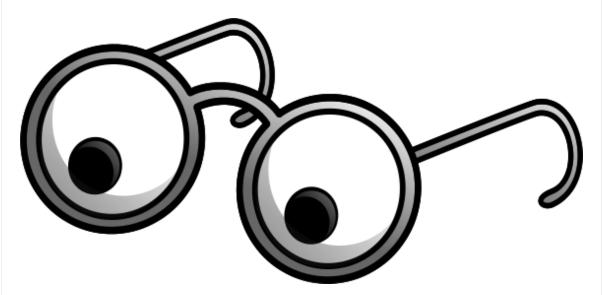


Bethlehem Lutheran Church e-*Blaze* for January 2, 2025 Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday 9:30am - 3:30pm 317-283-6559

This Sunday: Service Project Sunday and Unhanging of the Greens. See note below regarding the Service Project which begins at 9 am. Stay after the 10:30 am service to help take down the church decorations. Poinsettias may be taken home after church.



Service Sunday project this Sunday

We partner with the Lion's Club and are collecting and sorting eyeglasses for mission trips across the world. Their last mission trip was to Mexico, pre-Covid, where 43 volunteers took 65,000 pairs of eyeglasses and fit 9,000 glasses in one week. As you're doing your new year's cleaning, collect those old eyeglasses that have been hiding in the back of drawers to bring to church on January 5.

Young Adult in Global Mission: Madeline

Madeline's most recent update: you can read it 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 <u>here</u> 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 <u>Pastor Ken Ranos</u>, <u>Abbi Todd</u>, 253.905.3148, or <u>Shari Watts</u>, 317.753.7323 for a confidential conversation.



Can you find this week's shields?

5 January 2025: Second Sunday of Christmas — "Innocence of the Holy Child (Daisy)", white

Usually shown in a highly stylized form, innocence.

6 January 2025: Epiphany of Our Lord — "Epiphany Cross", white Sometimes called "cross crosslet", it is formed by four Latin crosses arranged so the bases overlap. It represents the spread of Christianity to the four corners of the earth. It is used for Epiphany when missionary ideals are stressed.

Festivals for which there is no shield:

1 January 2025: Name of Jesus

Ask The Pastor

Got questions about religion, Christianity, faith, church history, theology, worship, etc.? Send your questions to <u>Pastor Ken</u> and you'll find your answer featured in the weekly e-Blaze newsletter!



BLC Members: Roger Gregory, *Chervyl Lesher* (hospitalized after a fall)

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

Friends of members: Kristin Colber-Baker, Jeannie Galbreath, Stacey Keaffaber, Rosie Kepple, Lori, George L., Deda M., Margo, Lynn Medley, Monica, Joseph Morone, Miss Perez, Werner Reicken, Jane & Jim Reinhart, Linda Ruisz, Wayne Russell, Judy Williams

Let us know if you'd like to add/remove someone.

Upcoming Birthdays

1/2 Aidan Knutson, Cheryl Maddox 1/4 Toby Singleton 1/6 Lori VanEvery

1/7 Maddie Fanger, Erin Smith

1/8 Becky Kendall

1/9 Maggie Hopson

Upcoming Anniversaries

1/6 David & Anita Haggstrom

What's happening this week?

TODAY, January 2, 2025

FRIDAY

12:00 pm Men's Bible Study

SATURDAY

SUNDAY, January 5, 2025

7:30 am Holy Communion (Spoken)
9:00 am Service Project: Lions Club
10:30 am Holy Communion (Live & Streamed-YouTube)
11:45 am Unhanging of the Greens

MONDAY TUESDAY

7:00 pm Stephen Ministry (BLC)

WEDNESDAY

9:00 am Wednesday Walk (Crown Hill) 12:00 pm e-Blaze submission deadline 6:30 pm Evening Prayer 7:00 pm Wednesday Books 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

NEXT THURSDAY, January 9, 2025

10:00 am e-Blaze arrives

Church Calendar

Serving This Sunday (Jan. 5th)

Acolyte - Ben Levine
Lector - Jennifer Scharbrough
Children's Sermon - Ellen Rispoli
Communion Assistant - Lori
VanEvery
Communion Prep - needed
A/V - Nancy Slover
Usher - P. Russel & T. Wott

Counters - B. Slover & K. Alder

Serving Next Sunday (Jan. 12th)

Acolyte - Phoebe Tatum
Lector - Juanita Keck
Children's Sermon - MaryBeth
Wott
Communion Assistant - Traci
Rodgers
Communion Prep - needed
A/V - Nancy Slover
Usher - R. Roberts & P. Russel
Counters - B. Slover & K. Alder

If you can help with any of these upcoming services please contact the office!

Worship With Us

Sunday in-person Worship at 10:30 am Click here for 10:30 am Live-Stream

Wednesday Evening Prayer in-person at 6:30 pm Click <u>here</u> for 6:30 pm Live-Stream

Click here to access BLC's YouTube channel

Got something to add to the e-Blaze? The deadline to <u>submit articles</u> is every Wednesday at noon!

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