



Bethlehem Star

Bethlehem Lutheran Church | Evangelical Lutheran Church of America | August, 2023

SOME PEOPLE ARE LIKE POTATOES....

Some people are very bossy and like to tell others what to do, but don't want to soil their own hands. They are called "Dick Tators".

Some people never seem motivated to participate, but are just content to watch while others do the work. They are called "Speck Tators".

Some people never do anything to help, but are gifted at finding fault with the way others do the work. They are called "Comment Tators".

Some people are always looking to cause problems by asking others to agree with them. They are called "Agie Tators".

There are those who say they will help, but somehow just never get around to actually doing the promised help. They are called "Hezzie Tators".

Some people can put up a front and pretend to be someone they are not. They are "Emma Tators".

Then there are those who love and do what they say they will. They are always prepared to stop whatever they are doing and lend a helping hand. They bring real sunshine into the lives of others. They are called "Sweet Tators".

"Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. AMEN

Blessings be!
Ro

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9:00 a.m. Worship Service



Everyone, keys or no keys, please be aware that the north inside door needs to be latched at the bottom of the door before locking both doors together. If this doesn't happen anyone can pull both doors at the same time and they are in the church. This has happened several times and it is up to the last one out of the Church to make sure we are vigilant.

Thank you!
 Marsha

WELCOME OUR NEW PASTOR

Sunday, July 23rd was a Special Congregational Meeting. After the meeting was called to order, Balloting began.

#1 The recommendation from the Call Committee and the Council to Call Deacon Ro Fesser for part time leadership.

#2 The Compensation Package of \$40,000 salary plus benefits (housing, Social Security, and continuing education)

The tally of the ballots was 31 pro, 2 con, and one abstention for both ballots.

We will extend the Call to Deacon Ro and upon her acceptance proceed with documents. We will have our visiting pastors preach one more Sunday, each, in August.

Thank you to everyone who attended and voted!

We are blessed!
 Marsha Mills



REQUESTS — FOR — PRAYER

Please pray for the following
who have been submitted
to our prayer list:

The family of Kari Linker

Lane Morrow

Tom Morrow

The family of Ginny Mahea

Garnet Leys

Wanda Rains

Zach Griffith

Dave Madsen

Lori Bostrom

Collene Travers



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

August Birthdays

Roger Castrup	4th
Pat Herbst	9th
Coree Kane	9th
Ardelle Bruce	10th
Doris Miner	19th
Larry Johnson	21st

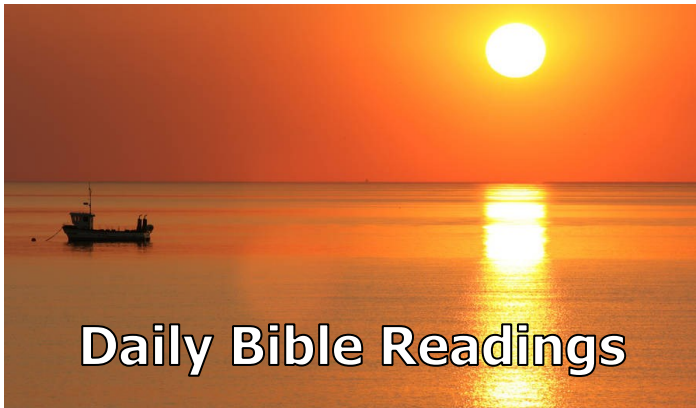


AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

August Anniversary

Bill & Sharon George	12th
Larry & Marsha Mills	18th
Pete & Janet Krohn	26th

*Please call the church office if there is an
error or omission.*



Tuesday, August 1
Psalm 119:121-128
1 Kings 4:29-34
Ephesians 6:10-18

Wednesday, August 2
Psalm 119:121-128
Proverbs 1:1-7, 20-33
Mark 4:30-34

Thursday, August 3
Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21
Proverbs 10:1-5
Philippians 4:10-15

Friday, August 4
Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21
Isaiah 51:17-23
Romans 9:6-13

Saturday, August 5
Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21
Isaiah 44:1-5
Matthew 7:7-11

Sunday, August 6
Isaiah 55:1-5
Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21
Romans 9:1-5
Matthew 14:13-21

