



BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

2ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 7TH 2026

8:30 & 10:30 AM

+ indicates to stand in body or spirit;
bold print indicates congregational responses

✠ GATHERING ✠

PRELUDE (8:30) “*Rejoice and Be Glad*” Jason W. Krug
(10:30) “*Shout to the Lord*” arr. Phillip Keveren

WORDS OF WELCOME

+ CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hid:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you
and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

(a brief silence for reflection)

Most merciful God,
**we confess that we are captive to sin
and cannot free ourselves.
We have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us.
Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us,
and for his sake God forgives us all our sins.
As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority,
I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins,
in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

+ GATHERING HYMN "O Blessed Spring" VT #522



1. O bless - ed spring, where word and sign em - brace us
2. Through sum - mer heat of youth - ful years, un - cer - tain
5. Christ, ho - ly Vine, Christ, liv - ing Tree, be praised for



in - to Christ the Vine: here Christ en - joins each
faith, re - bel - lious tears, sus - tained by Christ's in -
this blest mys - ter - y; that work and wa - ter



one to be a branch of this life giv - ing Tree.
fus - ing rain, the boughs will shout for joy a - gain.
thus re - vive and join us to your Tree of life.

+ APOSTOLIC GREETING

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.

+ PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, you give us your Son as the vine apart from whom we cannot live.

Nourish our life in his resurrection, that we may bear the fruit of love and know the fullness of your joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

✠ **WORD** ✠

FIRST READING GALATIANS 5:13-16a; 22-25

A reading from Galatians.

¹³ For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters, only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become enslaved to one another. ¹⁴ For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."
¹⁵ If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. ¹⁶ Live by the Spirit, I say, ...

...
 22 ... the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness,
 23 gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. 24 And those who belong
 to Christ have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. 25 If we live by the Spirit, let us
 also be guided by the Spirit.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

+ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? —
 You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia! —

+ HOLY GOSPEL *JOHN 15:1-5*

The gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

1 “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. 2 He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. 3 You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. 4 Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. 5 I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing.

The gospel of our Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

HOMILY

+ HYMN OF THE DAY “*Fruit We Bear*” Lost & Found

Refrain

May the fruit we bear be Christ May the har - vest be ripe...
 Oh, the fruit won't fall so far from the tree... A -

bide in you A - bide in me And the Fa-ther is glo-ri - fied May the fruit we bear be Christ.

1. Let us agree that we will be
Signs of the life to come
And may we believe
And freely receive
All that God has one. *Refrain*
2. As we live may we forgive
Gratefully each day.
And for peace,
For love to increase,
Holy Spirit, we pray. *Refrain*

(8:30) BLESSING OF THE GRADUATES

Abigail Atzinger

Fletcher Aylin

Erle Bauer

Maxwell Boardman

Eloise DeBus

Matthew Haefner

Boden Jenkinson

Annika Johnson

Karina Johnson

Austin Mathre

Erik Radtke

Isaac Schleif

Grant Selchow

Favorite Memories, Blessing by the Parents, Quilt Presentation & Blessing of the Parents

SONG OF BLESSING "Lord, Be Glorified" ELW #744

seniors In my life, Lord, be glo-ri-fied, be glo-ri-fied;
parents In their lives, Lord, be glo-ri-fied, be glo-ri-fied;
all In our lives, Lord, be glo-ri-fied, be glo-ri-fied;
in my life, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to-day.
in their lives, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to-day.
in our lives, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to-day.

