



# The Bethlehem Star

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**Maundy Thursday**

**March 28**

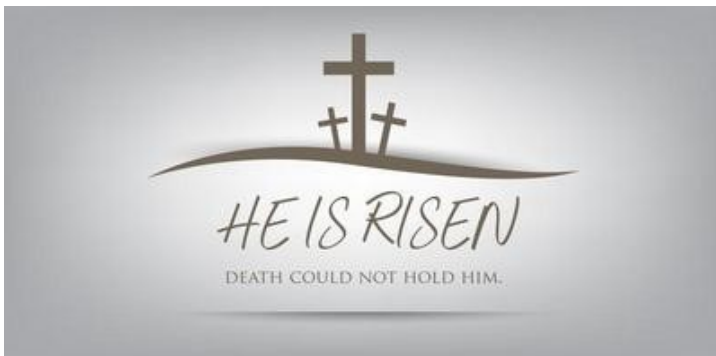
at Bethlehem 6:00 p.m.

**Good Friday**

**March 29**

at Bethlehem 6:00 p.m.

**The Resurrection of Our Lord**



**(Easter Day)**

**March 31**

**Holy Communion**

**St. Mark In OJ 7:00 a.m.**

Breakfast following worship

**Easter Brunch 8:00 a.m.**

**Holy Communion**

**Bethlehem 9:00 a.m.**

**YOU ARE INVITED TO....**

**A SPRING QUILT DISPLAY**  
with

**Bake Sale ~ LUNCHEON**

**Saturday, March 16**

**10:00 AM - 1:00 PM**

**Bethlehem Lutheran Church**

**Lost Nation, Iowa**

Creamed Turkey or Maid Rite Lunch

Tickets: \$10.00

Kids 5-12 \$5.00

Extra Sandwich \$3.00

DINE IN or CARRYOUTS

**CARRYOUTS AVAILABLE**

There will be a sign-up sheet  
posted on the bulletin board in  
the entrance.



**Senior/Senior Coffee**

Plans are being made to

celebrate the

Seniors (80+)

Sunday, April 28

with Bethlehem Circle to Host.

Come celebrate this milestone

with all of our 80+ family.



## BWELC HiLites

Cheer Brunch: we had a nice group for our Cheer Brunch on Feb.3 and enjoyed a very interesting presentation by Dalton Barrier, Adventure Director, at Camp Courageous and Skye, the therapy dog at the Camp. We enjoyed a delicious brunch and ended the morning by packing and delivering 35 Cheer plates. Thanks to all who provided food, packed Cheer plates and delivered them.

Thanks to all who helped with our Friendship Party on Sunday Feb.18, providing food or working. We had a fun evening with 45 attending. Special Thanks to Jim Holtz, our "Favorite Bingo Caller"! We think he's topped Denis Voy!!

Lenten Soup Suppers begin as of this printing with Eve - Feb. 21, Bethlehem - Feb. 28, Joint Council - Mar. 6, Eve - Mar.13, and Bethlehem- Mar.20. Come join us for a spiritual filled evening with a soup supper at 6:00 p.m. and worship at 7:00 p.m. World day of Prayer is Mar. 1 with a focus on the country of Palestine. A noisy offering will be collected on Sunday Feb. 25.

Mark your calendars for The Spring Quilt Display and Luncheon With Bake Sale ( Bazaar) which is March 16. A sign up sheet is on the back bulletin board.

The next BWELCA Board meeting is Tuesday Mar. 5 at 6:00p.m.

Eve Circle is next in line to serve.

LWR kit Pick up is April 20.

Saturday, March 11 at 9 AM with Jone Paarmann as Host/Leader.

Saturday, April 13 at 9 AM with Diana Ihns as H/L.

Senior/Senior Coffee is April 28 with Eve Circle hosting

## Baby/Personal Care Kits

We will continue to collect for the baby care kits and the personal care kits. We will be packing the kits during our mid week Lenten services. Dates have not yet been set. We have a display in narthex and you can pick up the needed items on the shopping list which is available there.

## Time and Talent Sign-Up

We will be posting a Time and Talent sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in March, for the months of July—December. A new sheet will be posted again in November for the 2025 year. Please prayerfully consider helping our church family with these duties. There will also be the old fashion sheets available on the table if you prefer to do them.

Confirmation to meet on Wednesdays following early outs on March 13 and 27.

## Membership Audit Committee

The Council is looking for volunteers to work on a membership audit. Contact Pastor or any council member if you are interested in this activity.

