

The Church in Service and Fellowship

Sunday, May 12, 2019 — Mother's Day

8:15 & 10:45 a.m. Worship
9:30 a.m. Adult forum (Ask the Pastors); coffee in Grounds for Joy

Monday, May 13

6:30 p.m. Bishop candidate forum in Waseca

Tuesday, May 14

7 a.m. Bible Study
10 a.m. PUSH group in Grounds for Joy
10:15 a.m. Communion at Pathstone
1 p.m. Library Committee
6 p.m. Connections Board
6:30 p.m. Strategic Planning meeting

Wednesday, May 15

10:30 a.m. Book of Faith
1 p.m. Staff meeting
5:30 p.m. Tanzania trip meeting
6:30 p.m. Bethlehem Gospbells rehearsal

Thursday, May 16

3 p.m. Book Club

Friday, May 17 — Office closes at noon

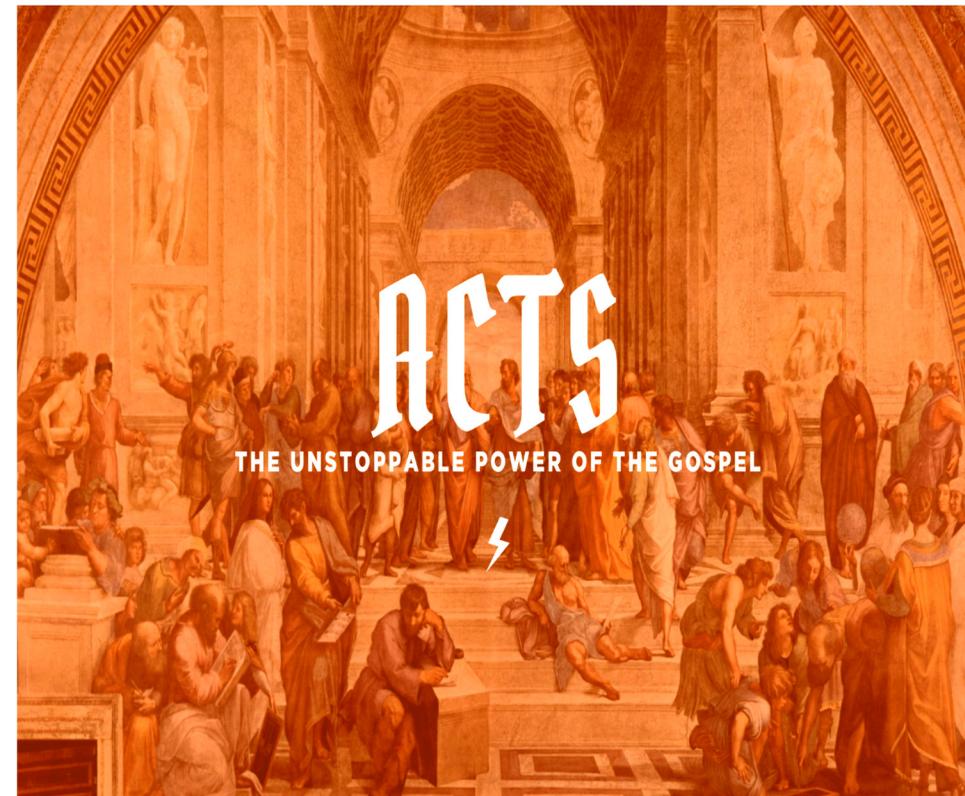
5 p.m. Wedding rehearsal

Saturday, May 18

9 a.m. Deborah Circle at 101 Main
2 p.m. Wedding

Sunday, May 19

8:15 & 10:45 a.m. Worship
9:30 a.m. Adult forum (Buddhist Retreat Center and Meditation, with Patricia Lineham); coffee in Grounds for Joy
Noon Senior dinner
Noon Bethlehem Men — lunch and downtown historical walking tour (meet in library after 10:45 service)



Bethlehem Lutheran Church, ELCA
Sunday, May 12, 2019 ~ 10:45 a.m.

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on KTOE 1420 AM / KTOE 102.7 FM

We extend a warm Bethlehem welcome to our guests and visitors! Thank you for worshipping with us today. If you have no church home, we invite you to explore the rich opportunities here at Bethlehem for spiritual growth and service. If you are interested in becoming a member of Bethlehem, please call the church office.