(8:30) ANTHEM “Homeward Bound” Marta Keen; arr. Jay Althouse

*In the quiet misty morning
When the moon has gone to bed,
When the sparrows stop their singing
And the sky is clear and red.
When summer’s ceased its gleaming,
when the corn is past its prime,
When adventure’s lost its meaning,
I’ll be homeward bound in time.*

*If you find it’s me your missing,
if you’re hoping I’ll return.
To your thoughts I’ll soon be list’ning
in the road I’ll stop and turn.
Then the wind will set me racing
as my journey nears its end,
and the path I’ll be retracing
when I’m homeward bound again.*

*Bind me not to the pasture:
Chain me not to the plow.
Set me free to find my calling
and I’ll return to you somehow.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

+ SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

OFFERING



Guests

Generosity is part of who we are as God’s people. Guests can use their QR code to give via Breeze, Bethel’s trusted online giving platform. Select "Member Faith Giving" to give to the general budget. Members can use their QR code to sign into Breeze to give a one-time gift or to schedule an automated donation. Online giving cards (at the name tag stations), checks, or cash may be placed in the offering plates as they are passed.



Members

ANTHEM (8:30) “Good Timber” Douglas Malloch & Susan LaBarr

*The tree that never had to fight
For sun and sky and air and light,
But stood out in the open plain
And always got its share of rain,
Never became a forest king
But lived and died a shrubby thing.*

*Good timber does not grow with ease:
The stronger wind, the stronger trees;
The further sky, the greater length;
The more the storm, the more the strength.
By sun and cold, by rain and snow,
In trees and us good timbers grow.*

*Where thickest lies the forest growth,
We find the examples of both.
And they hold counsel with the starts
Whose broken branches show the scars
Of many winds and much of strife.
This is the common law of life.*

+ OFFERTORY

Refrain

As the grains of wheat once scat - tered on the hill were
gath - ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo - ple from
all the ends of earth be gath - ered in - to one in you.
1 As this cup of bless - ing is shared with - in our midst,
Refrain
may we share the pres - ence of your love.

✠ MEAL ✠

+ GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

+ EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

The Words of Institution / Las Palabras de la Institución

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all glory and honor, now and forever. **Amen.**

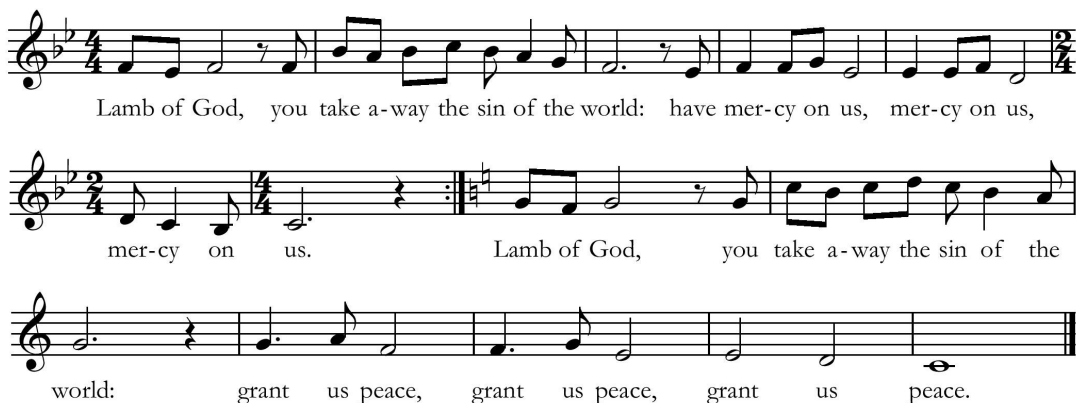
+ THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom,
the power, and the glory
are yours, now and forever. Amen.

