



# 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost

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## Welcome to Bethel Lutheran Church

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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.

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## Prelude

## WE GATHER TOGETHER

## Welcome

## Call to Worship *(Adapted from Worship-Ways, by United Church of Christ)*

Jesus asks the disciples:

**“Who do people say I am?”**

They answer, “Some say John the Baptist; some say Elijah; and others say one of the prophets.” But Jesus presses them:

**“Who do you say I am?”**

Peter answers, “You are Christ—God’s anointed one, God-with-us!” Now Jesus pushes us:

**“What about you? Here, in this moment, in this community, Who do you say I am?”**

Where do we find the wisdom to answer?

Holy Wisdom of God

**You call to us from the depths of our hearts, where we long for connection with you and with one another. You call to us from busy streets and neighborhoods, where human pain and possibility are most urgent. You call to us from our sacred stories, where God, Christ, Spirit create, challenge, comfort. Guide us, we pray, on an adventure of hope, and help us see with your eyes the ways which lead to beloved community where Christ Jesus is at the center. 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

## You Are Holy (Sing 3x)



Du är he - lig, du är hel. Du är all - tid myck-et mer  
You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more



än vi nån - sin kan för - stå, du är nä - ra än - då.  
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.



Väl - sig - nad va - re du som kom - mer hit just nu,  
Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here



väl - sig - na - de vår jord, blir till bröd på vår jord.  
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.



Du är he - lig, du är hel - het,  
You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,



du är när - het he - la kos - mos lo - var dig!  
you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!



Ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na,  
Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!



ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na vår Gud.  
Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

## 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

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on  
earth. Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and  
Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your  
glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have  
mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the  
Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the  
Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the  
Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the  
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - men.

### Salutation

God be with you.  
And also with you.

### Prayer of the Day

O God, through suffering and rejection you bring forth our salvation, and by the glory of the cross you transform our lives. Grant that for the sake of the gospel we may turn from the lure of evil, take up our cross, and follow your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

### First Reading

*Isaiah 50:4-9a*

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher,  
that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word.  
Morning by morning he awakens—wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught.  
The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward.  
I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;  
I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face  
like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near.  
Who will contend with me?  
Let us stand up together.  
Who are my adversaries?  
Let them confront me.  
It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

P: Hear the Word of God.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

### Second Reading

*James 3:1-12*

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we  
who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone  
who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a  
bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole  
bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them,  
yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the  
tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is  
placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the  
cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile  
and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one  
can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and  
Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same  
mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a  
spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my  
brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine yield figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

P: Hear the Word of God.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation



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

## The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the eighth chapter.

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

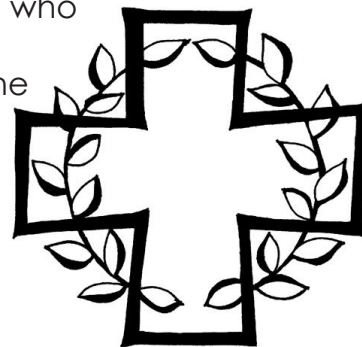
He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

P: This is the Gospel of Christ.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## Children's Message

## Sermon





1 Hail to the Lord's a - noint - ed, great Da - vid's great - er Son!  
 2 You come with res - cue speed - y to those who suf - fer wrong,  
 3 You shall come down like show - ers up - on the fruit - ful earth;  
 4 Kings shall fall down be - fore you, and gold and in - cense bring;



Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, your reign on earth be - gun!  
 to help the poor and need - y, and bid the weak be strong;  
 love, joy, and hope, like flow - ers, spring in your path to birth.  
 all na - tions shall a - dore you, your praise all peo - ple sing.



You come to break op - pres - sion, to set the cap - tive  
 to give them songs for sigh - ing, their dark - ness turn to  
 Be - fore you on the moun - tains shall peace, the her - ald,  
 To you shall prayer un - ceas - ing and dai - ly vows as -



free, to take a - way trans - gres - sion and  
 light, whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, are  
 go; and righ - teous - ness in foun - tains from  
 cend; your king - dom still in - creas - ing, a



rule in eq - ui - ty.  
 pre - cious in your sight.  
 hill to val - ley flow.  
 king - dom with - out end.

