storms of life, we gather to seek the calm presence of Christ that soothes our fears. In comforting words of scripture and in the refreshing bread and cup of the eucharist, God grants us peace and sends us forth to be a sign of God's presence to others. **Readings:** 1 Kings 19:9-18; Matthew 14:22-33

Sunday Worship

Sunday, August 20, 2023

In Isaiah we hear that God's house shall be a house of prayer for all people and that God will gather the outcasts of Israel. The Canaanite woman in today's gospel is a Gentile, an outsider, who is unflinching in her request that Jesus heal her daughter. As Jesus commends her bold faith, how might our church extend its mission to those on the margins of society? In our gathering around word and meal we receive strength to be signs of comfort, healing, and justice for those in need. **Readings:** Jeremiah 28:5–9; Romans 6:12–23; Matthew 10:40–42

Sunday, August 27, 2023

Jesus declares that the church will be built on the rock of Peter's bold confession of faith. God's word of reconciliation and God's mercy are keys to the church's mission. Paul urges us to not be conformed to this world but to offer our bodies as a living sacrifice, using our individual gifts to build up the body of Christ. From the table we go forth to offer our spiritual worship through word and deed.

Readings: Romans 12:1-8; Matthew 16:13-20

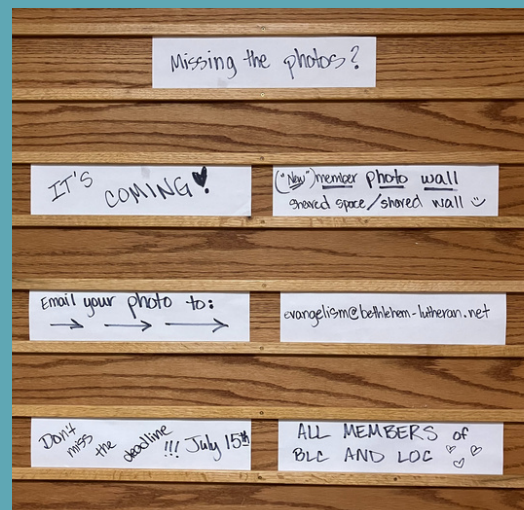
Worship Volunteer Opportunities

Join in leading worship today!

- Positions include: Greeter, Altar Guild, Assisting Minister, Communion Minister, Usher, Audio/Visual, and Acolyte.
- Worship Team leaders will be available to assist with Summer sign up in the Narthex on Sunday, July 16. Visit the website to sign-up bethlehem-lutheran.net/worship/#volunteer
- For assistance please contact: Jim W. @jnswoodruff@gmail.com), Sabrina L. (worshipchair@bethlehem-lutheran.net) or the church office (303-776- 3290).

Member Wall

We are updating the member photo wall! Please email your favorite individual or family photo to Evangelism@bethlehem-lutheran.net and include family members names as you would like them to appear under the photo on the wall! **Deadline for wall photos is July 15.** Thank you!



Have you been wanting to learn Spanish?

Come join us! We will be offering a Spanish group at BLC starting mid-August. ALL skill levels welcome whether you know nada (nothing) or can converse at an intermediate or advanced level. The group will be focused on helping individuals meet personal goals whether it be only basics or learning with the goal of fluency in mind. If you are interested, email Amanda Dawson at amanda.dawson24@gmail.com

National Night Out

Bethlehem will participate in National Night Out again this year with treats and a movie on **Tuesday, August 1**. Check your Weekly Email for more details. If you're willing to help in any capacity contact Pastor Katie (pastor@bethlehem-lutheran.net).



From the desk of the Faith Formation Director Gary:

Romans 15:7 states, "Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God."

How does God welcome us? With open arms and invites us into an amazing incarnational relationship. How do we invite people to be with us in our Faith Journey? We ask them to come and participate in events at BLC!

God's Peace and Love!!!!

This year's theme at BLC is WELCOMING!!!



Youth Sunday School

We will be having Sunday School on July 9, July 23, and August 6 for ages 3 to 18 years old. We'll gather in the fellowship hall for a story, craft and prayer time at 9:15 a.m.



Lemonade Stand Fundraiser

July 15 at 10:00 a.m. at Dickens Farm Nature Area, our youth will be doing a fundraiser for the Little Food Pantry. We'll be setting up a lemonade stand and selling homemade goodies.



