

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



May 5, 2019

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

God of life, prepare our hands for a touch, a new and different touch.

Prepare our hands for a touch. A touch of encounter. A touch of awakening. A touch of hope.

Many are the worn-out gestures, many are the useless excuses for avoiding brothers and sisters.

Give us daring to create new forms of community, new links of affection, breaking away from old ways of relating, encouraging true, meaningful ways to move into closeness.



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.

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Opening Hymn

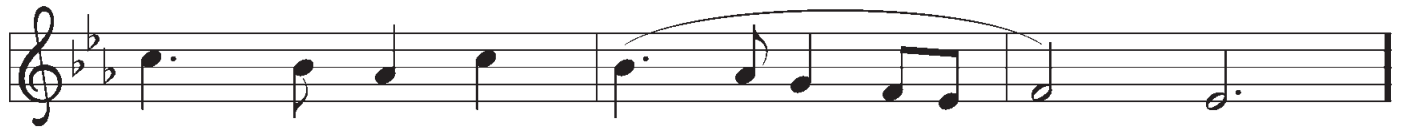
This Joyful Eastertide



1 This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide, a - way with sin and
2 My flesh in hope shall rest and for a sea - son
3 Death's flood has lost its chill since Je - sus crossed the



sor - - row! My love, the Cru - ci - fied, has
slum - - ber till trump from east to west shall
riv - - er. Lov - er of souls, from ill my



sprung to life this mor - - row.
wake the dead in num - - ber.
pass - ing soul de - liv - - er.

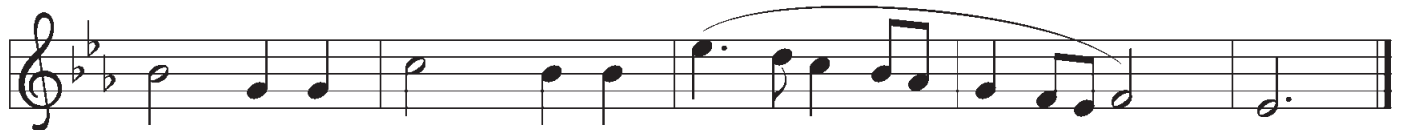
Refrain



Had Christ, who once was slain, not burst his three-day pris - on, our



faith had been in vain. But now has Christ a - ris - en, a -



ris - en, a - ris - en, a - ris - - en.

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.

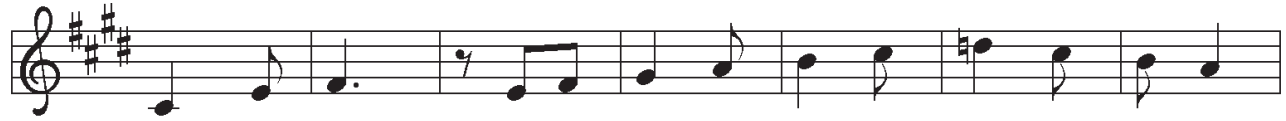
Hymn

Now the Feast and Celebration

Refrain



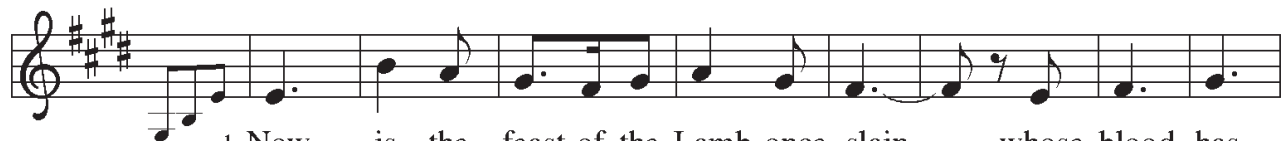
Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion



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



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



glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.



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



God; to make all things new.

Salutation

May God be with you.
And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Eternal and all-merciful God, with all the angels and all the saints we laud your majesty and might. By the resurrection of your Son, show yourself to us and inspire us to follow Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

First Reading

Acts 9:1-6 [7-20]

Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." [The men who were traveling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." He answered, "Here I am, Lord." The Lord said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name." But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God."]

P: Holy word, holy wisdom.

C: Thanks be to God.



I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have lifted me up and have not let my enemies triumph over me.

O Lord my God, I cried out to you, and you restored me to health.

You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead; you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.

Sing praise to the Lord, all you faithful;

give thanks in holy remembrance.

God's wrath is short; God's favor lasts a lifetime.

Weeping spends the night, but joy comes in the morning.

