



*Bethlehem Lutheran Church—William Penn  
Founded 1860—Lutheran Church Missouri Synod*

## **FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**JULY 6, 2025  
10:15 A.M.**



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*Fourth Sunday after Pentecost*

*July 6, 2025 – 10:15 AM*

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Divine Service: Setting I with Holy Communion

Order of Service: *Lutheran Service Book, pp 151-166*

*Pre-Service Music*



Representing God's Love  
To our Congregation,  
Community, and the World

*July Bible Verse*

I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might  
not sin against you.

*Psalm 119:11*

*Our Mission Statement*

Representing God's Love to Our Congregation, Community, and the World!



COMMUNION STATEMENT

In Light of 1 Cor. 11:23-26, Bethlehem Lutheran Church maintains the historical practice of “closed” communion in the belief that the Sacrament requires faith in Christ's words that His body and blood are truly present. Furthermore, participation in the Sacrament is a sign of our unity in the faith with all those who join us at the altar. *For that reason, we ask that those visitors desiring to commune be members in good standing of a congregation of the LCMS and speak to the pastor or an elder before the beginning of the service.* Our denial of admission to those who are members of another confession is not a judgment upon their faith but a recognition that we hold to different confessions concerning God, salvation, and the Sacrament itself. Such individuals are invited to speak with the pastor following the service.

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*Ringing of the Church Bell*

ENTRANCE HYMN

*Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*

*LSB 793*

*Stand.*

INVOCATION

*LSB 151*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*LSB 151*

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

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INTROIT

*Psalm 19:2, 4-6; antiphon: v. 1*

The heavens declare the glory of God,

**and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.**

Day to day pours out speech,

**and night to night reveals knowledge.**

Their measuring line goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world.

**In them he has set a tent for the sun,**

which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber,

**and, like a strong man, runs its course with joy.**

Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them,

**and there is nothing hidden from its heat.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son**

**and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning,**

**is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

The heavens declare the glory of God,

**and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.**

KYRIE

*LSB 152*

HYMN OF PRAISE

*This Is the Feast*

*LSB 155*

COLLECT OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

**C** Almighty God, You have built Your Church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets with Christ Jesus Himself as the cornerstone. Continue to send Your messengers to preserve Your people in true peace that, by the preaching of Your Word, Your Church may be kept free from all harm and danger; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

*Sit.*

OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Isaiah 66:10-14*

<sup>10</sup>“Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her,  
all you who love her;

rejoice with her in joy,  
all you who mourn over her;

<sup>11</sup>that you may nurse and be satisfied  
from her consoling breast;  
that you may drink deeply with delight  
from her glorious abundance.”

<sup>12</sup>For thus says the Lord:  
“Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river,  
and the glory of the nations like an overflowing stream;  
and you shall nurse, you shall be carried upon her hip,  
and bounced upon her knees.

<sup>13</sup>As one whom his mother comforts,  
so I will comfort you;  
you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

<sup>14</sup>You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice;  
your bones shall flourish like the grass;  
and the hand of the Lord shall be known to his servants,  
and he shall show his indignation against his enemies.”

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

<sup>1</sup>Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. <sup>2</sup>Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. <sup>3</sup>For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. <sup>4</sup>But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. <sup>5</sup>For each will have to bear his own load.

<sup>6</sup>One who is taught the word must share all good things with the one who teaches. <sup>7</sup>Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. <sup>8</sup>For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. <sup>9</sup>And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. <sup>10</sup>So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith...

<sup>14</sup>But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. <sup>15</sup>For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. <sup>16</sup>And as for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God. <sup>17</sup>From now on let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. <sup>18</sup>The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers. Amen.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand.*

COMMON ALLELUIA

*LSB 156*

HOLY GOSPEL

*Luke 10:1-20*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the tenth chapter.