Monday, August 7
Psalm 78:1-8, 17-29
Deuteronomy 8:1-10
Romans 1:8-15

Tuesday, August 8
Psalm 78:1-8, 17-29
Deuteronomy 26:1-15
Acts 2:37-47

Wednesday, August 9
Psalm 78:1-8, 17-29
Exodus 16:2-15, 31-35
Matthew 15:32-39

Thursday, August 10
Psalm 85:8-13
1 Kings 18:1-16
Acts 17:10-15

Friday, August 11
Psalm 85:8-13
1 Kings 18:17-19, 30-40
Acts 18:24-28

Saturday, August 12
Psalm 85:8-13
1 Kings 18:41-46
Matthew 16:1-4

Sunday, August 13
1 Kings 19:9-18
Psalm 85:8-13
Romans 10:5-15
Matthew 14:22-33

Monday, August 14
Psalm 18:1-19
Genesis 7:11—8:5
2 Peter 2:4-10

Tuesday, August 15
Psalm 18:1-19
Genesis 19:1-29
Romans 9:14-29

Wednesday, August 16
Psalm 18:1-19
Job 36:24-33; 37:14-24
Matthew 8:23-27

Thursday, August 17
Psalm 67
Isaiah 45:20-25
Revelation 15:1-4

Friday, August 18
Psalm 67
Isaiah 63:15-19
Acts 14:19-28

Saturday, August 19
Psalm 67
Isaiah 56:1-5
Matthew 14:34-36

Sunday, August 20
Isaiah 56:1, 6-8
Psalm 67
Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32
Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28

Monday, August 21
Psalm 87
2 Kings 5:1-14
Acts 15:1-21

Tuesday, August 22
Psalm 87
Isaiah 43:8-13
Romans 11:13-29

Wednesday, August 23
Psalm 87
Isaiah 66:18-23
Matthew 8:1-13

Thursday, August 24
Psalm 138
Ezekiel 28:11-19
1 Corinthians 6:1-11

Friday, August 25
Psalm 138
Ezekiel 31:15-18
2 Corinthians 10:12-18

Saturday, August 26
Psalm 138
Ezekiel 36:33-38
Matthew 16:5-12

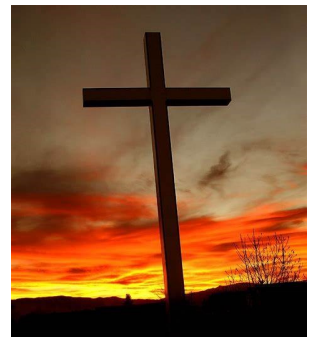
Sunday, August 27
Isaiah 51:1-6
Psalm 138
Romans 12:1-8
Matthew 16:13-20

Monday, August 28
Psalm 18:1-3, 20-32
1 Samuel 7:3-13
Romans 2:1-11

Tuesday, August 29
Psalm 18:1-3, 20-32
Deuteronomy 32:18-20, 28-39
Romans 11:33-36

Wednesday, August 30
Psalm 18:1-3, 20-32
Isaiah 28:14-22
Matthew 26:6-13

Thursday, August 31
Psalm 26:1-8
Jeremiah 14:13-18
Ephesians 5:1-6



We thank those who offer their gifts in leading worship this month!

August 2023	6	13	20	27
Deacon	Marsha Mills			
Reader	Kim Redden	Deb Johnson	Sharon George	Jeanne Wuest
Altar Guild	Jeanette Dehning			
Usher	Jeanette Dehning			
Sunshine Committee	June Hansen			
Clavinovist		Kim Pflug		
Pastor	Sonja Pancoast	Chuck Hubbard	Dan Bollman	

	6/25	7/02	7/09	7/16	7/23
Attendance	29	30	30	26	34

BLC Congregation Council Members & Officers

Congregation Council is the core leadership body of the congregation, charged with overseeing and directing the life and mission of our church. We encourage you to talk with them! Please pray for their ministry as they provide leadership to BLC.

Marsha Mills, President 970-768-1562

Deb Johnson, Vice-President 970-842-5633

Marisa Ford-Castrup, Secretary 303-502-7459

Kim Redden, Treasurer 970-380-9727

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Kevin DeKorte 970-867-2238

Beth Hocheder 970-768-3888

Isaac Linker 970-520-1989

Terry Linker 970-768-1099



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Bethlehem Lutheran Church Congregational Council Meeting Minutes July 2, 2023

The meeting was brought to order by Church Council President Marsha Mills at 9:54 am. Members present were Marsha Mills, Deb Johnson, Kim Redden, Beth Hocheder, Kevin DeKorte and Jeanette Dehning. Also present were Call Committee members Steve Rohde, Jim Christensen and Todd Morgan.

Marsha opened the meeting with prayer. Call Committee Chairman Steve Rohde then was given the floor. He told us they interviewed Ro Fesser who would like a part-time position, and Angela Chacon who is interested in a full time position.

Ro was interviewed June 20 for a part-time position of 20-25 hours per week. She would like an "Open Call" so no contact would be needed. There is a document for Open Call. Ro would like to get in four years so she can get a pension. She would like to increase attendance by 20%.

