

# Welcome to Bethel

## Sixth Sunday After Epiphany

February 11th, 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.

# GATHERING SONG

## Shine, Jesus, Shine

*Refrain*  
A E/A D A/C# Bm B<sup>7</sup>

Shine, Je - sus, shine, fill this land with the

E A E/A D A

Fa - ther's glo - ry; blaze, Spir - it, blaze, set our

Bm Bm/A G E A E/A D A/C#

hearts on fire. Flow, riv - er, flow, flood the

Bm B<sup>7</sup> E A E/A

na - tions with grace and mer - cy; send forth your Word,

D A/C# Bm E<sup>7</sup> A D

Lord, and let there be light!

*To stanzas* *Last time*  
E/A D/A A

1 Lord, the light of your love is shin - ing,  
2 As we gaze on your king - ly bright - ness,

A D/A A E/A

in the midst of the dark - ness, shin - ing;  
so our fac - es dis - play your like - ness,

D E/D C#m F#m

Je - sus, light of the world, shine up - on us,  
ev - er chang - ing from glo - ry to glo - ry,

D E/D C#m F#m

set us free by the truth you now bring us.  
mir - rored here, may our lives tell your sto - ry.

G Esus E G Esus *Refrain*  
E

Shine on on me, shine on on me:  
Shine on me, shine on me:

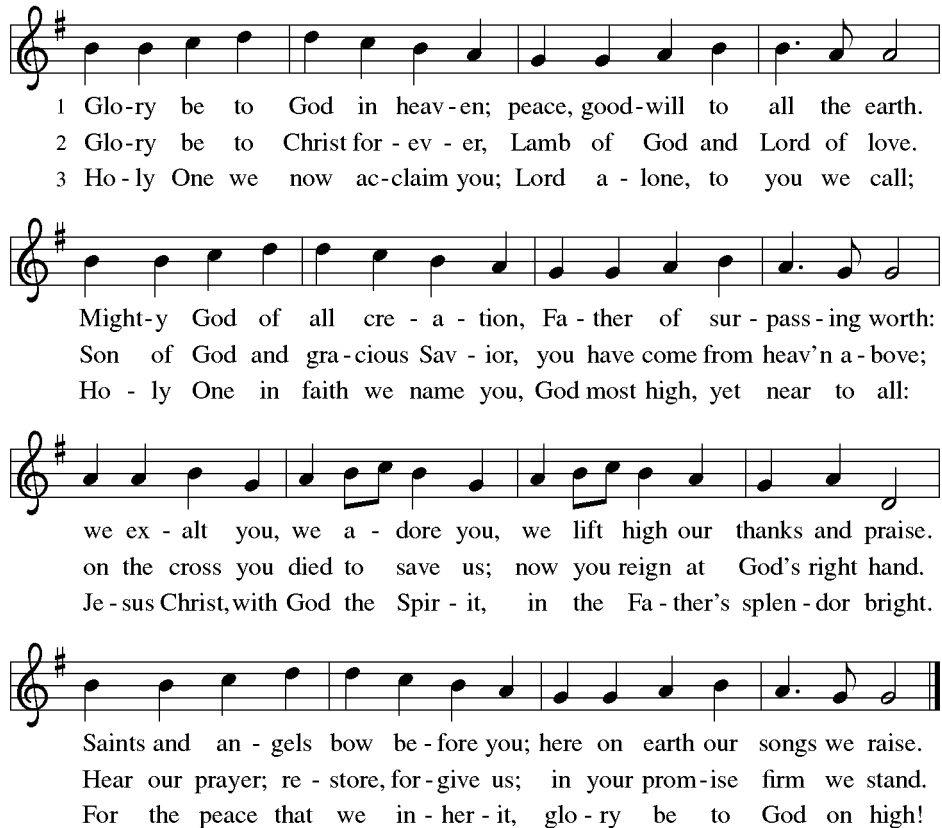
## GREETING

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

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.

Stewardship of Service	Today:	Next week - Feb 18
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:	Timmy Straw	Timmy Straw
Usher:	Meghan Cyr	OPEN
Reader:	Marlo Edman	Don Worthington
Communion:	JulieAnn Edman and Cate Milburn	Sonia Fornoni and Tammy Gover

## HYMN OF PRAISE



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.  
 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.  
 3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;

Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:  
 Son of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;  
 Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:

we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.  
 on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.  
 Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.

Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.  
 Hear our prayer; re - store, for-give us; in your prom-ise firm we stand.  
 For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

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

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, the resplendent light of your truth shines from the mountaintop into our hearts. Transfigure us by your beloved Son, and illumine the world with your image, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

## WORD

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

### FIRST READING

2 Kings 2:1-12

Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent."

Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent."