**Prayers of the People** (We respond after each petition.)

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

**Sharing of the Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

# WE CELEBRATE THE MEAL

## Offering

### Offertory Prayer

God of life, you give us these gifts of the earth, these resources of our life and our labor. Take them, offered in great thanksgiving, and use them to set a table that will heal the whole creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Light. 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 God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### Eucharistic Prayer

#### *Holy, Holy, Holy*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



heav-en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Words of Institution

### The Lord's Prayer (King James Version, 1611)

Our Father which art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name  
Thy kingdom come.  
Thy will be done,  
in earth, as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our debts,  
as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil:  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, for ever,  
Amen.



## Invitation to Communion

Speak to us, O God, in the breaking of the bread and make us one with you.

### Lamb of God

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

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.

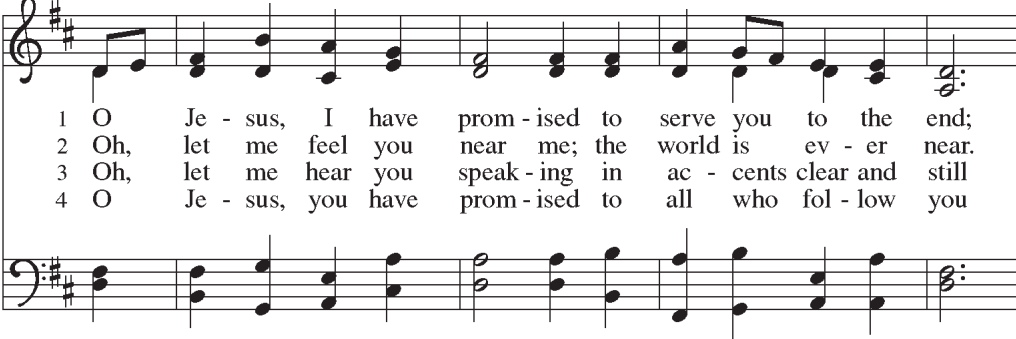


## Communion Distribution

All are welcome to come to the feast.

## Communion Hymn

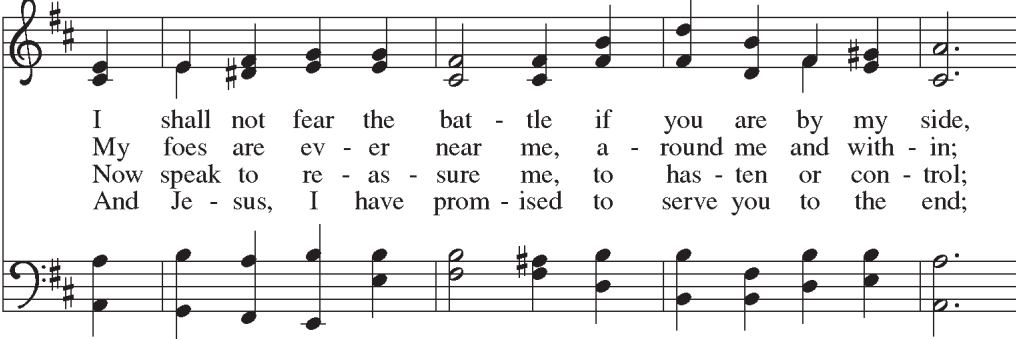
## *O Jesus, I Have Promised*



1 O Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;  
2 Oh, let me feel you near me; the world is ev - er near.  
3 Oh, let me hear you speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still  
4 O Je - sus, you have prom - ised to all who fol - low you



re - main for - ev - er near me, my mas - ter and my friend.  
I see the sights that daz - zle, the tempt - ing sounds I hear.  
a - bove the storms of pas - sion, the mur - murs of self - will.  
that where you are in glo - ry your ser - vant shall be too.



I shall not fear the bat - tle if you are by my side,  
My foes are ev - er near me, a - round me and with - in;  
Now speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;  
And Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;



nor wan - der from the path - way if you will be my guide.  
but, Je - sus, then draw near - er to shield my soul from sin.  
now speak and make me lis - ten, O Guard - ian of my soul.  
oh, give me grace to fol - low, my mas - ter and my friend.