While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed.

You, Lord, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains."

Then you hid your face, and I was filled with fear.

I cried to you, O Lord; I pleaded with my Lord, saying,

"What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the pit?

Will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?

Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; O Lord, be my helper."

You have turned my wailing into dancing;

you have put off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy.

Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing;

O Lord my God, I will give you thanks forever.

Second Reading

Revelation 5:11-14

Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice,

"Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!"

Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing, "To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"

And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

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Gospel Acclamation

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

The Holy Gospel according to John the twenty-first chapter.

After [he appeared to his followers in Jerusalem,] Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" Because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

Children's Message

Sermon



Hymn of the Day

Will You Come and Follow Me



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't
 your name? Will you care for cruel and
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?
 kind and nev - er be the same?
 free and nev - er be the same?
 side and nev - er be the same?
 you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"
 pray'r in you and you in me?"
 mean in you and you in me?"
 sound in you and you in me?"
 grow in you and you in me.

Prayers of the People



Sharing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you

WE CELEBRATE THE MEAL

Offering

Offering Music

As 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

Risen One, as you broke bread with the disciples on the shore, meet us now in this meal. Nourish us to follow you, using our gifts to feed the hungry and tend the weary, and all for your love's sake. Amen

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Heavenly Father, Heavenly Mother, Holy and blessed is your true name.
We pray for your reign of peace to come.
We pray that your good will be done.
Let heaven and earth become one.
Give us this day the bread we need, give it to those who have none.
Let forgiveness flow like a river,
From each one to each one to each one.
Lead us to holy innocence, beyond the evil of our days, Come swiftly Mother, Father, come
For yours is the power, and the mercy and the glory.
Forever your name is all in One. Amen

The words of this version of the Lord's Prayer are adapted by Palmer

Invitation to Communion

Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, gives everyone a place at the welcome table. Alleluia! Come to the feast.

Hymn

Eat This Bread

Refrain

The musical notation consists of two systems, each with a treble and bass staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The first system includes the lyrics: "Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and nev - er be hun - gry. OR Je - sus Christ, bread of life, those who come to you will not hun - ger." The second system includes the lyrics: "Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst." Je - sus Christ, ris - en Lord, those who trust in you will not thirst." The music features a mix of chords and single notes, with some notes beamed together.

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

Communion Hymn

Oh 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

Living God, you have greeted us in our brokenness and nourished us with the body of Christ, broken for us. Risen to new life with you, send us now to bear your healing love into the wounded world, in the name of our risen Savior. Amen



WE ARE SENT IN JESUS' LOVE

Announcements

Blessing

Sending Hymn

Awake, My Heart, with Gladness



1 A - wake, my heart, with glad - ness, see what to - day is done;
2 Now hell, its prince, the dev - il, of all their pow'r are shorn;
3 This is a sight that glad - dens—what peace it does im - part!
4 Now I will cling for - ev - er to Christ, my Sav - ior true;
5 Christ brings me to the por - tal that leads to bliss un - told,



now, af - ter gloom and sad - ness, comes forth the glo - rious sun.
now I am safe from e - vil, and sin I laugh to scorn.
Now noth - ing ev - er sad - dens the joy with - in my heart.
my Lord will leave me nev - er, what - e'er he pass - es through.
where - on this rhyme im - mor - tal is found in script of gold:



My Sav - ior there was laid where our bed must be made
For Christ a - gain is free; in glo - rious vic - to - ry
No gloom shall ev - er shake, no foe shall ev - er take,
He rends death's i - ron chain; he breaks through sin and pain;
“Who there my cross has shared finds here a crown pre - pared;



when, as on wings in flight, we soar to realms of light.
he who is strong to save has tri - umphed o'er the grave.
the hope which God's own Son in love for me has won.
he shat - ters hell's grim thrall; I fol - low him through all.
who there with me has died shall here be glo - ri - fied.”

Dismissal

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

You are the body of Christ raised up for the world!

Go into the world with peace to do as you have been told: to do justice, love mercy and walk humbly with God.

Thanks be to God.

