

Mission Statement

Suburban Bethlehem Lutheran Church & School disciples each generation to grow deeply, serve humbly and go boldly in Christ to advance God's Kingdom.

We are blessed with you in worship today and we pray you are encouraged by God's love. We invite you to complete an attendance card that was handed out with this bulletin - guests of Suburban Bethlehem please use the green side of the card and place it in the offering plate. We are in the part of the church year known as "The Season of the Church." This is the time for the church to grow in our spiritual depth and understanding of God's Word. As the plants in the fields grow so we grow in the Son! Welcome to worship!!

Fall Worship Schedule

SATURDAY:

5:00 pm Informal Worship (*in Fellowship Hall*)

SUNDAY:

8:00 am Traditional Worship Service

9:30 am Education Hour – All Ages

10:30 am Contemporary Worship Service

DRIVE-IN WORSHIP

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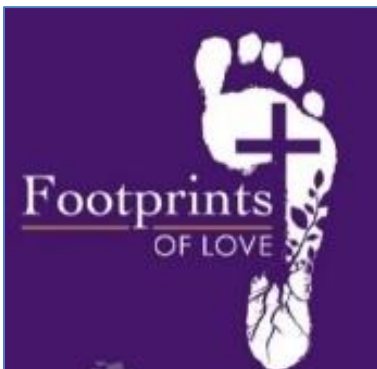
Suburban Bethlehem

Lutheran Church & School

Deeply rooted to grow

6318 W. California Rd
Ft. Wayne, IN 46818

October 10 (9), 2021
Twentieth after Pentecost



"Do justice...love mercy...walk humbly with your God." The Spirit of God inspired the prophet Micah to write this to encourage his fellow children of God to live in God's love and grace. This is our theme for the 2021-22 Ministry Year. We praise God you are with us today in worship and we pray that will join us in living and proclaiming this good news of Jesus!

Bible Study
Sunday Morning

Main Bible Study

RW360 Discover Relational Wisdom Course at 9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. This course will bring you resources that enable emotions to take their rightful place in the growth of Spiritual Transformation in Christlike habits that propel our relationships toward satisfaction in sharing the love of God by loving the Lord our God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength and our neighbors as ourselves.

Sunday School (2yr – 5th grade) at 9:30am-10:15am. “Enduring Faith” is the name of our curriculum, but it also is what we want to develop through our program: the faith in Jesus Christ that endures. This year the Biblical stories and lessons will focus on the New Testament. (Meet in the gym)

Youth Bible Study, “Anchored” Sundays, 9:30am-10:15am. Meet in the Youth Room. In this Bible study we draw and discuss life lessons from Jesus “seaside” adventures. Let’s “dive” into these adventures.

Saturday

Men’s Saturday Morning Bible Study (8:00 am – Upper Room) We are a small group that enjoys fellowship and the study of God’s Word for an hour every Saturday morning. If you have any questions, please call Dan Schwarz 637-8318.

Saturday Mid–Morning Men’s Bible Study meets in the Upper Room from 9:30 am-10:30 am. “Building Stronger Relationships.” Facilitated by Tim Mueller you may contact him at 438-1149 or at timothy123mueller@gmail.com for information.

During the Week

Monday Night Women’s Bible Study Please join us in the Fellowship Hall at 7 pm to study “Seasons of a Woman’s Life” by Lois Evans. Call or text Tina Harmeyer at 310-0367 with any questions.

Tuesday Evening Women’s Bible Study meets via ZOOM at 7:00 pm. “Jesus in Me” a Bible Study by Anne Graham Lotz. Contact Patty Willyard at 247-0788 for more information.

Wednesday God’s Girls Bible Study will meet on Wednesdays from 8:00 am-9:30 am in the Upper Room. Or by Zoom 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm. “The Mighty & The Mysterious” A study of Colossians by Heidi Goehmann. Contact Diana Taylor at 260-413-8157 by text for questions.

His Love – Our Response

Attendance

October 2 & 3, 2021

28+140 + 170 = 338

Worship Video viewed 62

Bible Study 49 Youth 7 Sunday School 13 =69

| Weekly | Actual | Budget |
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| General Fund | \$23,199.28 | \$ 17,436.33 |
| Building Fund | \$2,050.00 | \$ 3,089.47 |
| Building Fund /Memorials | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| YTD | Actual | Budget |
| General Fund | \$265,263.90 | \$244,108.62 |
| Building Fund | \$22,518.00 | \$43,252.58 |
| Building Fund /Memorials | 19,155.00 | 0.00 |

Positive change begins with your generosity.

