



Bethlehem
LUTHERAN CHURCH

Traverse City, MI 49686
(231) 947-9880

DECEMBER 2017



Website: www.bethlehemtc.org
Email: bethlehem@bethlehemtc.org

Building Hours:

Monday – Thursday, 9am to 3pm

Office Hours

Monday – Thursday, 9am to 3pm

Worship Times:

Saturday: 5 pm Celebrate! Worship
Sunday: 8:45 am Traditional Worship
9:45 am Education Hour
11 am Modern Worship

Communion at all services

Follow the STAR to Bethlehem!

Our Mission...

“We journey with God, to serve with love”

Our Vision...

“As a community of believers journeying with God together, we at Bethlehem are called to serve with love by growing a premier youth ministry; enlivening Christian discipleship through lifelong learning, care, and spiritual formation; fostering a vibrant and inspiring worship experience; utilizing our natural setting and location for faithful creation care and outdoor ministry; and opening our doors always to be a “campus at the crossroads” for the mission and ministry of Jesus Christ.”

“My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed.”

– Luke 1:46-48



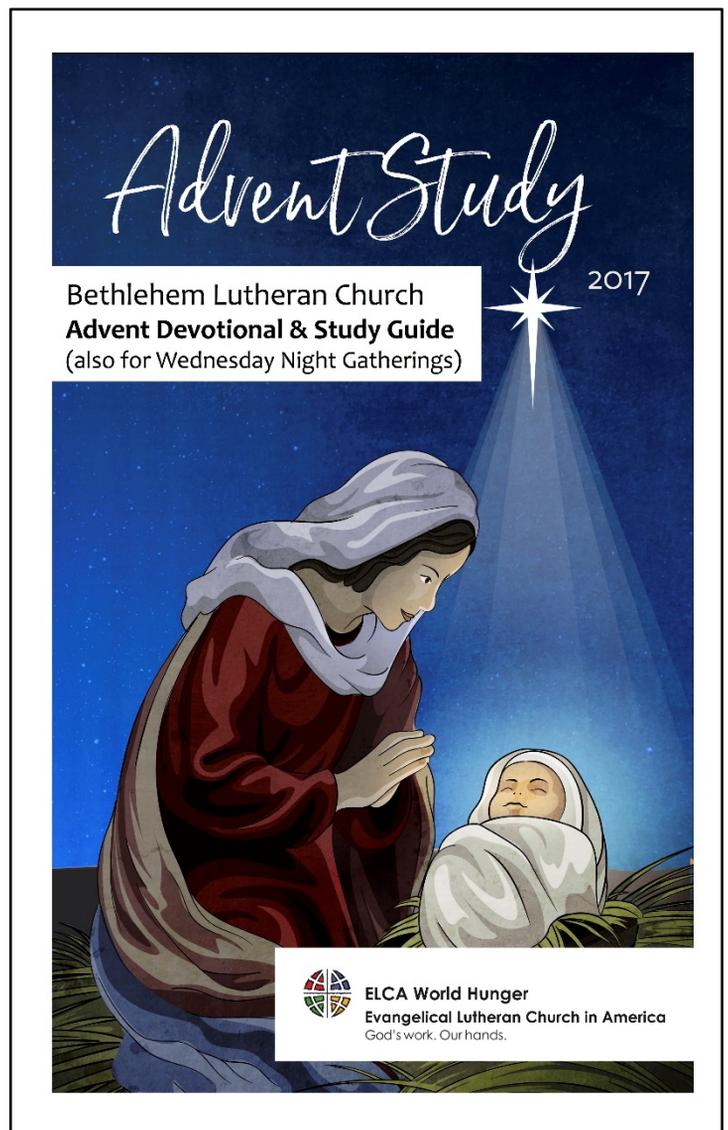
As I contemplate the beginning of new Advent and the year of Mark’s gospel, I think of two things: Mary’s faithful acceptance of her calling, and Mark’s “earthy” sense of Jesus and his ministry.

Luke’s gospel is the only one whereby the reader has a glimpse into the heart of Jesus’s earthly mother, and we see in Mary a servant who is humble, worshipful and strong.

You might also say the gospel writer Mark shared those attributes. The Jesus Mark portrays is down-to-earth, in touch with his humanity, and not focused on the subtleties or cosmic mysteries of his existence – but instead centered in his presence. Here. Now.