Rally Day

Join us August 27 for a fun-filled time at BLC as we start the new ministry year! We'll also have a swim party at 5:00 p.m. (location to be announced) — Bring your dinner, eat poolside and enjoy the water!



The Ministry Calendar of events for the 2023-2024 is located in the narthex on the west wall.

Summer Activities

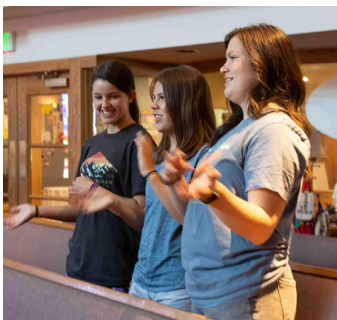
Watch for announcements in the bulletin and weekly email for upcoming summer fun activities

THANK YOU!

A huge shout out to all the volunteers who **shined** at VBS! It was a **stellar** success and the kids had a **blast**. Thanks to all those who donated items too! We're looking forward to next year.



Summer Spotlight



Council Notes

Council Meeting Minutes - Approved
June 13, 2023

Respectfully submitted by Cindy
Thompson, Secretary

CALL TO ORDER: Mark Holste called
the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

Attending: Pr. Katie Chullino, Mark
Holste, Greg Schumann, Glenn
Summers, Jaime Updegraff, Steve
Dawson and Cindy Tayler Absent:
Cathy Goodman, Sabrina Lee, Mike
Smith, and Cindy Thompson

DEVOTIONS AND PRAYER: Pr.
Katie shared devotions. She shared
“Hospitality” from Herbert Brokering’s
book: I Will to You: Leaving a Legacy
for Those You Love. Many of you from
Bethlehem may remember Herbert’s
brother Harold Brokering and his wife
Dorothy when they served here at
BLC.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:
approved via email and posted

FINANCIAL REPORT: Greg shared
that we are approximately \$1900
below giving this month and about
\$1700 over in expenses. The biggest
expense was the synod gathering
which was expected. It will balance
itself out over the remaining months of
the year. Council discussed creating
an account for lump sum gifts: ex/
\$12,000 gift in January would go into
a designated fund and \$1,000 would
be moved out per month. Some
members give lump sum gifts because
of taxes or just because it’s easier.
The budget is very stable and on
track.

REPORT HIGHLIGHTS:

• Pastor/Staff:

- The office transition between Tiffany and Nancy is going well. Tiffany will move to full time on June 25th. She will be working in the office 9 to 4 Monday, Wednesday, Friday and from home on Tuesday and Thursday.
- Brewsdays have started. First and third Tuesday mornings at Ziggi’s (Franics), and first and third Thursday afternoon/evening at Wibby Brewing. Check the church calendar for dates.
- New faces are being seen each Sunday. Connections are being made through Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Longmont Concert Band and other groups sharing our space. Leadership is encouraged to continue to build these relationships and invite others to not only use our space but join us in worship.

• Evangelism:

- Cindy shared ASF&F was delightful. Numbers were smaller than desired but different kids came each week so over 20 kids participated.
- Evangelism is looking forward to growing this ministry next year. Snacks are left over for other activities.
- Summer coffees are off to a good start and good attendance.
- Additional assistance is needed for summer concerts. Special thanks to Djembe Orchestra.
- Cindy is looking into making the church directory digital so people can access member information on their devices. She is also working on redoing the photo wall. She will be making announcements in the future asking for families to share their favorite family photo. She will resize the photo so all photos on the wall are the same size. More information will be coming with regard to the wall and directory.
- Pr. Katie shared an idea regarding the use of name tags. Evangelism is going to look into revamping name tags and their usage.

Council Notes (con't)

- **Faith Formation:** Jaime said Faith Formation is focused on VBS. Gary is leaving for Sky Ranch this week with several campers. The youth are looking at doing a fundraiser in July.
- **Property:** Property has been very busy.
 - Glenn shared that the “lifting of the wings” has been scheduled. ○ The carpet is going to be replaced in the fireside room.
 - The drinking water testing has been done in compliance with Boulder County regarding Cornerstone Preschool. Results are pending.
 - Pr. Katie reported a roof leak in the sanctuary and property has arranged for a roofer (Modern Roof) to tarp the area leaking to take care of the immediate problem. The entire roof will be repaired soon.
 - Property had an electrician evaluate the property and 3 problems were found. The largest problem was rewiring security cameras. Glenn received an estimate of \$5400. Glenn is getting another bid from another company because the estimate received wasn't itemized.
 - The fence proposals will be looked into next week.
 - Mark brought up the need for the wooden door on the NW side of the sanctuary (near choir loft) needs to be refinished.
 - The artificial planter/flower holder remains on properties to-do list.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Bank signatures for BLC and Boy Scouts are complete.
- Mark and Greg are reviewing the financial audit/review. Both discussed resurrecting a yearly church audit by church members who have a financial background.