Members and visitors -- please sign and pass the attendance pad at the end of each pew.

Serving in Worship Today

Pastor Jay Dahlvang and Pastor Collette Broady Grund

Readers: Karen Sandersfeld (8:15); Bryce Stenzel (10:45)

Communion Assistants:

Holly Meyer (8:15)

Lori Ruthenbeck and Casey Rose (10:45)

Communion Set-Up: Brad & Betty Groth

Greeters:

Kathryn Hanson and Carolyn Hovick (8:15)

Al and Barbara Girtz (10:45)

Ushers: Team 3 (8:15); Team 4 (10:45)

Coffee servers: Eunice Sassenberg and Florence Sassenberg

Sound board: Brad Butler (8:15 & 10:45)

Church Staff

Pastor Jay Dahlvang and Pastor Collette Broady Grund

Family Faith Formation Ministry Director: Anna Wencil

Children's Ministry Coordinator I: Sarah Morgan

Coordinator of Music: Laurie Rossow

Administrative Assistant: Debbie Leiferman

Office Assistant/Organist/Pianist: Christine Schulz

Financial Secretary: Elizabeth Ruiz **Nursery Attendant:** Marci Rossow

Custodian: Kevin Liebl

Bethlehem Gospbells Director: Dr. Allen Wortman

Bethlehem Junior Gospbells Director: Charlie Leftridge

Missionaries: Mark & Linda Jacobson **Mission Partner:** Iambi SS, Tanzania

We welcome you to the Lord's Table. Today we celebrate the Lord's Supper by **intinction**. The first server will give you bread—please dip the bread in the chalice (dark is wine and light is grape juice) before placing it in your mouth. The ushers will direct you forward. There is a gluten-free station at the front of the church; in order to prevent contamination, you can help yourself to communion, and the server will pronounce the words. ***All are welcome to receive Christ in His meal.***

*** Please stand as you are able. ***

Prayer of the Day

Living God, who made heaven and earth and sea and all that is in them, you give us all that we need, and fill our hearts with joy. Turn us from worthless things, and love and empower us with your Holy Spirit, so that we might accomplish the work you have called us to do; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Amen.

Reading

Acts 13:1-3; 14:8-18

Now in the church at Antioch there were prophets and teachers: Barnabas, Simeon who was called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen a member of the court of Herod the ruler, and Saul. ²While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." ³Then after fasting and praying they laid their hands on them and sent them off.

¹⁴ ⁸In Lystra there was a man sitting who could not use his feet and had never walked, for he had been crippled from birth. ⁹He listened to Paul as he was speaking. And Paul, looking at him intently and seeing that he had faith to be healed, ¹⁰said in a loud voice, "Stand upright on your feet." And the man sprang up and began to walk. ¹¹When the crowds saw what Paul had done, they shouted in the Lycaonian language, "The gods have come down to us in human form!" ¹²Barnabas they called Zeus, and Paul they called Hermes, because he was the chief speaker. ¹³The priest of Zeus, whose temple was just outside the city, brought oxen and garlands to the gates; he and the crowds wanted to offer sacrifice. ¹⁴When the apostles Barnabas and Paul heard of it, they tore their clothes and rushed out into the crowd, shouting, ¹⁵"Friends, why are you doing this? We are mortals just like you, and we bring you good news, that you should turn from these worthless things to the living God, who made the heaven and the earth and the sea and all that is in them. ¹⁶In past generations he allowed all the nations to follow their own ways; ¹⁷yet he has not left himself without a witness in doing good—giving you rains from heaven and fruitful seasons, and filling you with food and your hearts with joy." ¹⁸Even with these words, they scarcely restrained the crowds from offering sacrifice to them.

Prelude Contemporary Band

Welcome and Announcements

***Opening Song (see screen)**

***Prayer of the Day**

Sounds of Praise Junior Gospbells
"Scottish Melody"

Children's Sermon

Reading

Message Pastor Jay Dahlvang

***Song (see screen)**

***Prayers for the People**
Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

***Peace**

Offering

***Offertory Response (see screen)**

***Words of Institution**

***Lord's Prayer (sung)**

Distribution

Blessing

Prayer

***Benediction**

***Dismissal**
Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

***Closing Song (see screen)**