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. <sup>2</sup>And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. <sup>3</sup>Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. <sup>4</sup>Carry no moneybag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. <sup>5</sup>Whatever house

you enter, first say, ‘Peace be to this house!’ <sup>6</sup>And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you. <sup>7</sup>And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the laborer deserves his wages. Do not go from house to house. <sup>8</sup>Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you. <sup>9</sup>Heal the sick in it and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’ <sup>10</sup>But whenever you enter a town and they do not receive you, go into its streets and say, <sup>11</sup>‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet we wipe off against you. Nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near.’ <sup>12</sup>I tell you, it will be more bearable on that day for Sodom than for that town.

<sup>13</sup>“Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. <sup>14</sup>But it will be more bearable in the judgment for Tyre and Sidon than for you. <sup>15</sup>And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? You shall be brought down to Hades.

<sup>16</sup>“The one who hears you hears me, and the one who rejects you rejects me, and the one who rejects me rejects him who sent me.”

<sup>17</sup>The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, “Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!” <sup>18</sup>And he said to them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. <sup>19</sup>Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you. <sup>20</sup>Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

NICENE CREED

*LSB 158*

*Sit.*

HYMN OF THE DAY

*Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure*

*LSB 533*

SERMON

*The Things We Do – Galatians 6:1-10, 14-18*

*Stand.*

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| OFFERTORY                                  | LSB 159 |
| OFFERING PRAYER                            |         |
| <i>Sit.</i>                                |         |
| OFFERING                                   |         |
| <i>Stand.</i>                              |         |
| PRAYER OF THE CHURCH                       |         |
| <b>SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT</b>            |         |
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| PREFACE                                    | LSB 160 |
| SANCTUS                                    | LSB 161 |
| PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING                     | LSB 161 |
| THE LORD'S PRAYER                          | LSB 162 |
| THE WORDS OF OUR LORD                      | LSB 162 |
| PAX DOMINI                                 | LSB 163 |
| AGNUS DEI                                  | LSB 163 |
| <i>Sit.</i>                                |         |
| DISTRIBUTION HYMNS                         |         |
| <i>Jerusalem, O City Fair and High</i>     | LSB 674 |
| <i>Renew Me, O Eternal Light</i>           | LSB 704 |
| <i>Fruitful Trees, the Spirit's Sowing</i> | LSB 691 |
| <i>Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ</i>       | LSB 565 |
| <i>Stand.</i>                              |         |
| POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE                    |         |
| <i>Thank the Lord</i>                      | LSB 164 |
| POST-COMMUNION COLLECT                     | LSB 166 |
| BENEDICTION                                | LSB 166 |
| <i>Sit.</i>                                |         |
| CLOSING HYMN                               |         |
| <i>Before You, Lord, We Bow</i>            | LSB 966 |



POSTLUDE

*Welcome to Bethlehem Lutheran Church,  
where we worship in the name of the crucified  
and risen Lamb of God, Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Blessings to you as you worship with us today.*



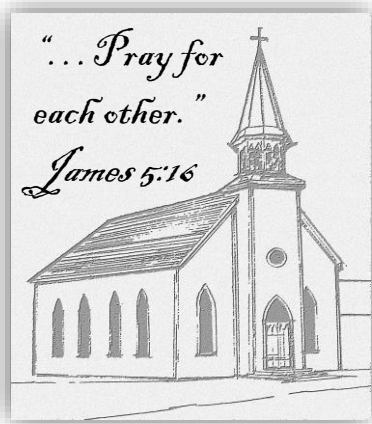
**Congregation:** for Kathleen Siemsglusz as she recovers from surgery; for Tom Hayden's recovery after surgery and continued healing; for Adeline Platt's health; for health and healing for Lathel Norris; for Riley Mae, Jerry & Doris Kohring's great-

granddaughter, thanksgiving for her coming home and prayers for continued health; for Milton Schwartz, Blake Powers, Edith Erwin, and Deloris Griffin; for our shut-in members: Renee Brinkmann, Mildred Holle, Lathel Norris, Dorine Selman, James Schoenemann, Elvera Schroeder, and others who are unable to come to church

**Community:** may our Lord continue to deliver to us favorable weather; for Brenham Pregnancy Center and those whose lives they touch; Faith Mission; families and individuals cared for by Child Protective Services