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

P: Word of God, Word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### GOSEPL ACCLAMATION



# GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to Mark the ninth chapter  
**Glory to you, O God.**

## Mark 9:2-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you. O Christ.

# CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

# SERMON

# HYMN OF THE DAY

By Gracious Powers



1 By gra - cious pow'rs so won - der - ful - ly shel - tered,  
2 Yet is this heart by its old foe tor - ment - ed,  
3 And when this cup you give is filled to brim - ming  
4 Yet when a - gain in this same world you give us  
5 By gra - cious pow'rs so faith - ful - ly pro - tect - ed,



and con - fi - dent - ly wait - ing come what may,  
still e - vil days bring bur - dens hard to bear;  
with bit - ter suf - f'ring, hard to un - der - stand,  
the joy we had, the bright - ness of your sun,  
so qui - et - ly, so won - der - ful - ly near,



we know that God is with us night and morn - ing,  
oh, give our fright - ened souls the sure sal - va - tion,  
we take it thank - ful - ly and with - out trem - bling  
we shall re - mem - ber all the days we lived through  
we live each day in hope, with you be - side us,



and nev - er fails to greet us each new day.  
for which, O Lord, you taught us to pre - pare.  
out of so good and so be - loved a hand.  
and our whole life shall then be yours a - lone.  
and go with you through ev - 'ry com - ing year.

## 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 Vineyards be Fruitful**



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 all; u -  
nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your  
pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

### 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

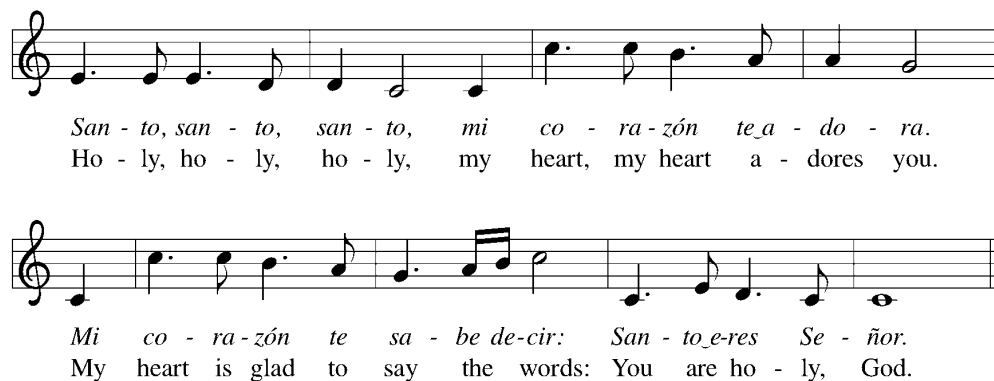
**P: God be with you. C: And also with you.**

**P: Lift up your hearts. C: We lift them up to God.**

**P: Let us give thanks to our Creator God. C: 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



*San - to, san - to, san - to, mi co - ra - zón te a - do - ra.*  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you.

*Mi co - ra - zón te sa - be de-cir: San - to\_e-res Se - ñor.*  
My heart is glad to say the words: You are ho - ly, God.

## EUCCHARISTIC 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

## COMMUNION HYMN

**How Good, Lord, to Be Here**



1 How good, Lord, to be here! Your glo - ry fills the night;  
2 How good, Lord, to be here, your beau - ty to be - hold  
3 Ful - fill - er of the past and hope of things to be,  
4 Be - fore we taste of death, we see your king - dom come;  
5 How good, Lord, to be here! Yet we may not re - main;

your face and gar - ments, like the sun, shine with un - bor - rowed light.  
where Mo - ses and E - li - jah stand, your mes - sen - gers of old.  
we hail your bod - y glo - ri - fied and our re - demp - tion see.  
we long to hold the vi - sion bright and make this hill our home.  
but since you bid us leave the mount, come with us to the plain.

## 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

**Beautiful Savior**



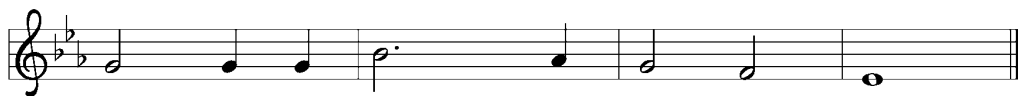
1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,  
2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,  
3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,  
4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,



Son of God and Son of Man!  
robed in flow'rs of bloom - ing spring;  
bright the spar - kling stars on high;  
Son of God and Son of Man!



Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,  
Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,  
Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er  
Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,



light of my soul, my joy, my crown.  
he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.  
than all the an - gels in the sky.  
now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

## DISMISSAL


Go in peace. Christ is with you.

