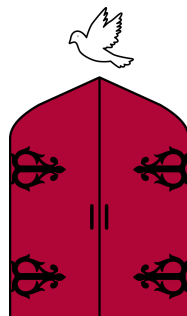


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Bethlehem Lutheran Church e-Blaze for April 17, 2025

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

317-283-6559

This Sunday is Easter Brunch (Continental). Please join us!

✠ HOLY WEEK ✠



SUNDAY OF
THE PASSION

13 APRIL
7:30 & 10:30 AM



MAUNDY
THURSDAY

17 APRIL
7:00 PM



GOOD
FRIDAY

18 APRIL
12:00 & 7:00 PM



RESURRECTION
OF OUR LORD

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

Our **Annual Meeting** will be on May 4th at 9:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. We will be electing a new council member, synod representatives, and next year's nominating committee as well as voting on a new budget. Please

plan on attending as we need 50 voting members to constitute a quorum.

From Bethlehem's Constitution and Bylaws: C8.02.c. "Voting members are confirmed members. Such confirmed members, during the current or preceding calendar year, shall have communed in this congregation and shall have made a contribution of record to this congregation. Members of this congregation who have satisfied these basic standards shall have the privilege of voice and vote at every regular and special meeting of this congregation as well as the other rights and privileges ascribed to voting members by the provisions of this constitution and its bylaws. They shall not have voted as a seasonal member of another congregation of this church in the previous two calendar months."

The **Budget Forum** will meet on April 27th at 10 am in the Library. This is an opportunity to see and discuss the proposed budget prior to the Annual Meeting/voting.



Our **next Service Sunday** will be May 4 which is also the date of the Annual Meeting. Therefore, we will be collecting donations throughout the month of May for Exodus Refugee <https://www.exodusrefugee.org/>. Right now, Exodus is most in need of the following items. All can be new or gently used unless otherwise indicated.

- **Cleaning Supplies:** trash bags (new), sponges (new), toilet brushes (new), laundry detergent (new), toilet paper (new), vacuum cleaners, brooms, mops
- **Bathroom:** bath towels, men's deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, women's deodorant, razors

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 Newest update (3/31/2025): 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?

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.

18 April 2025: Good Friday — "Crown of Thorns", black (none)

The crown of thorns with three nails woven into it and surrounding the monogram INRI is an ancient symbol of Christ's death on the cross.

20 April 2025: Resurrection of Our Lord - Easter Day — "The Bursting Egg", white

The egg is an important Easter symbol, especially in Eastern Europe. The bursting egg shell symbolizes Christ's emergence from the tomb.

Festivals and observances for which there is no shield:

19 April 2025: Resurrection of Our Lord - Vigil of Easter

21 April 2025: Resurrection of Our Lord - Easter Monday

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!



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

Family of members: *Beth Arnold (Lori VanEvery's aunt; end of life)*, 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, *Mark Seest (John Seest's brother; health concerns)*, 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, *Griffin (Slover's friend; leukemia)*, Judy Williams

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

Upcoming Birthdays

4/17 Bethany Champley, Al Ensley,
Julie Champley Keck, Carly Quandt,
Tyler Wott
4/19 Susan Lewis
4/20 Jeanne Luke, Ken Ranos
4/21 Claudia Seitz

Upcoming Anniversaries

4/18 Al Ensley & Jen Pittman

What's happening this week?

TODAY, April 17, 2025

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

FRIDAY

12:00 pm Good Friday (Live & Streamed - YouTube)

7:00 pm Good Friday (Live & Streamed - YouTube)

SATURDAY

8:30 pm Resurrection of Our Lord Vigil (Live & Streamed - YouTube)

11:30 pm Easter Vigil Reception

SUNDAY, April 20, 2025

7:30 am Holy Communion (Spoken)

9:00 am Easter Brunch

10:30 am Resurrection of Our Lord (Live & Streamed-YouTube)

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

9:00 am Wednesday Walk (Crown Hill)

12:00 pm e-Blaze submission deadline

6:30 pm Wednesday Evening Prayer (Live & Streamed - YouTube)

NO Choir Rehearsal

NEXT THURSDAY, April 24, 2025

10:00 am e-Blaze arrives

[Church Calendar](#)

Serving This Sunday (Apr. 20th)

Acolyte - Connor Queck
Lector - Jennifer Scharbrough
Children's Sermon - Jennifer
Scharbrough
Communion Asst. - Jennifer
Scharbrough
Communion Prep - Beverly
Emmons
A/V - Nancy Slover
Usher - R. Roberts & M. Benson
Counters - B. Alder & G. Price

Serving Next Sunday (Apr. 27th)

Acolyte - Lucia Ladrón de Guevara
Lector - Gloria Price
Children's Sermon - Ellen Rispoli
Communion Asst. - Traci Rodgers
Communion Prep - Beverly
Emmons
A/V - Nancy Slover
Usher - Marty Benson
Counters - B. Alder & G. Price

Worship With Us

Maundy Thursday in-person at 7:00 pm

Click [here](#) for 7:00 pm Live-Stream

Good Friday in-person at Noon & 7:00 pm

Click [here](#) for Noon Live-Stream

Click [here](#) for 7:00 pm Live-Stream

Resurrection of Our Lord (Vigil) at 8:30 pm

Click [here](#) for 8:30 pm Live-Stream

Resurrection of Our Lord (Sunday) in-person Worship at 10:30 am

Click [here](#) for 10:30 am Live-Stream

Wednesday Evening Prayer at 6:30 pm

Click [here](#) for 6:30 pm Live-Stream

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

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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