

# Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany

February 10, 2018

## 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

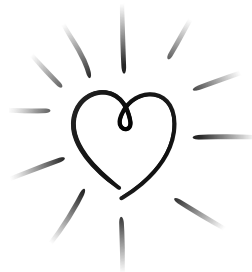
### Call to Worship

Come and worship,  
all you who love and serve our God —

**who surrounds us with unfailing love,  
and answers us when we call;**

who cares for the humble and lowly,  
and never abandons those in need.

**This is our God,  
worthy of our worship and praise!**



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.

## Opening Hymn

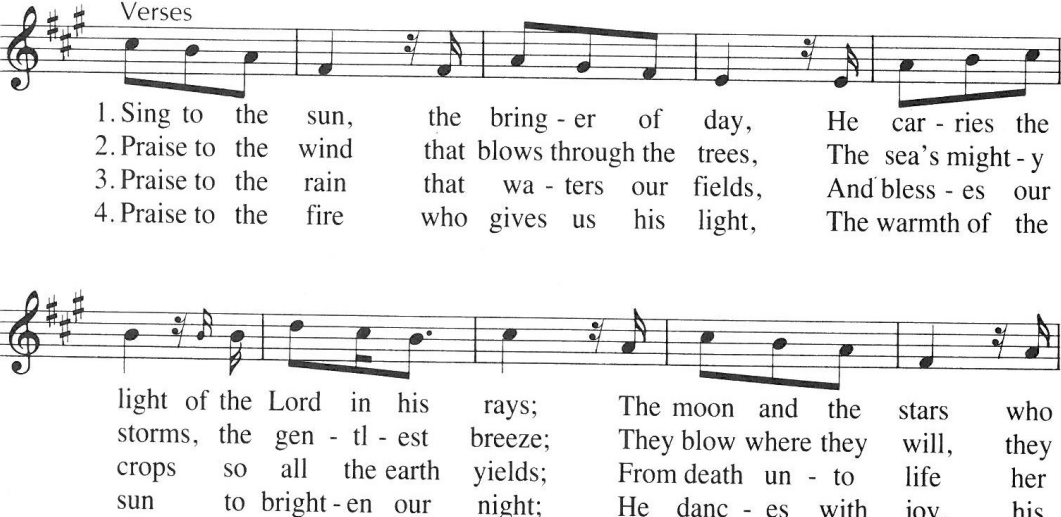
## Canticle of the Sun

Refrain

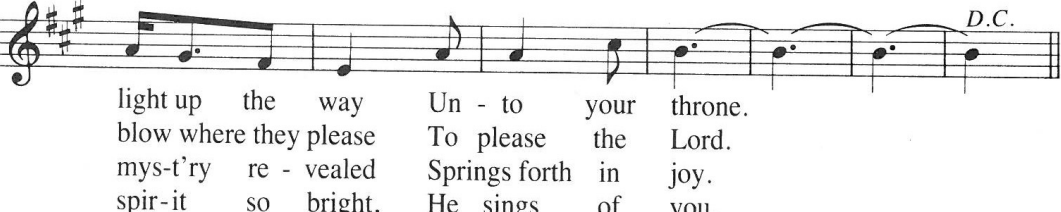


The heav-ens are tell - ing the glo - ry of God, and  
all cre - a - tion is shout - ing for joy. Come,  
dance in the for - est, come, play in the field, and sing,  
sing to the glo - ry of the Lord.

Verses



1. Sing to the sun, the bring - er of day, He car - ries the  
2. Praise to the wind that blows through the trees, The sea's might - y  
3. Praise to the rain that wa - ters our fields, And bless - es our  
4. Praise to the fire who gives us his light, The warmth of the  
light of the Lord in his rays; The moon and the stars who  
storms, the gen - tl - est breeze; They blow where they will, they  
crops so all the earth yields; From death un - to life her  
sun to bright - en our night; He danc - es with joy, his



light up the way Un - to your throne.  
blow where they please To please the Lord.  
mys-t'ry re - vealed Springs forth in joy.  
spir-it so bright, He sings of you.

