



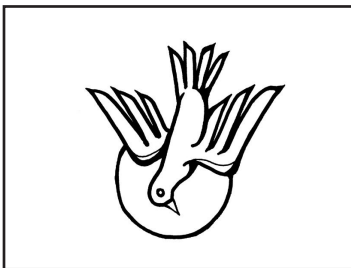
# REFORMATION SUNDAY

YOUR PASTOR

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October 27, 2019

## Welcome to Bethel Lutheran Church



We are glad you are here and we pray God will be real to you as you worship. Bethel is a Reconciling in Christ congregation. Knowing God loves all creation and holds us all, we welcome you who walk through our doors and you who are outside those doors. We welcome everyone and honor the rich diversity and giftedness that age, sexual orientation, race, belief, emotional and physical health, gender identity, marital status and station in life bring to the Bethel family and our relationships.

## WE GATHER TOGETHER

### Welcome

### Call to Worship, *Psalm 46*

God is our refuge and our strength,  
an ever-present help in distress.

**Though the earth trembles,  
and mountains slide into the sea,  
we will not fear.**

Waters may rise and roar,  
and mountains shake at their surging;  
but the God of hosts is with us--  
our stronghold, the God of Israel.

**Even if nations are in chaos, and kingdoms fall,  
God's voice resounds; the earth melts away.**

Yahweh is with us;  
the God of Israel is our stronghold.

**Come! See the deeds of the Most High,  
the marvellous things God has done on earth;  
all over the world, God has stopped wars--  
breaking bows, splintering spears,  
burning the shields with fire.**

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.

"Be still! and know that I am God,  
exalted among the nations, exalted upon the earth."  
The Most High is with us;  
our stronghold is the God of Israel.

## Opening Hymn

## A Mighty Fortress Is Our God



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -  
2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -  
3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - 'ning to de -  
4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who



to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and  
ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom  
vour us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they  
fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with



wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe  
God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?  
can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;  
weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,



has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might  
The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,  
in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;  
goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,



he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.  
God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.  
God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.  
they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

## 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.**

# Kyrie

Leader Assembly Leader

In peace, let us pray\_\_ to the Lord. **Lord,\_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy.** For the peace from a-

6 Assembly

bove, and for our sal - va-tion, let us pray\_\_ to the Lord. **Lord,\_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy.**

11 Leader

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the u-ni-ty of all,--

16 Assembly Leader

let us pray\_\_ to the Lord. **Lord \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy.** For this ho-ly house, and for

21 Assembly

all who of-fer here their wor-ship and praise,-- let us pray\_\_ to the Lord. **Lord \_\_\_\_\_ have**

26 Leader

**mer - - - cy.** Help, save, com - fort and de - fend us,

29 Assembly

gra - cious Lord. **A - - - - - men.**



# Hymn

# Hymn of Praise

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le-lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia,

7  
Al - le - lu - ia. Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose

13  
blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es,

19  
wis - dom and strength, and hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.

25  
This is the feast of vic - to-ry for our God. Al - le-lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia,

31  
Al - le - lu - ia. Sing with\_ all the peo - ple of God, and

37  
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion, Bless - ing and hon - or,

43  
glo - ry and might be to God\_ and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - - - men.

49  
This is the feast of vic - to-ry for our God. Al - le-lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia,

55  
Al - le - lu - ia. For the Lamb\_ who was slain\_ has be - gun\_ his\_ reign.

61  
Al - le - - - lu - ia, Al - le - - - lu - ia.

## Salutation

May God be with you.  
And also with you.

## Prayer of the Day

**Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through 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

***Jeremiah 31:31-34***

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

P: Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Second Reading

***Romans 3:19-28***

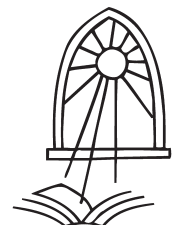
Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For "no human being will be justified in his sight" by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

P: Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.

**C: Thanks be to God.**



## Gospel Acclamation

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to\_\_ whom shall we\_\_ go?

6  
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

## The Holy Gospel according to John the eighth chapter.

The people respond: **Glory to you, O God.**

Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?"

Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

The people respond: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Children's Message

## Sermon



## Hymn of the Day

## Listen, God Is Calling

*Refrain*  
Leader All



Ne - no, ne - no la - ke Mu - ngu la - ku - i - ta we - we,  
Lis - ten, lis - ten, God is call - ing, through the Word in - vit - ing,



ne - no la wo - ko - vu, te - na je - ma. ma.  
of - fer - ing for - give - ness, com - fort, and joy. joy.

