



The Evangel

Bethel Evangelical Lutheran Church

(The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod)

301 Scott Avenue Glenshaw, Pennsylvania 15116

Phone: (412) 486-5777 www.bethelglenshaw.org Fax: (412) 487-8328

Volume XLVII, Number 4

April 2021

Mission Statement

In our commitment to mission, Bethel Evangelical Lutheran Church will proclaim and witness to God's salvation in our community and the world by preaching God's Word and administering the Sacraments in all their truth and purity."

Adopted by the congregation on April 23, 1989

Staff

Preacher.....Rev. Daniel Hahn

Vicar.....Donn Woolweber

Secretary Ruthie Latkovic

Organists. Sarah Dougal

Dave Forsyth

Greg Wehner

Board of Directors

Executive Director Al Todd III

Doctrine & Worship Fred Heintz

Mission Ross Betts

Education John Rehder

Christian Service Gary Swanson

Property Donna Heintz

Finance Paul Hoffman

Other Officers & Contact People

Financial Secretary Fred Heintz

Recording Secretary Donna Heintz

Treasurer Dorothy Carlisle

Altar Guild

Sunday School.....

Sewing Group.....Donna Heintz

Sign Manager.....Gary Swanson

Children Sermons.....Gary Swanson

Pastor's Message

A Prayer for Holy Week

Lord Jesus, when You entered Jerusalem on that Palm Sunday, You knew what was ahead for You. I praise and thank You that You did not turn back but went willingly to the cross to accomplish my salvation. On that day, the multitudes hoped that You had come to be their earthly king, help me when my own thoughts and desires are earth-bound and falling short of Your perfect will and purpose. As I see You enthroned on Your cross and reigning in majesty at the Father's right hand, lead me always to confess You as my King.

At the Passover meal on Thursday evening, You washed the feet of Your disciples. Though Lord of all, You made Yourself a Servant. I praise You that You have also washed me, cleansing me from all sin by Your gift of Holy Baptism. In that washing, You exulted me to high status as a child of God, seating me in the heavenly places. Therefore, help me, being so exulted by You, to become a Servant in likeness to You. Give me a willing heart to seek the good others and to serve them.

Lord, on that same Holy Thursday, You sat at table with the Twelve, as the true Passover Lamb. And as you gave thanks for bread and wine, You gave the new Passover Supper. "This My body given for you." "This is My blood shed for you." As often as I eat the bread and drink the cup, grant me to come in repentance and faith to receive Your promised gifts. Comfort me in the promise of sin forgiven. Cheer me by Your drawing near. Strengthen me by this holy food all the days of my earthly pilgrimage and by it bring me to Your kingdom that will have no end.

Blessed Jesus in Your arrest on Thursday evening, You suffered bitter betrayal. Have mercy on this sinner, who has also betrayed You by sins of thought, of word, and deed. Grant me repentance to life. Forgive me and strengthen my faith.

(Pastor's Message continued on page 2)

Pastor's Message (cont. from previous page)

Lord Jesus I praise You for that dreadful Friday on which You gave Your life for Me. Your enemies hurled bitter accusations against You and cried out for Your crucifixion, and You bore it willingly for my sake. You were cruelly beaten and mocked, but endured it in love for me. They drove nails through Your hands and feet, yet You refused to come down from the cross. You did it all for me. And I can never thank You sufficiently, not in all eternity. And yet I praise that I have eternity to try. I thank You that by Your death You have given me life. Jesus remember me in Your Kingdom!

Savior, on that Holy Saturday when Your body was entombed, Your flesh was kept from decay. Remember my weak flesh, that I am dust. And when my body is laid to rest, grant my soul to be at rest in You. Though my body decay, keep my remains until the Day of the Resurrection of all flesh, when You will transform me in likeness to Your glory.

O Jesus Christ, Redeemer of the world, my Lord, my Savior, and my God – to You belongs all glory, honor and praise forever. Though You died on, You are risen again, just as You said. By Your death You destroyed death, and by Your rising again You have given me endless life. Alleluia, alleluia! Grant me with gladness of heart and with the joy that only You can give to celebrate Your victory in the glad company of Your people. Give heart to our songs and strength to our praise. And help us to share the glad news with all who need to hear.