This is the Advent to which I find myself drawn this year: a search for humility, grace and an “earthy” sense of being – in a world that tells us that our strengths instead come from other sources than those above (power, notoriety, etc.)

Please join me this Advent as we humbly walk with Jesus (and Mary, and Mark!) with an Advent Study...available in booklet form (to the right) in the office and sanctuary soon. In peace...



President's Corner

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

Psalm 100: 4-5

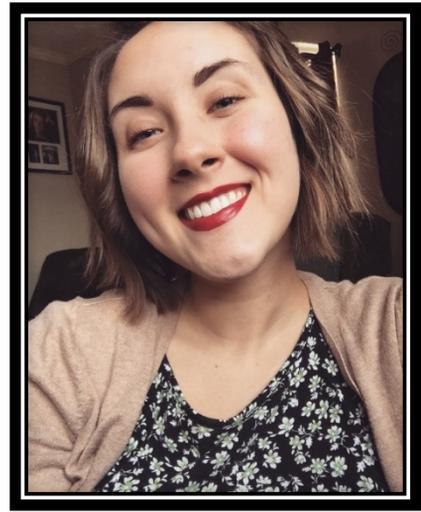
Thoughts on Gratitude and Generosity

Here's a thought-provoking question. Why do you give or pledge money to your church? To keep the lights on? To pay the Pastor's salary? To keep the parking lot plowed in the winter? Because of a bible verse about tithing? Perhaps, but probably not. I would argue that most people give in an effort to actualize their church values and dreams. We at Bethlehem have great programs for people of all ages and abilities. We have an inspiring pastor who feeds us, music that lifts our spirits and speaks to us, a youth program that is potentially transformational, and a social mission that goes well beyond our four walls. Can we do more? Certainly. Your contribution means more programs, better VBS materials, a vibrant Sunday School, and greater outreach to our community. You have many investment opportunities and I believe Bethlehem Lutheran Church is one that you can forever be proud of. Being blessed by God, we show our gratitude by being generous. Gratitude reminds us that God's love doesn't run short, it doesn't run out, it doesn't give up. God gives new beginnings. God gives tomorrows. Generosity begins when we know we are overflowing with something to give.

I have witnessed your generosity to others. You are a generous congregation. You have enjoyed giving to help people who are hungry, homeless, people who are new to our church. I have witnessed your generosity to help our youth, to aide troubled teens you don't even know to have a nice Christmas. You are a generous people and it is a blessing to witness it. As we plan our church's missions and ministries for 2018 I have no doubt you will make a commitment to generosity and it will come from your gratitude for all God has done for you.

Thank you, and Merry Christmas!
Phil Anderson
Church Council President

From The Desk of Alexis Youth & Outreach



Greetings, BLC!

It was a **great** November, filled with fun events for our kids and building excitement for our young adults, leading to a jam-packed December...

Our **Confirmation** students will be headed to Glen Lake on December 2nd for a special retreat! We've been blessed to be able to use Joe and Fran White's rental home to enjoy a weekend of bonding and learning with our students!

High school youth group connections have been made with several other churches in the area and opportunities for partnered group projects are in the making. We will be starting a brand new **college/young adult ministry** in January! The program is called **THEO** and will be open to young adults ages 19-25. Group meetings will be held at BLC to start, with location changing as needed. January 7th is the first meeting—get the word out!

And some **GREAT NEWS** is that we have registered students for both the **Regional Gathering in Lansing** and the **2018 ELCA National Gathering in Houston!** Please take some time to encourage our youth as they prepare for these trips. (Katie Pearce and Austin, Ally and Courtney McAllister.) You can also help out with food donations.

There will be no **BLUES** programming for December, as we are entering the **Advent/Christmas season**, but we have plenty of things being organized for our little kiddos (Advent nights, Christmas service programs, etc....) so stay tuned for more exciting details there!

On the 'outreach' end of things...

The **Facebook page** is doing well, though we would like some more congregational involvement! What kind of things would be useful to see on the page? More pictures or more upcoming event information? Feedback is encouraged and welcome!

