

Bethlehem Lutheran Church e-Blaze for July 18, 2024

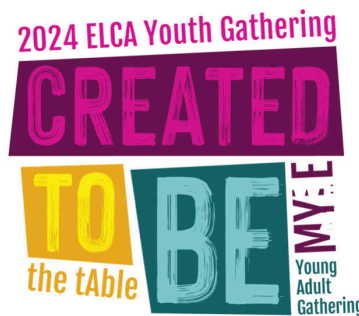
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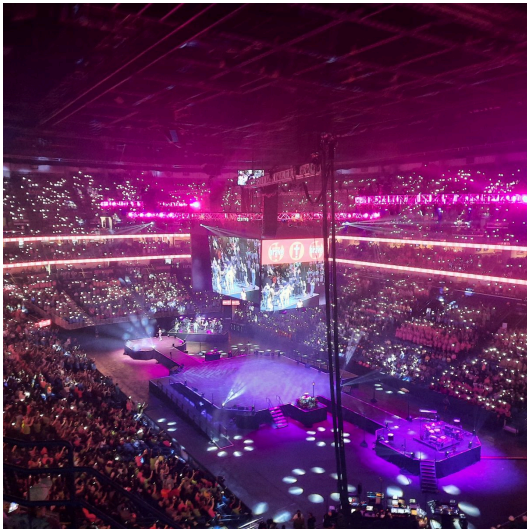
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**This Sunday:** Please stay after the 9:30 am service and join us for Lemonade on the Lawn. If you can help by bringing a treat, please let Jennifer Scharbrough know.

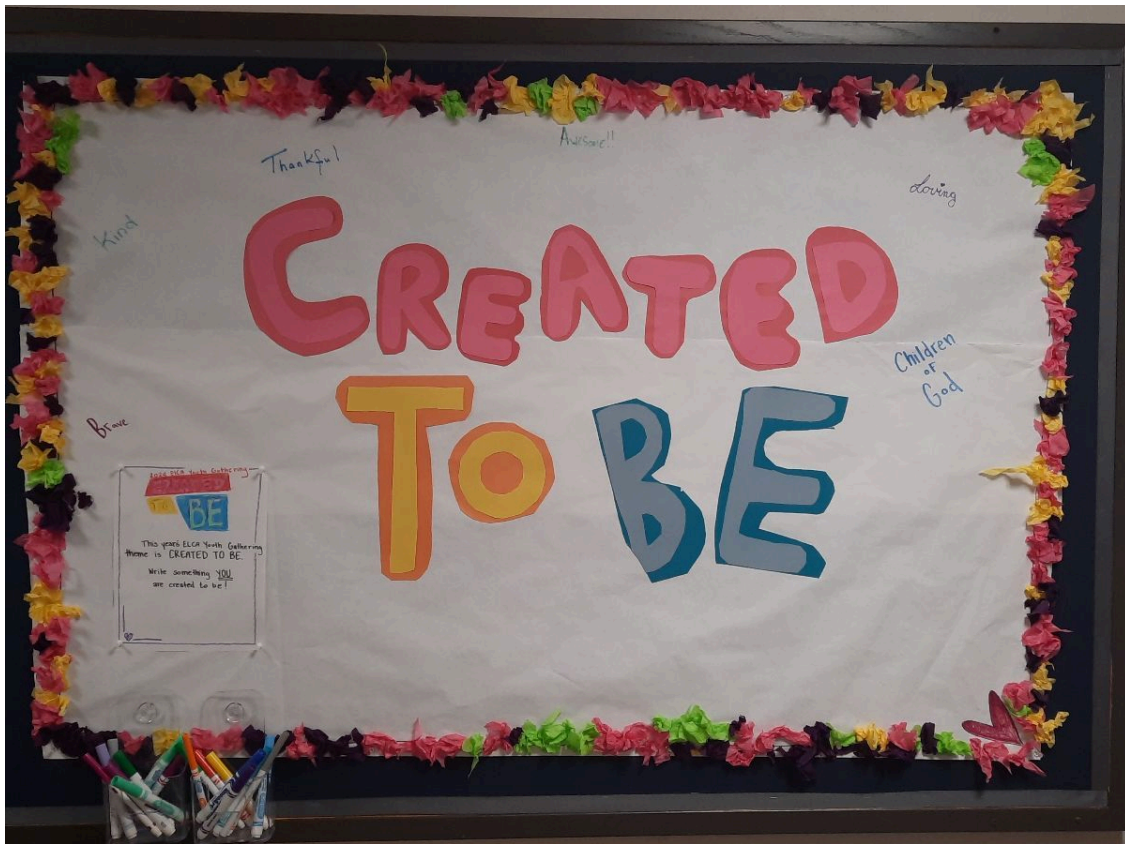
If you can help host a LOL on August 25th, please let [Jennifer Scharbrough](#) know. Thanks!



**ELCA Youth Gathering 2024:** Zazel, Sophia, Stephanie, Lydia, Candice, Madeline and Pastor Ken are attending the Youth Gathering this week. They return late Saturday night/Sunday morning. Please keep them in your prayers each day for safe travels and God's guidance in their endeavors.



The theme of the Youth Gathering in New Orleans is **Created To Be...** Next time you are into church, please take a minute to mark on the bulletin board, what you think God created you to be.



**Wednesday Walks** are moving to 8:30 am for the summer to beat the heat. Come join us any Wednesday at Crown Hill Cemetery Gothic Chapel for exercise, fresh air and fellowship!



Mark your calendars for a **Family Pool Party** at Devon Country Club on Tuesday, July 23rd. We will eat around 6:00pm but feel free to come any time after 4:00pm to swim and play. The church will cover admission for everyone plus a main dish. Please bring a side to share and your own drinks. This is a fun evening of fellowship that you don't want to miss. RSVP to Candice at [ctatum@indylutheran.org](mailto:ctatum@indylutheran.org). Hope to see you in the pool!



Bethlehem is having a **SERVICE PROJECT aiding Second Helpings** on Saturday, August 17, from 8:30am until noon. We need 15 volunteers aged 6 through adult. The work will involve cleaning out the agency's delivery vans, inside and out. We may help clean other equipment or areas of the facility. Light work that can be accomplished and enjoyed by children, parents, and adults. Participants should wear closed toe shoes. No flip flops or sandals. Shorts are ok, but no tank tops, long or short sleeves please.

Second Helpings is a major player in Nutrition Assistance in the Central Indiana area. Founded a little more than 25 years ago, it helps the area's nutritionally disadvantaged through three areas of involvement:

- Food rescue on a massive scale.
- Hunger Relief Kitchen. Daily, using the donated food, Second Helpings prepares approximately 5,000 meals that are delivered to more than 100 agencies in the Indianapolis area.
- Culinary Training. Second Helpings continually offers culinary training classes for unemployed and underemployed persons seeking a career in the food service industry. Since it's inception, more than 1,000 persons have been trained.

Come and spend an enjoyable morning serving a very worthwhile

organization. Signup sheet in back hall. Contact John Todd by phone (text/voice) 317-414-2607, or email [JPTodd@gmail.com](mailto:JPTodd@gmail.com), if you have questions. Thank you.

## More volunteers are needed:

\*Communion Assistants are needed to distribute communion during the 10:30 service. If you can help, please let the [office@indylutheran.com](mailto:office@indylutheran.com) know.



The IYG Pantry is running dangerously low on food for the LGBTQ+ youth that we serve. Are you able to help??

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.



## How have you seen God at work in your caring relationship?

"When I give my Care Receiver's concerns to God, when fellow Stephen Ministers support, reflect, and offer me wisdom, I know I am in God's presence and all things will work together for the future."

For more information about Stephen Ministry at BLC contact [Pastor Ken Ranos](#), [Abbi Todd](#), 253.905.3148, or [Shari Watts](#), 317.753.7323 for a confidential conversation.



## Liturgical Shields

In 1945, Pastor Don Elder created two shields decorated with liturgical symbols--one for the Epiphany of Our Lord, and one for Reformation Sunday. He organized an Ecclesiastical Arts Group in 1949 and proposed

decorating the entire ceiling of the sanctuary with similar shields to represent every Sunday, Principal Festival, and Lesser Festival celebrated in the church year at that time. Pastor Elder designed two series of shields (essentially the church year twice), 130 shields in total, and the EAG painted them, completing the project in 1952.

The shields don't always correspond to particular lectionary readings of the day, but they do draw on the themes for the seasons and incorporate symbols related to them. Each series runs from the top row to the bottom, from the front of the nave to the back.

