

## Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Pastor Eric Hullstrom  
201 4th Street NE, Buffalo Center, IA  
641-562-2552  
December 8, 2024 @ 9:30AM  
Second Sunday of Advent  
Organist: Cheryl Baumann



## Mission Statement:

***“Faith, Hope and Love  
Make us available  
To our neighbors  
Near and far.”***

Welcome and Announcements  
Greeting Our Neighbors  
Lighting of the Advent Candles  
Opening Prayer  
Opening Hymn

***“Prepare the Royal Highway”***

LBW #26

Brief Order of Confession & Forgiveness  
Kyrie  
Hymn of Praise

***“This is the Feast”***

LBW pg 56  
LBW pg 57  
LBW pg 60

Prayer of the day:

**Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of your only-begotten Son, that by his coming we may be enabled to serve you with pure minds; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

First Reading - Philippians 1:2-11  
Psalm 66:1-12

Page 1164 in pew Bible

Noisy Offering/Children's Message

Hymn of the Day

***“Comfort, Comfort Now My People”***

LBW #29

Gospel - Luke 3:1-14

Page 1020 in pew Bible

Message

***“Grace and Peace to You”***

Pastor Eric Hullstrom

Nicene Creed

LBW pg 64

Offering

Offertory

***“Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful, Lord”***

LBW pg 66

Offertory Prayer

Prayers of the Church

The Great Thanksgiving

LBW pg 68

The Words of Institution

LBW pg 69

The Lord's Prayer

LBW pg 71

Communion Hymn

***“Lamb of God”***

LBW pg 72

Distribution

Post-Communion Canticle

***“Thank the Lord”***

LBW pg 72

Post-Communion Prayer

The Blessing

Closing Hymn

***“Hark, the Glad Sound!”***

LBW #35

## December

\*8 - Elsa Adams Family and Ted & Darla Thompson  
 15 - Grant Jacobs Family & Josh Mathahs Family  
 22 - Julian Ernster Family & Rita Ellsworth  
 \*24 - Jesse Bosma Family & Jen McGrady  
 29 - Billy Jensvold Family and Randy & Jill Melz

## Calendar of Events

### December

Today - SS Program Practice, 10:45 am - Noon  
 Today - BC Tour of Lights, 5:00—6:30 pm  
 Dec 9 - Church Council Meeting, 6:00 pm  
 Dec 10 - Worship Committee Meeting, 8:30 am  
 Dec 10 - Quilting, 1:00 pm  
 Dec 11 - Confirmation - snack 6:45 pm, class 7:15  
 Dec 15 - Sunday School Program during Worship @ 9:30 am  
 Dec 18 - Confirmation - snack 6:45 pm, class 7:15  
 Dec 22 - Worship @ 9:30 am  
 Dec 24 - Christmas Eve Services, 4:30 & 9:00 pm

\*\*Every Monday - Coffee Hour 9:30 am @ Timely Mission

### Pray for our Members and Friends:

Ashley Cox	Emmagene Silber
Jaya Fever	Deloris Steffensen
Brian Bashans	Claire Rustemier-Hinz
Christina Coughlin	Carolyn Bartz
Roger Burnside	Joy Albert
Virginia Cooper	Darlene Hofbauer
Darlene Huston	Karen Buss
Penny Mitchell	Harlan Melz
The Family of John Vaudt (Curtis' brother)	
Pastor Mark Neumann (BLC's deployed pastor)	

### Important Upcoming Dates:

**Dec 15 - Sunday School Program with Worship,  
 9:30 am**  
**December 24 - Christmas Eve Services @ 4:30 pm  
 and 9:00 pm**

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## 2024 Church Council

Derek Thilges ~ President  
 Lisa Berggren ~ Vice-president  
 Thomas Blodgett ~Treasurer/Technology  
 Courtney Boekelman ~ Secretary  
 Kelsey Bosma ~ Stewardship  
 Lisa Berggren ~ Education  
 Darryl Friest and Teresa Cooper ~  
 Evangelism & Fellowship  
 Darla Thompson ~ Worship  
 Larry Lawson ~ Property

**12.01.24 Giving:  
 \$5,211**

**YTD Actual:  
 \$130,557**

**YTD Budget:  
 \$141,216**

**YTD Deficit:  
 -\$10,659**

**Attendance: 102  
 Online views: 48**

**\*HATS \* MITTENS\*  
 \*SCARVES\***

We are collecting hats, mittens, and scarves until December 16 for The Giving Tree. Please leave donations in the basket in the narthex. We appreciate your generosity!

**\*HATS \* MITTENS\*  
 \*SCARVES\***

## VANCO Giving

**Weekly, monthly, and on-demand giving is available through Vanco's app or you can scan here. Many of us have found this to be an easy and useful way to give. For more info or questions, contact Thomas B or Susan.**



Thank you to everyone that helped, in any way, during the Hanging of the Greens service. It was appreciated!

**"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."**

**- Isaiah 9:6**