Lord Jesus, in this Holy Week be near me. As I think upon all that You have done in love for me, lead me to love You the more, and serve You the better. To You, with Your Father and the Holy Spirit be glory forever. Amen.

Pastor Hahn

Happy April Birthday!!!



02—*Luke Swanson*

10—*Thaddaeus Swanson*

22—*Paola Hammer*

Happy April Anniversary!!!

04—*Kristen and Paul Hoffman*

05—*Charlotte and Tim Hornish*



Holy Week and Easter Services (includes Tri-Parish Services)



*TRI-PARISH SERVICES ARE IN BOLD AND INDICATED WITH "TP".

Holy Thursday April 1	12noon	Tri-Parish Service w/ Communion	ST JOHNS	TP
	7pm	Tri-Parish Service w/ Communion	ZION	TP
Good Friday April 2	12noon	Good Friday Service	ST JOHNS	
	12noon	Good Friday Service	BETHEL	
	5:30pm	Good Friday Service	ZION	
	7pm	Good Friday Service	ST JOHNS	
Easter Sunday April 4	7:30am	Sunrise Service w/ Communion	BETHEL	
	9am	Divine Service w/ Communion	ST JOHNS	
	11:30am	Divine Service w/ Communion	ZION	

In His Service

Deacon	Gary Swanson
Communion Assistant	Paul Hoffman
Offering Usher	Eddie Stabile
Altar Guild	Donna Heintz Cindy Hetz

Counting Committee:

April 4	Fred Heintz
April 11	Paul Hoffman Jonathan Meier
April 18	Marilyn Heintz
April 25	Cindy and Curt Hetz

Bethel Bible Study



A new series of Wednesday morning Bible studies will begin after Easter.

Our initial topic will be a look at the "Other Resurrections" recorded in the Bible, especially in their relation to Christ's resurrection.

Studies will be on Wednesdays at 10am at Bethel, starting April 7.

Tri-Parish News

Tri-Parish Constitution Committee

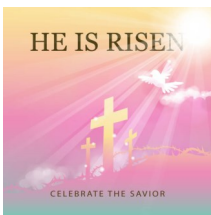
The Constitution Committee presented a final draft of the Constitution and By-Laws to the Tri-Parish Committee at its meeting on March 16th. Some additional changes were discussed and the revised draft is currently in circulation for the Tri-Parish Committee approval. Upon approval, the next step will be to present the new Constitution and By-Laws to the three Voters' Assemblies for their consideration. Additional announcements will be made to the congregations informing you on how to obtain your copy for review and how to provide your feedback and questions.

If you have any questions, feedback or concerns, please feel free to contact Pastor Hahn or other leader, or provide them in the Tri-Parish box located in the back of the church. Any feedback will be taken to the appropriate committee for their consideration and responses will be shared in subsequent newsletters.

Tri-Parish Naming Committee

A Committee was formed to focus on the process of naming the new Tri-Parish congregation and the first meeting of the Naming Committee was held on Wednesday, March 24th. Lisa Bruni put together important information on evaluating and deciding on a name for the Tri-Parish. This information and a cover letter was sent to members of each congregation via email. Hard copies of the information, for those who do not have email, and a Name Submission form are available in the narthex. You can respond by email or place your submission in the "Tri-Parish" box in the narthex.

Tri-Parish Stations of the Resurrection



The Stations of the Resurrection Service is scheduled for Sunday, April 11th at 3pm at Bethel. The service will be broadcast live and then placed on Facebook. Also the broadcast recording will be made available to the residents at Rebecca, Highpoint and Concordia. The Tri-Parish Choir and also the Tri-Parish Hand Bell Choir will be a part of the presentation.

Bethel Board of Directors' Meeting

The Bethel Board of Directors is scheduled to meet on Thursday, April 8 at 7pm.



Easter Coloring Page