October 10-October 16, 2021

Sunday: Worship Services 8:00, 10:30am

Drive-in Worship Service audio only available

Education Hour 9:30 am Main Bible Study, Youth Bible Study, Sunday School.

Monday: Jerry Batchelder Visitation 4-8 pm

Stephen Ministry 5:30 pm

Handbell Choir 6:00 pm

PTO Meeting 6 pm

Women’s Bible Study 7:00 pm

Tuesday: Jerry Batchelder Visitation 10-11 am

Jerry Batchelder Funeral 11:00 am

“Live, Love, Grow 1:30 pm

Redeemed 6:30 pm

Board of Elders 7:00 pm

Women’s Bible Study via Zoom 7:00 pm

Wednesday: Chapel 8:15 am

Doris Gordon Visitation 10 am-Noon

Doris Gordon Committal Noon

God’s Girls Bible Study 8:00 am

SBLS Fall Sports Awards 6:00 pm

RW 360 Bible Study 6:30 pm

Women’s Bible Study via Zoom 7:00 pm

Thursday: School Board 6:30 pm

Saturday: Worship Service 5:00 pm

Men’s Bible Study 8:00 am

LWML Fall Rally 9 am

Saturday Mid-morning Men’s Bible Study 9:30 am

Frederick & Cottrell Wedding 2 pm

Please Welcome Our New Fieldworker Adam

Nieting and his wife, Emily from Asheville, NC.

Worship Leaders

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| Preacher: | Pastor Bill Mueller |
| Liturgist: | Pastor Alex Duff |
| Acolyte: | (8:00) Rafael Greener |
| | (10:30) RJ Coburn |
| Altar Guild: | Nancy DeFrain |
| Musicians: | (5:00) Thomas Wilson |
| | (8:00) Renee Marinko |
| | (10:30) Redeemed |
| Greeters: | (5:00) Barb Rentschler |
| | (8:00) Jerry & Karen Bickle |
| | (10:30) Barb Linnemeier |

***DCE / Deaconess Call Update** The Search Committee has forwarded four names to the Board of Elders for consideration of a Call (two are DCEs and two are Deaconesses). One of the four just accepted another Call, so we have a list of three candidates for the Board of Elders to consider. They plan to interview them the week of October 17. We request we continue to pray for God to lead and guide the process. Stay tuned for more updates!

***Reading Buddies Needed** Calling all who love kids. Do you have any available time that you would be willing to spare 30-60 min of your time a morning or two and come and read with students in our lower grades. We are looking for a few caring souls that can help nurture them and build their confidence by listening to them read. If you are interested call the school office at 483-9371. Just let us know the days and morning time you are available.

Youth Events:

***Senior High Gathering:** Sunday, October 16, 6:30-8:30pm. Meet in the Youth Room for fun, fellowship and faith encouragement.

***Youth Fall Festival:** (5th-12th Grade) Saturday, October 23, 5:00pm-8:00pm at Mrs. Greener's House. Hay! (Hey!) come and enjoy the beauty of a fall evening filled with the fun of fall activities: hayrides, hotdogs, hot chocolate, a bonfire with smores and of course time to just hang out together. (Meet at Mrs. Greener's House 7006 Felger Road) To register, contact Pastor Alex (260-403-6496) or sign up on Youth Board in church or school.

***National Youth Gathering 2022 Register Now!**

Next summer, July 9-13, 2022 the LCMS will be hosting the National Youth Gathering in Houston, TX. This is for current High School age youth. The National Youth Gathering only comes around every three years, so Senior High students usually only a

once in a lifetime opportunity. I strongly encourage all Senior High youth and parents to find out about this awesome event. Check it out at <https://lcms-gathering.com>. Registration deadline is October 17. For information & registration form, contact Pr. Alex.

***College Student Address** The Christian Ed and Youth Board need the addresses for our congregational college students. We like to keep in touch with occasional cards and care packages. Please send/give addresses to Pastor Alex (260-403-6496, alexduff58@gmail.com) Thank You!