And there is December! **Phew*!*

My encouragement this month is to be present with your kids. As this busy holiday season approaches, it is easy to forget the gifts that we already have. Tell someone that you love them today! ☺

*"And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is LOVE."
-1 Corinthians 13:13*

Peace,
Alexis Steig
Director of Youth and Outreach
Bethlehem Lutheran Church, TC



Christian Education Highlights

December 2017

Sunday school: Last month we welcomed Brandon Bugai to help accompany all of our little voices and make Sunday school a little more musical. We are all excited to have Brandon with us and look forward to see his relationship grow with the children and to see their involvement with the music in the mornings grow as well. We also welcomed Jane Fred as a substitute teacher for our K-2nd Graders and Connie Christopherson as a substitute teacher for 3rd-6th. We are excited and thankful to have both of them helping us and the kids love spending time with them.

Advent Nights: Our schedule for advent nights is provided below. We ask that all adults, families and kids that are able to attend, do so. December 6th, our first advent night, is going to be very fun and busy as we prepare gifts for our shut-ins.

December 6---Adult Leader---Tina Dohm with activities: Bracelets, Cookies, and Star Craft.

December 13—Adult Leader—Nancy Amman & Jane Fred with activity: Star Craft.

December 20—Adult Leader—Suzanne Lehto with activity: Star Craft.

Christmas Party: On Sunday, December 17th, the Christian Ed committee will be hosting a Christmas party ALL Sunday school students and confirmation students. We will be watching a Veggie Tales movie, crunching on some trail mix, sipping on some juice boxes and punch and savoring some delicious Birthday cake. Join us in the fun!

Children's Christmas Eve Service: Sunday School children will have a part in the 3pm Christmas Eve service. We will be reciting a rhythmic poem known as, "The First Christmas". Make sure your children are attending Sunday school at 9:45 every Sunday morning (unless otherwise specified) for more information and practices.

VBS: Recruitment has officially begun. Flyers are being disbursed throughout all TCAPS schools and administrative buildings. Volunteer opportunities have also been presented to National Honors Society at both, west and central high school and have also been presented to other community leadership and service clubs and organizations within the schools and across NMC main campus. Curriculum will be decided and purchased in early December and then we will be on our way through the winter and spring season into summer, the season of VBS! Contact Meghan Denton or Alexis Steig with any questions.

Treasurer Update

Although November financial results were not available at the time of publishing the December STAR, there are two items to be aware of.

First, there is still time to make your pledges for 2018. As of November 20th we have received a little over 80 pledges so far toward our goal of 100 pledges.

Second, the Congregational Meeting to approve the 2018 budget will take place on December 10, 2018. Budget packets are available to pick up beginning with the November 25th Saturday Service. The packet contains both Summary and Detail versions of the 2018 budget as well as a pie chart that shows our major expense categories. The Summary Report is a single page document showing all major income and expense budget lines. The Detail Report is six pages long and provides line by line budget numbers. Please take a copy to review prior to the meeting so you will be familiar with the material I will be presenting December 10th.

Dave Pepler - Treasurer

A Few Words from Billie



Christmas Greetings from California -

So here I am standing next to my 3 banana trees in front of my tiny - but perfect - house in San Diego. The small waving person in my arms is granddaughter, Ava. Things are going well and I've conquered the expressways, haven't seen rain since May, and have 2 part time jobs.

I miss you all and think I have found a new ELCA church, First Lutheran of San Diego. Of course, I have entered into its church life through the music program ...and they are in the "interview stage" for a pastor.

I think of you often, and Buddy wonders who is guarding the office.

Fellowship Committee Upcoming Events

The Fellowship committee would like to present you with the following events for your consideration when making your plans for the Holiday Season:

Advent Dinners

There will be three (3) Advent dinners this year and the following are the scheduled menus. If there are changes we will notify everyone.

| | |
|---------------|------------------|
| December 6th | Pancake Bar |
| December 13th | Hearty Chili |
| December 20th | Baked Potato Bar |

Please feel free to join us.

Annie at Old Town Playhouse

We have reserved a number of seats at the Old Town Playhouse for Saturday, December 16th at 7:30 pm for the musical Annie. Ticket prices are as follows:

Youth (under 18 years of age) \$12.00
Adults, regular price \$28.50
If we have eight or more adults, price is reduced to \$22.50
If we have 20 or more adults, price is reduced to \$20.50

Sign-up sheets will be available at the church and we will keep everyone updated on the sign-up so you are aware of the pricing.

We will need a final count and payment by Tuesday, November 28th. Checks can be made out to the Old Town Playhouse. Payments can be given to Chuck or Chris Ardingo or we will have an envelope in the church office where payment can be placed.