+ EL PADRE NUESTRO

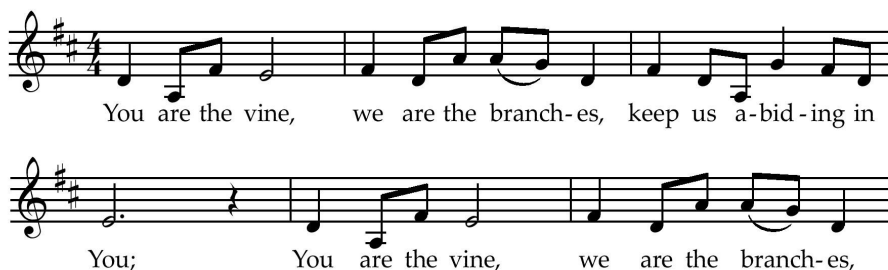
Padre nuestro que estás en los cielos,
santificado sea tu nombre;
venga a nos tu reino;
hágase tu voluntad,
así en la tierra como en el cielo;
el pan nuestro de cada día, dánoslo hoy;
y perdónanos nuestras deudas
así como nosotros perdonamos
a nuestros deudores;
y no nos dejes caer en la tentación;
mas líbranos del mal.
Porque tuyo es el reino,
el poder y la gloria,
por los siglos de los siglos. Amén.

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us,
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world: grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

HOLY COMMUNION HYMNS "You are the Vine"



You are the vine, we are the branch-es, keep us a-bid-ing in
You; You are the vine, we are the branch-es,

keep us a-bid - ing in You. And we'll go in Your
world will sure-ly know that You have pow - er to heal and to
save. You are the vine, we are the branch-es,
keep us a - bid - ing in You; You are the vine,
we are the branch-es, keep us a - bid - ing in You.



"I Receive the Living God" Gather #1015 Stanzas 2-5, 7, & 8



I re - ceive the liv - ing God, And my



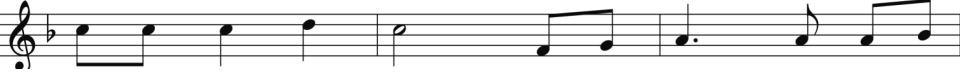
heart is full of joy. I re - ceive the liv - ing



God, And my heart is full of joy.



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|-------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| 2. Je - sus says: | I am the Vine, | Far from |
| 3. Je - sus says: | I am the Way, | And my |
| 4. Je - sus says: | I am the Truth. | If you |
| 5. Je - sus says: | I am the Life, | Raised in |



whom no life can grow.	If you join your - self to
path is straight and true.	Fol - low me to where I
fol - low close to me,	You will know me in your
tri - umph from the dead.	As one Bod - y now re -



me,	A rich har - vest you will know.
lead;	There my Fa - ther waits for you.
heart,	And my word will make you free.
main,	Mem - bers joined to me, the Head.

7. Jesus says: I am the Love
Which can bind you close to me.
Those who know this gift I bring
Will find true community.

8. Jesus says: I am the Peace
Which the world cannot bestow.
Learn to love and live in me,
And in you my Reign will grow.

D.C.

+ PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence and nourished us with words of mercy. Amid the cares of this life, send your Spirit to strengthen us to bear good fruit: to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

✠ SENDING ✠

+ BENEDICTION

A blessing for our graduates and for all of us.

So you know some things.
You've also noticed
how much there is still to discover.

You are both humbled and emboldened
by this gain and ground.
What's next?

Do not be fooled by trite questions,
the expectations about pressing forward.
There is no right answer to how you
keep becoming.

There is no degree or title that can
fulfill of who you are.

Delight in the wisdom
and those who share it.

Invest in the service
and those who need it.

Be thankful for support
and those who give it.

You are being sent
to speak what is true
to do what is kind
to give what is necessary
so that your knowledge and mystery—
reflections of your creator—
are alive in the world for all to share.

+ SENDING HYMN "Let Us Enter In" ACS #985



1 Let us en-ter in to the song of thanks - giv - ing and free - dom.
2 Let us en-ter in to the place where our God has pre - ced - ed.
3 Let us en-ter in to the heart of a world that is bro - ken.



Let us en-ter in to the long line of peo - ple in need.
Let us en-ter in to the face of the fear and the pain.
Let us en-ter in to the start of a hope we can share.



