



Sunday Announcements

Sunday March 3, 2024 – Third Sunday of Lent

The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple; the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes

-Psalm 19:7-8

EASTER MEMORIAL GARDEN | Orders Due Weds., March 13



You are invited to place a plant order for this year's "Memorial Garden". The plants will be arranged on the altar area of the sanctuary on Easter Sunday and may be taken home after the second worship service. Dedications will be printed in the Easter Sunday Bulletin. Lots of ways to order: scan the QR Code to order & pay online, submit a paper order form, or email the office.

ORDERS AND PAYMENT ARE DUE TO THE OFFICE BY MIDNIGHT ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13

ADULT FORUM | Today at 10:30am

Grab your treats and coffee, sit down at a table and join the conversation! Today we will learn more the BLC Foundation. March 10 the Bega Kwa Bega team will be sharing a presentation on our partnership with Tanzania, Africa.

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



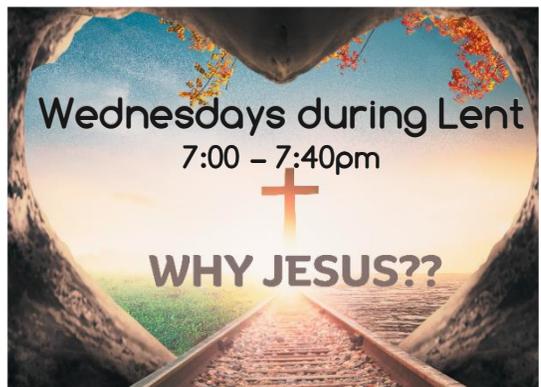
Invite Friends and Neighbors!

We will gather to enjoy a simple meal together Wednesday evenings before worship

Soup starts at 6pm
Worship starts at 7pm

♡ THANK YOU ♡
LENTEN SIMPLE SOUP SUPPER CHEFS

6 March
Mary Croft
Tracy, Matthew & Erin Wubben



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?"

Mar. 6 Ali Staloch
Mar. 13 Daniel Baumgartner
Mar. 20 Paul Goulette

SUNDAY HOSPITALITY VOLUNTEERS

See openings on the sign-up sheet in the Connection or chat with Julie Grams or Constance Nelson to learn more.

March 3 | Mary Croft & Amy Lesicka
March 10 | Available



BETHLEHEM CALENDAR

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

BABY KITS (LWR) | BLCW Thursday March 14 | 10am

Come join the Bethlehem Lutheran Church Women on Thursday March 14, at 10am and help pack Lutheran World Relief Baby Kits. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall due to a funeral being hosted in The Connection later that day. We have a good supply of all items except hand towels (Dark colors preferred) and mild 3 ounce soap bars, (wrapped). **A basket will be on the Welcome Desk for donated supplies until March 10th.**



CHILDREN, YOUTH and FAMILIES EVENTS! | Meal Packing and Camp!!

Save the Date
BLC CONGREGATION MEAL PACKING DAY!
SUNDAY - MAY 19TH - 11AM



MEALS FROM THE HEART

5600 Memorial Ave North
 Oak Park Heights, MN 55082



July 14th-19th
 4th -6th graders
 7th -9th graders

BLC membership discount \$55
 Scholarships are available See Pastor Amy or Ali.
<https://www.ultracamp.com/clientlogin.aspx?idCamp=561&campCode=lpb>



WAPO family camp
August 9th -11th




VALLEY OUTREACH | March is MN Foodshare Month!

We are partnering with Valley Outreach to collect non-perishable food items through March 31. Please bring donations to add to the grocery cart by the office or to the box in The Connection. Monetary donations are also welcome and can be stretched even farther when our efforts are coordinated with Valley Outreach. On Sunday, March 17 we will collect a special offering for MN Foodshare Month.



FUNDRAISERS | On-Going RAISERIGHT GIFT CARDS

Pre-purchase Gift Cards to give or use them yourself for everyday shopping. Scan QR Code



<https://www.raiseright.com/enroll?enrollCode=3CDI4Z9HKW27>

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					

Direct Online Giving
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