

BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, June 9, 2024

Rev. Susan Engholm, Supply Pastor

3rd Sunday after Pentecost

Jan Smith, Accompanist

Evangelical Lutheran Worship Hymnal (ELW) Setting 8

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GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE

“Forever with Great is Thy Faithfulness” arr. Carol Tornquist

“Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus with In Christ Alone” arr. Carol Tornquist

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.**

(Silence is kept for reflection.)

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

God, our provider, **help us,**

It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

Beloved people of God...forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG “God of Grace and God of Glory” ELW #705

GREETING(ELW p. 184) (front of red *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* hymnal)

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

KYRIE(ELW p. 184) **Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way...**

CANTICLE OF PRAISE (ELW p. 187) **This is the feast of vict'ry for our God...**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

All powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

CHOIR ANTHEM

“Gracious Spirit Dwell With me” arr. K. Lee Scott

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

READINGS AND PSALM

Genesis 3:8-15 (back page)

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 130 (read responsively/insert)

2 Corinthians 4:13—5:1 (back page) The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW p. 188) **Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?...**
The Gospel according to Mark the third chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**
Mark 3:20-35 (back page) The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY "Rise, Shine, You People!" ELW #665

APOSTLES' CREED(ELW p. 105)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

PEACE The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERTORY "Bread of Life" (insert)

OFFERING PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING (ELW p. 190)

PREFACE FOR THE DAY (ELW p. 190) **Holy, holy, holy Lord...**

LORD'S PRAYER (ELW p. 145)

COMMUNION (ELW p. 146) **Lamb of God...**

COMMUNION HYMN "When Peace Like a River" ELW #785

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. **Amen.**

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, † be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG "Lead Me, Guide Me" ELW #768

SENDING WORDS Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE "Lasst Uns Erfreuen" setting by Kevin Hildebrand

Psalm 130

¹ Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD.

² **Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!**

³ If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?

⁴ **But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.**

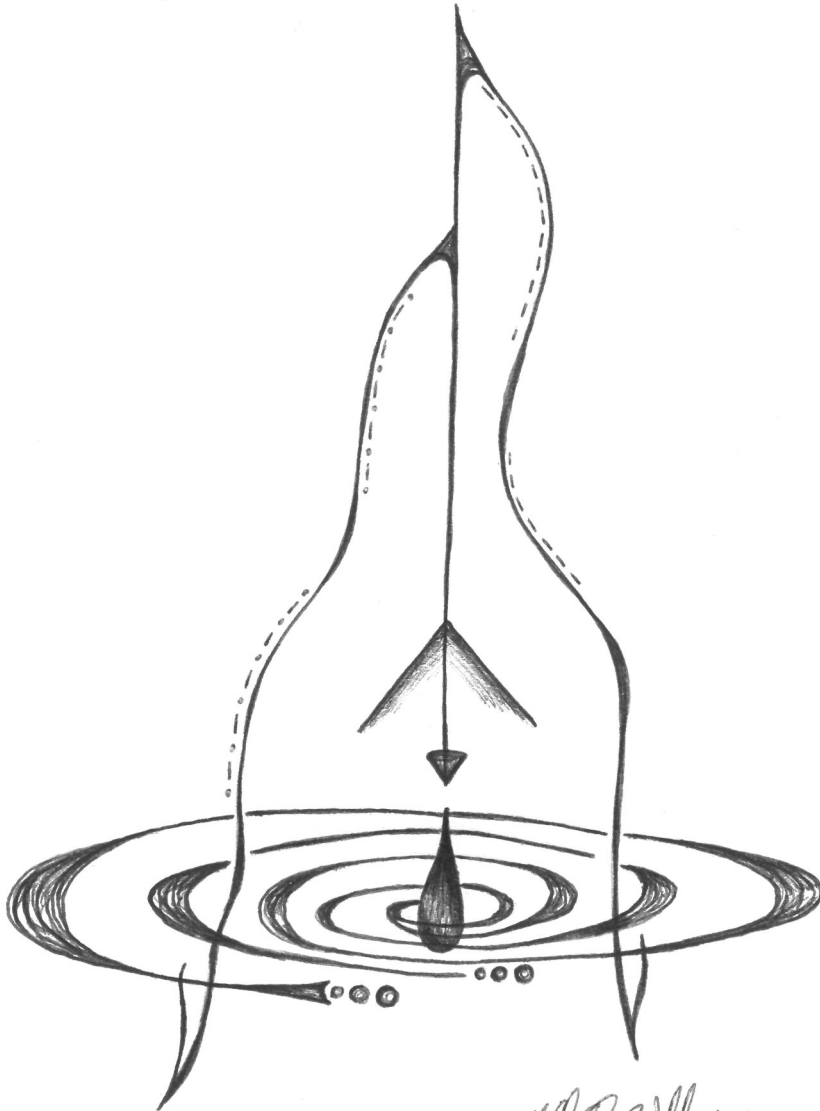
⁵ I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;

⁶ **my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.**

⁷ O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.