- Rekeying the church: it is time to rekey the church and reissue keys. Mark asked if property would add this to their workload possibly this fall/winter.
- Mark is continuing to work on a policy/guideline for groups fundraising within the church building so members can safely navigate through rooms and hallways. The Girl Scouts did an excellent job during the last fundraiser keeping access to all areas open.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Annie and Millie's Place would like to use BLC's parking lot from 10am to 1pm on July 1st for follow up vaccinations from their last clinic. Mark moved to grant this request. Greg seconded. Motion passed. Mark will double check and see if any volunteers need access to the building.
- Cub Scouts: Greg made a resolution that Council resolves that Cub Scout Pack 65, under the 501c3 of The Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran Congregation, remove Ryan Trupp, Ashley Trupp, Bryan Zapp and Ilene Speer as signers from the bank accounts of Cub Scout Pack 65 and add Andria Jeffers, Nathan Miller, and Nolan Nguyen-Schofield as signers on the bank account of Cub Scout Pack 65. Resolution passed unanimously.
- Jaime moved Faith Formation receive approval to hold a youth fundraiser selling baked goods and lemonade at Flanders Park near McIntosh Lake with proceeds going to Little Free Pantry on July 15 at 10am. Cindy seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Council Notes (con't)

- **Fundraiser:** Mark moved that a burrito fundraiser occur at BLC July 16th between services and after the second service to raise funds for the border immersion trip planned by the Social Justice Initiative. Fundraisers will also occur August 27, Sept 3, and Sept 10 with details to be decided at a later date. Funds will cover a \$350 donation to Cristo Rey for each participant (\$4900 estimate), all of Pastor Katie's expenses and scholarships for transportation costs. If any excess funds exist, funds will be donated to Cristo Rey. Note: A dinner will be held November 8th where trip participants will share their experiences. Greg seconded. Discussion: Total cost of trip is \$350 donation for each participant to Cristo Rey (El Paso) for food, housing and program. An estimate of \$600 is needed for transportation per participant. The goal is to raise \$4900 to cover the donation expense, additional funds for Pastor Katie's expenses and scholarships to the participants who may need financial support to cover transportation expenses. Motion passed.
- **Employee Handbook:** Mark and Pr. Katie will continue to edit. Council can edit directly into document using the link shared via email. Mark will ask for a vote at the July council meeting to approve the edited handbook.

PRAYER CONSIDERATIONS & LORDS

PRAYER ADJOURNMENT: Mark adjourned the meeting at 8:02

Upcoming Dates: next Council meeting will be Tuesday, July 11th

Land Stewardship Team Update

Growing Gardens

The summer growing season has arrived! We wrapped up our seed and seedling donations at the end of May; they provided over 18,000 seedlings and 4,500 seed packets to home gardeners in Boulder County. We have now been planting our summer crops and catching up with the weeds. The Food Project Farm's new growing space, FPF on Pratt, is finally coming into full production. Most summer crops are now planted and we had our first harvests this week including heads of lettuce (from FPF on Pratt), and radishes, garlic scapes, kale, and chard (from FPF on Lashley). Harvests typically grow in volume, weight, and diversity throughout the growing season; it feels great to begin to share the spring harvests with on-farm participants and partners. On-farm participants include members of our Work Trade and Cultiva Youth programs which began this week as well. A final highlight from this week was having Kevin Rescigno, the new Director of Food Services with OUR Center, visit both our farm locations to get to know our work and to discuss how he can better feature the produce they receive from The Food Project Farm.

