

😊 **Wills & Memorials:** works with families and manages specific memorials Kay Hankins (2026)

😊 **Audit Committee:** Completes an annual audit of all church funds. Church groups managing accounts submit their records for review and accountability.

Ron Schneller (2026) Dennis Schneller (2025) _____? (2026)

😊 **Lay Leadership:** is responsible for identifying persons giftings and graces for service and ministry, and to develop and nurture persons so they might build up the church and fulfill its **mission***

Chair- _____? _____? Pastor

😊 **Trustees:** oversee the maintenance and upkeep of all properties so they can serve the ***Mission**. This group is the legal face of the church. Members meet every other month (Feb., April, June, Aug., Oct., Dec.).

Chair-Nick Hartley (2025) Wayne Rider (2025)
Greg Sprecher (2026) Lloyd Ballweg- Finance Pastor

😊 **Annual Events Chair:** Several events have long been a part of the annual life of Blackhawk Bethlehem Church. Event Chairpersons are charged with keeping the ***MISSION** of the church in the fore front of all we do while overseeing and delegating responsibilities to others.

4th of July: JoAnn Ballweg Lord's Acre: Nick & Bobbie Jo Hartley/Co-Chair: _____?
Chicken & Dumplings: _____?

😊 **Recording Secretary:** is responsible for keeping a good record of the activities of the Administrative Council (and special meetings) and providing them in a timely manner to the church office. _____?

😊 **Sunday School Leader:** oversees the organization and implementation of the children's Christian education (with support from the teachers and secretary). Christine Elliott (2026) Teachers

😊 **Youth Leader(s):** are responsible for organizing and providing opportunities for youth discipleship, Christian development, activities, and fellowship in youth 6th grade and up.
_____? _____?

😊 **Family ACTS (Applying Christ Through Service):** is an organization that works to support families in service activities to the church and community. Shalome Ullmann

😊 **Membership:** maintains accurate records of Membership, deaths, baptisms, marriages, etc. Nola Weis

😊 **Member @ large:** represents the congregation in matters before the Administrative Council. _____?

😊 **Social Media:** is responsible for maintaining and keeping content current and engaging content on church's Facebook page. This person posts news of upcoming events and pictures of past events. Christine Elliott

😊 **Worship, Mission & Ministry:** This is a combined group that focuses on worship setting and content, along with support of church sponsored missions. 10% of church fundraiser events are delegated and distributed annually by this group. It also supports camp scholarships.

Chair- Pastor Christine Elliott (2024) JoAnn Ballweg (2024)
Secretary LaNell Jaquish (2023) Church Pianist

😊 **Church Historians:** Nola Weis, Rev. Dennis Weis

😊 **Communion Stewards:** Heather Rodenschmit, Teresa Rider

😊 **Women Bible Study Leader:** _____? 2024 VBS Director: Abby Bennett

😊 **Men Bible Study Leader(s):** Mike Enge & Pastor

😊 **Women Exercise Leader:** _____?

😊 **Video Record:** Brian Ullmann, Katey Ullmann, Nick Hartley, Rhett Jaquish, Gene Unger

😊 **Video Production, Upload & Post:** _____? _____?

😊 **Baptism Blanket:** Jean Schneller, LaNell Jaquish

😊 **Custodial:** Volunteer per sign-up sheet in narthex

😊 **Ministers of Christ:** ALL CHRISTIANS!!!

Onward and Upward together in Christ! PK

We surrender our hearts to You; help guide our paths on what to do.
We plant seeds of Your love, giving You the glory up above.
We give our eternal gratitude to Jesus and His eternal sacrifice; what He did, gave us life.
You have laid on us Your blessing hands, which covers the entire land.
LORD, we are thankful and grateful for this gift, for giving our hearts and spirit a lift.

Author: Kyle Elliott Oct. 13th, 2023



We had a terrific turn-out for the Annual Lord's Acre Festival! We thank Nick & Bobbi Jo Hartley for their leadership as chairpersons as well as all who helped support this fundraiser through donations of items for the auction, bake sale, and farmer's market. Many hours of planning and prepping made the Saturday run smoothly, so a huge thank you to everyone who gave time and energy before, during and after the event.

