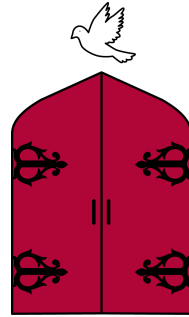


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Bethlehem Lutheran Church e-Blaze for April 10, 2025

Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday 9:30am - 3:30pm

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**This Sunday** is Faith Formation. Sunday School: Holy Week/Palm Sunday, Luke 19:28-40; 22:14—23:56. Adults: Life Learning Session in the Lounge.

**Lifelong Learning-April 13th session**

Shari Watts will engage participants in conversation about emergency preparedness and disease precautions. Shari reminds us: "If you don't consider every kind of emergency –you may not be ready for any." Join us to look at different types of trouble– what can you do that covers more than one situation?

A peek ahead:

April 27 - In our final Lifelong Learning session of Spring 2025, Pastor Karl Bierman, Gift Planner for IN-KY Synod, will share strategies for planned giving.

Image: Painting of Christ's Baptism from a hospital building in the United Kingdom. Source: Vanderbilt Divinity Library



BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN  
CHURCH MUSIC MINISTRY

presents

## three arias from J.S. Bach's ST. MATTHEW PASSION

A short meditative recital  
*immediately following the 10:30 service on*  
**Sunday, April 13**

*featuring*

Todd Rainer, tenor

Isabelle Calkins, mezzo soprano

Claire White, soprano

**Precentor's Note:** Singers in our choir are preparing three arias from J.S. Bach's St. Matthew Passion in observance of Passion Sunday. This little recital, featuring our new piano, will take the form of an extended postlude. Rather than inserting them into the morning's liturgy, we're saving them for the end to allow squirmy folks (young and old alike) the option of a shorter overall experience. If you love Bach, or music in general, or just a prayerful church sanctuary, you won't want to miss this, so plan your brunch times accordingly! The whole program, which will begin with an organ Prelude & Fugue by Bach, will conclude within 30 minutes of the close of our 10:30 worship service.

✠ HOLY WEEK ✠

			
SUNDAY OF THE PASSION	MAUNDY THURSDAY	GOOD FRIDAY	RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD
13 APRIL 7:30 & 10:30 AM	17 APRIL 7:00 PM	18 APRIL 12:00 & 7:00 PM	19 APRIL - 8:30 PM 20 APRIL 7:30 & 10:30 AM

 BETHLEHEM EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH  
526 EAST 52ND STREET ✠ INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46205 

Please join us for Holy Week:

- Thursday, April 17th 7:00 pm, Maundy Thursday

- Friday, April 18th Noon & 7:00 pm, Good Friday
- Saturday, April 19th sunset (8:30 pm) Easter Vigil & Reception  
(Childcare provided)
- Sunday, April 20st, Resurrection of Our Lord and Continental Brunch



# Art Supply Drive



**Crayons, markers, pencils and colored pencils.**

All donations are going to kids at Wheeler Mission Center for Women and Children to be creative and keep entertained.



This donation drive is part of Noah Tatum's capstone project at CF170. Items can be dropped off at Bethlehem Lutheran Church or the Tatum house.



Noah Tatum is doing an **art supply drive for Wheeler Mission** for his fifth grade capstone project at Center for Inquiry 70! He wants to focus on homeless kids in our community, and this is a tangible way to help those in need.

He would love it if his community at Bethlehem would consider donating markers, colored pencils, crayons, and paper, or make a monetary donation for his project so that he can purchase additional art supplies and materials.

His art supply drive will run through April 13. Any and all help would be so very much appreciated! Thank you, friends, for helping him learn about this important issue!



**Helping Hams:** Thanks to all who helped with Helping Hams last week, manually, financially, prayerfully, or all of the above. We successfully delivered 48 banana boxes packed with groceries to Lutheran Child and Family Services late Sunday morning. LCFS will identify at-risk households to deliver the individual boxes to through their social worker staff.



**Food Pantry Dropoff volunteer needed:** We are looking for a volunteer that would be willing to drop off donated food to Mid North Food Pantry (3333 North Meridian). Food donations from BLC are not on a consistent schedule, but we usually have food available for dropoff once a month. Drop off at Mid North FP is MWF mornings. If this is something you can help with, please let the [Nancy](#) know. Thank you!!



Lectors, Ushers and a Communion Assistant for **Easter Vigil** are desired on Saturday, April 19, at 8:30 pm. There will be a rehearsal beforehand. If you are planning to attend the Vigil service and are willing to help, please email [office@indylutheran.org](mailto:office@indylutheran.org) as soon as possible.



**Meals for the Daniell family.** As many may know, Dave had a accident in February. The family continues to stay with him at the hospital everyday. The Daniell's wonderful neighborhood started an informal "meal train" to feed the family. Laurie Seeber (coordinator) reached out to ask if we might want to help with food. If someone would like to take a meal to Dave and Shirley, here is Laurie's contact information: cell phone: 317-698-2226 (call or text either one); lseeber@aol.com.