-- Tim Villard

The Land Stewardship Team has also been hard at work laying the groundwork for a longer term partnership with Growing Gardens, and soon we will be hosting a few forums to get people's feedback on the plan we're putting together! We have set three dates/times to hold these forums so that everyone who wants to attend will have the opportunity. Here are the dates: Sunday, August 13 at 9:15 a.m. in the Fireside Room, Sunday September 17 at 11:15 a.m. in the Fireside Room, and Tuesday, October 17 at 6:00 p.m. in the Fireside Room. Stay tuned for drafts of a few foundational documents that you'll be able to look through prior to our first forum!

-- Land Stewardship Team



Month of April

Income: \$31,732.56

Expenses: \$35,323.66

Net: \$ 3,591.10

YTD to Date

Income: \$183,265.55

Expenses: \$171,803.21

Net: \$ 11,462.34



Summer Time Giving Options!

Whether you are away on vacation or just relaxing at home, now is a great time to consider switching to one of our electronic giving options. That way, Bethlehem can continue all the many activities that we support during the summer—no matter who is on vacation, busy with family activities, or just taking a break! Online giving lets you go to our website at any time 24/7 to: choose and set up an automatic donation plan; change your donation plan; make a one-time donation, pay a registration fee, give to current mission projects; or view your online donation history.

Here are our current options for making electronic donations to BLC:

- To make an online web donation (one time or recurring), go to the Donate web page and click on the Online Giving icon to access our secure giving page and then follow the instructions. Detailed instructions are also available on the website Donate page.
- Use the Vanco Mobile app on your smartphone to make either single or recurring donations. Type in Bethlehem Lutheran Church or use the code AUTHZY to find our church (look for our logo). Vanco Mobile can be downloaded for either Apple iOS or Android; detailed instructions and links are on the Donate web page.
- For recurring donations, another option is to download the BLC Vanco Enrollment form or get a copy from the BLC Office, complete and sign, and return with a voided check to the BLC office with Attention: Financial Secretary. The financial secretary will set up an account for you per your instructions on the form.

Of course you can also mail or drop off a check or cash to the BLC office (Attention: Financial Secretary, 1000 West 15th Avenue, Longmont, CO, 80501).

If you have any questions about either our giving or pledging options, please contact Jenny, our financial secretary (financialsec@bethlehem-lutheran.net, 303-651-6226).

Keep the BLC Office Up to Date

Please keep the church office up to date with address, email and phone information for your family. Contact the church office with any changes in contact information.

Weekly Announcement Deadline

The Wednesday before you want the announcement to appear in the bulletin. Submit to BLC news form or the BLC news email (news@bethlehem-lutheran.net).

Newsletter Deadline

Submit items by **August 20 for the September newsletter**. Submit to BLC news form or the BLC news email (news@bethlehem-lutheran.net).

Living Our Faith in the Community: Member Hi-Light.

Bethlehem has members who volunteer in the wider community both through programs within our church and outside of it. If you do, or know someone who does, please contact Mission Chair, Cathy G. (cegood47@aol.com). We would like to know how members are living out their faith through volunteerism and if you are willing, we would like to highlight the person and the organization or community that benefits.

OUR Center

by Fred Fanton

It's another Wednesday morning. I'm at the back of the kitchen at the OUR Center. "Bob" waves to me as he puts his oatmeal and eggs on his tray. I shout "welcome home" as we haven't seen Bob for a while. Illness, maybe. I don't know. Bob's wide grin reveals just a few remaining teeth. He is almost deaf and walks with effort in a shuffle-limp fashion. But Bob's eyes are bright, curious and engaging. I can see Jesus there. As I view the hundreds of clients that visit the OUR Center each day, I can also hear Jesus' words telling us to feed His sheep.

We're called to do something, not just say something. Hands-on, in person ministry is good medicine for everyone. It defines our intentions much more than only reciting a centuries-old liturgy, writing a check, and then smugly going off to Sunday breakfast.

There are millions of "Bobs" that need our help and compassion. Volunteer opportunities abound in our community. Decide to be Jesus to someone today.



Volunteers from June 25 at Our Center

Social Justice Initiative

The next Social Justice Initiative meeting will be July 16 at 11:30 a.m., in-person at church or via Zoom at the link included on the BLC website. All are welcome!

Habitat Build Day

Our next build day is Saturday, August 26. Please look for the sign up on the notice board on the narthex wall closer to August. Thank you.

Little Free Pantry Needs Donations!

