Third Sunday After Pentecost



June 10, 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.

Prelude

WE GATHER TOGETHER

Welcome

Thanksgiving for Baptism

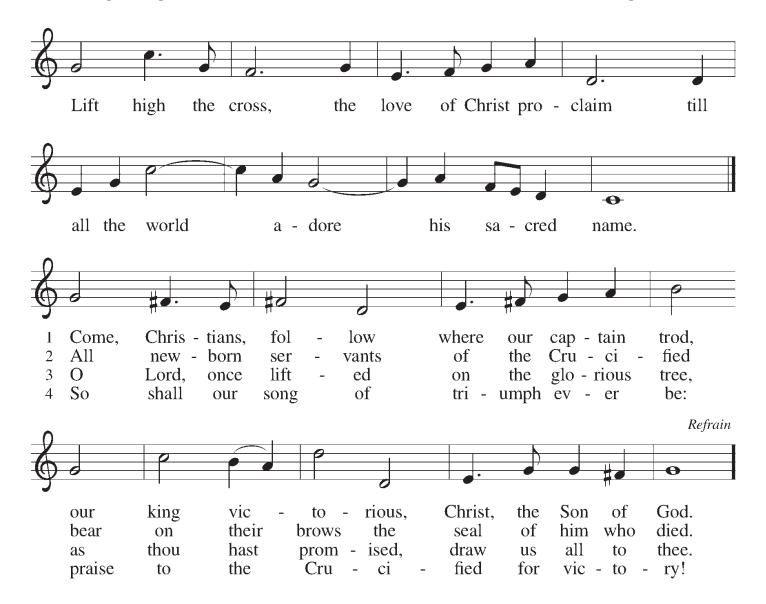
Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

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 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

Lift High the Cross



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.



Glory to God



Salutation

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

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.

First Reading

Genesis 3:8-15

[Adam and Eve] heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." God said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." The Lord God said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life.
I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel."

- P: Holy Word, holy wisdom.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 4:13--5:1

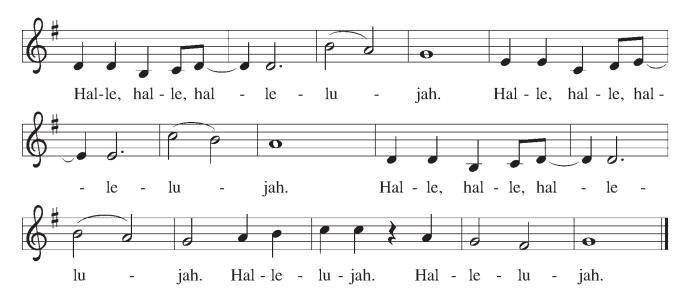
Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

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Gospel Acclamation



The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the third chapter.

[Jesus went home;] and the crowd came together again, so that [Jesus and the disciples] could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

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Children's Message

Sermon

Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart



You, O God, are supreme and holy. You create our world and give us life. Your purpose overarches everything we do. You have always been with us. You are God.

You, O God, are infinitely generous, good beyond all measure. You came to us before we came to you. You have revealed and proved your love for us in Jesus Christ, who lived and died and rose again. You are with us now. You are God.

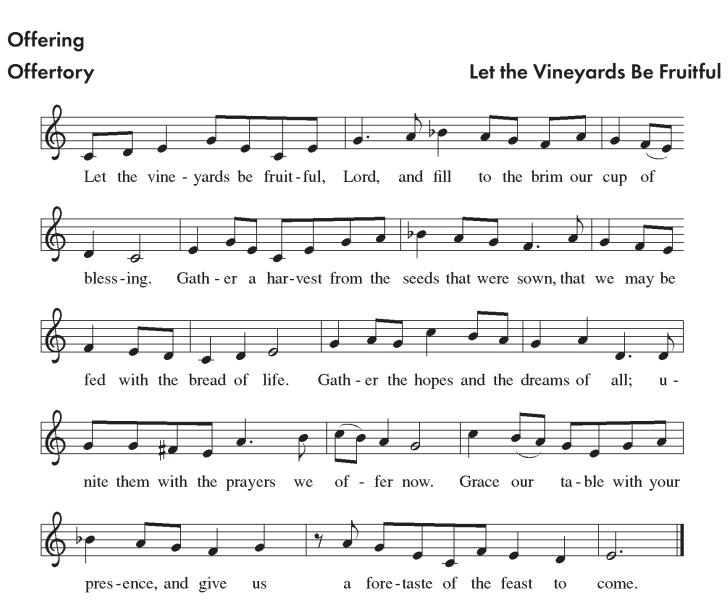
You, O God, are Holy Spirit. You empower us to be your gospel in the world. You reconcile and heal; you overcome death. You are our God. We worship you.

Prayers of the People Response to each prayer petition: God of all mercies, Hear us as we pray.

