

Our Sunday School Format

- Drop your children off on our *lower level* for singing and prayers.
- Children break into individual classes (*except over the summer*) for their Bible lesson and craft.
- Young children (*Toddlers, Preschoolers, and Kindergarteners*) must be *picked up in their classrooms* by a parent / guardian.

Our Sunday School Teachers

- Our Sunday School Program is led by our Director, Tammy Cole and staffed by Tammy and other active members of Bethlehem Lutheran Church. They work together to provide the children with ✦Christian love, ✦Bible knowledge, and ✦growth in Christ!
- *Parents*, please let us know how our Sunday School can best serve your family's Christian education needs!

Free Resources

At Bethlehem we want all people to ✦know Jesus Christ, ✦grow in their knowledge of the Bible, and ✦excel in Christ-like living; therefore, we distribute these resources:

- **Children's Bible** (*3 yrs. old – 2nd grade*)
- **The Liturgy in Symbols for Children** (*4 years old – 4th grade*)

- **My First Catechism** (*1st grade – 3rd grade*)
- **Faith Alive Bible** (*3rd grade and older*)
- **Luther's Small Catechism with Explanation** (*4th grade and older*)

If you want those resources for your child, please contact the church office.

Other Learning Opportunities

- **Youth Confirmation:**
 - For those in 6th grade and higher.
 - See our *Youth Confirmation Prerequisites* brochure in our tract rack for more information.
- **Fellowship Saturday:**
 - The *last Saturday* of each month.
 - Fellowship & breakfast (8:30); then separate studies for men and women (9:00), *youth are welcome!*
- **Other studies as advertised.**

Our Church Library

It's located outside our church office. Make it a family adventure to choose a book each Sunday! *There are resources for all ages!*

We also have a DVD library!

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Christian Education

It's For All People of All Ages!



Why Should You Attend?

At Bethlehem we want *ALL* people to know Jesus Christ as their Savior! **Knowing Him changes EVERYTHING:** "...if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come" (2 Cor. 5:17 NIV)!

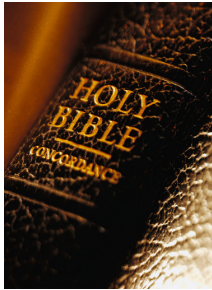
Those whom God has made NEW IN CHRIST (Eph. 2:4b-5a) **will desire to grow in their knowledge of God's Word, the Bible!** "So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness" (Col. 2:6-7 NIV).

As we grow in the Word, that will show in how we live our daily Christian lives! Jesus said: "If you love me, you will obey what I command" (John 14:15 NIV).

Our Primary Book is the Bible

These passages point to the *great importance of God's Word, the Holy Bible*:

- ^{NIV} **Psalm 1:1**: Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked or stand in the way of sinners or sit in the seat of mockers. ² But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night. ³ He is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers.
- ^{NIV} **Psalm 119:105**: Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.
- ^{NIV} **Psalm 119:160**: All your words are true...
- ^{NIV} **Proverbs 30:5**: Every word of God is flawless...
- ^{NIV} **Isaiah 40:8**: ...the word of our God stands forever.
- ^{NIV} **Matthew 4:4**: Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.
- ^{NIV} **John 17:17**: Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth.
- ^{NIV} **2 Timothy 3:16**: All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.



Our Primary Day is Sunday



Every Sunday we offer classes for adults, youth, and children.

If your children plan to regularly attend our Sunday School, please complete a registration form (*ask our Director or any Teacher*).

There is no requirement to sign-up in advance, just attend!

These are our class locations (for more up-to-date information, see the current Weekly News):

- **Adults of all ages** – meet in the CLR (Christian Life Room); sometimes a second class meets in the Upper Room (*located above the Narthex*).
- **Youth in 6th thru 12th grade** – meet in the Middle Office (which is accessed through the Church Office); sometimes youth classes meet in the Upper Room.
- **Children age 3 through 5th grade** – meet in the various classrooms on our lower level (*down the steps across from the CLR*).



Parents are Important

Children are gifts from God to parents! All parents are called to love their children by providing them with food, clothing, and shelter. Another form of love is discipline; Jesus said: “Those whom I love I rebuke and discipline” (Rev. 3:19 NIV).

However, *the greatest responsibility of parents* is often ignored, forgotten, or passed on to others! I’m talking about the responsibility of parents to impress God’s Holy Word upon their children!

Notice the beginning of the passage, **FIRST** God’s Word is to be upon YOUR HEART; then you will be equipped to impress it upon your children. **PARENTS, please make YOUR OWN SPIRITUAL GROWTH a top priority every day!**

^{NIV} **Deuteronomy 6:6** These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. ⁷ Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. ⁸ Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. ⁹ Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

