



**Bethlehem Lutheran Church
& Lambs of Christ Preschool**

**8th & Hawthorne Ave
Crete, Nebraska
(402) 826-4359**



**May 20, 2018
The Day of Pentecost
+Serving Today and Monday+
Rev. Art Brinkmeyer**

Sunday 9:00 AM Communion Service

**+Music: Jessica Brandt
+Lay Reader: Jon Garrelts
+Elders: Grant Kraus & Tiernan Creamer
+Video: Mike Malone
+Acolytes: Andrew Feeken & Hannah Wittstruck
+Greeters: Rod & Terri Kuss
+Coffee Servers: Dennis & Marilyn McElravy
+Flowers: Ray & Connie Rezabek**

Monday 6:00 PM Communion Service

**+Music: Leoda Yost
+Video: Deb Brixius/Emmy Boden
+Elders: Gene Creamer**

**BETHLEHEM EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
“*BUILDING ON A FIRM FOUNDATION*”**

AS WE GATHER

In the Nicene Creed we confess, “And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life.” This Third Person of the Trinity whom we celebrate today “proceeds from the Father and the Son.” With the Father and the Son He is both worshiped and glorified. This is God who has spoken by His prophets as today through Ezekiel He declares, “You shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O My people. And I will put My Spirit within you, and you shall live” (Ezekiel 37:13–14).

This He has done in the hearts of everyone who has heard His saving Word, from Adam and Eve to you. To emphasize the universality of God’s desire, today we recall that post-resurrection Day of Pentecost, when no barriers of language could hinder God’s work.

Jesus tells us that this Spirit He sends is from the Father. The Spirit comes to witness about Jesus and His work of salvation for all. That witness consists of both the truth about sin and about the Savior, Law and Gospel, to bring us to repentance and enliven our faith repeatedly, day by day as we live in His presence and the grace of God.

Scripture Readings & Sermon

Old Testament Reading – Ezekiel 37:1-14

Second Reading – Acts 2:1-21

Gospel – John 15:26-27; 16:46-15

Sermon “The Victorious Christian Life”



WHEN OUR LORD WILLS

- SUNDAY** **Russian Orphanage Sunday**
9:00 AM Worship/Holy Communion Service
10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship/SCRIP Orders
10:15 AM Sunday School/Bible Studies
- MONDAY** Last Day of M/W/F Preschool
6:00 PM Evening Worship/Holy Communion
6/7 PM Preschool Supper/Graduation
- TUESDAY** 5:00 VBS Planning Meeting
8:00 PM AA meeting
- SATURDAY** 9:00 AM Saturday Bible Study
- SUNDAY** **Preschool/World Relief Sunday**
9:00 AM Worship/Holy Communion Service
10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship/SCRIP Orders
10:15 AM Sunday School/Bible Studies

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In Our Prayers

Please take time this week each day to bring these petitions before the Lord of grace and mercy. And remember, without your call, we may not know you or your family need our prayers. 402-826-4359.



Those Requesting our Prayers: Camden Diedrichs, 9 yr. old son of Jill (Bargen) Diedrichs and Jeremy Diedrichs. Marian Terry, Prairie Brolhorst, Josophia Howard, Helenka Odvody, Mark Lautzenhiser, Rev. Nathan Ristvedt and family, Kathy Baker, sister of Patty Bauer, Ruth Mundt, Ruth Hatcliff, Diane L. Wendelin, John Rockenbach, Virginia Beckner (Vera Patton's Sister), Dwaine Doremus, the family of Ron Cook (Nellie Ristvedt's father), and in celebration of the birth of Henley Ann Novak, daughter of Kellen and Laura Novak.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Happy Birthday Wishes: **5/20:** Larry Steuer
5/21: Nancy Schlamann, Garrett Vyhnaek
5/22: Esther Beile, Angie Rimel, Kathy Spanjer
5/23: Nick Chrastil, David Rockenbach

Food Mart Receipts: Thank you to all who bring in their Food Mart Receipts. Our Preschool receives \$1,000 for every \$100,000.00 in receipts that we turn in. This week's total was \$2,734.49. We now have a grand total of \$83,394.59.



*50th
Anniversary*

50th Wedding Anniversary: You are invited to an Open House to celebrate Jim and Jane Fahrbruch's 50th Wedding Anniversary on Sunday, May 27, at the Brew House from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.



VBS Staff Meeting: will be held Tuesday, May 22 at 5:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. We are meeting to work on decorations, publicity, and other needs.



VBS Sign-up: is available in the entry Hallway plus we still need more volunteers to be group guides and helpers with games, storytelling, and in the kitchen.

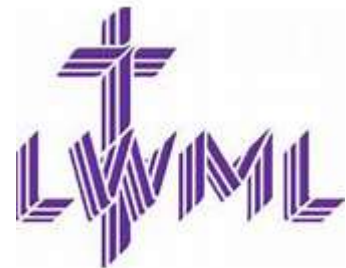


Sunday School: PS-6 th Grade will be meeting in the Downstairs Gathering Room. Jr High and High School will meet in the Youth Room.

LWML is Collecting Materials for School Kits:

Supplies needed are:

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| 5 notebooks | pink eraser | pencil sharpener | 5 pencils |
| 5 pens | rulers | 24 ct box crayons | |



All donated items can be left in the LWML Basket in the hallway.

LWML Prayer Service: You are invited to our LWML Prayer Service, June 10, at 6:30 PM here at Bethlehem. Cookie reception to follow in the Fellowship Hall.

LWML Prayer
Service



Looking for Sheets for Quilting: If you are cleaning closets or attending garage sales this spring, please remember that the quilting ladies are looking for old sheets to use as middles for our quilts. We can make any size work, even fitted. You may place them in the blue tub in the quilting closet. Thank you.

Acolytes:

May 20: Andrew Feeken & Hannah Wittstruck

May 27: Need Acolytes

June 3: Brady Nosal

June 10 & 17: Garrett Rockenbach & Jera Schuerman