Sharing of the Peace



WE CELEBRATE THE MEAL



Offertory Prayer

Be known to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, as you were made known to the disciples. Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world. **Amen**

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.

Great Thanksgiving

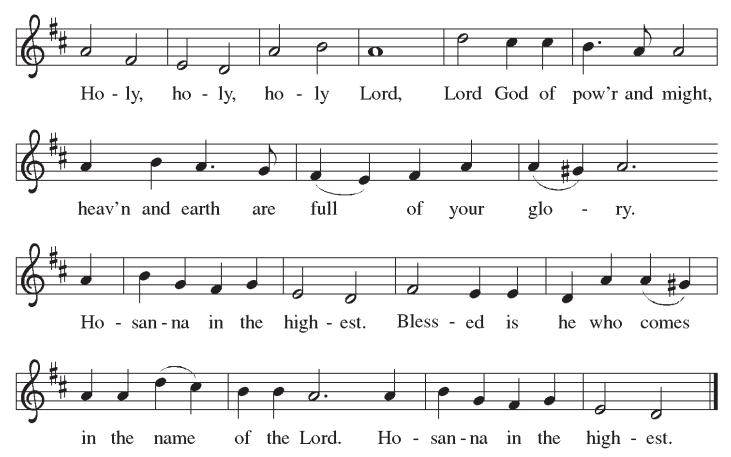
God be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, out duty and our joy ... join their unending hymn.



Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

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

Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread.

Communion Distribution

Communion Hymn

Jesus Loves Me!

| 2 Je - sus loves me! h3 Je - sus loves me! h | ne who died heav - e ne will stay close h | he Bi - ble en's gates to be - side me I ever | tells me so; o - pen wide; all the way; told him so? |
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| | | | |
| lit - tle ones to he will wash a - when at last I In my work and <i>Refrain</i> | way my sin, let come to die, he | are weak, but his lit - tle will take me love Jesus | he is strong. child come in. home on high. every day. |
| | | | |
| Yes, Je - sus | loves me, yes, | Je - sus | loves me, |
| yes, Je - sus I | loves me, the E | Bi - ble tells | me so. |

Prayer After Communion

Jesus Christ, host of this meal, you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love. Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you are our God forevermore. **Amen**

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

Announcements

Blessing for the End of the School Year

Blessing



Dismissal

Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve. Thanks be to God.

| Prayer Requested for: | Prayer Concern: | Prayer Contact: |
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| For The LGBTQAI Community | Thanksgiving for the sacredness of all humanity lamenting the injustices faced by the community, we pray for healing and peace. | The Bethel Community |
| Vance | Prayers for healing | Gabe Moody-Burghard |
| Elizabeth Presberg | For healing and comfort, as her health is fragile | Joann Noll |
| Katie Reitel | Prayers of healing, strength and comfort for Katie and support for her family | The Bentleys |
| Regina Seman | Healing, strength and comfort for health issues | Svea Erickson |
| Steve Garrick | Peace and comfort for him and his family as he enters hospice | Don Worthington |
| The Varela and Mitchell families | Prayers of peace and comfort for the Varela and Mitchell families following the death of their grandparents, Dennis and Nancy Mitchell | Stephanie Burdick |
| Susan Frossard | Prayer of peace and comfort for Susan and her family as she nears the end of her life. | Pr. Christine |
| Mike Baggs | Prayers for peaceful passing. Prayers of comfort and assurance of God's Love for Mike's family. | Pr. Christine |

Our prayers continue for many among us: for Bertha Anderson, Dale Tersey, Timothy Collins, Elizabeth, Rob, Jacob Bard, Miles Bard, Annalu Lingnau, Ben Lingnau, Jr., Ben Lingnau III, David Lingnau, Mary Rix, Patricia Connor, Bob & Nancy Leon.

Pastor Christine will be out of the office June 11-13. If you need immediate pastoral assistance, please call Pr. Moe at 503-702-5453.



| Stewardship of Service | Today - June 10 | Next Week - June 17 |
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| Ministers: | All Baptized Members of Bethel | All Baptized Members of Bethel |
| Pastor: | Pastor Christine Core | Bishop David Brauer-Rieke |
| Musician: | LeAnn Michaels | LeAnn Michaels |
| Usher: | | Holly Redfern |
| Reader: | Jared Burdick | Marlo Edman |
| Communion: | Holly Redfern | Dorian and Mary Bentley |
| Preparation of the Altar: | Holly Redfern | Dorian Bentley |

Coming Up:

- June 10 Church Barbeque following worship
- June 16 You are invited ... to the Installation of Pr. Michael Keys at Resurrection Lutheran Church – Saturday, June 16, 3 pm. Resurrection's address is 1700 NE 132nd Avenue, Portland.
- June 16 & 17 Pride 2018 Weekend! If you're interested in being involved: Staffing the Sacred Space Booth this is a safe place for festival goers to stop for conversation, prayer, a blessing or the offer of Holy Communion. We are present at the Festival to hold space to serve others, to declare clearly everyone is loved and no one is ever excluded from the love of God.