Leader All



Ye - su a - li - se - ma, Mka - hu - bi - ri.  
1 Je - sus gave his man - date: share the good news  
2 Let none be for - got - ten through - out the world.  
3 Help us to be faith - ful, stand - ing stead - fast,

Leader All *Refrain*



Ne - no la - ke Mu - ngu la wo - ko - vu.  
that he came to save us and set us free.  
In the tri - une name of God go and bap - tize.  
walk - ing in your pre - cepts, led by your Word.

## Prayers of the People

Response: God, 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

## Offertory

### Offertory Music

### Take My Live that I May be

Verses 1 & 2



To - ma, oh Dios, mi vo - lun - tad, y haz - la tu - ya, na -  
Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord,



da más; to - ma, sí, mi co - ra - zón  
to thee; take my mo - ments and my days;



y tu tro - no en él ten - drás. ten - drás.  
let them flow in cease - less praise. less praise.



1 Que mi vi - da en - te - ra es - té  
1 Take my hands and let them move  
2 Take my sil - ver and my gold,  
3 Take my voice and let me sing;  
4 Take my will and make it thine;



con - sa - gra - da a ti, Se - ñor;  
at the im - pulse of thy love;  
not a mite would I with - hold;  
al - ways, on - ly for my King;  
it shall be no lon - ger mine;



que a mis ma - nos pue - da guiar el im -  
take my feet and let them be swift and  
take my in - tel - lect and use ev - 'ry  
take my lips and let them be filled with  
take my heart, it is thine own; it shall



pul - so de tu a - mor.  
beau - ti - ful for thee.  
pow'r as thou shalt choose.  
mes - sag - es from thee.  
be thy roy - al throne.

### Offertory Prayer

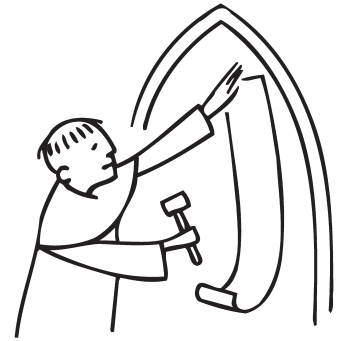
God our provider, we bring nothing into this world and we can take nothing out of it. Accept the gifts you have first given us, which we bring to your table, and with them the offering of our lives. Nourish us now with the life that really is life, revealed to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and our Teacher. Amen



# Words of Institution

## The Lord's Prayer

Our Father and Mother  
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.  
Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom and the power  
and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen



## Invitation to Communion

Jesus invites all Creation to the table. Come, take your place at the feast.

## Hymn

### *In the Singing*

Verse 1 & Refrain



1 In the sing - ing, in the si - lence, in the hands ex - pect - ant, o - pen,  
2 In the ques - tion, in the an - swer, in the mo - ment of ac - cept - ance,



in the bless - ing, in the break - ing, in your pres - ence at this ta - ble,  
in the heart's cry, in the heal - ing, in the cir - cle of your peo - ple,



*Refrain*  
Je - sus Christ, Je - sus Christ, be the wine of grace;



Je - sus Christ, Je - sus Christ, be the bread of peace.

## Communion Distribution

### Communion Hymn

### *Word of God, Come Down on Earth*



1 Word of God, come down on earth, liv - ing rain from  
2 Word e - ter - nal, throned on high, Word that brought to  
3 Word that speaks God's ten - der love, one with God be -



heav'n de - scend - ing; touch our hearts and bring to birth  
life cre - a - tion, Word that came from heav'n to die,  
yond all tell - ing, Word that sends us from a - bove



faith and hope and love un - end - ing. Word al - might - y,  
cru - ci - fied for our sal - va - tion, sav - ing Word, the  
God the Spir - it, with us dwell - ing, Word of truth, to



we re - vere you; Word made flesh, we long to hear you.  
world re - stor - ing, speak to us, your love out - pour - ing.  
all truth lead us; Word of life, with one bread feed us.

## Prayer After Communion

**God of blessing, at this table we have seen you face to face, and in the gift of Christ's body and blood, our hearts have been refreshed. Send us now to shine with your goodness and bear witness to the one we have received, Jesus Christ, 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.