## Greeting

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

**And also with you.**

# Kyrie

Leader

In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have

For the reign of God, and for

mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

peace through-out the world, for the u-ni-ty of all, let us pray to the

Lord. For your

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

peo - ple here who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your

word, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer-cy. Christ, have mer-cy. Lord, have

Help, save, and de-fend us, O God.

mer - cy. A - men.

*Refrain*



Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion



sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;



praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!



1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



*Refrain*

freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God.



2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and



*Refrain*

glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.



3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of



*Refrain*

God; to make all things new.

## Prayer of the Day

Most holy God, the earth is filled with your glory, and before you angels and saints stand in awe. Enlarge our vision to see your power at work in the world, and by your grace make us heralds of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
Amen.

# We Hear God's Word

## First Reading

## *Isaiah 6:1-8 [9-13]*

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!"

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out."

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!" [And he said, "Go and say to this people:

'Keep listening, but do not comprehend; keep looking, but do not understand.'

Make the mind of this people dull, and stop their ears,  
and shut their eyes, so that they may not look with their eyes,  
and listen with their ears, and comprehend with their minds,  
and turn and be healed."

Then I said, "How long, O Lord?" And he said:

"Until cities lie waste without inhabitant, and houses without people, and the land is utterly desolate; until the Lord sends everyone far away, and vast is the emptiness in the midst of the land. Even if a tenth part remain in it, it will be burned again, like a terebinth or an oak whose stump remains standing when it is felled." The holy seed is its stump.

P: Hear the Word of God.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Second Reading

## *1 Corinthians 15:1-11*

Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

P: Hear the Word of God.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

*Congregation:*



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

## The Holy Gospel according to Luke the fifth chapter.

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch."

Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon.

Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

P: This is the Gospel of the Jesus Christ.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## Children's Message Sermon



# Hymn of the Day

# You have Come Down to the Lakeshore



1 Tú has ve - ni - do a la o - ri - lla, no has bus -  
 1 You have come down to the lake - shore seek - ing  
 2 You know full well what I have, Lord: nei - ther  
 3 You need my hands, my ex - haus - tion, work - ing  
 4 You who have fished oth - er wa - ters; you, the



ca - do ni a sa - bios ni a ri - cos; tan só - lo  
 nei - ther the wise nor the wealth - y, but on - ly  
 trea - sure nor wea - pons for con - quest, just these my  
 love for the rest of the wea - ry — a love that's  
 long - ing of souls that are yearn - ing: O lov - ing



quie - res que yo te si - ga.  
 ask - ing for me to fol - low.  
 fish - nets and will for work - ing.  
 will - ing to go on lov - ing.  
 Friend, you have come to call me.



Refrain / Estribillo  
 Se - ñor, me has mi - ra - do a los o - jos; son - ri - en - do,  
 Sweet Lord, you have looked in - to my eyes; kind - ly smil - ing,



has di - cho mi nom - bre. En la a - re - na he de - ja - do mi  
 you've called out my name. . . . On the sand I have a - ban - doned my



bar - ca; jun - to a ti bus - ca - ré o - tro mar.  
 small boat; now with you, I will seek oth - er seas.

# Affirmation of Baptism

## PRESENTATION

Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for Jackie Calder one with us in the body of Christ, who is making public affirmation of her baptism.

Let us pray.

Merciful God, we thank you for Jackie whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called her to yourself, enlightened her with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished her in the community of faith. Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ.

## PROFESSION OF FAITH

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God,  
the powers of this world that rebel against God,  
and the ways of sin that draw you from God?

**I renounce them.**

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

## AFFIRMATION

You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism: to live among God's faithful people,  
to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,  
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,  
to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

Jackie: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

People of God, do you promise to support these sisters and brothers and pray for them in their life in Christ? **We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.**

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life.