⁸ **It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.**

Spirit Art
A Meditative Study of Scripture through Art
Mark 3:20-35



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WELCOME TO BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

OUR MISSION STATEMENT—Vibrantly open to the Spirit, Bethel Lutheran Church seeks to serve God and its neighbors by joyfully living into the good news of Jesus Christ.

QUESTIONS OR REQUESTS? Please contact the church office at 320-395-2125 or bethellutheranlp@gmail.com. For emergency pastoral care needs, please call Pastor Molly Wills at 320-339-8169 or email pastor@lpbethel.org. **BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINE: Wednesdays at noon. NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: 25th of the month.**

CHURCH ADDRESS: 77 Lincoln AVE N, PO Box 207, Lester Prairie, MN 55354

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HEARING ASSIST DEVICES AVAILABLE—speak to an usher for assistance.

LARGE PRINT HYMNS AVAILABLE—contact the office if you are interested.

THIS WEEK..

SUNDAY, JUNE 9 (Welcome Pastor Susan! Thank you for leading us in worship today!)

- Celebration Bank-Drop your change in the [piggy] bank and tell us what you're celebrating! The goal is to raise funds to purchase items from the GLLM Wish List.
- Fellowship Hour: following worship

MONDAY, JUNE 10

- Bible Study: 1:30 pm

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12

- Quilting: 1:00 pm-4:30 pm
- Worship & Music Committee meeting: 12:30 pm
- Women's Bible Study Begins: 7:00-8:00 pm, Feel free to bring a friend!

THURSDAY, JUNE 13

- MEFS Mobile Outreach: 2:30-4:00 pm, Bethel Lutheran parking lot

NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 16 (Father's Day)

- Praise Worship: 9:00 am
- Celebration Bank-bring your change to worship and tell us what you're celebrating!
- Fellowship Hour: following worship

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK! Check out the church cleaning job list for the in the narthex. Sign up for one or more jobs to do at your convenience. Everyone's help is greatly appreciated! Thank you, volunteers!

Bell Tower Painting Campaign: We are off to a great start with our campaign to raise funds to paint the bell tower. We have already painted the cross, but now the base needs painting. Our goal is to raise \$8,000 and get the job done this summer. Check out the model in the narthex to see the progress! *The Trustees*

Are you a Thrivent member? Would you like to apply for a \$250 Thrivent Action Team Grant [card]? We want to combine grant money and money collected from the *Celebration Bank* to purchase items for Green Lake Lutheran Ministries (Green Lake Bible Camp). Jan Smith, Jill Duncan, and Judy Angvall are willing to answer your questions and show you how to apply. If you do apply without their help, please let them know. *Bethel WELCA*

June Book Club: *The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store* by James McBride

A historical fiction about the secrets and struggles of a diverse community in Pottstown, Pennsylvania, in 1972. The title refers to the grocery store where the characters meet and the values that sustain them in dark times.

Book Discussion: Wednesday, June 19 at 6:00 pm

The Bethel Campout at Baylor Regional Park is coming up June 21-23. We could still fit a couple of tents on our reserved sites if anyone wants to join us at the last minute. Visitors are always welcome during the day or for our campfires on Friday and Saturday evenings. Contact Jill Duncan if you have questions.

Fellowship by the Fire: June 26, July 24, & August 21. The evening will begin at 6:00 pm outside by the fire pit. WELCA will supply hotdogs and buns. Please bring a dish to share, your lawn chairs and games.

Annual Bergen Church Site Worship service on Sunday, June 30: Join us for our annual worship service in the country where the old church once was at 10:00 am followed by a potluck picnic. Bring lawn chairs or a blanket, lawn games, and a dish to share. This worship service will be the only one on this day and note the time change. See the May newsletter for directions to the Bergen Church site.