# WE ARE SENT IN JESUS' LOVE

Announcements

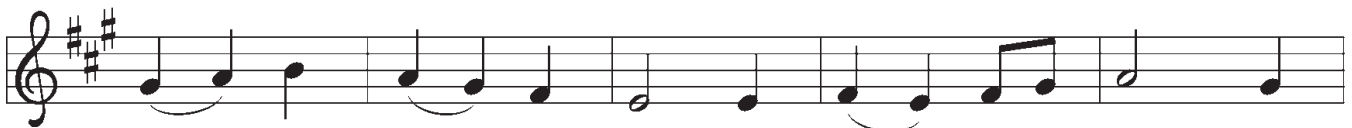
Blessing

Sending Hymn

*The Church of Christ, In Every Age*



1 The church of Christ, in ev - 'ry age be - set by  
2 A - cross the world, a - cross the street, the vic - tims  
3 Then let the ser - vant church a - rise, a car - ing  
4 For he a - lone, whose blood was shed, can cure the  
5 We have no mis - sion but to serve in full o -



change, but Spir - it - led, must claim and test its  
of in - jus - tice cry for shel - ter and for  
church that longs to be a part - ner in Christ's  
fe - ver in our blood, and teach us how to  
be - dience to our Lord; to care for all, with -



her - i - tage and keep on ris - ing from the dead.  
bread to eat, and nev - er live be - fore they die.  
sac - ri - fice, and clothed in Christ's hu - man - i - ty.  
share our bread and feed the starv - ing mul - ti - tude.  
out re - serve, and spread his lib - er - at - ing word.

**Dismissal**

Go in peace to share the Good News.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**



<b>Prayer Requested For:</b>	<b>Prayer Concern:</b>	<b>Prayer Contact:</b>
For the People of Bethel Lutheran	May the wisdom and counsel of the Holy Spirit abide within the people of Bethel during this time of change and transition.	Staff
For the environment and all those working to bring about live-giving change	Grant us wisdom to care for earth and energy to act now for the good of future generations	Staff
Steve Stoner	Prayers of healing and comfort.	Staff
Katie Reitel & Family	Prayers for peace & assurance of God's love.	The Bentleys
Faith St. John	Prayers of thanksgiving for a successful surgery. Peace and comfort as further treatment is discerned.	Pastor Core
Leo Lawrence	Prayers for healing.	Pastor Core
Jennifer Nevills, former YDIC director	Struggling with heart disease.	Karen Anderson
Bob Hoggard	Prayers of peace and comfort as he nears the end of his earthly life.	Becky McAllister
Margie Fletcher	Prayers of healing; Peace and comfort for her and Mike, Mitch and Micah.	Karen Anderson
Mary Rix	Preparing for surgery; prayers of comfort.	Pastor Core
Dorothy Hansen and all of the residents of the Smith Tower Apartments, Vancouver, WA	Peace of mind following the tragic shooting of three residents, resulting in the death of one. All three people, including the perpetrator were friends of Dorothy	Pastor Core
Willie Torrey and his family	Prayers of thanksgiving for a good turn of events in his life; prayers for his son and for peace in his family.	Willie Torrey
Tammy Allen	Peace and comfort following the death of her cousin Linda.	Tammy Allen
Christy Runyan	Preparing for surgery next month; prayers of comfort.	Karen Anderson
Karen Anderson and her family	Peace and comfort following the death of her mother Bertha, who died on 10/19 just three weeks short of her 102nd birthday.	Staff
David Gyles	Peace, assurance of God's presence and comfort as he nears death; freedom from pain. Prayers of comfort for his companion Sandy Morris.	Pastor Core
<b>Our prayers continue for many among us:</b> for Timothy Collins, Elizabeth, Rob, Jacob Bard, Miles Bard, Annalu Lingnau, Ben Lingnau III, David Lingnau, Patricia Connor.		



<b>Stewardship of Service</b>	<b>Today - Oct 27</b>	<b>Next Week - Nov 3</b>
Ministers:	All Baptized Members of Bethel	All Baptized Members of Bethel
Pastor:	Pr. Christine Core	Pr. Christine Core
Music Director	Jamie Webster	Jamie Webster
Musician	Jaime Vandenberg	
Usher:	Sharon and Henry Delcambre	Karen Carpenter
Reader:	Naso Michaels	Sofia Carpenter-Rodriguez
Communion:	Simone and Annika Michaels	Joann and Emily Noll
Preparation of the Altar:		Jackie Calder

# BETHEL NEWS



## COMING UP:

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- **Nov 3 | St. Charles Church 69th Annual Spaghetti Dinner**, 12 PM – 6 PM  
5310 NE 42nd Ave, Portland, Oregon 97218.
- **Nov 9 | Portland Area Oregon Synod Whirlwind Tour**, 10:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.,  
St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Pr. Jim Doherty.  
10390 SW Canyon Rd, Beaverton, OR 97005
- **Nov 10 | Portland Area Oregon Synod Whirlwind Tour**, 1-3:30 p.m.  
(snacks provided) Prince of Life Lutheran, Pr. John Reutter-Harrah.  
13896 S Meyers Rd, Oregon City, OR 97045