You can put items in the LFP bench in the narthex. Suggested items are listed at <https://bethlehem-lutheran.net/serve/unitedstates/#LFP>

To Serve (con't)

Border Immersion Trip

An immersion trip isn't a service or mission or sightseeing trip. It's an experience. We will visit Cristo Rey and other social service organizations which work with immigrants from various nations who come to the US through the El Paso border. There will be elements of the trip which are similar to other service or mission trips, but our primary focus is to learn and, if you wish, help inform others upon our return.

Who: Up to 20 Bethlehem, Light of Christ, and Christ the Servant members

Where: Iglesia Luterana Cristo Rey (Christ the King Lutheran Church) in El Paso, TX

When: October 8–13, 2023 plus travel time

Cost: Estimated \$600 plus travel cost.

Limited scholarships available.

Commitment: Register with Cathy G. by July 31, \$100 non-refundable deposit due Aug 15.

All who plan to attend the immersion or who are interested are asked to join a Zoom **planning conversation on Sunday, July 9 at 7:00 p.m.** Check the Weekly Email for Zoom link. If you cannot attend on July 9, please contact Cathy G. (cegood47@aol.com).

Immigration Facts and Myths

Wednesday, July 12, 6:00–8:00 p.m.

Join Bethlehem Lutheran, Light of Christ ECC and Christ the Servant Lutheran (Louisville) Churches for an informational event led by immigration attorney Cathy Brown. She will explore facts and myths about immigration laws and challenge us to think, "What would Jesus do?"

Come at 6:00 p.m. with a dish to share for a community potluck followed by presentation and discussion at 6:30 p.m. Nursery care provided with thanks to Girl Scout Troop 76091.

This is for all members and friends--and highly recommended for anyone considering participating in the Border Immersion Trip.

Burrito Fundraiser!

July 16, 9:15 a.m.

Participants from the Immigration Focus Group will be making breakfast burritos which will be available for a free-will donation between services on Sunday, July 16. Proceeds will be to make a donation to the ministries at Cristo Rey on behalf of the Bethlehem congregation and provide trip scholarships.

Kidney Transplant

A member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church has kidney failure and is in need of a kidney transplant. They are a candidate for a live donor. If you are discerning kidney donation and would like to learn more, please contact Pastor Katie Chullino at 303-776-3290 or pastor@bethlehem-lutheran.net.

10th anniversary of "God's work. Our hands." Sunday!

On Sunday, September 10, congregations of the ELCA will join together for our annual day of service. "God's work. Our hands." Sunday began in 2013 in connection with the ELCA's 25th anniversary. It continues to be an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the ELCA — one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor.

Gather & Connect

First Friday

- July 7 will be at the home of Shelley Kunselman & Sam Cox at 6:00 p.m. Their address is 324 Sumner St. Please bring an appetizer and beverage to share.
- August 4 will be at the home of Sandy & Jim Woodruff at 6:00 p.m. Their address is 810 Megan Ct. Please bring a appetizer and beverage to share. For any questions call Shirley K at 303-775-6928

Naomi Circle

There is no Naomi Circle meeting for July and August. In August we will get together for an ice cream social. Watch your email for details. If you are interested in joining Naomi Circle please contact Linda H at Holstell@outlook.com.

Manna Bible Study

We are reading *He Gets Us* with selected writings by Max Lucado. We meet each Monday morning at 9:00 a.m. Please contact Phyllis W. for more information and meeting location. Her phone number and email address is in the directory. All are welcome!

Quilting Group

We meet on Thursday mornings at 9:00 a.m. and would love to see you there! You don't need any experience. Join us for an enjoyable morning and perhaps learn something new!

Bethlehem Book Club

Thinking about joining Bethlehem Book Club? Here is the information for our next two meetings. On July 13 at 9:00 a.m. on zoom, we will be discussing *The Salt Path: A Memoir* by Raynor Winn. This memoir is "The true story of a couple who lost everything and embarked on a transformative journey walking the South West Coast Path in England." On August 10 we will be comparing two short fiction books on the detention of groups of nationals who are politically feared. The books are: *When the Emperor was Divine* by Julie Otsuka and Balzac and *the Little Chinese Seamstress* by Dai Sijie. You are invited to email Mary Jane at mjvoogt2003@yahoo.com to be put on the contact list and to receive reminders and zoom links.

Join a group!

Group Schedule

First Friday

Friday, July 7, 6:00 p.m.