## Prayer After Communion

Holy and compassionate God, in bread and wine you give us gifts that form us to be humble and courageous. May your words come to life in our serving and in our witness, that we might speak a living voice of healing and justice to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our rock and our redeemer. **Amen**

# WE GO OUT TO SERVE

Announcements

Blessing

Sending Hymn

*Give Me Jesus*



1 In the morn-ing when I rise, in the morn-ing when I rise,  
2 Dark . . . mid-night was my cry, dark . . . mid-night was my cry,  
3 Just a - bout the break of day, just a - bout the break of day,  
4 Oh, . . . when I come to die, oh, . . . when I come to die,  
5 And . . . when I want to sing, and . . . when I want to sing,



in the morn - ing when I rise, give me Je - sus.  
dark . . . mid - night was my cry, give me Je - sus.  
just a - bout the break of day, give me Je - sus.  
oh, . . . when I come to die, give me Je - sus.  
and . . . when I want to sing, give me Je - sus.

*Refrain*



Give me Je - sus, give me Je - sus.



You may have all the rest, give me Je - sus.

**Dismissal**

Go in peace. Share the Good News.

**Thanks be to God.**



<b>Prayer Requested for:</b>	<b>Prayer Concern:</b>	<b>Prayer Contact:</b>
Prayers for all immigrants and refugees seeking a better life.	Prayers that we unite as one people, that all come to know each person is a citizen of God's realm and apart of God's holy family.	The Bethel Community
Vance	Prayers for healing.	Gabe Moody-Burghard
Elizabeth Presberg	Prayers for healing and comfort, as her health is fragile.	Joann Noll
Jan Kimble	Prayers for healing and effective treatment for breast cancer.	Tammy Gover
Richard VanDyke	Prayers for healing and peace.	Jim VanDyke
Lori Fields	Prayers for courage and strength as she recently received a stage 4 liver cancer diagnosis.	Karen Anderson
David Nokken	Prayers for peace and comfort at the sudden death of their brother and son.	LeAnn Micheals
John Houdeshell	Prayers for healing and comfort John who was critically injured by a hit and run driver.	Pastor Christine
The Renner-Lassiter Family	Prayers for courage and strength as their two kids struggle with an undiagnosed a debilitating undiagnosed disease	Summer Kaplan
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.		



<b>Stewardship of Service</b>	<b>Today - Sept 16</b>	<b>Next Week - Sept 23</b>
Ministers:	All Baptized Members of Bethel	All Baptized Members of Bethel
Pastor:	Pr. Christine Core	Pr. Christine Core
Pastor:	Pr. Terry Moe	Pr. Terry Moe
Musician:	LeAnn Michaels	LeAnn Michaels
Usher:		Ruth and Dorian Bentley
Reader:	Naso Michaels	
Communion:	Tammy Gover	Mary and PJ Bentley
Preparation of the Altar:	Tammy Gover	



## COMING UP:

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# Bethel News

- September 16** Congregational Meeting, following worship
- September 22** Hygiene Program, 9 am to Noon  
Bethel Discernment Team Retreat, Menucha Retreat Center
- September 23** Baptism of Josiah and Jace Hernandez Gonzalez  
Dedication of the Bethel Discernment Team – in worship  
Bethel Pub Trivia, Noon to 2 pm
- October 5-7** Women's Retreat on the McKenzie River
- October 6** Super Service Saturday for all children and their parents

## SAVE THE DATE:

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### **BAPTISM, 9/23** *During worship*

Join us at worship for the Baptism of Josiah and Jace Hernandez Gonzalez at the September 23 worship. This family first came to us through Sunday breakfast; and over the last year, Bethel folks have been quietly assisting this family with furnishing an apartment, baby clothing and supplies for Jace, supplemental food, and supporting them through the many difficult issues they are facing. We will help celebrate these new children of God with a small reception following the service. Josiah will be 5 in December, Jace was born on July 7.

### **BETHEL PUB TRIVIA, 9/23 - 12 pm to 2 pm** *in the Fellowship Hall.*

Come for the fun, stay for the Trivia Challenge – Everyone, children to adults, can participate! And we promise you will not need to know who Time Magazine's Man of the Year was in 1952! (Although yes, your pastor did win a game of Trivial Pursuit by retrieving this piece of completely useless information just at the right time – and without the use of The Google). More details on the gathering to follow.

### **WOMEN'S RETREAT, October 5-7** *on the beautiful McKenzie River!*

Deacon Sue Best will join Pastor Christine to lead the retreat focused on the Book of Ruth. Contact: Cate at [catemilburn@yahoo.com](mailto:catemilburn@yahoo.com) or 971-269-9899. If you haven't told us you are attending, now is the time.