## OTHER NEWS

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### Portland Area Oregon Synod Whirlwind Tour | November 9 and 10th, 2019

#### What is it this all about, you ask?

- A chance for lay people, deacons, young adults, elders, pastors, and all others to come together around food and friendship, and to begin to discern God's future for us.
- A chance to reflect, sing and pray together, listening deeply for the movement of the Spirit in our church. And outside our church.
- A chance to hear more about their vision and horizon for ministry.
- A chance for us to hear more about YOUR vision and horizon for ministry.
- A chance to laugh, listen, and share together, as equals.

A chance to encounter new faces in the office of the Oregon Synod; newly elected bishop, Bishop Laurie Larson Caesar; newly elected Vice-President, Greg Shea; and recently appointed Bishop's Associates Juan Carlos La Puente and Pastor Melissa Reed.

Please Invite your friends, your pastor, your parents, anyone you know who cares about this world. We will gather, pray, hear a few thoughts from synod leaders, and share our own thoughts and feelings about mission and vision in our contexts.

#### Before you come, ask yourself:

- What would you like a bishop to know about your neighborhood and your neighbors?
- What are the challenges and fears you face?
- Where do you find hope?
- Where is Spirit tugging on your soul to act, to speak, to sing?

Saturday, November 9, 10:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m., St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Pr. Jim Doherty.  
10390 SW Canyon Rd, Beaverton, OR 97005

Sunday, November 10, 1-3:30 p.m. (snacks provided for those rushing from worship around the metro area) Prince of Life Lutheran, Pr. John Reutter-Harrah. 13896 S Meyers Rd, Oregon City, OR 97045

## The Bethel Choir

**Everyone is welcome to join in on the singing and celebrating.**

Please continue to give Jamie your feedback about what piques your interest and is joyful for you to sing. If the music selections are challenging (either positively or negatively), she would like to hear that too.

**Choir Practice is every week except when our music director, Jamie Webster, is out of town.**

The Choir sings during service once a month. The dates for performing and no choir practice are listed below:

11/10, 9 am Rehearsal and 10 am Worship Service

12/1, No Choir Practice

## Women's Spirituality Group | Saturday 8:30 am(11/9) Location TBD

We continue to grow together as companions in Christ as we meet for pray and time for sharing. We invite you to join us at any time – we truly believe that the people in the room are the people whom God sends! Are you one of those sent?

## Building Update

Downstairs The tile is all down! The floors are sealed and polished.  
New wood paneling is up in the back room.

### Next up

- Put down transitional flooring between the bathrooms and the hall.
- Finish reinstalling the bathroom stalls.
- Trim and rehang the bathroom doors
- Stain the wood paneling and add the rubber base
- Main floor tile installations begins next week.

## St. Charles Catholic Church Spaghetti Dinner | Nov 3, 12 PM – 6 PM

**Please join St. Charles Catholic Church for our 69th Annual Spaghetti Dinner!**

This is a fun event year after year. We will have beer and wine for sale, as well as a 50/50 raffle.

The dinner consists of Spaghetti and Meatballs, Salad, Bread and Pie for Dessert.

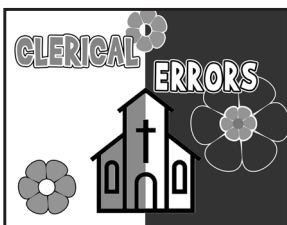
Full Take Out Available.

**Tickets: \$12 Adults - \$10 Senior (65+) - \$5.00 child (5-12) - under 5 Free**

We hope you will join us!

**5310 NE 42nd Ave, Portland, Oregon 97218.**

## Bethel Players Present Clerical Errors | Coming February 28th - March 8th



### SAVE THESE DATES:

- **Feb. 28 - 7 PM** | Friday
- **Feb. 29 - 1:30 PM** | Saturday
- **Feb. 29 - 7 PM** | Saturday
- **Mar. 1 - 3 PM** | Sunday
- **Mar. 6 - 7 PM** | Friday
- **Mar. 7 - 1:30 PM** | Saturday
- **Mar. 7 - 7 PM** | Saturday
- **Mar. 8 - 3 PM** | Sunday

We'll be sending more information later, expect tickets to go on sale around Feb. 1.

**More questions? Email [bethellutheran@bethelpdx.org](mailto:bethellutheran@bethelpdx.org) or call 503-285-4919.**