Friday, August 4, 6:00 p.m.

Book Club

Thursday, July 13, 9:00 a.m.

Thursday, August 10, 9:00 a.m.

Social Justice Initiative

Sunday, July 16, 11:30 a.m.

Naomi Circle

No July meeting

Ice cream social, August TBD

Immigration Focus Group

Tuesday, July 25, 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, August 22, 7:00 p.m.

Manna Bible Study

Every Monday, 9:00 a.m.

Quilting Group

Every Thursday, 9:00 a.m.



Gather & Connect (con't)

Community Drum Concert and Circle

Our next community event will be on Sunday, **August 20 at 5:00 p.m.** out at the Gazebo. Bring your lawn chair and join us for a fun afternoon of music, rhythms, and fun! For more information, contact the church office (303-776-3290), the Evangelism committee (evangelism@bethlehem-lutheran.net), or Jenny K (financialsec@bethlehem-lutheran.net).



Summer Coffees

It's time to enjoy each other's company and meet visitors at our traditional (pre-Covid) summer coffees between services during the summer months. The neighborhood groups assigned to each Sunday from June through August are to bring goodies that we can enjoy along with Bethlehem's Lutheran Coffee.

July 2 – Gold	August 6 – Red
July 9 – Purple	August 13 – Pink
July 16 – Fundraiser group	August 20 – Gold
July 23 – Teal	August 27 – Purple
July 30 – BBQ/Concert	

*REMINDER: If your shepherd leader emails you with a request for support, please **Reply All** so the entire group knows who will be providing snacks and assisting with set up and clean up!*



What's Brewing?

Feel free to stop by, have a drink, and talk about what's brewing in life and church and Longmont!

Tuesday, July 11 - Ziggi's, 8:00-9:30 a.m.
Thursday, July 13 - Wibby's 4:00-5:30 p.m.
Tuesday, July 18 - Ziggi's, 8:00-9:30 a.m.
Thursday, July 27 - Wibby's 5:30-7:00 p.m.

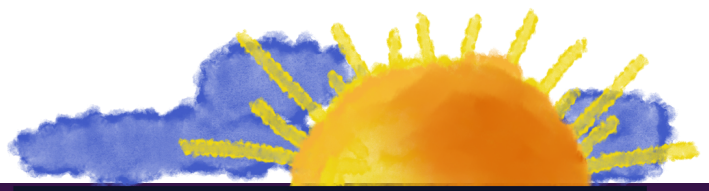
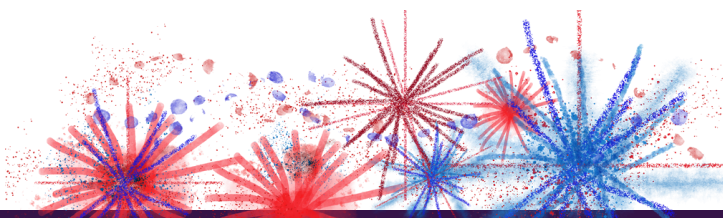
Tuesday, August 1 - Ziggi's, 8:00-9:30 a.m.
Tuesday, August 8 - Ziggi's, 8:00-9:30 a.m.
Thursday, August 10 - Wibby's 5:30-7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, August 15 - Ziggi's, 8:00-9:30 a.m.
Thursday, August 24 - Wibby's 5:30-7:00 p.m.

July Calendar

- Worship Service: Sundays, 8:00 a.m. and 10:15 a.m.
- Manna Bible Study: Mondays, 9:00 a.m.
- Staff Meeting: Mondays, 9:15 a.m.
- BLC Quilters Group: Thursdays, 9:00 a.m.
- Independence Day: July 4
- Floor Construction: July 7 - July 8
- First Friday: July 7, 6:00 p.m.
- Sunday School: July 9, 9:15 a.m.
- Music Ambassadors: July 9, 11:30 a.m.
- Immersion Trip Meeting: July 9, 7:00 p.m.
- Brewsday (Ziggi's): July 11, 8:00 a.m.
- BLC Council Meeting: July 11, 7:00 p.m.
- BLC/ LOC Joint Mtg: July 12, 10:30 a.m.
- Immigration Presentation: July 12, 6:00 p.m.
- Book Club: July 13, 9:00 a.m.
- Brewsday (Wibby): July 13, 4:00 p.m.
- Funeral: July 14, 1:00 p.m.
- Youth Lemonade Fundraiser: July 15, 10:00 a.m.
- Burrito Fundraiser: July 16, 9:00 a.m.
- Social Justice Initiative: July 16, 11:30 a.m.
- Brewsday (Ziggi's): July 18, 8:00 a.m.
- Land Stewardship Meeting: July 18, 5:30 p.m.
- Evangelism Meeting: July 18, 7:00 p.m.
- Sunday School: July 23, 9:15 a.m.
- Immigration Focus Group: July 25, 7:00 p.m.
- Brewsday (Wibby): July 27, 5:30 p.m.
- BBQ & Concert: July 30, 1:00 p.m.