Here are the numbers: **Grand Total: 13,986.50**

Auction: \$9,289.50 Pork Chop Dinner: 3,390.00 Bake Sale: \$712 Farmer's Market: \$293 Youth Stand: \$302

Eight MS/HS Youth gathered on a Saturday evening in September to connect over food, kickball, conversation and smores. Sending them home with a blessing and prayer, we rejoiced over them as they headed home. In October, five of the Youth met at Steve & Laura Mallon's for pizza, Uno and prayer. These are AWESOME kids! Everyone is involved in school activities, sports, music, family & church. We pray God's greatest blessings on them as they mature in their faith in Jesus Christ; what a privilege it is to sow the seeds and watch them grow. As the "fruit ripens", we pray for an abundant harvest of God's righteousness and goodness in the lives of our Youth.



Pastor Kendall took a break from preaching during the month of October; thank you, Rev. Dennis Weis, Kyle Elliott, Author/DVM Bill Stork, David Michael and Pastor Dianne Vielhuber for encouraging and engaging the congregation each Sunday.

Our OCTOBER 22nd NOISY OFFERING was AMAZING! Along with a large bucket of coins, we had \$200 in silent offerings (paper money) that was exchanged for quarters. All the change is put through the "sorter/counter" and then MATCHED! The total came to: \$447.46! This amount purchased 1,543 meals. Thank you, Blackhawk Family, for supporting this ministry to feed the hungry. Blackhawk Bethlehem worked the Sauk Prairie Against Hunger Food Pack Event on Thursday, Oct. 26th. Thank you, packers! Anna, Sarah, Rebecca & Heidi Gerike; Lloyd & Jo Ballweg; Kendall & Karen Schlittler; Steve & Laura Mallon; Cheryl Bruckert; Tom & Cheryl Schneller; Bill & Sue Backus; Julie; David & Faith Michael; John & Ranju Been and Wes & Billi Jo Larsen Family.

Dear Kendall, Karen & Blackhawk VBS Crew...WOW! Your generosity has blown us away! Thank you so much for the donation towards our Guatemala Mission Trip. You are playing an important part in helping us share the Gospel in Guatemala. Thank you! Mike & Ellen Abernathy/GraceWay Church Mission Organizers



"CHRISTMAS GIFTS FROM THE ANIMALS"

Written by: Stacy (Schneller) Williamson

Director: Abby Bennett & SS Teachers

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24th at 9:00 AM.

The Sunday School Students present
a whimsical play featuring the
"FRIENDLY BEASTS".

CELEBRATE JESUS...
the LIGHT of the WORLD!

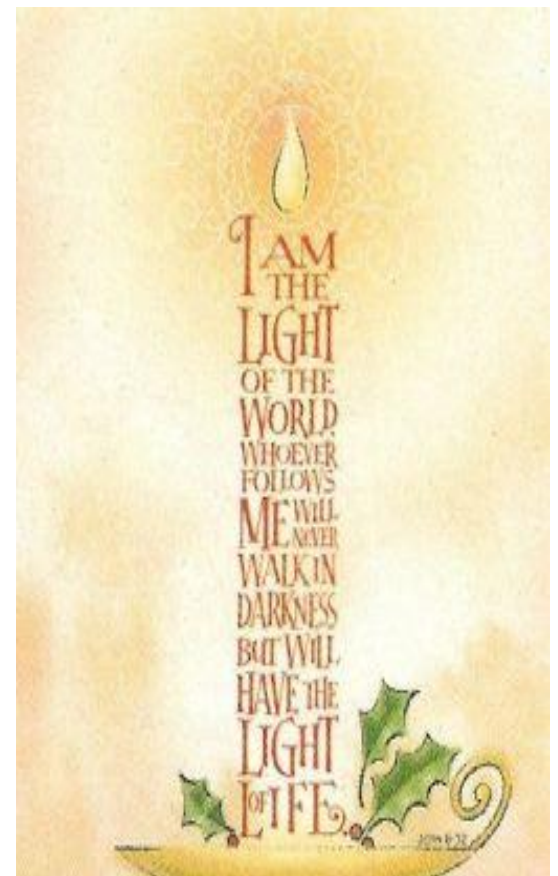
**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24th
4:00 PM**

Sing the songs of Christmas!

