

## **YouTube Viewing of BLC Services**

Donna and I have been tuning in to the BLC Sunday morning services since we started the virtual viewing in March. We started out with the Facebook LIVE option. I have to say, it was a bit frustrating each Sunday morning as we were searching for the LIVE broadcast. This was mostly due to our lack of familiarity with the FaceBook environment outside of the daily news feed, etc. I will also admit, we were a bit impatient with the service scheduled to begin at 8:30 and at that exact time we did not see any action. We are so grateful with all that our Pastoral leadership and others do to bring us the best community that can be had at this awful time.

About 6 weeks ago, we learned that the services were going to be broadcast on a YouTube channel that the church has secured. I want to say that this process is so much easier than the Facebook option for us and because it is being broadcast on our big screen TV instead of Donna's iPad, the experience is more enjoyable for us. So, here is the BERNER YouTube lesson by dummies. (notice not for dummies, but by dummies!)

First, it will be best to have a YouTube account. I believe YouTube is owned by Google, so if you have a gmail account, it will be the same sign in and password.

Sign in to your YouTube account. This can be done on your computer or on whatever device you use to view YouTube. Then, you want to search for [BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH FAIRPORT](#), channel. It is best then to SUBSCRIBE, for two reasons; one, it will be easier to find the next time you are looking to view service and two, the more subscribes that BLC has on their channel, the more benefits and features that open up to us. I am told by Andy Gates that the beak point is 100 subscriptions for more features. (we are almost to 60)

Ok, now to the TV. I believe you will need a smart TV that has the options of streaming services such as HULU, AMAZON, HBO and others, but it should have YouTube there as well. (if not, you will need to explore the instructions with your specific TV and brand to acquire it).

So, on Sunday morning, tune into YouTube, on the left side there is a navigation bar that lists, SEARCH and others, but SUBSCRIPTIONS is also listed and if you have subscribed, [BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH FAIRPORT](#) is listed there. Click on it and look for the video that will be labeled with the date for the day.

LAST INSTRUCTION, PLEASE BE PATIENT AND FLEXIBLE. Click on the LIVE video and wait for the service to start. All of our support for bringing the services to you on any media are volunteers who are doing their best to be on time, without any glitches. But, we know that this is not always the case with any electronic equipment. Be prepared to seek another media if this does not work. We have only had to do that one Sunday in all the weeks it has been available to us. We find that viewing on YouTube is flexible and easier than on Facebook LIVE. Feel free to text me on a Sunday morning if you are struggling and waiting and I will share if we are doing the same. 585-314-9432.

~ Jim Berner