August Calendar

- Worship Service: Sundays, 8:00 a.m. and 10:15 a.m.
- Manna Bible Study: Mondays, 9:00 a.m.
- Staff Meeting: Mondays, 9:15 a.m.
- BLC Quilters Group: Thursdays, 9:00 a.m.
- Brewsday (Ziggi's): August 1, 8:00 a.m.
- National Night Out: August 1, 7:00 p.m.
- First Friday: August 4, 6:00 p.m.
- Sunday School: August 6, 9:15 a.m.
- Brewsday (Ziggi's): August 8, 8:00 a.m.
- BLC Council Meeting: August 8, 7:00 p.m.
- BLC/ LOC Joint Mtg: August 9, 10:30 a.m.
- Book Club: August 10, 9:00 a.m.
- Brewsday (Wibby): August 10, 5:30 p.m.
- Land Stewardship Forum: August 13, 9:15 a.m.
- Music Ambassadors: August 13, 11:30 a.m.
- Brewsday (Ziggi's): August 15, 8:00 a.m.
- Land Stewardship Mtg: August 15, 5:30 p.m.
- Evangelism Meeting: August 15, 7:00 p.m.
- Djembe Concert and Community Drum Circle: August 20, 5:00 p.m.
- Immigration Focus Group: August 22, 7:00 p.m.
- Brewsday (Wibby): August 24, 5:30 p.m.
- Habitat Build Day: August 26, 8:00 a.m.
- Rally Day: August 27



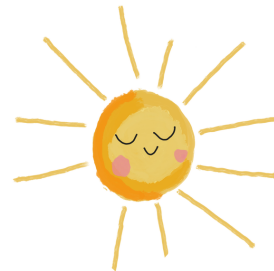
Member Milestones

Birthdays

Jul 1 Stacia Marcoux
 Jul 2 Dion Borgmann
 Jul 2 Scott Hopp
 Jul 4 Melanie Bowman
 Jul 4 Molly Ritzen
 Jul 5 Karen Haag
 Jul 5 Brittany Steele
 Jul 6 Jacob Coulson
 Jul 7 Rini Twait
 Jul 7 Gail Gaffney-Taylor
 Jul 7 Dawn Reed
 Jul 7 Jenelle Winter
 Jul 8 Arline Sahl
 Jul 9 Eva Summers
 Jul 10 Bryan Dirkes
 Jul 11 Crystal Coulson
 Jul 11 Nicholas Frank
 Jul 14 Bobbie Goodman
 Jul 14 Andrew Dawson
 Jul 15 Becky Kasperbauer
 Jul 16 Alex Hoime
 Jul 17 Eric Ronneberg
 Jul 17 Don Tiff
 Jul 17 Brent Buck-Gengler
 Jul 18 Kelly Neuhaus
 Jul 18 Nick Taylor
 Jul 18 Paul Puebla
 Jul 20 Marcy Smith
 Jul 20 Andrew Hopp
 Jul 20 Reece Lahman
 Jul 21 Kate Adams
 Jul 21 Emma Romaszewski
 Jul 22 Leanna Maki
 Jul 23 Wendy Fisbeck
 Jul 23 Laura Hoime
 Jul 24 Barb Payne
 Jul 25 Linda Holste
 Jul 25 Brandi Curtis
 Jul 25 Steven Dawson

