

A Joyful and Blessed Christmas Season
to You!



WELCOME TO
BETHANY CHURCH

9118 HOUSTON AVE.

REV. OLOF H. NELSON, *Pastor*

Come and sing with us, "Var hälsad shöna morgonstund!"

PROGRAM FOR CHRISTMAS MORNING SERVICE—5:30 A. M.

Hymn—Swedish—No. 55

Prayer and Gloria Patri

The Scripture Lesson and the Creed

Anthem—Hosianna.....Vogler
By the Choir

Announcements

Vocal Solo—SelectedMISS ROMA STROMWALL
Sermon in Swedish and EnglishAnthem—On Bethlehem's Plain.....WM. R. SPENCER
By the Choir

Offeratory and Pastor's Christmas Offering

Hymn—English—No. 45

Prayer and Benediction

A Christmas Greeting

Unto us a child is born,
unto us a Son is given;
and the government shall
be upon His shoulder.

Isa. 9:6

Jesus was born a King. He was Christ the Lord. At His birth, stars, angels, wise men, rulers, common people—yea, all creation was moved to welcome him. Some sang His praise, others worshipped Him on bended knee and offered Him their hearts and also earthly treasures. How shall we receive Him this Christmas season? May He come as King and Savior into our hearts and homes. The government of justice and of love is upon His shoulders. May He have full sway in our lives. He is the greatest power for good, the only one to save us from sin and trouble.

The story of His birth is always new, always thrilling. It is a picture painted in the colors of heaven. Millions of people come out before day-break on Christmas day to hear it read, sung, and proclaimed.

Jesus is called the Prince of Peace. For the individual He brings peace with God, peace in the else discordant inner nature, peace amid storms of calamity. For congregation, civic communities, and nations, He brings peace. Oh, that they all would accept it on His own terms!

We wish our members and friends this divine peace. May your portion of joy be truly plentiful, and may the glad song of the angels find an echo of the Christmas peace in your hearts.

THE PASTOR.

Well Wishes

Mrs. Nelson joins with the Pastor in hearty Christmas greetings and well wishes for a happy and successful new year! Take the Name of Jesus with you!

To those who are sick or otherwise unable to be with us in Church we express our sympathy, hoping that God will in some way fill all your wants and make you happy in the Savior. "Be ye patient; establish your hearts for the Coming of the Lord is at hand." Jas. 5:8.

A Kind Reminder

Please remember your pledge to the church. If you are in arrears, kindly send or bring in what you owe. You owe it to God and Christ. Bethany needs you and your hearty support, and you need the church still more. "Blessed are they that hear the word of God and keep it."

Glory be to God on High

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, December 26:

Sunday School Christmas service, 10 a. m.
Morning service in Swedish, 10:45 a. m.
Special music.
Children's Christmas Program, 7:30 p. m.
Offering for Sunday School.

Tuesday:

Sick Benefit Society, 8:00 p. m.

Wednesday:

Council meeting, 8:15 p. m.

Friday:

New Year's Wake under auspices of the Luther League—Program
and refreshments, 9:30 p. m.
Hymns and sermonette, 11:30 p. m.

Sunday, January 2, 1927

Sunday School, 9:10 a. m.
(May all start the New Year with prompt attendance)
Joint service in English, 10:15 a. m.
Evening Service in Swedish, 7:45 p. m.

Prayer Week, January 2-8

Will be observed here on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings. The choir will practice after meeting on Thursday, and the Luther League meets on Friday in connection with the devotional hour. Swedish will be used on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Monday, January 3:

Board meeting, 8:15 p. m.

Annual Meeting of Church, Wednesday, January 12, at 8:00 p. m.:

All reports should be in, and all voting members present.