**Thanks be to God.**



<u>Prayer Requested for:</u>	<u>Prayer Concern:</u>	<u>Prayer Contact:</u>
Bertha Anderson	Prayers for healing	Karen Anderson
For all victims of hate speech and prejudice	Peace and healing	Bethel Staff
Skip Getman	Prayers of peace and comfort as he battles cancer	Bethel Players and Congregation
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
Katie Reitel	Prayers of healing, strength and comfort for Katie and support for her family	The Bentleys
Shirley and Jeff Kolpin	Prayers of healing for Jeff; peace and comfort for Shirley	Cate Milburn
Sarah Whadford and her baby Penelope	Prayers for a safe delivery and a healthy baby	Joann Noll
Elizabeth	Prayers of healing and comfort	Joann Noll
Rob	Prayer of comfort and peace following a diagnosis of Parkinson's Disease	Joann Noll
Jacob and Miles Bard	Prayers for health and healing	Ronda Bard
Annalu Lingnau and Ben Lingnau Jr., Stephani Burdick's grandparents	Prayers of healing and comfort	Stephanie Burdick
Ben Lingnau III, Stephanie's uncle	Prayers of healing and comfort	Stephanie Burdick
Stephanie Burdick	Prayers of peace and knowledge of God's presence for Stephanie	Pr. Christine
For Family of Mike Lee (Pastor Mike's nephew) who died in a drowning accident	Prayer for peace and comfort	Pr. Mike

<h1>February Birthdays!</h1>	4	Christine Downing	22	Mary Rix
	8	Sister Pat McCrann	25	Will Eusebio
	8	Pat Cunningham	27	Hadley Mowe
	11	June Hassebroek	27	Jackson Mowe
	12	Tana Bishop	27	Sam Mowe
	21	John Keys	28	Harmony Milburn



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## *Coming Up:*

**Today:  
Listening Training, Following Worship in  
the Library**

**Feb 14:  
Ash Wednesday Service 6:30pm**

**Feb 17:  
Faith and Family FunDay 3-5pm**

**Feb 18:  
Community Breakfast 9am  
Worship 10am**



## Looking for an Overnight Camping Experience for Your Child this Summer?

Check out Camp Lutherwood Oregon – The Lutherwood experience differs from most summer camps – they encourage everyone at camp to discover caring and affirming relationships with God, others, self and the natural world. Summer 2018 campers will explore what it means to be changed by God's grace and how we can show that grace to the world. Campers can celebrate how God's unending grace in Christ changes everything!

Lutherwood's staff is carefully selected and goes through a 12-day intensive training to prepare for their various roles at camp. They feel called to create an intentional community that spreads God's love and supports each camper.

There are programs for children from grade 1 to 12. There are also adult and family camping experiences offered.

Check out the Camp Lutherwood program and register online at [www.lutherwoodoregon.org](http://www.lutherwoodoregon.org)

## Faith and Family **FunDay**

### **Cultivating Kindness and the Story of Ruth**

*But Ruth said, 'Do not press me to leave you or to turn back from following you!*

*Where you go, I will go; where you lodge, I will lodge; your people shall be my people, and your God my God.*

For centuries, the people of God have looked at the Book of Ruth and seen these words of great love and devotion. This may be the first time our children hear how the lovingkindness shared between Naomi and Ruth led to the birth of a great king.

Come hear what it practicing kindness might look like in the lives of children today.

**February 17** – 3 to 5 pm, light dinner provided. Please let us know if you will attend so we know how much food to prepare.

## *Marked by Ashes*

By Walter Brueggemann

Ruler of the Night, Guarantor of the day...

This day — a gift from you.

This day — like none other you have ever given, or we have ever received.

This Wednesday dazzles us with gift and newness and possibility.

This Wednesday burdens us with the tasks of the day, for we are already halfway home

halfway back to committees and memos,

halfway back to calls and appointments,

halfway on to next Sunday,

halfway back, half frazzled, half expectant,

half turned toward you, half rather not.

This Wednesday is a long way from Ash Wednesday,

but all our Wednesdays are marked by ashes —

we begin this day with that taste of ash in our mouth:

of failed hope and broken promises,

of forgotten children and frightened women,

we ourselves are ashes to ashes, dust to dust;

we can taste our mortality as we roll the ash around on our tongues.

We are able to ponder our ashness with

some confidence, only because our every Wednesday of ashes

anticipates your Easter victory over that dry, flaky taste of death.

On this Wednesday, we submit our ashen way to you —

you Easter parade of newness.

Before the sun sets, take our Wednesday and Easter us,

Easter us to joy and energy and courage and freedom;

Easter us that we may be fearless for your truth.

Come here and Easter our Wednesday with

mercy and justice and peace and generosity.

We pray as we wait for the Risen One who comes soon.

## **HELP WANTED**

### **I CAN DO THAT ...**

If it's one thing we know for sure, when there's something that needs doing at Bethel, there are people around here ready, willing and able to step in. There are lots of ways to step in and help out, and if you've ever wondered what else you might want to try



### **God Shines God's Light on Jesus**

The Bible says Jesus took Peter, James, and John and led them up on a high mountain. When they were alone on the mountain, Jesus' appearance began to change and his clothes became dazzling white and shone as bright as the sun. Then Elijah and Moses appeared and began talking to Jesus.

The disciples became very excited, but as you can imagine, they were also a little bit afraid. All of a sudden, a cloud appeared and the voice of God came from the cloud saying, "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!"