

Announcements for the week of
May 30-June 6, 2010
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WEEKLY GIVING/ATTENDANCE

Week of May 23, 2010:

Offered for the Lord's Work: \$4,387.00
May Mission Project-Iambi SS: \$1,146.00
Angel Fund: \$6,295.00
Worship attendance - May 23:
8:15 a.m. - 128 10:45 a.m. - 230

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:30 a.m. ~ Worship Service
10:30 a.m. ~ Coffee (Grounds for Joy)

TIMES SCHEDULE

*(Teens In Mission
Enthusiastically Serving)*

June 2 - finals week - no TIMES
June 9 - Senior celebration at Bray Park



Care Ministry

You are invited to share coffee and fellowship with our members residing at Pathstone Living Center. The event is on **Tuesday, June 8.** Join us for monthly communion at 10:15 a.m. and/or the coffee at 10:45. The Bethlehem Care Ministry Team hosts these periodic coffees to refresh our fellowship with our members who are unable to attend services on Sundays.

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Together We Can End Hunger in Minnesota!

After their Missing Meals study in 2007, Second Harvest Heartland set 3 goals to end hunger in MN: increase participation in local food shelves; increase summer feeding programs; and increase participation in the Federal Food Support program. You can help! Support your local food shelf – every dollar you give is worth \$9 in food. You or someone you know may qualify for food assistance. For more information, or to see if you qualify, contact Sydelle at (507)993-9187. Our mission is to end hunger through community partnerships. Please be a partner in ending hunger in Minnesota.

RADIO BROADCAST



To sponsor a radio broadcast in honor of or in memory of someone, sign up on the bulletin board near the church office. The 9:30 a.m. service is broadcast on KTOE 1420 AM every Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

BETHLEHEM MISSIONS

Echo Food Shelf Emphasis:

During the months of May and June, we'll be collecting personal care items.

Bethlehem's Mission Project for May:

Iambi Secondary School

Iambi SS is a boarding school in the small rural town of Iambi in Tanzania. They provide education for the first four years of secondary school. Student scholarships help students from poor farm families to get an education beyond primary school. To help provide scholarships for students, make a check out to Bethlehem and indicate "Iambi SS" on the memo line.

~ Community/Global Mission Board



The Sioux Trails Chapter of the American Guild of Organists

invites all to attend its annual Summer Noontime Organ Recital Series at Bethlehem, held at 12:10 p.m. on Tuesdays beginning on June 15 and concluding on August 24. This long-standing tradition in the Mankato area features performers from the Sioux Trails Chapter, as well as friends from other chapters. **Recitals are 1/2 hour long and open and free to all!**

Performers:

June 15	Ron Shilling
June 22	Verda Pape
June 29	Ames Anderson
July 6	David Mertesdorf
July 13	Nicholas Schmelter
July 20	Chad Winterfeldt
July 27	Charles Luedtke
August 3	Aaron Hirsch
August 10	Chad Fothergill
August 17	Matt Gerhardt
August 24	Christine Schulz

LECTIONARY FOR 6/06/10

First Reading: I Kings 17:17-24
Psalm: 30
Second Reading: Gal. 1:11-24
Gospel: Luke 7:11-17

IN OUR PRAYERS

Willie Hoppe	Janyce Struss
Glenn Saxton	Jean McDowell
Con Sletta	Eric Barnes
Arlene Stenzel	Chloe Elmgren
Rae Allan	Harvey Menk
The family of	Kathy Yale
Kent Skarpohl	

(Prayer request forms are in the pews and the office. Please place the completed form in the offering plate or in the Prayer Requests box in the narthex.)

Included in our prayers each week are several "sister" congregations of our SE Minnesota Synod of the ELCA. The Synod is focusing upon prayer this year, "A Synod Joined in Prayer," and is encouraging congregations to pray for one another. This week we pray for:

Garness Trinity Lutheran in Mabel
LeRoy Lutheran in LeRoy
Espiritu de Vida Lutheran in Columbia (partnered with LeRoy Lutheran in LeRoy)
Faith Lutheran in Delavan
Msange Lutheran in Tanzania (partnered with Faith Lutheran in Delavan)
Hegre Lutheran in Kenyon



Happy 50th Anniversary!

CONGRATULATIONS to Ron and Etta Poole, who will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on June 4!

TODAY IS HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY!

We call it, in theological terms, the doctrine of the Trinity. But rather than believing in three gods, Christians believe in one God who is manifested in three forms: God the Creator, the Incarnate God (Jesus), and God's (Holy) Spirit.