Stir up in Jackie the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **Amen.**

Let us rejoice with these sisters and brothers in Christ.

**We rejoice with you in the life of baptism.  
Together we will give thanks and praise to God  
and proclaim the good news to all the world.**

## Prayers of the People

God of 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

## Offering Hymn

## *As the Grains of Wheat*

*Refrain*



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were  
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from  
all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst,  
2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when

*Refrain*

may we share the pres - ence of your love.  
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

## Offering Prayer

Let us pray. God of all creation,

**all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our brother, our teacher, and our Redeemer. 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.

# The Great Thanksgiving

May God be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to God.**

Let us give thanks to God.

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

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

## *Holy, Holy, Holy*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and  
might; heav - en and earth are filled with your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Eucharistic Prayer



# The 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

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

*Congregation:*      *Congregation or Assistant:*

Lamb of God,      you take a - way the sin of the  
\* you break the chains of ha - tred and  
you are the way of jus - tice and  
you are the way of mer - cy and

*Congregation:*

world:  
fear:      have mer - cy on us,      mer - cy on us,  
peace:  
love:

*Final time Cong. or assistant:*

mer - cy on us.      Lamb of God,      you

*Congregation:*

take a - way the sins of the world:      grant us peace,

grant us peace,      grant us peace.

# Communion Distribution

All are welcome to come to the feast.

## Communion Hymn

## Here I Am, Lord



1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.  
2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.  
3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.  
I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.  
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.  
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.  
Fin-est bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"  
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"  
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

## Prayer After Communion

We thank you, Dearest God, that you have fed us at your banqueting table with bread and wine beyond compare, the very life of Christ for us. Send your Spirit with us now, that we may set the captive free, use your gifts to building one another up, and in everything reflect your glory revealed in Jesus Christ, our brother, our teacher and our Redeemer. Amen

# We Are Sent in Jesus' Love

Announcements

Blessing

Sending Hymn

*I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me*



1 I'm so glad I'm so glad  
2 Sa - tan had me bound, Je-sus lift-ed me. Sa - tan had me bound,  
3 When I was in trou - ble, When I was in trou - ble,



Je-sus lift-ed me. I'm so glad  
Sa - tan had me bound, Je-sus lift-ed me,  
When I was in trou - ble,



sing-ing glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah! Je - sus lift - ed me.

## Dismissal

Go in peace. Christ is your light.  
**Thanks be to God.**



Prayer Requested For:	Prayer Concern:	Prayer Contact:
For all those affected by weather extremes.	Prayers of concern.	Staff
Those unable to worship with us – Wayne & June Hassebrook, Dorothy Hansen, Barbara Lynch	Assurance of God's presence.	Staff
The women served by Rahab Sisters	Strength and comfort for these houseless women living on the east side of Portland.	Staff
Jan Kimble	Prayers for healing and effective treatment for breast cancer.	Tammy Gover
Richard VanDyke	Prayers for healing and peace.	Jim VanDyke
Pepe Rochon	Prayers for healing and comfort.	Faith St. John
Barbara Horne	Prayers of healing and comfort.	Tammy Gover
June Hassebrook	Prayers of healing and comfort.	Pastor Christine
John Houdeshell	Prayers of comfort for John Houdeshell and his family	Pastor Christine
Lisha, a Sunday Guest	A safe return to God and return to home and family.	Staff
Willie, a Sunday Guest	Prayers for a good job and a home.	Staff
Family and friends of Ian Potts	Prayers of comfort and peace following Ian's death	Naso Michaels
<b>Our prayers continue for many among us:</b> for Bertha Anderson, Timothy Collins, Elizabeth, Rob, Jacob Bard, Miles Bard, Annalu Lingnau, Ben Lingnau, Jr., Ben Lingnau III, David Lingnau, Mary Rix, Patricia Connor, Lori Fields.		



