



# FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

March 1, 2020

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.

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## WE GATHER TOGETHER

↑ Parts marked with an upward arrow, please stand if it is comfortable for you.

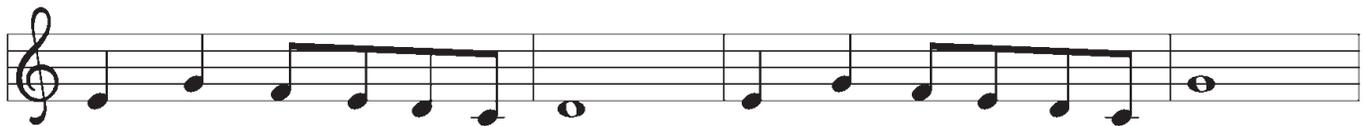
### Prelude

### Welcome

### Preparation for Worship

*This time of turning to God begins with the singing of "Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am." It is sung through a few times, even several times, quietly and reflectively.*

### **Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am**



Take, oh, take me as I am;      sum - mon out what I shall be;



set your seal up - on my heart and live in me.

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.

## Confession and Forgiveness ↑

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
who is present, who gives life,  
who calls into existence the things that do not exist.

**Amen.**

If you were to keep watch over sins, O Lord, who could stand?  
Yet with you is forgiveness, and so we confess.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Gracious God,

**have mercy on us.**

**We confess that we have turned away from you,  
knowingly and unknowingly.**

**We have wandered from your resurrection life.**

**We have strayed from your love for all people.**

**Turn us back to you, O God.**

**Give us new hearts and right spirits,  
that we may find what is pleasing to you  
and dwell in your house forever. Amen.**

Receive good news: God turns to you in love.

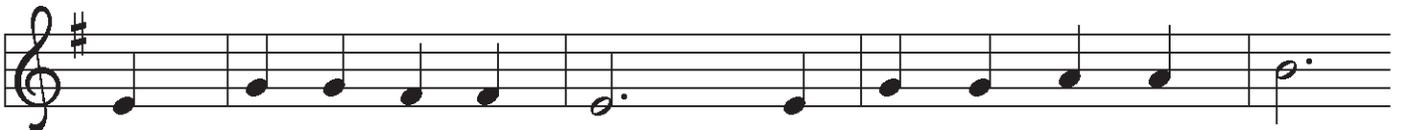
"I will put my spirit in you, and you shall live," says our God.

All your sin is forgiven in the name of † Jesus Christ,  
who is the free and abounding gift of God's grace for you.

**Amen.**

## Gathering Hymn ↑

## Lord, Have Mercy (Kyrie)



- 1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
- 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.  
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.  
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

## Greeting and Prayer of the Day ↑

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.**

Let us pray together.

**Lord God, our strength, the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us through your Son, 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

**Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7**

A reading from Genesis.

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

P: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### Welcome the Gospel ↑



We are turn - ing, Lord, to hear you; you are mer - ci - ful and kind -



slow to an - ger, rich in bless - ing, and with love to us in - clined.

## Gospel ↑

**Matthew 4:1-11**

P: The holy Gospel according to Matthew.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord!**

Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." But he answered, "It is written,

'One does not live by bread alone,

but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you,'

and 'On their hands they will bear you up,

so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me."

Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

'Worship the Lord your God,

and serve only him.'"

Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

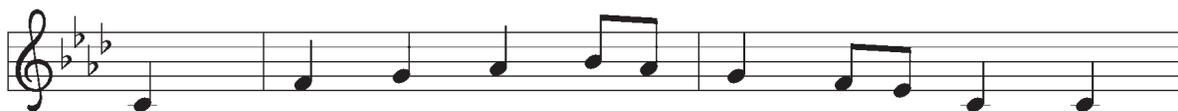
P: The Gospel of our Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ!**

## Sermon

### Hymn of the Day ↑

### *O Lord, throughout These Forty Days*



1 O Lord, through - out these for - ty days you  
2 You strove with Sa - tan, and you won; your  
3 Though parched and hun - gry, yet you prayed and  
4 Be with us through this sea - son, Lord, and



prayed and kept the fast; in - spire re - pen - tance  
faith - ful - ness en - dured; lend us your nerve, your  
fixed your mind a - bove; so teach us to de -  
all our earth - ly days, that when the fi - nal



for our sin, and free us from our past.  
skill and trust in God's e - ter - nal word.  
ny our - selves that we may know God's love.  
Eas - ter dawns, we join in heav - en's praise.

## Prayers of Intercession ↑

Each portion of the prayers ends with these words: **Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.**

## Peace ↑

Response: **And also with you.** The people greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say Peace be with you or similar words. Then the assembly is seated.

# WE CELEBRATE THE MEAL

## Offering

Music is played or the choir sings, as the gifts are received.