Let us en-ter in to the strong mind that God is still liv - ing.
Let us en-ter in to the grace of the love when it's need - ed.
Let us en-ter in to the part where we call one an - oth - er



Heal - ing, for - giv - ing— Let us en - ter in.
Death is de - feat - ed! Let us en - ter in.
sis - ter and broth - er. Let us en - ter in.

+ DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE (8:30) "Siyahamba" arr. Vicki Collinsworth

(10:30) "Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises" arr. Mark Sedio

WORSHIP LEADERS

Pastor Inger Hanson & Pastor Ben Schori
Assisting Minister: (8:30) Christina Schwietz (10:30) Krista Middlebrooks
Ushers: (8:30) Greg Bussler, Craig Grunzke
Isaac Atzinger, Sebastian Jenkinson, Haakon Jenkinson
(10:30) Michael Sparby, Nancy Sparby
Cross Bearer: (8:30) Matthew Haefner
Acolyte: (8:30) Xavier Jenkinson
Streamers: (8:30) Brandon Atzinger, Whitney Bauer, Ian Schleif
Scripture Readers: (8:30) Evie Bauer (10:30) Megan Pratola
Sacramental Ministers: (8:30) Barb Farmer, Kara Millerhagen, Boden Jenkinson, Annika Johnson,
Karina Johnson, Grant Selchow
(10:30) Patrick Stahly
Altar Care: (set) Rosann Brawley (clean) Winnie Johnson, Rosann Brawley
(cups) Dwayne Vosejpk, Michelle Vosjpk
Vocal Solo: Abby Atzinger
Vocal Quartet: Isaac Schleif, Erik Radtke, Fletcher Aylin, Max Boardman,
Senior Bell Ensemble: Abby Atzinger, Fletcher Aylin, Evie Bauer,
Max Boardman, Erik Radtke, Isaac Schleif
Vocal Trio: Krista Middlebrooks, Megan Engel, Christina Schwietz Keyboards: Megan Engel
A/V Technicians: Sam Dwyer, Asher Engle, Nathan Broughton, Nathan Hoekstra

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PSALM 139:1-14 (THE RUNAWAY BUNNY PSALM)

- ¹ O Lord, you have searched me and known me.
² You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
 you discern my thoughts from far away.
³ You search out my path and my lying down
 and are acquainted with all my ways.
⁴ Even before a word is on my tongue,
 O Lord, you know it completely.
⁵ You hem me in, behind and before,
 and lay your hand upon me.
⁶ Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
 it is so high that I cannot attain it.
⁷ Where can I go from your spirit?
 Or where can I flee from your presence?
⁸ If I ascend to heaven, you are there;
 if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.
⁹ If I take the wings of the morning
 and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,
¹⁰ even there your hand shall lead me,
 and your right hand shall hold me fast.
¹¹ If I say, “Surely the darkness shall cover me,
 and night wraps itself around me,”
¹² even the darkness is not dark to you;
 the night is as bright as the day,
 for darkness is as light to you.
¹³ For it was you who formed my inward parts;
 you knit me together in my mother’s womb.
¹⁴ I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.
 Wonderful are your works;
 that I know very well.





Bethel Lutheran Church Fruits of the Spirit 2018

THIS WEEK: JUNE 8—13

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY—THURSDAY 9 AM - 3 PM

MONDAY

12:00 pm  Bible Study @ the Vault (1520 Clinton Lane)

TUESDAY

9:00 am  Quilting

9:45 am Staff Meeting

3:00 pm Lydia Circle Fellowship @ the Manor Dining Room

7:30 pm Creation Care Team

WEDNESDAY

5:00 pm Congregational Life

THURSDAY

9:00 am MoB (Men of Bethel) (Room 54)

9:30 am FAB (Faith & Books) (Youth Room)

10:15 am Garage Sale Committee

10:30 am Projects with a Purpose

7:00 pm Finance

FRIDAY

9:15 am  WoW (Women of the Word) via zoom

SATURDAY

11:00 am Celebration of Life for Mary Overfield (sister of Christy Valek)



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