Stewardship of Service	Today - Feb 10	Next Week - Feb 17
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
Music Director:	LeAnn Michaels	LeAnn Michaels
Usher:	Meghan Cyr and Clare Alvey	The Burdicks
Reader:	Cate Millburn	Marlo Edman
Communion:	Tammy Gover	Brady and Stephanie Burdick
Preparation of the Altar:	Tammy Gover	

# Bethel News



## Coming Up:

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- February 18** | Food Ministry Team Meeting – 6 pm Fireside Room – All are welcome.
- February 23** | State Senator Lew Frederick Visit, 9 am Senator Frederick is interested in learning more about what faith communities are doing in their outreach and service to the community
- February 23** | Hygiene Service, 9 am to noon
- February 24** | Getting ready for Lent – Today is the Sunday the children will be decorating the Alleluia butterflies during Children's Time. They will hide the Alleluia Butterflies on Transfiguration Sunday, March 3 during worship
- February 24** | Congregation Gathering – following worship. Join us as we talk about the questions and ideas that bubbled up out of the Annual Meeting

## Other News

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### Volunteer Opportunities

#### Worship Assistants

We can always use help with worship assistance – check out open slots for Ushering, Preparation of the Altar, Communion Assistants, and Reading.

Last week Pastor Christine talked to the children about their responsibilities when they are asked to serve Communion and to read the Lessons. Parents, sign up your children! They are eager to help, but they need your assistance because most of them can't drive themselves to the church building.

#### Breakfast Cooks and Servers

As it happens, three of our most faithful volunteers are traveling for the next few Sundays. If you have a few hours to give, the fun starts in earnest about 7 am, but you can come any time to cook, chop and serve.

- Sign up at <https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/8050a48a4ad2da46-bethel1/78598935>

#### Sandwich Making

A volunteer sandwich maker is needed for February 15th or 16th as all our usual volunteers are out of town. These sandwiches are for our Sunday Community Breakfast guests. Please contact Marjorie Strieff, at 503-679-1083 if you can lend a hand.

### Interim Drop-In Center Director Named

The Drop-In Board is excited to announce the hire of Cheyenne McPherson as the Bethel Neighborhood Youth Drop-In Center Interim Director. Cheyenne's first day as Interim Director will be April 1, 2019.

Cheyenne has been a part of the Drop-In Center for many years; first as a counselor in the Summer Program for two summers and most recently as a child care provider in the after school program. Cheyenne has Bachelor of Science degree in Social Science from Portland State University and will receive her Master of Arts degree in Community Psychology from Concordia University in April.

Cheyenne and Tammy are working closely together to make this transition seamless. Take a look at the announcement for more information on the parties that you know are being planned!

## Celebrating Tammy's Service to the Youth Drop-In Center

After many years of service, Tammy Gover has submitted her resignation from the position of Director of the Drop-In Center. We are incredibly grateful to Tammy for her hard work, devotion, and leadership; we are also appreciative of Tammy's support and flexibility for making the leadership transition a success for all our children and their families and Center supporters.

**Keep in mind:** Tammy and Paul are not leaving the Bethel and Drop-In communities! They will continue to be enthusiastic Drop-In supporters. Tammy will still participate in Bethel Players and she will stop by the Center for laughter and hugs and an energizing Drop-In fix.

**Save the Date:** Of course, we are planning parties for Tammy! Save Sunday, March 31, after worship service. This gives us all a chance to honor Tammy's service and the support of her spouse, Paul. We thank Tammy for her love and service to the Drop-In community and for her, and Paul's support and love for the Bethel community .

## Visit from State Senator Lew Frederick | February 23

State Senator Lew Frederick will be visiting Bethel to learn more about Bethel's outreach programs and service to the community.

## Congregation Gathering | February 24, following worship

We will be talking about some of the wonderings and questions that bubbled up out of the Annual Meeting. **Gratitudes from the Annual Congregational Meeting | We heard appreciation for:**

- I am thankful for the people we are blessed to serve.
- I am thankful for our multi-generational community.