Angel Tree Families Please submit names of those families who are in need of assistance with Christmas gifts. Names of families/individuals are needed by Monday, October 11th. If your family is in need, please let me know. Recipients' names stay confidential. Contact Dindy Bridges at 260-452-8497. Please also contact me if you are interested in being on the Angel Tree Committee.

Childhood Ministry Task Force With the grant from The Lutheran Foundation approved, Executive Church Council has approved a Task Force to work with True North on the feasibility study. Task Force members include: Jerry Bickle, Sue Doepner, Amy Greener, Tina Harmeyer, Jenna Hicks, Terri Hobbs, Pat Kohn, Candace Stahl, Cynthia Thies, John Wiehe, and Pastor Bill Mueller. Continue to pray for the work of the Task Force.

SBLs Basketball Tournament Sponsorship The 8th Grade organizes two varsity basketball tournaments in early November as a fundraiser for their Washington DC trip. Through the support of businesses and individuals in the community, they can make the tournament more successful. Sponsorship amounts are usually between \$50 - \$250. The class is grateful for any amount that is donated to them. Please contact Heather Brown by October 31st at 260-416-6461 or heather@webclutter.com if you or a local company are able to support this cause.

SBLs Trunk-or-Treat The SBLs PTO invites families to join us for an afternoon of trunk-or-treating! Sunday, October 31st from 12:15-2:15pm (after second service) in the school parking lot between the gates outside of the commons. We need donated bags of candy dropped off at either the church or school offices and volunteers to set up a vehicle for the kids to visit. Any questions: Contact Shannon Hoffman 414-5775 or Heather Brown 416-6461

Genesis 32:22-32
“A Second Look at Prayer”

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Missionary Pastor Steve & Cyndi Schumacher –*deployed at Ghana, West Africa*

Alex Duff, Pastor of Youth & Family Ministry

Bill Mueller, Senior Pastor

403.6496

490.8074



Prayer Ministry Focus
Sunday, October 10, 2021
SBLS Grade 1
Mrs. Mariah Rockwell

We appreciate your prayers for the first-grade class this year. We have a lot of new students this year and have been working hard to settle into a routine and get to know each other. So far, we've been learning addition and subtraction while also working on reading daily. We ask that you pray especially for good attitudes, kindness towards each other, and obedience in following instructions. Thank you for supporting us through your prayers!



Birthdays This Week

October 10 Sherrey Blad, Richard Leo, Brennan Martin, Marcy McKinley, Jaylon Robinson

October 11 Nancy Johnston, Patricia Kruse, Adelynn Stahlhut, Roger Stahlhut

October 12 Bev Harrison, Dan Schaefer

October 13 Maelee Arnold, Bethany Carter, Arianna Greener

October 14 Karen Bickle, Jacob Felton, Rita Freed, Everleigh Harmeyer, Cindy Kennedy, Jerry Miller, David Reinhard, Edison Schaefer

October 15 Abby Hoffman

October 16 Susan Kanning, Maddie Longfellow, Lucilia Messmann, Deb Myers, Jeanne Schaefer

Prayer Families Kevin & Patricia Brundige, Scott & Amy Guerrero Family, Elaine Jones, Blaire Labit Family, Paul & Chris Stevens Family, James M Streit, Stephanie Wilson Family

Pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances (1Thess. 5:17-18)

Those Who Mourn The Family of Jerry Batchelder
The Family of George Arnold
The Family of Bob Bloemker
The Family of Doris Gordon

Illness

Our Members: Arloa Alvey, Bernie Bollinger, Karen Eastom, Nick Ely, Corbin Gallmeier, Diane Hagan, Bev Harrison, Larry Haugk, Barb Knepple, Marcia Kohn, Sharon Mueller, Dave Perl, Mel Schaefer, Christy Schwarz, Anita Trick, Dave Weimer, Dave Willyard

Others We Know: Kirsten Abresch, Vic Bobay, Steve Carter, Michael Dauscher, Nathan Deaton, Darin Flannery, Christina Frederick, Phil Gallmeier, Bernice Garrett, Jennifer Glover, Geoff Gruber, Tillie Harris, Betty Hill, Lane Hobbs, Caden Hodge, Austin Hollingsworth, Terry Hudson, Corey Jay, Gary Jeffery, Kaushik Jobanputra, David Krieg, Jackson Longenbaugh, Dallas Lynch, Alberta Merchant, Eugene Morris III, Myles Nettle, Carolyn Pepler, Donnie Robert, Paige Rogers, Bill Schmidt, Angie Stockert, John Weber, Betty Whiteleather