Men's Coffee/Social Club

We are exploring the interest in starting a Men's Coffee Club. There are a lot of you (Gentlemen) with great life stories. If you have an interest in getting together occasionally please let Chuck Ardingo know via phone #206-919-7487 or email dingo457@msn.com.

WOMEN OF BETHLEHEM



DECEMBER, 2017

ADVENT: the beginning of the church year. Are we ready to 'prepare' ourselves for the joyous celebration of Christ's birth? The following is an excerpt taken from a booklet entitled, "A little Book of Christmas": "The religious aspect of Christmas is sometimes hard to see when we are hurried and harried trying to make it all happen, or when we are inundated with the overly commercial aspects of the season. But it's there if we take the time to listen and look in a way that makes us receptive to its true glory." My prayer is that all of us will take - no make the time to truly remember why we have Christmas.

THANK OFFERING WEEKEND: Thank you to all the women of Bethlehem who presided over all three services and also thanks to Pastor Paul, David Husser and Mike VandeLeest who kindly helped us. The thank offering collected amounted to over \$1180.00 to further benefit the lives of women throughout the world. Your generosity is wonderful and humbling. Thank You!

WOMEN AT RISK 'W.A.R. PARTY': "I never knew..."; "I didn't realize..." were some of the comments heard after listening to the woman from W.A.R speak on the human trafficking situation. It IS real and it's here - in our city, our state, our country - and it's getting worse. Jewelry sales amounted to over \$600 which will house two women for a month in a safe house. Thank You to all who came.

DECEMBER BIBLE STUDY: Taken from the Gather magazine. This month we study four meditations: "The joy of giving; The gift of presence; Toward the light; and Room for our celebration, our sorrow." To join us, call Nancy Ammann 946-8433.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S EVENTS

Plans are underway for the upcoming Christmas Season! Please mark your calendars:

December 6—5:30pm—Pancake Bar—Advent Dinner—Children’s Activities--Worship

December 9—5:00pm—Blue Christmas Service @BLC

December 10—5:00pm—Blue Christmas Service @Central United Methodist

December 13—5:30pm—Hearty Chili Advent Dinner—Children’s Activities—Holden Evening Prayer.

December 13--Approximately 6:15-6:30—Caroling with Confirmation Class, Alexis, and All Additional Singers are WELCOME!!!!

December 16—7:00 pm—Choir and Bell Concert with Feast of Victory @BLC

December 17—9:45 am—Sunday School **Birthday Party for Jesus**

December 20—5:30pm—Baked Potato Bar Advent Dinner—Children’s Activities, and Worship

December 24—Christmas Eve Day—10:00am—Taize Prayer Service

December 24—Christmas Eve—3:00pm—Children’s Service

December 24---Christmas Eve---6:00pm & 9:00 pm---Candlelight service

December 25—Christmas Day—10 am—Traditional Hymn Sing Service

December 31—10:00am--JUBILEE SERVICE (Only one Service all weekend); “Morning Sweets” Potluck. Doughnuts, muffins, or pastries are welcome!!!!

SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY

New Folks are always Welcome!!!!

A Bethlehem tradition for more than a decade has been for small groups to discuss the work of Christ in our lives using Bible references and published materials. Through our study we experience a closer bond to Christ and to each other. Having Christ centered mutual support from our friends is very uplifting and helps us develop the spiritual gifts we are to share with each other. We welcome you to join a group or create one of your own that meets at a time more convenient to you. For questions, call BJ Christensen 231-228-3426.

| <u>Meeting time</u> | <u>Facilitator</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Theme</u> |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|---|
| 3 rd Sunday 12:30pm | Cindy Munroe | 231-941-0788 | Betty Rutila’s Home Poverty |
| 3 rd Monday 3:00pm | Barb Oster | 231-668-7038 | BLC Conference Room Reformation |
| 3 rd Tuesday 3:00pm | Corey Hughes | 231-941-4988 | Helen Rafeld’s House Revelation “Breaking the Code” |
| 3 rd Thursday 1:00pm | Suzanne Lehto | 231-223-7187 | BLC Small Catechism |
| 4 th Sunday 12:30pm | BJ & Tom Christensen | 231-228-3426 | BLC Martin Luther 95 Theses |
| 2 nd Friday 6:00pm | Matt Branch & Tina Dohm | BLC | Food for Thought Lutheranism 101 |

MANY THANKS TO OLESON'S

A big thank you goes out to all who turned in Oleson's receipts. In October, Bethlehem received a check from Oleson's for \$231.58. Please continue to turn in your Oleson's receipts. Shopping at Oleson's is an easy way to donate to BLC---just do your grocery shopping and turn in the receipts. Deposit in the "Oleson's" slot found in the lower left cabinet under the member's mailboxes.

