Fellowship

- Refreshments: We have an extraordinary offering of refreshments before our Sunday classes. Some are also available with our other classes.
- Advent and Lent: Free meals on Wednesdays at 12:00 and 6:00.
- <u>Easter Brunch</u>: After our BIG Easter celebration at 9:00, everyone is invited to stay for our Easter Brunch.
- Ascension Day: 40 days after Easter on a Thursday; meal at 6, service at 7.
- <u>Campfires</u>: On some Saturdays, using our pavilion and beautiful grounds.

Online

- Website: www.BLC7500.com BLC = Bethlehem Lutheran Church; 7500 = our street address. You can look up and benefit from many Sermons, Studies, and Brochures.
- YouTube and Podcast: They are both called "Benefit from the Bible" and make it easy to access our sermons:
 - Go to your YouTube app; then search and subscribe.
 - Go to your podcast app; then search and subscribe.
- Facebook: Bethlehem Parma
- Weekly Email: www.BLC7500.com; then subscribe.

Personal

- Pastor: I am married to Kathy; we have three children and seven grandchildren.
- Accessible: I am available to talk with you, pray for you, and visit you.
- Family: As we know the members of our family, so the members of Bethlehem know each other and care about each other!
- Friendly: We are glad to see fellow members and all visitors; everyone is welcome!

Facility and Grounds

- Handicap Accessible: No steps from our parking lot to our main level, which is where almost everything takes place.
- Grounds: We have 14 acres, some is mowed and ready for activities; some is wooded and ready for hiking.
- Pavilion: We have a covered area for picnics and events, as well as a fire pit.

Conclusion

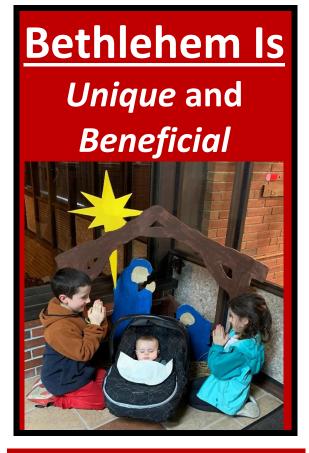
Thanks for reading! Can I help you *know Jesus, *continue in Jesus, *grow up in God's Word, *live for Christ, and *be with God forever! Let me know: Pastor Green (RevRLGreen@aol.com; 440-292-5915)

Connect With Us

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Facebook: "Bethlehem Parma"
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Sundays: Service 9:00; Classes 10:30

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Introduction

Hi: I'm Robert Green, pastor of Bethlehem Lutheran Church. I graduated from Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Indiana in 1996 and have been serving at Bethlehem since that time.

Bethlehem is Bible-based, conservative, and relevant. In today's rapidly changing world, we stand on the rock-solid foundation of God's holy word and Jesus, His Son.

Please keep reading to discover how Bethlehem is UNIQUE and BENEFICIAL; then, knowing the benefits, I hope you will faithfully receive God's precious gifts and eternally benefit!

Regular Services



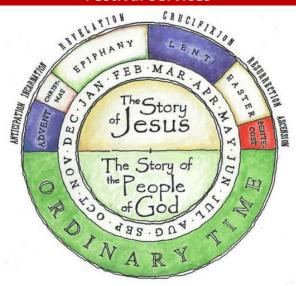
Schedule:

- Saturdays at 4:00
- Sundays at 9:00

We thoroughly prepare for each Divine Service so that you are encouraged to *faithfully attend* and *aladly receive*. These are some parts:

- Invocation: The baptized children of God gather in the presence of God to receive the precious gifts of God!
- Confession and Absolution: Since we have sinned, God calls us to godly sorrow and renewed trust in Jesus; then He assures us of His forgiveness!
- <u>Children</u>: They come forward for a special message and a treat.
- Hymns: We pray, praise, and learn through hymns that are easy to sing and agree with the Bible!
- Bible / Preaching: Paul told Timothy, a young pastor, to "Preach the Word" (2 Tim. 4:2) not his own ideas. At Bethlehem we are bold to preach the full truth of God's word. We have this attitude of Paul: "I am innocent of the blood of all, for I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God" (Acts 20:26b-27 ESV).
- Giving: We encourage giving that is proportionate, faithful, and glad – to honor the LORD, support His work, and receive His promised blessings!
- Lord's Supper: Each week we assure all repentant believers that they have God's gift of forgiveness in Christ!

Festival Services



We follow the **Church Year**, which keeps us focused on **the Christ**; the FIVE BIG FESTIVALS include His birth, life, death, resurrection, and ascension! Here are a few details:

- Advent: We remember our sins and prepare for Jesus' birth; we have Wednesday services at 11:00 & 7:00.
- Christmas: We celebrate Jesus' birth, normally on Christmas Eve at 4:00 and Christmas Day at 10:00.
- Lent: We remember our sins and focus on Jesus' ultimate sacrifice to remove our sins; we have Wednesday services at 11:00 & 7:00.
- Holy Week: We gather on Thursday and Good Friday at 11:00 & 7:00; then on Holy Saturday at 4:00.
- Easter: We celebrate Jesus' resurrection at 9:00, knowing He defeated sin, death, and the devil, and knowing He will raise our bodies when He returns!

- Ascension: We gather 40 days after Easter on a Thursday to celebrate Jesus' ascension to the Father's right hand, where He is now ruling over all things for the good of all believers!
- Thanksgiving: On the eve of our National Day of Thanksgiving, at 7 PM, we gather to THANK our Great God and receive His blessings through Word and Sacrament.

Classes

Everyone is invited:

Thursdays at 10:00: Study through the lectionary – *the upcoming assigned readings*.

Saturdays at 3:00: Same content as the Sunday Bible Class.

Sundays at 10:30:

- <u>Bible Class</u> for ninth grade to adults:
 We study the Bible verse-by-verse;
 sometimes we do a topical study.
- <u>Sunday School</u> we have two classes and use AIG curriculum:
 - o Three years to second grade
 - o Third grade to eighth grade

Free Resources

- Daily Devotions: We offer two different quarterly booklets, as well as A Closer Look at the Evidence, which has 365 devotions.
- Topical Brochures: Many are available by our main entrance and on our website: www.BLC7500.com
- Magazines: We offer the Good News magazines, each covering one topic.
- More: Sermon copies, topical booklets, Bible class handouts, etc.