Long Term Illness Patty Brundige, Devron Burnett, Stephanie Coburn, Joshua Jank

Homebound Arloa Alvey, Jim Butcher, Karen Eastom, Tim Eastom, Gretchen Fuhrmann, Beverly Harrison, Sally Hutchisson, Elaine Jones, Shirley Kaeding, Marilyn Krieg, Carolyn Linnemeier, Dorothy Nitz

Cancer Our Members: Pastor Dave Dubbelde, Dan Esterline, Shirley Kaeding

Others We Know: Gary Baldus, Jack Blombach, Mark Brown, Cindy Burns, Dennis Crowe, Diane Dietrich, Sarah Dock, Delman Eastes, Al Esterline, Jeff Fearnow, Diana Frederick, Doris Gordon, Nicki Judd, Shari Konger, Regina Leyman, Dana Nakanishi, Sharon Platz, Greg Rehberg, Courtney Saunders, Pastor Mike Schempf, Leona Tilbury, Phyliss Tilbury, Jayden White, Cindy Willyard

Armed Forces Our Members: Nathan Dirig, Sam Jank, Bryce Kanning, Jack Kidd

Others We Know: Paul Carmen, Mike Duvall, Zeke Felton, Danielle Harmeyer, Nathan Harmeyer, Zach Harmeyer, Issiah Hissong, Conner Mills, Dakota Schaefer, Logan Snider, Andy Yarrington

Prayer Ministry Focus *SBSL Grade 1*

Prayer of Blessing

- Wedding of Latacha Frederick & Nathan Cottrell (Wedding this Saturday)
- Wedding of Kendyl Hook & Nathan Manns (Wedding this Saturday)
- Stephen Ministry, Our Government, Our Armed Forces Leaders/Soldiers
- Missionary Pastor Steve & Cyndi Schumacher
- Calling of DCE/Deaconess

Thanks for agreeing to take the Spiritual Growth Survey. Nothing is more important to the leaders of our church than your relationship with God, others and yourself. No matter where you are on your spiritual journey, our Staff and Ministries want to do everything they can to help you. Your input will highlight what's encouraging you to strengthen your relationships and what's getting in the way.

It only takes a few moments to complete this anonymous survey. Please circle your selections and place this survey in the offering plate as you pass by. We are asking those 18 and OLDER to participate.

Thank you for helping us. **For more info - download the RW360 app from the APP Store for iPhones or Google Play for Android phones.**

This Survey is drawn from the (RW360) Course

What is your age? 18-24 25-29 Please indicate: Male Female

30-39 40-49 50-59 60-69 70 + Does not apply at all Applies somewhat Applies completely

5C I consistently seek to serve, love, and forgive others 0 1 2 3 4 5

6C My life is lived to glorify God, trusting him absolutely 0 1 2 3 4 5

7C I enjoy evaluating the sources of my thoughts, values and experiences to maintain emotional control 0 1 2 3 4 5

8C Smiling is a very easy way for me to spread cheer to those around me 0 1 2 3 4 5

There's more about our RW360 course on the Reverse side.

Strengthened relationships in these areas are some of the Benefits that flow from the RW360 course.

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| Worship | Compelling Witness for Christ |
| Friendships | Career Advancement |
| Marriage | Improved Team Building |
| Workplace | Parenting and Family |

Relationships are opportunities to show His love.

Self-Aware/Engaging

How am I feeling and acting?

Other-Aware/Engaging

How are others feeling and how am I affecting them?

God-Aware/Engaging

Where is God leading me?

Some examples of when emotions are allowed to overrule God's way of doing things and **anger** takes over:

Verbal manipulation – (Oaths) – Cussing – Coercing – Revenge – Slapping – (Turning the other cheek)

Hatred – Contempt – Bitterness – Rage – Slander – Malice – Shunning – Suing

Trouble, Affliction or Pain may trigger a Fight or Flight response

**The RW360 Course continues on
Sunday, October 10 at 9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall**