

21th 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.

Prelude

We Gather Together

Welcome

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

The word of God is alive and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it can judge our thoughts and intentions of our hearts.

We cannot hide for we are naked and laid bare to the one whom we must render an account.

Let us hold fast to our confession before Jesus who was tested as you and I and yet was without sin.

We approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in our time of need.

O God, you sowed the seeds of justice when you created this world.

Though your bountiful creation has enough for everyone, it is hardly divided fairly. There are those who struggle to get their daily bread each day and then there are those who have more than they can use in their lifetime. May we remember that all we have comes from you and that you have entrusted to us all that we have. May we take your commandments to heart so we can do as Jesus asks of us. Grant that we, O God, use this hour to work in our ministries to end this disparity. 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

Light Dawns on a Weary World



1 Light dawns on a wea - ry world when eyes be - gin to
2 Love grows in a wea - ry world when hun - gry hearts find
3 Hope blooms in a wea - ry world when crea-tures, once for -



see all peo - ple's dig - ni - ty. Light dawns on a
bread and chil - dren's dreams are fed. Love grows in a
lorn, find wil - der - ness re - born. Hope blooms in a



wea - ry world: the prom-ised day of jus - tice comes.
wea - ry world: the prom-ised feast of plen - ty comes.
wea - ry world: the prom-ised green of E - den comes.



The trees shall clap their hands; the dry lands, gush with springs;



the hills and moun-tains shall break forth with sing - ing!



We shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace,



as all the world in won - der ech - oes sha - lom.

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

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen

We Hear God's Word

First Reading

Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Seek the Lord and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire,
and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.
Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground!

They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.
Therefore because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain,
you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them;
you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine.
For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins—
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate.
Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time.

Seek good and not evil, that you may live;
and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said.
Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate;
it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

P: Hear the Word of God.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading

Hebrews 4:12 - 16

Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

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 tenth chapter.

As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.' " He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

P: This is the Gospel of Christ.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Message

Sermon



Hymn of the Day

Take My Life, That I May Be

Toma, oh Dios, mi voluntad

ENGLISH

Refrain

*Take my life, that I may be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days;
let them flow in ceaseless praise.*

- 1 Take my hands and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee.

Refrain

- 2 Take my silver and my gold,
not a mite would I withhold;
take my intellect and use
ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

Refrain

- 3 Take my voice and let me sing
always, only for my King;
take my lips and let them be
filled with messages from thee.

Refrain

- 4 Take my will and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine;
take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.

Refrain

SPANISH

Estribillo

*Toma, oh Dios, mi voluntad,
y hazla tuya, nada mas;
toma, si, mi corazón
y tu trono en el tendrás.*

- 1 Que mi vida entera esté
consagrada a ti, Señor;
que a mis manos pueda guiar
el impulso de tu amor.

Estribillo

- 2 Que mis pies tan sólo en pos
de lo santo puedan ir,
y que a ti, Señor, mi voz,
se complazca en bendecir.

Estribillo

- 3 Que mis labios al hablar
hablen solo de tu amor;
que mis bienes dedicar
yo los quiera a ti, Señor.

Estribillo

- 4 Que mi tiempo todo esté
consagrado a tu loor;
que mi mente y su poder
sean usados en tu honor.

Estribillo

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 *(Roman Catholic Version, 1969)*

Our Father who are 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.



Deliver us, Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day. In your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. 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.

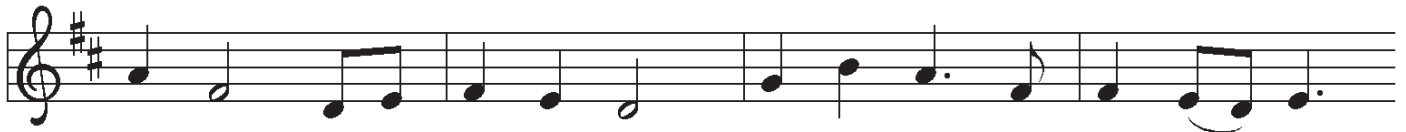
Our welcome extends to the Communion Table. We recognize that this is Christ's Table and Christ's invitation. Please come forward as you are invited. If you prefer not to receive Communion at this time, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing – just fold your arms across your chest so that we 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

We Come to the Hungry Feast



- 1 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a word of peace.
- 2 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a world re - leased
- 3 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry that the hun - ger cease,



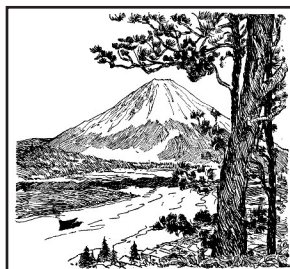
To hun - gry hearts un - sat - is - fied the love of God is
from hun - gry folk of ev - 'ry kind, the poor in bod - y,
and know - ing, though we eat our fill, the hun - ger will stay



not de - nied. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
poor in mind. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
with us; still we come, we come to the hun - gry feast.

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

We Are Called



- 1 Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the
- 2 Come! O - pen your heart! Show your . . mer - cy to all those in
- 3 Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when all will be



Lord! We are called to be light for the king - dom, to
fear! We are called to be hope for the hope - less so
one! God will reign, and we'll walk with each oth - er as



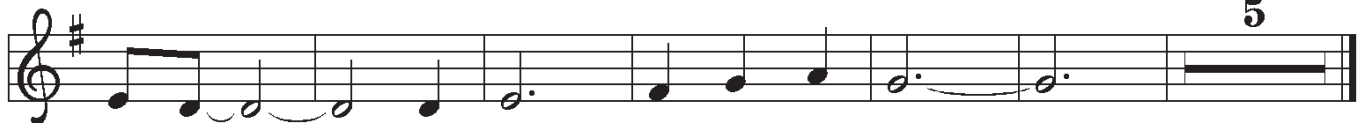
live in the free - dom of the cit - y of God.
ha - tred and blind - ness . . . will be . . . no more.
sis - ters and broth - ers . . . u - nit - ed in love.