XYZ

XYZ is back to the third Friday, December 15 at noon for the potluck lunch. The program will be presented by Martha Videan of the YMCA. Mrs. Claus will join us to let us know how everything is going at the North Pole. All are welcome to bring a guest (or 2). Please contact Butch Waisanen with questions. Please contact Butch Waisanen by email etwaisanen@centurytel.net or call 231-271-3802.

ADOPT-A-FAMILY

Love INC is again reaching out in our community with our Adopt-A-Family Christmas Program. We need your help! Please consider adopting a family for Christmas. Be the hands and feet of Christ that brings a smile to a child's face and joy to a parent's heart. Call the Love INC office at 231-941-5683 or email Tony at tonyn@loveinctraverse.org and express your desire to participate in this program. Thank you and God Bless.

LOVE INC SPONSORS SWINGSHIFT AND THE STARS

Please support our Fundraiser on Friday, December 15 at the City Opera House supporting our Gap Ministries. Our dancers are Bill Marsh Jr and Sharon Pascoe. Tickets are \$100 or \$175 for two. Call our office at 231-941-5683 for tickets.



SHOP AT FAMILY FARE AND HELP RAISE MONEY FOR QUILTS!!

Shop at Family Fare, 905 E. 8th Street here in Traverse City (or at any Family Fare in the area) and help raise money for quilts!

*To warm others with more than a prayers,
save register receipts when you shop Family Fare!
Lutheran World Relief quilters need help from you.
Bring Family Fare receipts to us that you could do.
This helps raise money for the supplies it will take...
for fabric, thread, and shipping necessary for the quilts we
make!*

Questions? Please call Sandra Osgood at 231-938-5938



Book/Supper Discussion Group

We meet from 5 to 7 pm on the 4th Tuesday of the month. Join us, and if you have any questions, please contact Ellie Long at 935-4595.

Dec. 5 Christmas Potluck
Jan. 23 ***Last Bus to Wisdom*** by Ivan Doig (novel)

Habitat for Humanity

Habitat for Humanity is always looking for volunteers:

1. Skilled/Unskilled volunteers to serve as site coaches leading and teaching groups of volunteers in finish carpentry. No experience necessary.
2. Committee Members. Time commitment is about three hours a month. Committees needing members are Faith Relations, Family Selection and Events.
3. Re-Store volunteers / Donation drives / Pickup and Delivery
4. Lunch volunteers to feed construction site crews.
5. Deconstruction teams to salvage materials to be sold at the Re-Sale Store.

If you're interested in helping out, please call Michelle Reichert at 231-941-4663.

YOUTH FUNDRAISER GUIDELINES

Our church council has adopted a set of Guidelines for all to follow when conducting any kind of fundraiser. These Guidelines are posted in the Gathering Space. Please contact the church office if you would like a copy.

HURRICANE RELIEF UPDATE

Have you planned to make a donation to benefit those who have lost so much in the hurricanes, and you just haven't done it yet? You have until the end of December to **DOUBLE** your donation!!! You simply need to sign on to Thrivent.com, and you can donate to a worthy cause and even specify which charity from a choice of many. **YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE A MEMBER OF THRIVENT TO DO THIS!!!** Thrivent has pledged to match up to 3 Million dollars. Even though the charity site says you may be responsible for a service fee, Thrivent is also paying that. Please consider a worthy donation to enhance your celebration of Thanksgiving or Christmas. Many people will thank you.

In honor of Bethlehem's 125 year anniversary the worship and music



committee would like to restore the custom of honoring new members of the family of God with a rose at the Altar. Those who wish to celebrate their new child or grandchild can contact committee chair, Barbara Oster at: beo6475@yahoo.com or via phone 668-7038. The cost is \$10.00 to be submitted to the church office, or labeled as such and placed in the collection plate. The rose and vase can be taken by the family after the 11:00 service on Sunday.



