



Bethlehem Lutheran Church

JOIN US TO: *Know Jesus, *Grow in the Bible, and *Excel in Loving God and Others

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Bethlehem Family Childcare

Infants – Pre-k ♦ M – F ♦ 6:45 AM – 6:00 PM

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Weekly Thoughts from Your Pastor Regarding the Coronavirus May 14, 2020, Issue 5

PARKING LOT PARTICIPANTS

Updated Information!

- 1) Drive to our main entrance.
- 2) Receive everything you need (service folder, sermon, participation guide, and – *if you desire to receive* – consecrated elements of the Lord's Supper in individual containers).
- 3) Complete and return your attendance slip.
- 4) You may give an offering.
- 5) Park your car in any parking place.
- 6) Tune your radio to FM 89.9 (before the service you will hear some background music).
- 7) Fully participate in the responding, singing, and praying.
- 8) When the congregation is receiving the Supper, please *carefully open* and *reverently receive* the bread and wine, *along with Jesus very body and blood*, for the assurance of your forgiveness.
- 9) Stay with us through the Postlude.
- 10) On Sundays, stay for Bible Class. Pick up a study sheet from just inside the entryway of the main entrance; then follow along from your car. The class should begin about 10:30.
- 11) Properly dispose of your wine cup: Since the few drops of leftover wine in the cup have been united to the very blood of Jesus, *please* *take your cup home, *add some water, *pour the water outside, and *throw the cup away. Thanks!

Some Thoughts:

1. **Let Us Give Thanks to God:**
 - *More and more are returning to Bethlehem!* Last week – between Saturday and Sunday, and inside and out, we had a total of 78!
 - *The giving is up!* As your pastor, I don't know who is giving, *but it has been unbelievable!* Thank YOU so much, and thanks be to GOD!
2. **Please Pray:** Even though many have returned, some have not; for anyone you notice who is missing, please pray, even send a note or make a call!
3. **Please Help:** June Russell would like to attend on Saturday at 4:00, but needs a ride.
4. **Thanks:** *Alan Carlson is an electronic whiz* – as he completed a complicated wiring project to restore sound to our Narthex and Nursery!

Let's Think Long-term:

1. **Coronavirus:** It's not going away anytime soon, so let us accept that, rejoice that God is in control, be at peace, and keep God first – as we chart our course for the months ahead!
2. **An Excellent Article:** 'Life Has to Go On': How Sweden Has Faced the Virus Without a Lockdown: Look it up or [click here to read](#)

CONCLUSION: Stay in the Word, and follow Paul's example from today's sermon! See YOU at Bethlehem, and faithfully receive God's gifts!!

Sincerely, *Pastor*

Regular Schedule: Saturdays: Class 3:00; Service 4:00; Sundays: Service 9:00; Classes 10:30 ♦ Festivals: See our Festival Services Schedule!

Connections: Web: BethlehemLutheranChurchParma.com ♦ Podcast: Benefit from the Bible ♦ Facebook: Bethlehem Lutheran Church Parma

Church Body: Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, lcms.org ♦ **District:** Ohio, oh.lcms.org