Hear Glad Tidings tell of the Savior's birth!

Guest Country Singer/Songwriter: Daniel Lepien

The Son of Tom & Cheryl Lepien, Daniel is a "kid from the neighborhood" who once played his guitar in this church when he was just a teenager. Since then, he has gone on to write and record his own music as well as perform for some well-known country artists. We are excited to have him share his gift of music at Blackhawk Bethlehem on Christmas Eve.



**CANDLELIGHT, CAROLS, COMMUNION
DECEMBER 24th, 9:00 PM**

The Christmas Story Read. Carols Sung.

Communion Served.

Silent Night and Candle-light.

Foundations of Faith 2023-2024

PreK-5th Grade: Meet in Classrooms

6th-12th Grade: Remain in church

Question sheet to be completed during worship

BIBLE BOWL 2023

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12th

During worship, Sunday School Students & Congregation will team up to answer Bible Questions in the style of **JEOPARDY!** The kids will be practicing Bible Facts from old and new class material; let's all be ready for a great match!

2023 CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

We are approaching the season of ADVENT which means Sunday School Christmas Pageant plans are in the works. Because Christmas Eve falls on a Sunday this year, the Sunday School Program will be performed at **9:00 AM, December 24th**. Please let your family members and friends know of the change now so they can plan accordingly. Abby Bennett is the Director of the program and is already making inquiries regarding student participation. We hope ALL the kids will choose to be a part of the wonderful re-telling of the birth of our Savior, Jesus. Parents: to enable the kids to feel confident and well-prepared, it is vitally important we have good student attendance on Sundays during Nov./Dec. leading up to the dress rehearsal on Dec. 17th. Thank you!



"CHRISTMAS GIFTS FROM THE ANIMALS"

Written by:
Stacy Williamson

REMINDER: NO SUNDAY SCHOOL
DEC. 24th or 31st
CLASSES RESUME JAN. 7th, 2024



WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS WORKOUTS
5:30-6:15 PM
Fellowship Hall
Nov. 27th
Dec. 4th, 11, 18th
Tune into the Spirit of Christmas!

Led by Karen Schlittler 608-544-3991

SPOUSES WITHOUT SPOUSES

THURS. NOV. 16th/Jose's, DEC. 14th/Riviera Bowl Ladies...meet for lunch at 11:30.

WOMEN'S WED. BIBLE STUDY

NOV. 8th, 22nd, DEC. 13th, 9:00-10:30 AM
Call Karen for location: 608-544-3991

MEN'S WED. BIBLE STUDY

NOV 29th Meet at church 6:30-8:30 PM

MS/HS YOUTH GATHERING
SATURDAY, NOV. 11th
Church Fellowship Hall
5:00-7:30 PM
Food, Games, Topic Study
Prayer & Blessing

STUDENT SCRIPTURE READERS

Please look over the **WORSHIP SERVANT LISTS** and mark your calendars for assignment and date.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

Volunteer for a MONTH of church cleaning duties (garbage collection, vacuum, dust, mop, replenish, straighten) approx. 1 hour/week x 4 and receive a \$25 PIG GROCERY CARD.
Sign-up sheet is in narthex.

NOVEMBER Worship Leader

5th Abby Bennett
12th Terri Anderson
19th Erin Jaquish
26th Shalome Ullmann

Scripture Reader

5th Micah Bennett
12th Caleb Anderson
19th Paisley Jaquish
26th Megan Ullmann

Acolyte

5th Micah Bennett
12th Caleb Anderson
19th Bode Jaquish
26th Griffin Jaquish

DECEMBER Worship Leader

3rd David Stienmetz
10th Austin Pagel
17th Tom Owens
24th Pastor Kendall
31st Steve Mallon

Scripture Reader

3rd Alan Stienmetz
10th Aaron Pagel
17th Logan Sorg
24th SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAM
31st James Elliott

Acolyte

3rd Evelyn Stienmetz
10th Maxx Ederer
17th Rebecca Gerike
24th Abigail Hartley
31st Sarah Elliott

*Audio/Visual Technician

1st Sunday Brian Ullmann
2nd Sunday Gene Unger
3rd Sunday Nick Hartley
4th Sunday Katey Ullmann
5th Sunday Rhett Jaquish



SET CLOCKS
BACK
ONE HOUR NOV. 5th

1st SUNDAY: CHAT & CHEW!

