

## Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran Church

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*Lutheran Hour* — Sundays 7:30 a.m. on WTIM 870 AM & 96.1 FM / [www.lhm.org](http://www.lhm.org)

### Third Sunday of Easter — April 14, A.D. 2024

#### Weekend Hymns

LSB 605, *Father Welcomes All His Children*

LSB 720, *We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight*

LSB 531, *Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus*

LSB 934, *My Soul Now Magnifies the Lord* Saturday evening

TLH 507, *Spread, Oh, Spread, Thou Mighty*



#### Scripture Readings for Home Devotions

**Third Sunday of Easter:** Exodus 32:15–35; Luke 6:39–49

**Monday:** Exodus 33:1–23; Luke 7:1–17

**Tuesday:** Exodus 34:1–28; Luke 7:18–35

**Wednesday:** Exodus 34:29—35:21 [ & 35:22—38:20]; Luke 7:36–50

**Thursday:** Exodus 38:21—39:8, 22–23, 27–31; Luke 8:1–21

**Friday:** Exodus 39:32—40:16; Luke 8:22–39

**Saturday:** Exodus 40:17–38 [ & Leviticus 1:1—7:38]; Luke 8:40–56

#### Offerings & Attendance Last Week

**Saturday, April 6** — Offerings: \$ **335.00** Attendance: **18**

**Sunday, April 7** — Offerings: \$ **1,143.00** Attendance: **29** Facebook **52** views

Today we ask our Lord to bless *Laverne Markert, Jane Wahlbrink* (Sunny Acres), and *Steve Fricke* (home) with health, and healing. We also ask Him daily to enlightens us more with the meaning of Holy Scripture.

#### Coming Events

**Sunday, April 14** (*Third Sunday of Easter*)

Sunday School {*Upstairs*} — 9:00 a.m.

**Holy Communion, Divine Service 1** {*Sanctuary & Facebook*} — 10:00 a.m.

Spring Voters Assembly {*Sanctuary*} — 11:00 a.m. or so

Menard County Singers Concert {*Sanctuary & Basement*} — 3:00 p.m.

**Monday, April 15**

District Pastors' Conference {*Our Savior, Springfield*} — 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Book Club {*Downstairs*} — 7:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, April 16**

District Pastors' Conference {*Our Savior, Springfield*} — 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 NOON

Concordia Village LCMS Communion Service {*Springfield*} — 1:30 p.m.

### **Wednesday, April 17**

Sunny Acres Devotions *{across the River}* — 10:00 a.m.

March for Life *{Springfield}* — 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

### **Thursday, April 18**

Countryside Estates Bible Study *{Live from Pastor's Study}* — 10:00 a.m.

Ladies Aid Society *{Downstairs}* — 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

### **Saturday, April 20**

Secret Sister Reveal Party *{Downstairs}* — 11:30 a.m.

**Holy Communion, Divine Service 1** *{Sanctuary}* — 6:00 p.m.

### **Sunday, April 21** *(Fourth Sunday of Easter)*

Sunday School *{Upstairs}* — 9:00 a.m.

**Holy Communion, Divine Service 1** *{Sanctuary & Facebook}* — 10:00 a.m.

Confirmation *{Downstairs}* — 5:00 p.m.

**Spring Voters Assembly** convenes ***THIS Sunday, April 14***, after 10:00 a.m. Service.

**Monday Book Club** are reading Katie Schuermann's "The Saints of Whistle Grove" on Monday evenings at **7:00** p.m. ***Everyone*** is welcome for discussion, refreshments, and building up one another in love!

**The March for Life** to protect both pre-natal babies and vulnerable senior citizens, and to promote pro-Life personal and social ethics will be Wednesday, April 17 in downtown Springfield. 10:00 a.m. Matins will be held at Trinity—LCMS across from the State Capitol followed by Lunch at State House Inn, 11:00 a.m. (where parking is available: car-pooling is encouraged). The Rally at Lincoln Statue, is 12:00 Noon, with the March around Capitol beginning at 1:00 p.m. Pray to our Lord that more people will "Choose Life."

**Boiler Update:** \$ 18,430 has been received as of March 31<sup>st</sup>, including our Saints Fund's matching grant. Donations may still be made for Building Fund, Boiler Repair, etc., through the end of April. Latest word that Collins had is that the original boiler manufacturer will fabricate a new condensation tank hopefully by the end of May. Fortunately, the Lord blessed us with repairs that kept the building warm during the coldest part of winter. Thanks to everyone for their patience, and for the blessed donations you have provided. God Bless!

**Our Ladies Aid Society** meets next on ***Thursday, April 18***, at **7:00 p.m.** Leading our Program will be Don Tucker who will tell us about his Missionary Journey to Spain. Our monthly Project donation goes to the New Salem Lincoln League. Our servers will be ***Jan Morgan & Hermina Stier***. As always, all the Ladies of our Community are welcome to attend every meeting! We will get you home by 9:00 p.m., so this will be a great way to retire at night helping the Lord's Mission Work far and wide!

**Lutheran High Auction.** We are stepping back in time to celebrate the Roaring 20s! Friday April 19th is the day for all you flappers and hep cats are invited to come together to support your Lutheran High School. Appetizers and desserts will be the fare of the day at \$50 per person. Contact the school office to make a reservation at 217-546-6363. Want to be a sponsor, make a donation, contact Kim Haynes at 217-679-1981 or **[k.haynes@spiluhi.org](mailto:k.haynes@spiluhi.org)**. We may not be cutting a rug, but we will be having a night of fellowship celebrating the blessings God has given Lutheran High!

**LWML District Convention Ingathering** donations being accepted through Wednesday, morning, April 24. A partial list follows here, with a full list in the April edition of ***The Bethlehem Star***: Eye glasses & cases; diaper wipes; diapers - newborn & sizes 5-6; newborn & toddler clothing – 2T and 3T, both boy and girl; burp cloths; new pacifiers; receiving blankets; baby shampoo & lotion (no powder or oil); small baby toys (teethers, etc.); baby bath towels; baby washcloths, all-purpose cleaners (Pine-sol, Mr. Clean); paper towels; toilet bowl cleaner; toilet paper; boxes of trash bags; sanitary products for women's shelter; canned fruit & vegetables; peanut butter, Hamburger Helper, shampoo, jelly, soup, toothpaste, cereal. Plus Checks payable to "Christian Family Care Center" or "Pregnancy Resources" or "Milan Christian Food Pantry." Thanks!

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