## Council Treasurer's report for January:

Balance 1/1/2024	\$ 4,879.49
Income	11,631.86
Expenses	<u>9,018.60</u>
Balance 1/31/24	\$ 7,492.75

## March

**Usher:** Brent Ihns

**Communion Assistant:** Connie Kleppe

**Lectors:**

3- Connie Kleppe

11- Pastor

17- Brent Ihns

24- Elsa Sullivan

31- Jone Paarmann

**Bread Maker:** Tim Thiede

**Altar Care:** Meagan Behrle, Trish Feuss

**Teller:** Jone Paarmann

**Coffee Makers :**

3- Rochelle Busch

11- Marlene Hicks

17- Diana Ihns

24- Connie Kleppe

31- Easter

## Worship Assistants

**Usher:** Diana Ihns

**Communion Assistant:** Brent Ihns

**Lectors:**

4- Pastor

14- Tim Thiede

21- Connie Kleppe

28- Brent Ihns

**Bread Maker:** Connie Kleppe

**Altar Care:** Joan Kleppe, Jessica Willimack

**Teller:** Brent Ihns

**Coffee Makers :**

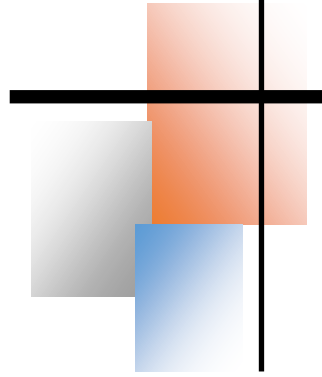
4- Joan Kleppe

14- Jone Paarmann

21- Ellen Pithan

28- Kathy Becker

## April



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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<b>3</b> Holy Communion 9 AM Lector: Connie Kleppe Sparks/Fellowship	<b>4</b> Quilting 8:30 – 3:30 PM	<b>5</b> BWELCA Bd 6 PM	<b>6</b> Lenten Soup Supper at BLC 6 PM Midweek Worship 7 PM	<b>7</b> Pastor's Gone	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Joint Circle 9 AM H/L: Jone Paarman
<b>10</b> Daylight Savings Worship 9 AM Lector: Pastor Fellowship 9:45 AM	<b>11</b> Quilting 8:30 – 3:30 PM	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Confirmation Lenten Soup Supper at BLC 6 PM Midweek Worship 7 PM	<b>14</b> Pastor's Office Hours 1-3 PM	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Spring Bazaar 10AM– 1PM
<b>17</b> Council 8 AM Worship 9 AM Lector: Brent Ihns Fellowship	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Lenten Soup Supper at BLC 6 PM Midweek Worship 7 PM	<b>21</b> Pastor's Office Hours 1-3 PM	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b> Holy Communion 9 AM Lector: Elsa Sullivan Fellowship 9:45 AM	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Confirmation following early out	<b>28</b> Pastor's Office Hours 1-3 PM Maundy Thursday At Bethlehem 6PM	<b>29</b> Good Friday At Bethlehem 6 PM	<b>30</b>
<b>31</b> Easter Brunch 8AM Holy Communion 9 AM Lector: Jone Paarman Fellowship 9:45 AM						

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### March Birthdays

2 Marcia Kleinsmith  
5 Laurie Rickels  
6 Joan Kleppe  
7 Lary Becker  
14 Rachel Thiede  
20 McKenna Doll  
21 Bill Pithan  
23 Colt Doll  
24 Allan Smith  
25 Codey Current  
27 Coy Petersen

### March Anniversaries

12 Jody and Jim Holtz

### April Anniversaries

24 Becky and Jacob Petersen  
26 Diana and Warren Ihns  
28 Jessica and Brent Ihns

### April Birthdays

4 Meagan Fields,  
8 Shelley Beeck  
9 Debra Christiansen  
14 Chelsea Pell  
15 Rex Duffey  
22 Joyce Feuss  
23 Enos Ihns  
24 Jody Holtz  
26 Rochelle Busch  
27 Brent Ihns

## MARCH/APRIL 2024

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## Sunday Schedule

**Worship 9:00 a.m.**

**Sunday School: 1st Sunday of the month**

**Fellowship 9:45 a.m.**

### Office Hours:

Pastor Daniel

Thursdays 1:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Can be reached by a call or text to his cell phone.

### Secretary Hours:

Tuesday: 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Thursday: 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

If you need to enter the church and do not  
have a key, always call ahead to be certain  
someone is there.