Musicality

Another way to support your Bethlehem Music Department is to join one of the music groups. Depending on the one you join, you could be a part of services once every 2 months, once a month, once every three weeks, or about every other week. They all have different schedules. **What fits you best?**

Your choices are steel pans, bells, Worship Team, and choir. They rehearse once a week with trained directors and really build up quite a comradery. It's fun. Think about it.

YOUR HELP NEEDED !!!!!

One of BLC goals this year is to energize our Membership and Stewardship efforts. Both Committees are in need of volunteers to make this happen. We are half way thru the year so the time to act is now. Please take a moment and ask yourself if you can find time to meet once a month and bring your ideas and talents to the team. Again, your support is critical to our success and makes all the difference. Contact the church office (947-9880) and leave a message for Dave Pepler or Phil Anderson, or email the church at admin@bethlehemtc.org if you would like to volunteer to help on either of these committees or would like more information on what is involved.



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
God's work. Our hands.

ELCA GLOBAL LINKS

Stay informed. Be inspired. Get involved.

'Liberated by Grace, Encouraged by Sisterhood'

As part of the ELCA International Women Leaders initiative, 22 women from nine nations came together this July in Wittenberg, Germany, to study and reflect on women in the Reformation. [Read about](#) their experience learning from the past and each other in October's edition of [Living Lutheran](#). [Pick up a copy near the front door at BLC].

'Ni ubuntu...It is Free of Charge.'

Young Adults in Global Mission participant Hannah Sackett, serving in Rwanda, shares thoughts and videos of her first few weeks of service in a [blog post](#). Read about her day-to-day experiences and deeper reflections on grace and hospitality in a new home. <https://lakestohills.wordpress.com/2017/09/22/ni-ubuntu/>

Growing the church in Senegal and The Gambia

From education to health care to agriculture initiatives, the emerging churches in Senegal and The Gambia – two neighboring countries in West Africa – are listening to the needs of their communities and are spreading the good news of God's love through word and deed. The ELCA has been invited to help these churches take their outreach to the next level and touch even more communities than they do now by raising \$100,000 in support of schools and vital church infrastructure. Watch this [video](#) to learn more about this amazing ministry . <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MJqvzvfKY0I>

Where Have All Our Young Adults Gone?

It's a question heard frequently in congregations today. In his recent monthly column for the Northwestern Minnesota Synod, Bishop Larry Wohlrabe addresses this question by sharing the stories of ELCA young adults involved in "the best kept secret of our ELCA" – the Young Adults in Global Mission program. [Read the article](#) at: <http://nwmnsynod.org/resources/bishops-bible-study-current-month/>

Diakonia in the Holy Land

Congratulations to ELCA missionary Adrainne Gray who was officially consecrated this past month as a deacon! [Read](#) her reflections on the call to diakonia and [view](#) stunning photos of the service. Deaconess Adrainne continues to serve as communications director with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land, which has long been in accompaniment with the ELCA.

Read article:

<http://thegraytones.runographer.com/index.php/2017/09/19/a-diaconal-message-for-the-consecration-of-adrainne-gray/>

View photos: <http://www.elcjh.org/links/photos/>



Health Concerns*

**Jeri Boike, Richard Fernholz, Karen Anderson,
Margie Whitney, Thad Hellenga, Mary Gordon,
Joyce Rombouts, Ellie Tacke, Lowell Burns,
Denny Osgood, Richard Oster,
Kate Holtfreter, Jim Kober and Virginia Fleming**

Grand Traverse Pavilions: Virginia Fleming

Joy Givers: Hazel Lautner **French Manor:** Mary Gordon

Traverse Manor: Margie Whitney, Juanita Lautner

French Manor Lafranier: Jo Hasse, Joyce Rombouts

Boardman Lake Glens: Ingie Thomas

Hospital Visits: Please let the church office know if you are going into the hospital for a scheduled procedure or an emergency so Pastor Paul can visit you.



BLC's PRAYER CHAIN is always seeking partners in prayer.
More volunteers are needed for this crucial ministry.
For more information or to set the Prayer Chain in motion,
call Jan Stretlien @ 947-3265 or email jstretlen@gmail.net.

*If you would like your name, or the name of a loved one, to appear on this list which appears here and in the weekly bulletin, please call the church office at 947-9880.

Are you checking for the latest BLC updates at: www.bethlehemtc.org?

You saw Norm and others take the photos...be sure you see them at www.bethlehemtc.org!

Good News...and great news...at www.bethlehemtc.org...