Some details: a meal to serve 4 with some leftovers, leave meal in a cooler by the Daniells back door no later than 7 PM. Contact [Nancy](#) if you need their address.



**Young Adult in Global Mission: [Madeline](#)**

Madeline's most recent update (1/31/2025): can be read [here](#).



The **IYG Pantry** is running dangerously low on food for the LGBTQ+ youth that we serve. Can you support Indy's LGBTQ+ Youth by ordering much-needed items from our Amazon Wishlist. Click the [here](#) to order for a list of their most-needed items. If you would like to drop donations, you may do so M=F 10am-3pm at 3733 North Meridian St., 46208 or in the bins at BLC outside the church office.



If you have any questions about Stephen Ministry training and caregiving, please contact [Pastor Ken Ranos](#), [Abbi Todd](#), 253.905.3148, or [Shari Watts](#), 317.753.7323 for a confidential conversation.



## Can you find this week's shields?

13 April 2025: Sunday of the Passion - Palm Sunday — "Palm Sunday", purple (scarlet)

*Palms symbolizing Christ's entry into Jerusalem are placed on a circle of eternity suggesting the presence of the Trinity at this time of triumph.*

17 April 2025: Maundy Thursday — "Passion Cross", purple (scarlet/white)

*This cross with ends cut to points is also known as the cross urdee or cross champain. It represents the suffering of Christ.*

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## Ask The Pastor

Got questions about religion, Christianity, faith, church history, theology, worship, etc.? Send your questions to [Pastor Ken](#) and you'll find your answer featured in the weekly e-Blaze newsletter!

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BLC Members: David Daniell, Chervyl Lesher, Traci Rodgers, Carol Sternecker

Family of members: Carol Boyd, Chris Burke, Steve Clark, Melanie Cochran, Rich Grady, Rick Graverson, Eric Hanson, Sam Hazlett, Adam Hege, Kurt Hofbauer, Debi Koss, Jim Kovach, Elizabeth Kreppein, Heather Patrick, Jeremiah Ray, David Schmidt, Robin Serafin, Steve Smith, Barry Storlie, Mike

Friends of members: Father Michael Barton, Rita, Kristin Colber-Baker, Craig, Rosie Kepple, Deda M., Margo, Monica, Joseph Morone, Miss Perez, Werner Reicken, Jane & Jim Reinhart, Linda Ruisz, Wayne Russell, Judy Williams

*We offer our condolences to Stephanie Levine and family on the passing of her father, Stu Congdon.*

[Let us know](#) if you'd like to add/remove someone.

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## Upcoming Birthdays

4/10 Jennifer Wilson  
4/12 Hayley Alder, Sarah Joe Slover  
4/13 Gloria Price  
4/15 Jon Crabel  
4/16 Marta Ladrón de Guevara  
4/17 Bethany Champley, Al Ensley,  
Julie Champley Keck, Carly Quandt,  
Tyler Wott

## Upcoming Anniversaries

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## What's happening this week?

**TODAY**, April 10, 2025

**FRIDAY**

**SATURDAY**

**SUNDAY**, April 13, 2025

7:30 am Holy Communion (Spoken)

9:00 am Faith Formation/Adult Learning Session

10:30 am Holy Communion (Live & Streamed-YouTube)

11:45 Recital for Holy Week

**MONDAY**

6:00 pm Congregation Council Meeting

7:30 pm Women's Sharing Books

**TUESDAY**

7:00 pm Stephen Ministry Meeting (BLC)

**WEDNESDAY**

9:00 am Wednesday Walk (Crown Hill)

12:00 pm e-Blaze submission deadline

7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

**NEXT THURSDAY**, April 17, 2025

10:00 am e-Blaze arrives

7:00 pm Maundy Thursday (Live & Streamed - YouTube)

### [Church Calendar](#)

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#### **Serving This Sunday (Apr. 13th)**

Acolyte - Lucia Ladrón de Guevara

Lector - Ardy Hollingsworth

Children's Sermon - Juanita Keck

Communion Asst. - Barb Alder

Communion Prep - Lori VanEvery

A/V - Nancy Slover

Usher - M. Benson & P. Russel

Counters - B. Alder & G. Price

#### **Serving Next Sunday (Apr. 20th)**

Acolyte - Phoebe Tatum/Connar

Queck

Lector - Jennifer Scharbrough

Children's Sermon - Jennifer

Scharbrough

Communion Asst. - Jennifer

Scharbrough

Communion Prep - *needed*



A/V - Nancy Slover  
Usher - Rick Roberts  
Counters - B. Alder & G. Price

## Worship With Us

Sunday in-person Worship at 10:30 am  
Click [here](#) for 10:30 am Live-Stream

No Wednesday Evening Prayer this next week, 4/16

Maundy Thursday in-person at 7:00 pm  
Click [here](#) for 7:00 pm Live-Stream

[Click here](#) to access BLC's YouTube channel

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If you can help with any of these upcoming services please contact the [office](#)!

Got something to add to the e-Blaze? The deadline to [submit articles](#)  
is every Wednesday at noon!

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**serve.**



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