Jul 26 Gabriel Pemberton
 Jul 28 Marla Dirkes
 Jul 29 Andrew Kessler
 Jul 30 Neal Stoffer
 Jul 30 Ben Hushka
 Jul 30 Andrea Kragerud
 Jul 31 Audrey Dillan
 Jul 31 Rosalie Young
 Jul 31 Alan Cobb
 Aug 1 Janice Fisher-Giles
 Aug 2 Joanne Larsen
 Aug 2 Carrie Watson
 Aug 3 Mike Anderson
 Aug 3 Madison Dirkes
 Aug 4 Janet Baird
 Aug 4 Jean Propp
 Aug 4 Leon Koob
 Aug 4 Jill Woodley
 Aug 4 Kendra Twito
 Aug 5 Jake Tiff
 Aug 7 Talon Bloemker
 Aug 8 Mary Boyer
 Aug 8 Brian Carlson
 Aug 10 Morgen Dirkes
 Aug 10 Devon Twito
 Aug 11 Sue Starr
 Aug 12 Sharon Kirby-Cole
 Aug 13 Sharon Peterson
 Aug 13 Heather Ditillo
 Aug 13 Mabel Stiver
 Aug 14 Rose Hansen
 Aug 14 Jim Starr
 Aug 14 Lisa Kittelberger
 Aug 15 Ken Creamer
 Aug 16 Julie Winter
 Aug 16 Emmalee Torrez
 Aug 17 Matt James
 Aug 18 Barbara Price
 Aug 18 Eric Kittelberger

Aug 22 Bradley Luere
 Aug 23 Sue Smith
 Aug 24 Travis Winter
 Aug 27 Bob Lee
 Aug 28 Carl Schurman
 Aug 28 Sara Corner
 Aug 28 Tiffany Beisner
 Aug 28 Wyatt Davis
 Aug 30 Wyatt Hebbert
 Aug 31 Emma Gordon



Member Milestones

Anniversaries

Jul 1	Garry & Barbara Gordon (56)	Aug 3	Matt & Alisha James (15)
Jul 3	Dan & Carolyn Kube (17)	Aug 4	Don & Candy Tiff (39)
Jul 4	Cindy & Todd Tayler (36)	Aug 8	Gene & Wanda Schnabel (53)
Jul 4	Jake & Caitlin Tiff (4)	Aug 13	Daylan & Paula Figgs (35)
Jul 6	Carl & Gail Schurman (49)	Aug 14	Jill & Adam Luere (14)
Jul 9	Randy & Pat Snyder (57)	Aug 15	Chili & Pr. Katie Chullino (14)
Jul 13	Joel & Carolyn Buck-Gengler (32)	Aug 15	Morgan & Trevor Davidsen (2)
Jul 13	Travis & Megan Schlagel (10)	Aug 16	Gerald & Cherrelyn Watts (15)
Jul 18	Robert & Doris Cotton (59)	Aug 17	Dave & Betty Bluhm (60)
Jul 18	Duane & Diane Penny (42)	Aug 17	Caleb & Cassie Payne (4)
Jul 19	Alex & Laura Hoime (21)	Aug 17	Molly Summers-Stiver & Michael Stiver (4)
Jul 21	Ray & Julie Leake (21)	Aug 19	Art & Linda Holm (34)
Jul 23	Carrie & Chris Watson (12)	Aug 20	John & Jan Mackay (12)
Jul 25	Nick Taylor & Gail Gaffney-Taylor (31)	Aug 23	Jerry & Jeanne Phipps (58)
Jul 27	Luke & Emily Kunselman (21)	Aug 23	Darwin & Carol Wissink (43)
Jul 30	Alex & Lydia Hebbert (11)	Aug 26	Ed & Carol Schlachtenhaufen (62)
Jul 31	Brian & Sandy Burrell (47)	Aug 27	Dennis & Carolyn Bloemker (56)
Jul 31	Aaron & Jamie Jurkovich (19)	Aug 30	George & Audrey Dillan (71)

Prayers, Sympathy, Thank you

Praying for: Sandy F., Sharon P., Sabrina L., Sally M., Janice H., Gerry C., Nancy T., Coqui S., Paul P., Steve W., Sharon K.C., Deanna H., Shirley K., Caroline P., Ilene R., Darlene B., Jan M., Kristal H., George D., Lydia M., Jeremy G., Doris C

Sympathy to Sandy Frazer and family for the loss of her son Andy Phillips.

Sympathy to the Bloemker family for the loss of their brother in-law Vic Lyman.

Sympathy to Leonard Thieking and Barbara Price at the death of their mother.

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Thursday– 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Friday– 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