We are called to act with jus - tice, we are called to



love ten - der - ly; we are called to serve one an -



oth - er, to walk hum - bly with God.

Dismissal

Go in peace. Share the Good News.

Thanks be to God.

Prayer Requested for:	Prayer Concern:	Prayer Contact:
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
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 Michaels
John Houdeshell	Prayers for healing and comfort John who was critically injured by a hit and run driver.	Pastor Christine
Merrie Ross, Friend of Bethel and daughter of Bethel Player Laurie Ross	Peace, comfort and healing from complications from surgery; wisdom for her doctors and all caregivers	Svea Erickson and Tana Bishop
Brenda	Prayers for healing	Cate Milburn
Preston Kyles	Prayers for healing after orthopedic surgery	Pastor 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.		



Stewardship of Service	Today - Oct 14	Next Week - Oct 21
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:		
Reader:		
Communion:		
Preparation of the Altar:		

Bethel News



Coming Up:

- October 15** Bethel Discernment Team
October 20 Saturday Hygiene Program
October 21 Congregation Council Meeting, Following Worship
November 1 Free *Reanimated* Dress Rehearsal, 7:30 pm
Coming Soon SignUp Genius to help with *Reanimated*

Other News

Reanimated Bride of Frankenpastor!

Now Available: Purchase Tickets Online

Details at <http://bethelpdx.org/bethel-players>

- Friday Dinner** Nov 2 | 7pm
Nov 9 | 7pm
- Saturday Matinée** Nov 3 | 1:30pm
Nov 10 | 1:30pm
- Saturday Dinner** Nov 3 | 7pm
Nov 10 | 7pm
- Sunday Dessert** Nov 4 | 3pm
Nov 11 | 3pm



Worship Notes



For September 30, October 7 and 14

We continue our exploration into the wide-ranging ways in which the people of God rightly pray the Lord's Prayer. For the next three Sundays, we will pray the Lord's Prayer in the Roman Catholic tradition, as it currently appears in the celebration of the Roman liturgy. The most significant difference is the way in which the doxology is recited.

In the early Church, the Christians living in the eastern half of the Roman Empire added the doxology "for thine is the kingdom..." to the gospel text of the Our Father when reciting the prayer at Mass. Evidence of this practice is also found in the Didache (Teaching of the Twelve Apostles), a first century manual of morals, worship, and doctrine of the Church. When copying the scriptures, Greek scribes sometimes appended the doxology onto the original Gospel text; most Roman texts today would omit this inclusion, relegate it to a footnote, or note that it was a later addition to the Gospel. Official "Catholic" Bibles have never included this doxology.

In 1969, following the conclusion of the Second Vatican Council, the doxology was added to the Catholic Mass, not as part of the "Our Father", but following shortly afterwards. While Lutheran pastors are not ordained as priests, in our prayer today, we will follow the Roman form of the recitation of the prayer.

Interfaith Movement for Immigrant Justice (IMIJ)

Interfaith Movement for Immigrant Justice, in which Bethel holds membership, urges a NO vote on Measure 105. As religious leaders and people of faith, we are called to walk together, to welcome newcomers to our communities, and to treat each other as neighbors and family. Immigrants in Oregon are part of our families, communities, workplaces and places of worship. We urge all people of faith to join with law enforcement, medical professionals, community groups and businesses and reject profiling and preserve our state as a sanctuary.

The groups behind this effort to overturn Oregon's existing anti-racial profiling law are Oregonians for Immigration Reform (OFIR) and the Federation of Immigration Reform (FAIR). Both groups have been designated extremist hate groups by the Southern Poverty Law Center.

We cannot tell you how to vote, but we urge you to take your conscience and your understanding of Gospel values into the voting booth with you.



Update to the Congregation on the Parsonage



The Bethel Property Team has been at work. Pastor Mike and Barb moved to their new home (a home owned by Resurrection Lutheran) and that kicked Bethel's work into a higher gear.

- **On Saturday, September 29**, the property "elves" tackled the job of removing bushes and trees that will help deal with the issues of drainage, dry rot, siding and window damage. With the hauling of two trailer loads of debris, let's agree that things are a bit brighter around the property. Thank you to Scott and Tana and crew!
- **Weedman Design Partners**, who did the kitchen remodel design, have been on site and design work for all three floors of the parsonage started on October 4.
- **The garage door** was sad and hadn't been opened in some years. With that can-do spirit of Bethel folks, a couple of trips to Winks, Home Depot and A-Boy, coupled with TOP-NOTCH know-of our property team, the door is now functional!
- **And, the Executive Team has made a connection with Mission Investment Fund (MIF)**. MIF is a arm of the ELCA and a financial partner who works with churches to fund constructions, remodels and property improvements for the ELCA community – parsonages included. The financial resources they provide can be invaluable. Plus they know the answers to questions we haven't even thought of yet. This does not mean we are pursuing a loan – this only means we are completing our due diligence to prepare us to make some big decisions!.

Bethel Women's Retreat

What happens at the Bethel Women's Retreat STAYS at the Bethel Women's Retreat. Except to say that we had a lot of fun and many deep and meaningful conversations. It was a precious time for all participants.