BLC Contacts

PLEASE NOTE SEVERAL ADDRESS UPDATES

Church Office

| | |
|---|--|
| Pastor Paul Busekist | paul.busekist@bethlehemtc.org |
| Admin. Asst. Sharon Weller | admin@bethlehemtc.org |
| Admin. Aide Renae Wells | admin@bethlehemtc.org |
| Mary Lou Deutsch, Bookkeeper | bookkeeper@bethlehemtc.org |
| Sharon Weller, Music Director | sharon.weller@bethlehemtc.org |
| Alexis Steig, Youth & Outreach Director | alexis.steig@bethlehemtc.org |
| Meghan Denton, Christian Ed Coord. | meghan.denton@bethlehemtc.org |
| Website | www.bethlehemtc.org |

Church Council

| | |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| Phil Anderson, President | president.council@bethlehemtc.org |
| Jim Parkinson, Vice President | vicepresident.council@bethlehemtc.org |
| Tim Fox, Secretary | secretary.council@bethlehemtc.org |
| Dave Pepler, Treasurer | treasurer@bethlehemtc.org |
| Shelly McAllister, Financial Sec. | secretary.council@bethlehemtc.org |
| Jan Stretlien, Christian Care Giving | christiancaregiving.committee@bethlehemtc.org |
| Dianne Blair, Christian Ed. | christianeducation@bethlehemtc.org |
| LoAnn VandeLeest, Evangelism | evangelism@bethlehemtc.org |
| Chuck Ardingo, Fellowship | fellowship.committee@bethlehemtc.org |
| LoAnn VandeLeest, Membership | membershipevangelism.committee@bethlehemtc.org |
| _____, Personnel | personnel.committee@bethlehemtc.org |
| Carl Lehto, Property | property.committee@bethlehemtc.org |
| Barbara Wright, Stewardship | stewardship.committee@bethlehemtc.org |
| Barbara Oster, Worship and Music | worship.committee@bethlehemtc.org |
| Jodi Kelly, Youth/Y2A | youth.committee@bethlehemtc.org |

If you have an interest in serving on any of the above Committees,
Please contact the Committee Chairperson(s).

BLC - Non assigned mtg. space, Conference Room, Event Held Outside of BLC, Fellowship Hall, Gathering Space, Lower Room 2, Lower Room 3, Lower Room 4, Nursery Room 1, Nursery Room 3, Nursery Room No #, Sanctuary, Youth Room

Dec 2017 (Eastern Time)