**World:** for all those suffering through war, may God watch over and protect His children, and by His Holy Spirit, may they all come to know Christ as their Savior and thus enjoy eternity with Him, for those who have been led astray into false belief; for those facing crisis pregnancies, that they would find the strength to choose life for their unborn child; for the leaders of the nations, that they would make godly decisions for their people and countries

### *Bethlehem at Prayer*



Prayer is a vital part of our life together in Christ. To that end, *Bethlehem at Prayer* is a means to encourage more intentional prayer for one another. This is an opportunity for us to support one another in faith, lifting up each household by name before our gracious God. While members can always request prayers at any time, this effort ensures that every family at Bethlehem is prayed for regularly. We invite you to join us in encouragement and intercession, praying for our brothers and sisters in Christ each week.

*Please remember these families in your prayers this week:*

- Hafer - Amanda
- Haferkamp - Stanley, Julie, Tanner, Kinsley
- Lampe - Hattie, Jessica
- Landeck - Chris, Carin
- Schwartz - Sandra
- Schwartz - Jeffory, Sharon, Logan

*May the Lord bless and strengthen them in faith and life.*



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### This Week's Schedule

**July 6 – July 13**

|                     |   |   |
|---------------------|---|---|
| <b>Today:</b>       | <b><i>Fourth Sunday after Pentecost</i></b> |   |
|                     | <b>9:00 AM</b>                              | Sunday School & Adult Bible Class   |
|                     | <b>10:15 AM</b>                             | Divine Worship: Setting I with Holy Communion                             |
|                     | Acolyte:                                    | Harlee Duckett  |
|                     | Ushers:                                     | Collin Schroeder     Ian Schroeder<br>Mike Schroeder     Shane Schroeder  |
|                     | <b>11:30 AM</b>                             | Youth League Meeting & Bible Study  |
| <b>Wednesday:</b>   | <b>8:30 AM</b>                              | Sonshine  |
|                     | <b>6:00 PM</b>                              | Life with God—New Member Class  |
|                     | <b>7:00 PM</b>                              | Church Council  |
| <b>Next Sunday:</b> | <b><i>Fifth Sunday after Pentecost</i></b>  |   |
|                     | <b>9:00 AM</b>                              | Sunday School & Adult Bible Class   |
|                     | <b>10:15 AM</b>                             | Divine Worship: Setting I   |
|                     | Acolyte:                                    | Connor Gresham  |
|                     | Ushers:                                     | Trenton Schwartz     Lance Searle<br>Chris Smitherman     Rallin Wellmann |
|                     | <b>11:30 AM</b>                             | Shekel Store  |

**Serving in July: Elder – Brad Molitor / Trustee – Doyle Dahmann**

*If you have a question or thought concerning spiritual care or the church property, please contact the appropriate elder or trustee.*



*The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God in honor of Amy Schroeder in honor of her hard work and dedication to Bethlehem Lutheran Church.*

## Life with God—New Member Class continues this Wednesday



Our adult information class covers the most important teachings of the Bible as they are believed, taught, and confessed here at Bethlehem, designed for anyone considering membership, new members, or any member of the congregation who would like a thorough review of basic Biblical doctrine. Mark your calendar to join us **Wednesdays from 6:00 to 7:30pm**. Classes are weekly 10-12 sessions.

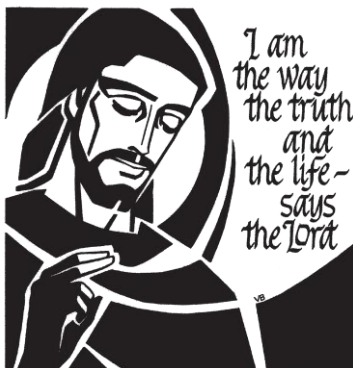
The ladies of **LWML** invite you to help **collect supplies for Disaster Relief Response kits!** We are donating **Flood Buckets** and **Health Care Kits** along with *Bibles, Portals of Prayer, and other devotional materials*. Please place all donated items **in the box in the Parish Hall by July 31<sup>st</sup>**.