Theologian Henry Van Dusen thought of the Trinity in these terms: In God the Father, we see the ultimacy of God; in God the Son, we see the character of God; and in God the Holy Spirit, we sense the intimacy of God.

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ATTENTION ALL 6th-12th GRADERS!!

Looking for some adventure this summer? Have we got the solution for you! Join us as we tower through the trees over 200 feet in the air, canoe down a river, climb rock walls, hike, bike, goof-off, and have a great time at Eagle Bluff in Lanesboro, MN, **July 9-11**. Lodging in a dorm-type setting for two nights, with all meals and activities included. How much would you pay for this adventure of a lifetime? Act now and you can get all of this for the low, low price of only \$60! That's right--you get all activities, meals, lodging, and supervision by some really cool adults for the low price of \$60! Act now and you may get the opportunity to play some practical jokes on a certain youth director. Sign up now!

Dinner for Six (or Eight!)

It's time to sign up for our third session of Dinner for Six and be reassigned to a new group. We welcome new and old Bethlehem members, singles or couples, to consider joining this social event. There are no special requirements to participate, other than a desire to become better acquainted socially and to enjoy fellowship with one another at Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

Summertime is a great time for grilling out, and brunch works well, too. It doesn't always have to be a dinner, and you only host your group once. A sign-up sheet is in the office. Won't you please join us? The next session starts **July 1**. If you have any questions, please call Dee & Roger Saman at (507) 388-6756.



FROM OUR LIBRARY

The 7:00 a.m. Tuesday Bible study class at Best Western is studying Revelation. The library has seven reference books that could be a help in the study. They are found under the number 228. Several of these books are on display in front of the window. You are welcome to join the class for this study.

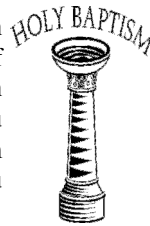


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The Lutheran Hour Golf
Save **Sunday, June 13**, for our annual Lutheran Hour golf outing at the Minneopa Golf Course. Tee-off time is 3:00 p.m., with hamburgers and dessert to follow at 5:30. A sign-up sheet will be in the office. If you have any questions, contact Dee or Roger Saman at 388-6756.

A baptismal font has been added to the northeast corner of the sanctuary. There is water in both baptismal fonts should you want to remember your baptism and cross yourself as you prepare for worship.



JOSEPH "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" will be presented here **next Sunday, June 6**, at our 9:30 worship service. Thank you to Roger & Dee Saman's daughter, Sara, of St. John's Church in Shakopee for this joint ministry effort.

Bethlehem will serve the Sunday noon meal at Salvation Army next Sunday, **June 6**. Tom and Betty Sanger and their team are in charge this time, but they welcome help from other members, too. If you want to donate food, funds, or your time, call the Sangers (388-5626). If you want to be on one of Bethlehem's 4 teams, call Bob and Susan Brown (387-2976). Each team provides and serves a Sunday meal to as many as 130 guests. Our participation in this community service opportunity is appreciated by many! Thank you!



Our Savior's Board of Endowment has a lot for sale on the west side of the Northridge area of upper North Mankato. Streets and utilities are in. The asking price is \$50,000, but the Board is willing to negotiate. If interested, please contact the Board chairman, Perry Eimers, at 387-1650 for additional information.



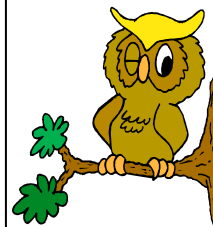
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Angel Fund!!

A member of Bethlehem has offered a generous gift of **\$10,000** if we step up to match this money for needed building repairs and maintenance. The projects include installing a new air conditioner in Grounds for Joy; updating the ladies' restrooms on the main and lower levels; completing State-mandated updates to our elevators; and repairing the sanctuary roof. Please make checks payable to Bethlehem and write "**Angel Fund**" on the memo line. Contact Jim Halbur (243-4115) or Bob Brown (387-2976) if you have any questions.



Join us on June 10 at 7:00 p.m. for Tai Chi (stress-free pain control). Remember: **Girlfriends Unlimited** is open to anyone for one time or every time.



The **OWLS** (Older, Wiser, Lively Lutheran Seniors) will gather on **Thursday, June 17, at 11:30 a.m.** in the Heritage Room for a potluck picnic without ants. Our entertainment for this event will be three magnificent performers: Jill Evenson, Laurie Rossow, and Christine Schulz. Please wear your name tags, as we are inviting Grace's seniors to join us. This is one great party that you won't want to miss! The hosts will be Bruce & Marilyn Barklow and Gary & Carole Morphew.