Angela retired from the military after 20 years. She has been a teacher and a caregiver. She graduated from seminary in 2022. She loves to garden. She would like full-time.

The Call Committee recommends Ro on a 3-1 vote. Now council needs to decide which candidate they prefer. We will be getting copies of the candidates answers to questions. WE ARE TO PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER AND EMAIL OUR CHOICE TO MARSHA NO LATER THAN THURSDAY, JULY 6, 2023.

The Call Committee at this point have finished their job. We thank them for all the time they spent getting us to this point!

It is now up to Church Council. We discussed salary for each. We came to a consensus of approximately \$40,000 per year plus two weeks vacation for Ro. For Angela it is \$50,000 to \$52,000 with three weeks vacation. Angela is basically a new pastor and Ro has many years of experience.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:48am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jeanette Dehning,
Church Council Member

Bethlehem Lutheran Church Special Congregational Meeting Minutes July 23, 2023

Meeting with the congregation was held after church to vote on #1- The decision to have Ro Fesser come to call for BLC. A motion was made by Jeanette Dehning and second by Pat Chase. The vote was 31 in favor of 2 against and 1 abstained. #2 was the compensation package for Ro Fesser. A motion was made by Carol Livengood and second by Kim Redden. The vote was 31 in favor of, 2 against and 1 abstained.

Bethlehem Lutheran Congregational Council Meeting

July 13, 2023

Present: Marsha Mills, Deb Johnson, Kim Redden, Marisa Ford-Castrup, Beth Hocheder, Jeanette Dehning, Kevin DeKorte.

Marsha opened the meeting with Prayer.

Approval of minutes from last meetings: Beth moved to accept minutes from June 8, 2023, Jeanette second, all approved. Kim moved to accept minutes from June 11, 2023, Jeanette second, all approved. Beth moved to accept minutes from July 2nd, 2023, Kim second, all approved.

Treasurer/ Financial Secretary Report: Jeanette moved to accept reports, Beth second, all approved.

Deacon Ro report: Jeanette moved to accept the report, Deb second, all approved.

Correspondence: Jeanette let us all know she asked Marin Bostrom to be usher for month of August, and Marin said she would do that.

Old Business: 1) Security System- will be 2700.00 with Buzz Electric. Deb moved to accept bid, Kim second, all approved. 2) Standard Glass windows; The one by the furnace room has been replaced, they will bring back measured glass to replace, rest of broken windows on north side of Fellowship Hall. 3) God work, Our hands- we would like to help people of our own congregation. It will be in September. 4) Donations/ Giving level: After discussion, council decided to give larger amounts of the contributions to Eben Ezer will be \$700.00, Kuwaa will be \$700.00, and Indian Oaks will be \$200.00. These are double what we have been giving. Deb so moved, Beth second, all approved.

New Business: 1) Ballot review- Deacon Ro will be called to call for BLC. Salary Package of \$40,000.00 with benefit package equaling 52,293.00. Benefits include her rent, S.S., education and Seminar. Jeanette moved to accept as is, Beth second, all approved. 2) Ryan Sutherland was contacted about coming to do appraisal The repairs need to be done. Marsha will contact White Castle Roofing to get bid. Deb moved to accept on our Church for damages from the hail storm, Jeanette second, all approved. Our ins company will pay the hail damage after we pay 1% which is \$28,000.00. If we are able to fix the damage for less, we will not file an insurance claim.

August Deacon: Matt Gardner, Usher: Marin Bostrom.


Next council meeting; August 10, 223.

Meeting Adjourned with The Lord's Prayer.

Minutes submitted by Marisa Ford-Castrup

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August, 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
august		1 Terresa here 8-2 1:30pm Bible Study	2 10:00am Kari Linker Service 22460 Road Q 1pm reception at The Place, Hillrose	3 9:00am Quilting	4	5
6 10th Sunday of Pentecost 9:00am Worship Sonja Pancoast	7	8 1:30pm Bible Study	9	10 6:30pm Council Meeting 9:00am Quilting	11	12 9:00am Prairie Parish at Peace in Akron
13 11th Sunday of Pentecost 9:00am Worship Chuck Hubbard	14	15 1:30pm Bible Study 6:00pm PEO	16	17 9:00am Quilting	18	19 
20 12th Sunday of Pentecost 9:00am Worship Dan Bollman	21	22 1:30pm Bible Study	23	24 9:00am Quilting	25	26
27 13th Sunday of Pentecost 9:00am Worship	28	29 1:30pm Bible Study	30	31 9:00am Quilting		