Prayer Requested For:	Prayer Concern:	Prayer Contact:
For those working make the lives of the marginalized and unwanted better, to ease loneliness, promote love	Strength for the journey.	Staff
Those unable to worship with us – Wayne & June Hasebroek, Dorothy Hansen, Barbara Lynch	Assurance of God's presence.	Staff
Those affected by political and racial discord.	Prayers of peace.	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
Steve Stoner	Prayers of healing and comfort.	Staff
Katie Reitel and Family	Prayers for peace and assurance of God's love.	The Bentleys
Melissa	Diagnosed with cancer. Prayers for healing.	Pastor Core
Family and friends of Mary Hudson	Peace and comfort at her death.	Pastor Core
Our prayers continue for many among us: 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 - May 5	Next Week - May 12
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
Musician		
Usher:		
Reader:		
Communion:		
Preparation of the Altar:		



Coming Up:

- May 4 | Hygiene Program
- May 6 | Food Ministry Team Meeting, 6 pm
- May 25 | Open House and Community Gathering 2-5 pm
- June 1 | De-escalation Training, 9:30 am. Please register your attendance with Pastor Core.

Other News

Cabaret and Cabernet 2019 | May 18, Festivities kick off at 6 pm | Tickets are now on sale!



A-Ticket, a-Tasket...

A Drop-In Auction Basket!!

Auctions Items Are Needed

Saturated Phats is busy tuning their instruments, but we need auction items. Need an idea for a donation? Consider a themed basket!

Contact any Drop-In board member: (Ronda Bard, Pr. Christine, Karen Anderson, PJ Bentley, Amy Nielsen-Scott), or auction-item-wrangler Joann Noll to donate your treasures.

Financial Report from Meghan Cyr, Treasurer

2019 General Budget Summary YTD Income Statement for General Budget

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Income	30,218	37,568	(7,350)
Expenses	(38,119)	(38,972)	853
Net Difference	(7,901)	(1,404)	(6,497)

Notes

Overall we are at a deficit of ~\$7,901 and our expected deficit at this time of the year is \$1,400.

1. Giving (Envelope and Loose) is less than budget by \$5,791, which is an increased deficit from February of ~\$3,000. This is partly due to timing of donations throughout the year and partly due to no donation increase by the congregation for 2019. There is a focus now on fundraising for the parsonage so annual giving may not increase this year as expected until the parsonage project is funded.

2. Expenses are less than budget by ~\$850 due to minor differences in general expenses.

Quick summary of reports:

1. **General Budget-** Summary to date of the budgeted income and expenses for the general donations and expenses of the church and parsonage.

2. **DGB (Designated General Budget)-** A summary of budget items that have designated funds to cover the expenses. This report is a sub-report of the General Budget.

Two Ways to Raise Money for Bethel with Your Regular Shopping

With Mother's Day coming up on May 12 please consider using the following ways to help Bethel just with your shopping.

SHOP AMAZON SMILE AND RAISE MONEY FOR BETHEL

Did you know your purchases can make a difference? AmazonSmile donates to Bethel Lutheran Church when you do your shopping at smile.amazon.com/ch/93-0509108

Go to <https://smile.amazon.com>, select **Bethel Lutheran Church as your charity of choice** and Amazon will donate a small percentage for every dollar spent.



FRED MEYER COMMUNITY REWARDS

Fred Meyer Community Rewards is an easy way for local non-profits to receive donations from Fred Meyer Stores. Customers earn these donations for their favorite nonprofits by shopping with their Rewards Card. Fred Meyer will donate over \$2 million to nonprofits in Alaska, Idaho, Oregon and Washington every year through this program. **Here's how it works:**

How do I link my Rewards Card to a nonprofit?

You can link your Rewards Card online, just log in or create an online account. At that point you will be able to search for your nonprofit. This is an ongoing program and you may enroll at any time. If you don't have a Fred Meyer Rewards Card applications for Rewards Cards are available at all registers or the Customer Service Desk at any Fred Meyer store. **For more information got to:**

- <https://www.fredmeyer.com/topic/community-rewards-frequently-asked-questions>



Bethel's First Church and Parsonage Open House | Last Saturday from 2 – 5 pm

Refreshments and tours of the current state of the remodel occurred at the parsonage. Snacks, games for kids and great conversation happened around the Bethel Church building. Our N/NE Portland Senator Lew Fredericks stopped by for a tour of the parsonage and a visit in the basement. Many Bethelites stopped by for refreshments and tours, and several of our neighbors also came by, some who are also working on the remodel of their homes.

We have now raised almost \$41,000 for the project. Our tip jar overflows but there is room for more! As one of the signs on the tip jar read... 'God loves a big tipper!'

Supporting our parsonage remodel, or other programs at Bethel can be easy ...just send a check, use the GivePlus+ Mobile App from your cell phone or mobile device, or click on the Donate button under the About Us tab on our website.

Thank you so much for supporting the good work of Bethel!