### *Life Thoughts from Lutherans for Life*

Our Lord Jesus Christ has the courage to speak warning to His country's culture and communities (Luke 10:13-15). He whose eyes keep watch on national happenings (Psalm 66:7) knows no other way to restore ones He loves. Only abandoning evil allows anyone to embrace the Gospel's comfort (Isaiah 66:13, 15-16!) and joy (Luke 10:19-20). May our sanctity of life witness follow His lead! For more information, please visit <https://lutheransforlife.org/>.

## *Sunday School Corner*



This summer, your students will explore biblical accounts that teach the biblical truths found in the Means of Grace: God's Word and the Sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion. The Bible account for this week in Sunday School is "Peter Preaches on Pentecost." Students learned how God washes away their sins in Baptism and gives them eternal life. Your conversation with your child this week could include, "How did Peter's message affect the people

who heard it? How does God’s Word change us?” Also, parents, you can join Pastor Krieg in the adult Sunday School class. See you next week!

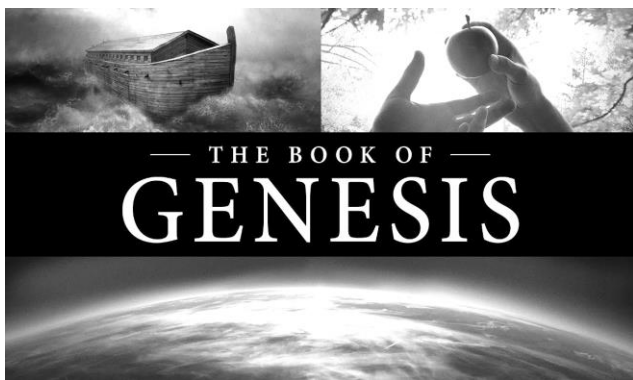
## *High School Lesson*

The high school youth have begun a new study focused on the Word of God. This study will help the kids gain a better understanding of the accuracy and reliability of the text we use today as the inspired Word of God. Over the next nine lessons the students will focus on the following:

- Jesus Christ: The Center of the Bible
- The Holy Scriptures – God’s Word
- The Canon – God Preserves His True Word
- Understanding God’s Word
- Figurative Language – The Richness of Scripture
- Bringing the Good News of Salvation in a Magnificent Way
- Recognizing False Teaching
- Bible Translations

Today, our high school class studied the lesson, *Understanding God's Word*. This lesson focuses on how God gave us the Bible to be read and used. The Holy Spirit works in our hearts so that we may understand its message and apply it to our lives.

## *Adult Sunday School Lesson*



Genesis lays the foundation for all the events and doctrines of Holy Scripture. Studying its characters and events will prepare you for a much broader understanding of God’s ways with humankind. Throughout Genesis, Moses emphasizes that these records apply not simply to Israel but to all nations and families of the earth. See in the patriarchs’

weaknesses, struggles, and joys a mirror of families today. The Lord, through promise and faith, makes all the difference for the patriarchs, and He will likewise bless and lead you. So join us as we continue our study of the book of Genesis. If you could not attend today, please join us next Sunday during the Adult Bible Study hour before church, starting at 9 a.m. Now is the time to commit yourself to a deeper and more meaningful understanding of God’s Word and your relationship with Him. I hope to see you all next Sunday as we continue our studies.



Online Giving

You may give tithes and offerings online by clicking the “Give” tab on our website (<https://www.bethlehemwmpenn.org/>), or just scan the QR code to the left.

**Last Week at Bethlehem**

| DATE    | SERVICE           | ATTENDANCE | GIFTS IN RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL                                 |
|---------|-------------------|------------|---|
| June 29 | Sunday School     | 9          | \$49.00   |
|         | Youth Bible Class | 3          |   |
|         | Adult Bible Class | 24         |   |
| June 29 | Worship Service   | 118        | General Fund: \$4,172.03<br>Roger Shroeder Memorial: \$1,491.95 |