Welcome to Bethel Second Sunday After Epiphany



January 14, 2018

Welcome to Bethel Lutheran Church. We are glad you are here and we pray God will be real to you as you worship. Bethel is a Reconciling in Christ congregation. Knowing God loves all creation and holds us all, we welcome you who walk through our doors and you who are outside those doors. We welcome everyone and honor the rich diversity and giftedness that age, sexual orientation, race, belief, emotional and physical health, gender identity, marital status and station in life bring to the Bethel family and our relationships.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

Amen

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.

At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all. We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.

Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

Restrooms are located in the basement on the east side of the building. A gender neutral restroom is located behind the worship space next to the church office. Please ask the Usher or Greeter for assistance. There is also a rocking chair in the rear of the Sanctuary. Please use it as you wish.



GREETING

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

Stewardship of Service	Today:	Next week - Jan 21	
Ministers:	All Baptized Members of Bethel	All Baptized Members of Bethel	
Pastor:	Pastor Michael Keys	Pastor Michael Keys	
Pastor:	Pastor Christine Core	Pastor Christine Core	
Musician:	LeAnn Michaels	LeAnn Michaels	
Usher:	OPEN	OPEN	
Reader:	Joann Noll	OPEN	
Communion:	OPEN	OPEN	

Our welcome extends to the Communion Table. We recognize that this is Christ's Table and Christ's invitation. Please come forward as you are invited. If you prefer not to receive Communion at this time, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing – just fold your arms across your chest so that we know you prefer a blessing. Wine is served from the first chalice; grape juice is served from the second. We also offer gluten-free bread and individual cups of wine.

HYMN OF PRAISE



P: God be with you **C: And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Thanks be to you, Jesus Christ, most merciful redeemer, for the countless blessings and benefits you give. May we know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day praising you, with Abba and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

WORD

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

FIRST READING

1 Samuel 3:1-10

¹Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

²At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; ³the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. ⁴Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" ⁵and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. ⁶The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again, "I did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. ⁸The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. ⁹Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

¹⁰Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." [¹¹Then the Lord said to Samuel, "See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. ¹²On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. ¹³For I have told him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. ¹⁴Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering forever."

¹⁵Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the Lord. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. ¹⁶But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." He said, "Here I am." ¹⁷Eli said, "What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you." ¹⁸So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, "It is the Lord; let him do what seems good to him."

¹⁹As Samuel grew up, the Lord was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. ²⁰And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the Lord.]

P: Word of God, Word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 139 1-6, 13-18

¹GOD, you have [|] searched me out; O GOD, you [|] have known me. ²You know my sitting down and my ¹ rising up; you discern my thoughts ¹ from afar. ³You trace my journeys and my ¹ resting-places and are acquainted with ¹ all my ways. ⁴Indeed, there is not a word ¹ on my lips, but you, O GOD, know it [|] altogether. ⁵You encompass me, behind ¹ and before, and lay your [|] hand upon me. ⁶Such knowledge is too wonder-¹ ful for me; it is so high that I cannot at-¹ tain to it. ¹³For you yourself created my [|] inmost parts; you knit me together in my ¹ mother's womb. ¹⁴I will thank you because I am mar-¹ velously made; your works are wonderful, and I [|] know it well. ¹⁵My body was not hid-¹ den from you, while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths ¹ of the earth. ¹⁶Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written ¹ in your book; my days were fashioned before they ¹ came to be. ¹⁷How deep I find your [|] thoughts, O God! How great is the ¹ sum of them! ¹⁸If I were to count them, they would be more in number ¹ than the sand; to count them all, my life span would need to ¹ be like yours.

GOSEPL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to John the first chapter **Glory to you, O God.**

John 1:43-51

43The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." 44Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. 45Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." 46Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." 47When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" 48Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." 49Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" 50Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." 51And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you. O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON



APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SHARING OF THE PEACE The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

MEAL God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

OFFERING

OFFERTORY Let the vine - yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of bless-ing. Gath - er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of u all; nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta-ble with your pres-ence, and give a fore-taste of the feast us to come.

Let the Vineyards be Fruitful

OFFERING PRAYER

God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our teacher, our brother and our redeemer. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

God be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to God. Let us give thanks to our Creator God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed our right, our duty and our joy... We praise Your name and join their unending hymn

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

SENDING

God blesses us and send us in mission to the world

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus.

Amen.

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The God of all grace bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN



DISMISSAL Go in peace. Christ is with you. **Thanks be to God.**

Prayer Requested for:	Prayer Concern:	Prayer Contact:
Bertha Anderson	Prayers for healing	Karen Anderson
For all victims of hate speech and prejudice	Peace and healing	Bethel Staff
Prayers for the families and children of migrant workers that they may be reunited	Prayers for peace and justice	Bethel Sanctuary Justice Team
Skip Getman	Prayers of peace and comfort as he battles cancer	Bethel Players and Congregation
Family and friends of Judy Merchant	Prayers for God's peace following her death	Mary Rix
Vance Burghard	Prayers for support and healing as he works through medical issues	The Burghard/ Moody family
Dennis Mitchell	Prayers of healing and comfort as his throat cancer has returned	Stephanie Burdick
Family and Friends of Deb Cornils (Karen Anderson's favorite college roommate)	Prayers for peace and comfort upon the death of Deb	Karen Anderson
Dale Tersey (JulieAnn and Marlo Edman's son-in-law)	Prayers of healing and comfort as he battles a very rare and potentially aggressive form of cancer	JulieAnn Edman
Timothy Collins (JulieAnn's good friend)	Prayers of healing and comfort as he battles a very rare and potentially aggressive form of cancer	JulieAnn Edman
Family and friends of Betty Hahn (Mary Rix's Mother)	Prayers for God's peace following Betty's death Monday 12/11	Bethel Staff
Family and friends of Vernon Dengler	Prayers for God's peace following his death	Mary Rix
Katie Reitel	Prayers of healing, strength and comfort for Katie and support for her family	The Bentleys

Coming Up: Jan16: Council 7pm

January 21: Community Breakfast 9am Worship 10am



ANNOUNCEMENTS



Celebration of Welcome, Inclusion, Hope & Resilience

Please join ReconcilingWorks in celebrating inclusive churches at a Reconciling in

Christ service of Hope and Resilience Sunday, January 28, 5 pm Followed by a potluck dessert reception St. Luke Lutheran Church 4595 SW California St. Portland, OR 97219



POTLUCK ANNUAL MEETING - JANUARY 28

The meeting will take place after worship. Kitchen crew will provide soups. Brings munchies, side dishes, and desserts to share.

North Portland RideAbout Shuttle

This door-to-door shuttle service offers rides for those 60 & older and people with disabilities. This service includes recreational trips on Mondays, and shopping trips on Tuesdays, Wednesday, and Fridays. There is no charge for the service although donations are encouraged to help with fuel and other costs. For more information call Project Linkage at 503.249.0471 or ride Connection at 503.226.0700

Phone Directory

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