These shields correspond to the Sundays and festival days of July this year in the South series:

21 July 2024: Time after Pentecost (Lectionary 16) — "St. Jude the Apostle", red (green)

A carpenter by trade, Jude's missionary vision took him on extensive travels with Simon. Thus, Jude's shield is a boat hook and a carpenter's square.

25 July 2024: James, Apostle; and 28 July 2024: Time after Pentecost (Lectionary 17) — St. James the Greater", red (green)

The scallop shell does not refer to St. James or any event in his life, but symbolizes him because the scallop shell was the badge of pilgrims to his shrine at Compostella, Spain. The scallop shell eventually became the badge of any Christian pilgrim.

Liturgical festivals for which there are no shields:

31 May 2024: Visit of Mary to Elizabeth

22 July 2024: Mary Magdalene, Apostle

--- Excerpts expand on the work of Sheryl D. Vanderstel, historian, in "Christianity and Community: A History of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 1923-1990".

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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: Roger Gregory, Bob Keck, Ken McCune, John Pitts, Todd Rainer, Nova Urban

Family of members: Chris Burke, Dean, Liz Cantey, Steve Clark, Melanie Cochran, Rick Graverson, Betty Griffis, Eric Hanson, Sam Hazlett, Adam Hege, Kurt Hofbauer, Deby Koss, Jim Kovach, Heather Patrick, Player family, Sharise Powell, Jeremiah Ray, Rich Scaer, David Schmidt, Robin Serafin, Steve Smith, Barry Storlie, Mike Todd

Friends of members: Kristin Colber-Baker, Jeannie & Marvin Galbreath, Stacey Keaffaber, Rosie Kepple, Judy Kreger, Lori, George L., Deda M., Lynn Medley, Joseph Morone, Brooke Feister O'Brien, Miss Perez, Werner Reicken, Jane & Jim Reinhart, Linda Ruisz, Wayne & Michelle Russell, Judy Williams, Wendy

*We offer our condolences to Vicki Queck and family on the passing of her mother, Pamela Ann Harding.*

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

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### **Upcoming Birthdays**

7/19 Marty Benson, Jean Hornback  
7/21 Zach Heider  
7/22 Stephanie Barringer, John Lewis, Jordan Ranos  
7/24 Fitz Gramlich, Caroline Mahan-Gregory  
7/25 Karen Roberts

### **Upcoming Anniversaries**

7/19 Libby Price & Buster Landin  
7/23 Jeanne & John Luke  
7/24 Laura & Adam Leininger

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### **What's happening this week?**

**TODAY**, July 18, 2024

**FRIDAY**

**SATURDAY**

**SUNDAY**, July 21, 2024

7:30 am Holy Communion (Spoken)

9:30 am Holy Communion (Live & Streamed - YouTube)

10:45 am Lemonade on the Lawn

**MONDAY**

**TUESDAY**

**WEDNESDAY**

8:30 am Wednesday Walk (Crown Hill)

12:00 pm e-Blaze submission deadline

6:30 pm Evening Prayer

7:00 pm Wednesday Books

**NEXT THURSDAY**, July 25, 2024

10:00 am e-Blaze arrives

### [Church Calendar](#)

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#### **Serving This Sunday (July 21st)**

Lector - Mary Lapworth

Acolyte - Kingston Queck

Communion Asst. - *needed*

Children's Sermon - MaryBeth  
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Usher - Erik Tysklind

A/V - Nancy Slover

Communion Setup - Lori VanEvery

Counters - J. Smith & N. Slover

#### **Serving Next Sunday (July 28th)**

Preacher - Zazel Bredehoeft

Worship Assistants - Sophia

Levine/Lydia Tatum

Lector - Kai Beatty

Acolyte - Phoebe & Noah Tatum

Communion Asst. - Caroline

Mahan-Gregory

Children's Sermon -

Usher - Lennox Barringer/Jordan  
Ranos/

A/V - Nancy Slover

Communion Setup - Lori VanEvery

Counters - J. Smith & K. Steele

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

### **Worship With Us**

Sunday in-person Worship at 9:30 am



Click [here](#) for 9:30 am Live-Stream

Wednesday Evening Prayer in-person at 6:30 pm

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

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

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



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