Treats and Conversation in FH

2nd SUNDAY: PRAISE CHOIR

Practice in the sanctuary at 10:15 AM.

3rd & 4th SUNDAY: CHOIR

Bethlehem Choir Practice 10:15 AM

PRAYER & PRAISE GATHERING

1st WEDNESDAY 6:30 PM at church

IMPORTANT MEETING!

2023 CHURCH CONFERENCE SUNDAY, NOV. 5th 10:15 AM

Gather together after worship to affirm the ministries of our church, discuss and approve the annual budget and cast the vision for 2024. All members and friends of Blackhawk Bethlehem Church are welcome and encouraged to attend.

In the back pew at church, there is a pile of soft, red, velvety cushions that can be used on Sunday mornings. Thank you, LaNell Jaquish, for sewing up these lovely squares of softness; our backs and backsides appreciate the extra comfort.

Tis the season of giving...

Once again, we have an opportunity to bless the men at Mendota Mental Health Institute with **MONETARY DONATIONS**. MMHI Staff organize a Christmas Party and purchase gifts for the men with these donations. If you choose to write a check, please make it directly to **Mendota Mental Health Institute** (not the church) and place it in the designated basket at church by **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10th**.



NOVEMBER 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 6:30 PM PRAISE & PRAYER (note earlier start time)	2	3	4 TURN CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR
5 COMMUNION 8:30 Choir Rehearsal 9:00 Worship 9:25 Christian Ed. 10:00 Chat & Chew 10:15 Church Conf. 2:00 4-H	6 5:30 PM Women's Workout	7	8 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study @ parsonage	9	10	11 MS/HS YOUTH GATHERING 5:00-7:30 PM Meet at church FH
12 VETERANS 9:00 Worship BIBLE BOWL 10:15 Praise Practice 10:15 Membership Mtg.	13 5:30 PM Women's Workout	14	15	16 10:00 AM Maplewood 3:00 PM Pine Villa 3:30 PM Pines	17	18
19 BIBLE SUNDAY 9:00 Worship 9:25 Christian Ed. 10:00 Kids Music 10:15 Choir practice	20 10:00 Greenway 5:30 PM Women's Workout	21	22 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study	23 THANKSGIVING DAY	24	25
26 SS OFFERING 9:00 Worship 9:25 Christian Ed. 10:00 Kids Music 10:15 Choir practice	27 5:30 PM Women's Workout	28	29 6:30 PM Men's Bible Study @ church	30		

DECEMBER 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 5:00-6:00 PM CHRISTMAS CAROLS IN THE COUNTRY SPAHS/Ragatz Church
3 COMMUNION ADVENT BEGINS 8:30 Choir Rehearsal 9:00 Worship 9:25 Christian Ed. 10:00 Chat & Chew 2:00 4-H	4 5:30 PM Women's Workout	5	6 6:30 PM PRAISE & PRAYER (note earlier time)	7	8	9
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24 9:00 AM SS Program 4:00 PM Worship 9:00 PM Christmas Eve Service/Communion	25 CHRISTMAS DAY	26	27	28 10:00 AM Greenway	29	30
31 9:00 AM Worship						

Sauk Prairie Area Historical Society
Presents



**“CHRISTMAS CAROLS
IN THE COUNTRY”**

Saturday, December 2nd, 2023

5:00-6:00 PM

Sit back. Wrap yourself in the warmth and beauty of this sacred place.
Lift your voice with the Blackhawk Bethlehem Choir as
we sing together favorite Christmas carols.

Cookie Reception Follows Program
Salem-Ragatz (Honey Creek) Church
Corner of PF & Church Rd. PdS



Blackhawk Bethlehem Church
S10174 County Rd C
Sauk City, WI 53583

Return Service Requested

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER
2023
HAWK TALK

Blackhawk Bethlehem Church
S10174 Cty Rd C Sauk City, WI 53583
Pastor Kendall Schlittler

