



3RD SUNDAY of ADVENT

"He (God) is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish,
but everyone to come to repentance."

2 Peter 3:9b

December 17, 2017

Prelude – Sophia Wiebe

Welcome – Steve Klassen

Reader's Theatre

Adoration & Praise – Mark and Sophia Wiebe

Prayer Ministry – Lyndon Giesbrecht

Offertory – Avery Suderman

Children's Feature

Scripture & Prayer – Garry Spent - Luke 1:67-79

Messenger – Pastor Mark - Zechariah's song: forgiveness and salvation

Our Response in Song

Prayer & Benediction

What's up this Week

MON	6:00 pm	SR Youth – Christmas Banquet
	7:00 pm	Men's Bible Study "Decoding the Future"
TUES	6:30 am	Men's Prayer Breakfast @ church
	7:30 pm	Church Council Mtg @ Gerald Letkeman's
WED	7:00 pm	JR Youth – Christmas Event
THUR	6:30 pm	Gerald & Tina's Care Group @ Garry & Connie Spent's
	7:00 pm	Brian & Michelle's Care Group @ John & Cheri Klassen's
	7:30 pm	Thrive - We will have a shorter discussion about Genesis 11-14 (Tower of Babel and calling of Abram) followed by playing some volleyball.
SUN	9:15 am	Sunday School
	10:30 am	4 th Sunday of Advent Sunday School Christmas Program

What's Coming Up

December 24



Sunday School @ 9:15 am (including adult classes)

Sunday School Christmas Eve Program @ 10:30 am
(please take note that the program will take place during
the regular worship service time and not in the evening)



December 25

Bethel's Christmas Day service @ 10:30 am.

December 31

Worship Service @ 10:30 am. There will be no Sunday school.



January 1

New Year's Day Breakfast and Service. Breakfast will be
served from 9-10 AM, followed by a time of sharing. Come
join us as we give God praise for what He has done and
trusting Him for the coming year! Everyone is welcome!

January 20

Ladies Brunch – details to follow!

February 23-24

Bethel's Women's Retreat @ church – Save the date!

Praise & Prayer Highlights

ALLAN & KIMBERLY PETERS – Streetlight – YFC Calgary



Thank-you to Ken & Jean Penner
for your hard work, dedication to your job
and keeping everything sparkly clean at Bethel.
We wish you a happy retirement!

Deacon Nominations: At Bethel we encourage prayerful participation in considering who would serve as Deacons. They are part of the Ministerial of the church - working with the pastors to provide spiritual care for the church family. Male members of our church body are eligible for nomination. Your prayerful consideration of nominees is valued. Presently we seek two Deacons in order to fill existing vacancies on the ministerial. Nomination forms are by the mailboxes. All nomination forms must be signed. They can be turned in to Gerald Letkeman (Congregational Chair), Kenton Doerksen (Ministerial Chair) or left in the basket marked "Nominations" in the office.

It is encouraging that even though this was the 11th year of **From Everywhere to Bethlehem** there are those who came for the first time and those who come year after year. Every year we are truly astounded at how appropriate the title of this event is when we see the list of places people call home when they register at the Census. **We would like to thank the Bethel Church for helping us this year, it was exactly what we needed!**

Winkler Central Station – Café 545 will be hosting a Christmas Day community meal this year. We are asking for help with the grocery needs.. We are putting the call out to groups of friends/families, church care groups, businesses etc who would sponsor one of the food items listed below. Turkeys - \$250, Veggies - \$100, Cranberry Sauce - \$35, Dessert \$100, Beverages - \$100, Misc - \$75. If you are interested in sponsoring an item please e-mail marianhildebrand@hotmail.com.

Notes:

Our Mission

Exalt Christ - Equip for Service
Edify one Another - Evangelize the Lost
Extend Christ's Love

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