## OUR CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS



**SUNDAY MORNING CHILDREN'S EDUCATION** Each Sunday following the Children's Message

**SUPER SERVICE SATURDAY** For children of all ages and their parents. Saturday, October 6, time TBA.

**CONFIRMATION CLASS** Next class Saturday, October 13, 1-2:30 pm



The Lord's Prayer, also called Our Father, or in Latin, Pater Noster, is a Christian prayer that according to tradition, was taught by Jesus to his disciples. It appears in two forms in Christian Scripture: a shorter version in the Gospel of Luke 11:2–4 and the longer version, part of the Sermon on the Mount, in the Gospel of Matthew 6:9–13. In both contexts it is offered as a model of how to pray.

This prayer resembles other prayers that came out of the Jewish tradition of Jesus' time. The prayer contains three common elements of Jewish prayers: praise, petition, and a yearning for the coming kingdom of God.

Most Christians know the prayer by heart in their own language, and it is used today by every Christian tradition worldwide. The prayer is simple enough to be memorized by small children and yet profound enough to sustain a whole lifetime of prayer. The prayer helps us understand God is accessible to us and that prayer is something anyone can do. We do not have to use complicated words or flowery language. God isn't swayed by arguments or by length or by skill, or even by the words we use in our prayer. God simply, and always, invites us into conversation.

During this season, we will pray The Lord's Prayer in different forms and translations. Different words for well-known prayer are often used because the sound and feel of different words in our senses often piques our interest and helps us hear the depth of the prayer in a new way. The diversity of our humanity is reflected in the versions of the Lord's Prayer we have selected. Come along with us on this exploration, and if at the end of this time, the version you grew up with is the best for you, then pray as you have been taught.

We begin our journey with the King James Version published in 1611. We are sparing you the original Aramaic words and the Latin and Greek translations as well as the incomprehensible (to our eyes and ears) the Old and Middle English versions.

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER (KING JAMES VERSION, 1611)**

This translation, first published in 1611, was "authorized" by King James I in England. When James took the throne, a number of English translations of the Bible was causing disunity in the kingdom. James I called a conference of theologians and churchmen at Hampton Court in order to hear and then resolve things that were amiss in the church. He sought to deal with ecclesiastical grievances of all sorts. A number of those present pressed the new king for a new translation with the overall goal of producing a better translation than any other then in existence, a translation that could be understood by common people.

Not everyone was initially open to this new translation, however. There were some from more conservative expressions of the Christian faith who initially resisted publication of the King James Version of the Bible. Over time, it has become well-known for its "majesty of style". Scholars note this translation has been a driving force in the shaping of the English-speaking world.

## **NO ON MEASURE 105 CAMPAIGN**

Promoted by hate groups in and out of state, Ballot Measure 105, appearing on this November's ballot, threatens to repeal Oregon's three-decades-old sanctuary law. This law protects Oregonians from unfair racial profiling. If the Measure passes, it could lead to more families being torn apart, simply because someone is perceived to be an undocumented immigrant. As people and communities of faith, we have an opportunity - and an obligation - to engage in the public sphere when our basic values (and ultimately our neighbors, kin, congregants and friends) are under attack.

## **WITH THAT CONVICTION WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US IN OUR JOINT EFFORT WITH THE INTERFAITH MOVEMENT FOR IMMIGRANT JUSTICE TO DEFEAT MEASURE 105.**

This will be a tough – but critical – campaign to protect all Oregonians. Partnering with Salt and Light Lutheran/Leaven Community, St. Andrew Catholic Church and St. Charles Catholic Church, we will reach beyond our pews.

We have to go beyond our walls to connect with the “moveable middle” – our co-workers, neighbors, friends, circles of relationships that may not be tracking this as closely as we are. We need to make sure all of our circles of friends and acquaintances know why their “NO” vote on Measure 105 is so important to the people of Oregon.

## **LET PASTOR CHRISTINE KNOW IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR THINK YOU CAN ATTEND TUESDAY'S MEETING.**



***Called to Courage, Led by Love*** – THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 – 6 PM  
Evergreen, 618 SE Alder, Portland

Our partners at the Interfaith Movement for Immigrant Justice are holding a fundraising celebration at the Evergreen in SE Portland on Thursday, September 27th. Enjoy a fun evening of storytelling, Salvadoran food, and live music as we give thanks for the past year of organizing, advocacy, and accompaniment and raise support for the critical work ahead!. Will you let Pastor Christine know if you can make it?

For more information visit: <http://imirj.org/called-to-courage>