June 17 Special Congregational Meeting – following Worship

Please mark your calendars to attend. We must establish a quorum to conduct this important business of the Congregation.

The purpose of this meeting is three-fold: 1. Voting to affirm the Congregation's intent to extend a Letter of Call to Pastor Terry Moe, 2. Approval of his compensation package, and 3. Affirm Pastor Christine's call to reflect her change in time commitment and amendment of her duties going forward. Bp. David Brauer-Rieke will be with us all morning and as the Synod Representative for the meeting.

Bethel now stands at a threshold of change and growth. Extending the call to Pastor Moe and affirming Bethel's existing covenantal relationship with Pastor Christine is a appropriate and necessary step as we move forward. Please contact Council President PJ Bentley if you have questions. And mark your calendars to be with us on June 17.

June 24 Sunday Parkways - please be aware that streets abutting Bethel will be closed off for bicyclists and you may need to allow extra time for parking.



SUMMER VACATION - Summer is a time for fun in the sun: Hiking, Swimming, singing around the Campfire and S'mores. Visiting new places and seeing family. Summer is a time for vacation. We all scatter a bit during the summer and when you are not here, there is a YOU shaped hole in the community and we miss you. But we look forward to the Fall, school starting and re-gathering for the busy Fall.

This summer, let's keep each other in our hearts as we travel. **Pick up a small plastic bottle from basket at the back of the Sanctuary** ... take it with you when you travel ... while you're away fill it with a bit of the water source where you are visiting –

Pacific Ocean? Crater Lake? Mississippi River? Alligator Creek? Proxy Falls? Where ever you find yourself ... dip your bottle in the nearest body of water and bring it back. Then when we re-gather on September 9 (after Labor Day), we'll pour our water to the Baptismal Font, remember our Baptism, and rejoice that we are all together in one place!

BETHEL COOKOUT – Following Worship. Thanks to Karen Carpenter for hosting at DayBreak Commons, 2525 N. Killingsworth. Come join us. There is always enough food to share.

Preaching Schedule

JUNE 17 - BISHOP DAVID BRAUER-RIEKE is preaching. Following worship, join Bp. Dave and all Bethel members for coffee and sweet treats. Bp. Dave will be available to all of us at the special congregational meeting following worship.

JUNE 24 -DEACON SUE BEST is preaching. Sue was commissioned as a Deacon in June 2016. Sue is a Palliative Care Social Worker at OHSU and specializes in Pediatric Oncology and Hematology and Oncology Palliative Care. In addition to her theological study at Seattle University, Sue earned a B.S and a M.S.W from the University of Kansas. Sue is a breast cancer survivor and is member of the Pink Phoenix Dragon Boat Team, the first dragon boat team comprised solely of breast cancer survivors. Pink Phoenix has raced in Rose Festival races since 1997 and members have traveled worldwide to empower other survivors in their goals toward wellness and fitness. The team works to demonstrate their commitment to life after surviving a devastating diagnosis.

JULY 1- INSTALLATION OF PR. TERRY MOE (pending Congregational vote); Pastor Christine preaching

JULY 8 - LAY LEAD SERVICE

SAVE THE DATE -BETHEL GROUP CAMPOUT August 10-12

Join the group at Black Canyon Campground. East of Eugene, just shy of 2 1/2 hours south of Portland. Black Canyon Campground rests next to the Middle Fork of the Willamette River. This scenic campground is heavily shaded by towering hemlock, cedar and Douglas fir. Fishing and kayaking are popular pastimes. Ryan Burghard is coordinating.



TRANSFORM, TRANSCEND AND TRANSGRESS THE (CIS)TEM!

The 5th annual Portland Trans Pride March is scheduled for Saturday, June 16. Gather at the North Park Blocks at 2 pm for a pre-march rally. The march to Tom McCall Waterfront Park steps off at 3:30 pm. Allies of the community are welcome, but please remember this is an event by and for the trans community and is a community celebration. Remember we are allies in this effort by the community to seek justice and equality:

PORTLAND CLEAN ENERGY FUND

A group of our Lutheran and inter-faith colleagues have mounted a campaign working towards social justice and climate action through the Portland Clean Energy Fund (PCEF) ballot initiative. This initiative would raise \$30 million to weatherize homes, promote solar energy and provide new economic opportunity for low-income households, including women and people of color.

This initiative is consistent with many of the issues Bethel has supported through prayer and action. The Portland Clean Energy Fund is a valuable community-led vision that builds resilience and wealth in the face of climate change and federal inaction. The initiative will bring new renewable energy and energy efficiency investments improve our homes, improve our city's environment, train our workers, and support our businesses. By signing on to this initiative, Bethel can take proactive steps to fight climate change while addressing social and economic inequity.