



Sunday Announcements

Sunday February 18, 2024 – First Sunday of Lent

Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths.
Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation for you I wait all day long.
Psalms 25:4-5

ADULT FORUM | Today at 10:30am

Over the next few Sunday mornings, we will have presentations from various groups highlighting outreach and ministry opportunities here at BLC. Grab your treats and coffee, sit down at a table and join the conversation! Today we will learn more about The Connect Center with Cindy Parsons and Feb. 25th there will be a presentation on Dane's Place and Housing Needs.

SUNDAY EVENING SMALL GROUP | Last session of "The Holy Spirit"

Our last evening Zoom conversation will be this evening, February 18 at 6:30pm. Contact Pastor Amy for the link if you wish to join us.

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY | 10am | Croixdale Senior Living Center, 750 HWY-95

Please join Pastor Amy every Tuesday to dive deeper into understanding of Bible text through discussion and contemplation. ALL ARE WELCOME!

FRIDAY PRAYER CIRCLE ZOOM | 8am

Contact Pastor Amy for the Zoom link. pastor.blcbayport@gmail.com



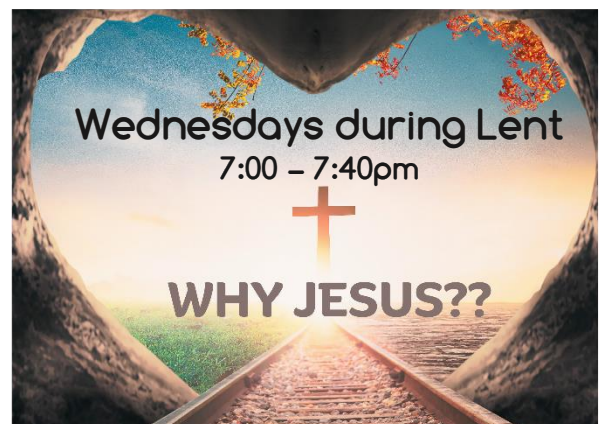
Invite Friends and Neighbors!

We will gather to enjoy a simple meal together before Wednesday evening worship for Lent

Soup starts at 6pm
Worship starts at 7pm

♡ THANK YOU ♡
LENTEN SIMPLE SOUP SUPPER CHEFS

21 February
Ann Gilman & Jenny Schoolman



Come, listen and reflect on stories of faith. As part of our Wednesday evening Lenten worship, individuals from the congregation will be sharing their "Why Jesus?" stories. They have been tasked with answering two main questions, "Why am I a Christian?" (or still a Christian) and "Why does Jesus matter to me?"

Feb. 21 Jenny Schoolman · Mar. 13 Daniel Baumgartner
Feb. 28 Tony Lesicka Mar. 20 Paul Goulette
Mar. 6 Ali Staloch

SUNDAY HOSPITALITY VOLUNTEERS ❤️

Please consider volunteering for our Hospitality Ministry. We share coffee/tea/juice and treats for our BLC family & friends following our Sunday worship service. This is a ministry that feeds both body and spirit as we strengthen our faith community by building relationships through fellowship together. See openings on the sign-up sheet in the Connection or chat with Julie Grams or Constance Nelson to learn more.

- **February 18** | The Harris Girls 😊
- **February 25** | Ginny & Dan Peulen



BETHLEHEM CALENDAR

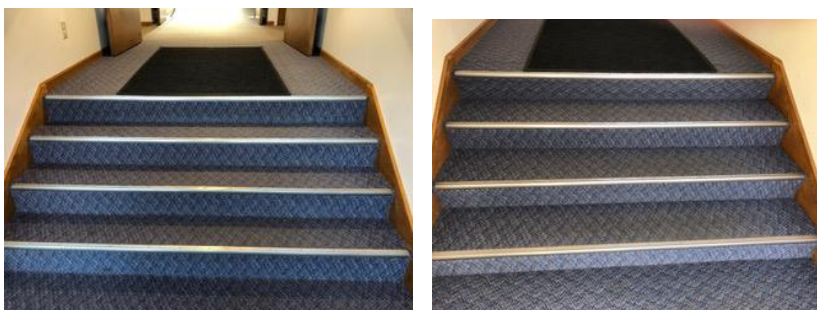
The current calendar is found on the Home Page of our website: <https://www.bethlehemstar.org/>

FRIENDLY REMINDER

Our building is not only used for worship and church activities, but we benefit our community by sharing our space with neighborhood groups and families to use as a gathering place. If you are planning to stop up to work on a project or enter the building at any time that is unusual, please be sure to check our calendar on the Home Page of our website: <https://www.bethlehemstar.org/>

THANK YOU

Many thanks to Colin Goulette for sharing his time & talents to creatively repair & upgrade our carpeted steps with this robust solution that he installed at both entrances to our Bethlehem Church!



HEARTFELT THANKS was our message to the AA group "Roll of Nickels" that meets every Thursday evening at Bethlehem. Members of this group raised their hands, shared their talents & time and provided financial support to complete an amazing repair & refurbishment of our basement kitchen dishwasher room. During their 8Feb24 open meeting, Pastor Amy presented each of the key contributors with lovely Serenity Prayer calligraphy artwork designed by Sonja Baumgartner and a framed prayer that will be hung in our BLC basement. We also presented a THANK YOU card signed by our BLC Council. Pony Preschool & Bethlehem provided a THANK YOU cake and Pony Preschool's children created a beautiful poster and individual valentines for all the AA & AI-Anon members. *Blessings abound!*



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GOT SNEAKERS

We are collecting SNEAKERS in the receptacle located near the Sanctuary.

BLC FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT | January 2023-2024 Fiscal Year

	January 2024				January YTD [Month 4]			
	Revenue / Expense		Variance		Revenue / Expense		Variance	
	Actual	Plan	\$	%	Actual	Plan	\$	%
INCOME								
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 17,129	\$ 21,210	\$ (4,081)	-19%	\$ 100,376	\$ 99,239	\$ 1,137	1%
EXPENSE								
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ 25,202	\$ 27,485	\$ 2,283	8%	\$ 100,394	\$ 103,088	\$ 2,694	3%
NET INCOME / (LOSS)	\$ (8,073)	\$ (6,275)	\$ (1,798)	-8%	\$ (18)	\$ (3,849)	\$ 3,831	4%
Line of Credit (current balance)			\$ 16,198					
Church Mortgage (current balance)			\$ 107,855					

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