



# The Bethlehem Star

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**GOD Bless America!**

*Psalms 33:12*

## Community Coffee



Thursday June 20  
9:00—10:30 a.m.

Bethlehem  
Lutheran Church  
Lost Nation

**Everyone Welcome**

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

### Bethlehem Lutheran Church's Ice Cream Social



is coming up on

Sunday, June 30, 2024  
4:00 - 6:30pm

Signup sheet will be posted in June on the bulletin board in the entrance.

## Pastor's Summer Training

Pastor Daniel will be out for training May 4-5.  
His summer training will be May 25-June 20.

More information will be available on pastoral coverage and worship at a later date.

H A P P Y  
**MOTHER'S**  
day

## May Birthdays

- 6 Scott Doll
- 7 Jason Sullivan
- 8 JC Watson
- 13 Joan Von Sprecken
- 19 Marlene Hicks, Daniel Pell
- 20 Marlene Feuss
- 21 Kayla Schroeder
- 24 Connie Kleppe
- 24 Tucker Moore
- 24 Gale Kleppe



## June Birthdays

- 2 Haley Sullivan
- 5 Kelly Doll
- 8 Courtney Current
- 12 Brandon Moore
- 14 Lola DeMoss, Roger Kleppe
- 20 Tim Thiede
- 21 Adler Schroeder
- 24 Jimmy Hicks
- 25 Stacey Current
- 27 Michael Paarmann
- 28 Heather Moore

## May Anniversaries

- 30 Kayla and AJ Schroeder
- 30 Allan and Mary Smith



## June Anniversaries

- 7 Kassidy and Scott Willimack
- 7 Kelly and Al Schroeder
- 9 Kathy and Lary Becker
- 15 Connie and Roger Kleppe
- 19 Marcia and Paul Kleinsmith
- 26 Lynn and Tim Thiede
- 27 Heather and Brandon Moore

## Council Treasures

### Report

Checking Account:

Balance 2/29/24

\$ 5140.51

Income

\$ 34,243.43

Expenses

\$ 22,2548.81

Balance 3/31/24

\$ 16,835.13

## BWELCA Hilites

BWELCA Board meeting is Monday, May 6 at 6:00 PM. (note the date change).

Circle is May 11, H/L Marlene Hicks

SEIA Women's Synodical Organization Gathering - June 14-15 in Clinton Iowa. Information and registration forms are on the bulletin board and table in back.

June 8 - Circle Outing TBA

June 20 - Community Coffee: BWELCA Board Hostess

June 30 - Ice Cream Social

### Community Quilters Wrap Up!!



Lost Nation's Community Quilters met each Monday/Wednesday from January 8 thru March 18. Approximately fifteen gals worked diligently and completed 174 quilts. Much food, fun and fellowship were enjoyed. Several men came at

lunch time and delivered carry-outs, ate with us and then cleaned up the kitchen. The last day, Joe and Roger treated us to pizza! Thanks a lot fellas! Even Stella Franck and friend from Cuba City, WI joined us for pizza and visiting. Stella is an avid quilt maker at Faith Lutheran Church in Cuba City. We sent quilt cut squares and fabric home with her. We continue to need fabric and sheets for the liners.

See you next year!

### Sending Out the Quilts

After Easter, a group of women met at Bethlehem to send the quilts on their way. This year our quilts were gifted to : Domestic Violence intervention Program - Iowa City, Re-Entry Program - Iowa City, Open Heartland – Iowa City, Lutheran Services of Iowa – Davenport, King House (men) – Clinton, High Tower (women) – Clinton, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Union Presbyterian Church and Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Church all in Lost Nation. Several quilts were packaged for shipping to Lutheran World Relief. On April 20, Connie Kleppe delivered our quilts, baby care kits and personal care kits to Trinity Lutheran Church in Cedar Rapids. Bethlehem packed baby care kits and personal care kits during their midweek Lenten soup suppers. Several quilts/wall hangings will be sent to Camp EW-ALU for their annual quilt auction to be held on Saturday, September 21 in Strawberry Point.

Three "Quilts of Valor" were completed. These quilts will be gifted on November 11 (Veteran's Day) at the Lost Nation Legion's annual soup supper.

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One quilt was specially made for the Palomino Horse Breeders Heritage Foundation in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

### Need for DVIP

Domestic Violence Intervention Program needs forks and spoons. They can leave these items at the church. Any questions contact Rochelle.

### Confirmation Picture Display

The project of updating Confirmation photos that are missing from the back display carousel is underway. If you have a copy of photos from any of the missing years since 2004, please add a printed copy to the Memorial Fund mailbox in the conference room or send a digital copy to [jessica.ihns@gmail.com](mailto:jessica.ihns@gmail.com).



Deanne will be out of the office May 1-3, May 6-10 and May 25-June 1.

### Worship Assistants

#### May

**Usher:** Enos Ihns

**Communion Assistant:** Al Schroeder

**Lectors:**

5- pastor

12- Elsa Sullivan

19- Jone Paarmann

26- Tim Thiede

**Bread Maker:** Jone Paarmann

**Altar Care:** Diana Ihns, Deb Christiansen

**Teller:** Jone Paarmann

**Coffee Makers :**

5- Kathy Becker

12- Rochelle Busch

19- Marlene Hicks

26- Diana Ihns

#### June

**Usher:** Roger Kleppe

**Communion Assistant:** Enos Ihns

**Lectors:**

2- Pastor

9- Brent Ihns

16- Connie Kleppe

23- Jone Paarmann

31- Elsa Sullivan

**Bread Maker:** Tim Thiede

**Altar Care:** Kelly Doll, Sue Zeller

**Teller:** Brent Ihns

**Coffee Makers :**

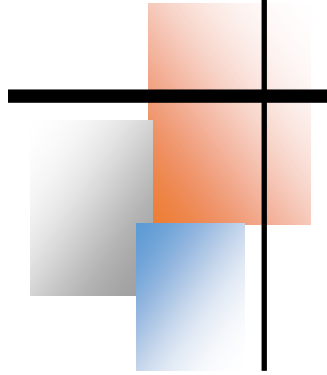
2- Connie Kleppe

9- Joan Kleppe

16- Jone Paarmann

23- Ellen Pithan

30- Ice Cream Social Set Up



# May 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Confirmation following early out	2 Pastor's Office Hours 1-3 PM	3	4 Pastor Gone May 4-5
5 Worship 9 AM Lector: pastor Sparks/Fellowship 9:45 AM	6 BWELCA Bd 6 PM	7	8 Confirmation following early out	9 Pastor's Office Hours 1-3 PM	10	11 Joint Circle 9 AM H/L: Marlene Hicks
12 Holy Communion 9 AM Lector: Elsa Sullivan Fellowship 9:45 AM	13	14	15	16 Pastor's Office Hours 1-3 PM	17	18
19 Council 8 AM Holy Communion 9 AM Lector: Jone Paarmann	20 CALENDAR ITEMS DUE for June	21	22	23 Pastor's Office Hours 1-3 PM	24	25 Pastor Gone May 25-June 20
26 Worship 9 AM Lector: Tim Thiede Fellowship 9:45 AM	27	28	29	30	31	Deanne Gone May 25- June 1

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**MAY/JUNE 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.