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|--|---|---|--|---|---|
| 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 1 | 2 |
| 7:30am - NO SUNDAY 8:45am - Worship Service 9:45am - School Classes 11am - Modern Worship - S 2pm - Christensen SG (GS) | 10am - AMAnon-B 10am - Alanon-LR3 10am - Staff Meeting 3pm - Oster Small Group 6pm - Sew Pieceful Quilters | 9am - LWR Sewing Group 9am - Prayer Shawl 9am - Property Work Group 3pm - Lessons/Warne 5pm - Book/Supper Club | 3pm - Music Lessons/Welder 5:45pm - Conf/frm. @ FOV | 3pm - Lessons/Warne 5:30pm - ACOA (LR) 6pm - BeHCChoir/Reh 7pm - Choir/Reh | Event Setup 10am - AMAnon-B 10am - Alanon-LR3 3:30pm - Rehearsal/FrSJazz | Confirmation Retreat 8am - Event Setup 12:30pm - AdventLuncheon 5pm - Celebrate! Worship |
| 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| Confirmation Retreat 8:45am - Worship Service 9:45am - School Classes 9:45am - WELCABoardMtg 11am - Modern Worship - S 6pm - Verse On Tap @ The | 10am - AMAnon-B 10am - Alanon-LR3 10am - Staff Meeting 2pm - CommParty(Pav) 6:30pm - Gamblers 8:30pm - Wor. & Mus. Mtg- | 9am - LWR Sewing Group 9am - Prayer Shawl 9am - Property Work Group 3pm - Lessons/Warne 5pm - Book & Supper Club 5:30pm - AAUW Meeting @ | 11am - Wequetong 2pm - CommParty (BR) @ 3pm - Music Lessons/Welder 5:30pm - Senior High Nght | 3pm - Lessons/Warne 5:30pm - ACOA (LR) 6pm - BeHCChoir/Reh 8:30pm - Gamblers 7pm - Choir/Reh | 10am - AMAnon-B 10am - Alanon-LR3 3:30pm - Rehearsal/FrSJazz 6pm - Food for Thought 7pm - Bridge-GS | 5pm - Blue Christmas |
| 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| 8:45am - Worship Service 9:45am - Congregational 9:45am - School Classes 9:45am - WELCA-C 11am - Modern Worship - S | 9:30am - Piano Tuning 10am - AMAnon-B 10am - Alanon-LR3 10am - Staff Meeting 6pm - Sew Pieceful Quilters 6:30pm - Gamblers 7:30pm - Gambler's Anon | 9am - LWR Sewing Group 9am - Prayer Shawl 9am - Property Work Group 10am - Finance-CR 12pm - Sarah Circle 3pm - Executive Committee 3pm - Lessons/Warne | 9:30am - Quilters By the 1pm - GT Baby Pantry - 3pm - Music Lessons/Welder 6pm - Conf/frm. Svc Proj. | 9am - Baby Pantry-FH 1pm - Rebecca/Ann Circle 3pm - Lessons/Warne 5:30pm - ACOA (LR) 6pm - BeHCChoir/Reh 8:30pm - Gamblers 7pm - Choir/Reh | 10am - AMAnon-B 10am - Alanon-LR3 12pm - XYZ 3:30pm - Rehearsal/FrSJazz | 5pm - Worship-S 6:30pm - Choir/Bells |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| 8:45am - Worship Service 9:45am - School Classes 11am - Modern Worship - S 12:30pm - Monroe Small 2pm - Choir/Bell Concert | 10am - AMAnon-B 10am - Alanon-LR3 10am - Staff Meeting 3pm - Oster Small Group 6:30pm - Gamblers | 9am - LWR Sewing Group 9am - Prayer Shawl 9am - Property Work Group 3pm - Lessons/Warne 6pm - Council Meeting | 3pm - Music Lessons/Welder 7:30pm - Choir Rehearsal | 3pm - Lessons/Warne 5:30pm - ACOA (LR) 6pm - BeHCChoir/Reh 8:30pm - Gamblers | 10am - AMAnon-B 10am - Alanon-LR3 3:30pm - Rehearsal/FrSJazz | 5pm - Worship-S |
| 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| 7am - NO SUNDAY 8:45am - Worship Service 9:45am - School Classes 11am - Modern Worship - S 2pm - Christensen SG (GS) | 10am - AMAnon-B 10am - Alanon-LR3 10am - Staff Meeting 6pm - Sew Pieceful Quilters 6:30pm - Gamblers 7:30pm - Gambler's Anon | 9am - LWR Sewing Group 9am - Prayer Shawl 9am - Property Work Group 3pm - Lessons/Warne 5pm - Book/Supper Club 6pm - Steel Pan Rehearsal | 3pm - Music Lessons/Welder 5:45pm - NO Conf/frm. | 1pm - Lehto SG 3pm - Lessons/Warne 5:30pm - ACOA (LR) 6pm - BeHCChoir/Reh 8:30pm - Gamblers 7pm - Choir/Reh | 10am - AMAnon-B 10am - Alanon-LR3 3:30pm - Rehearsal/FrSJazz 5pm - NO BLUES | 5pm - Worship-S |
| 31 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 7am - No Sunday School? 8:45am - Worship Service 9:45am - School Classes 11am - Modern Worship - S | 10am - AMAnon-B 10am - Alanon-LR3 10am - Staff Meeting 6:30pm - Gamblers 6:30pm - Wor. & Mus. Mtg- | 9am - LWR Sewing Group 9am - Prayer Shawl 9am - Property Work Group 3pm - Lessons/Warne 6pm - Christian Ed Mtg. | 3pm - Music Lessons/Welder 5:30pm - Senior High Nght | 3pm - Lessons/Warne 5:30pm - ACOA (LR) 6pm - BeHCChoir/Reh 8:30pm - Gamblers 7pm - Choir/Reh | 10am - AMAnon-B 10am - Alanon-LR3 3:30pm - Rehearsal/FrSJazz | 5pm - Celebrate! Worship 5pm - Worship-S |

Because of the many activities here at BLC, this is only a partial calendar. You can view the entire calendar at [http://www. Bethlemtc.org/community-calendar](http://www.Bethlemtc.org/community-calendar) or call the office at 947-9880 for more information (and corrections/additions.)