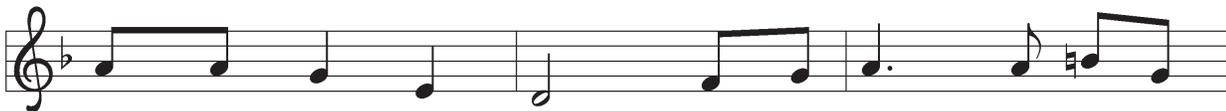
## Offertory ↑

### *Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery*, Verse 1 and Lent 1

The congregation sings Verse 1 and Lent 1 as the gifts are brought forward:



1 Tree of Life and awe - some mys - t'ry, in your  
2 We re - mem - ber truth once spo - ken, love passed  
3 Christ, you lead and we shall fol - low, stum - bling



death we are re - born; though you die in all of  
on through act and word; ev - 'ry per - son lost and  
though our steps may be; one with you in joy and



his - t'ry, still you rise with ev - 'ry morn, still you  
bro - ken wears the bod - y of our Lord, wears the  
sor - row, we the riv - er, you the sea, we the



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bod - y of our Lord.  
riv - er, you the sea.

### *Lent 1*

From the dawning of creation  
you have loved us as your own;  
stay with us through all temptation,  
make us turn to you alone.



## Offering Prayer ↑

Let us pray.

**Holy and generous host,  
you set a table where we feast as friends.  
Prepare us to witness to your goodness  
with every gift you have given us to share,  
that all people may know your peace  
through Jesus Christ, now and forever.  
Amen.**

## The Great Thanksgiving ↑

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

### *Holy, Holy, Holy*

The musical score is written on four staves of a single treble clef in a key with one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. 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." The score ends with a double bar line.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. 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.

## Thanksgiving at the Table

*The congregation repeats the following lines once after each line is heard:*

**We praise you, O God.  
We bless you, O God.  
We thank you, O God.**

We proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

## The Lord's Prayer

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

## Invitation to Communion ↑

Return to Christ with all your heart—the source of grace and mercy;  
come, seek the tender faithfulness 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.



# Music During Communion

# Lamb of God

*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:

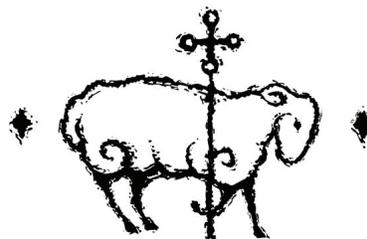
*Final time Cong. or assistant:*

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 Hymn

# Taste and See

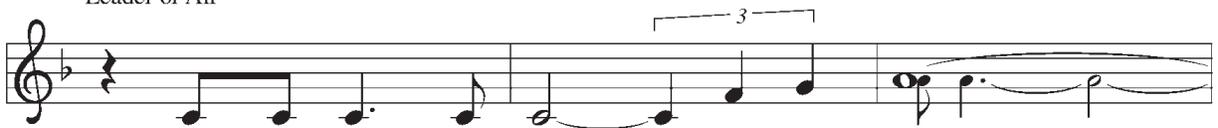


Taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord. Oh,



taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

Leader or All



- 1 I will bless the Lord at all times.
- 2 Glo - ri - fy the Lord with . . . me.
- 3 Wor - ship . . . the Lord, all you peo-ple.



Praise shall al - ways be on my lips;  
 To - geth - er let us all . . . . praise God's name.  
 You'll want for noth - ing . . . if you ask.



my soul shall glo - ry in the Lord;  
 I called the Lord, . . who an - swered me;  
 Taste and see . . . that the Lord is good;

*Refrain*



for God has been so good to me.  
 from all my trou - bles I was set free.  
 in God we need put all our trust.

## Prayer after Communion

Let us pray together.

**We thank you, living God,  
 for the body and blood of your Son,  
 which sustains us in the wilderness and the garden alike.  
 As Christ has loved us in this feast,  
 so send us to love Christ in our neighbors.  
 In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**



# WE ARE SENT IN JESUS' LOVE

## Announcements

### Blessing

Now is the acceptable time. Now is the day of salvation.

Holy God, Creator, Word, and Spirit,

† bless you, unbind you,

and send you in love and in peace.

**Amen**

### Sending Hymn

### *Bless Now, O God, the Journey*



1 Bless now, O God, the jour - ney that all your peo - ple make,  
2 Bless so - journ - ers and pil - grims who share this wind - ing way;  
3 Di - vine e - ter - nal lov - er, you meet us on the road.



the path through noise and si - lence, the way of give and take.  
your hope burns through the ter - rors, your love sus - tains the day.  
We wait for lands of prom - ise where milk and hon - ey flow,



The trail is found in des - ert and winds the moun - tain round,  
We yearn for ho - ly free - dom while of - ten we are bound;  
but wait - ing not for plac - es, you meet us all a - round.



then leads be - side still wa - ters, the road where faith is found.  
to - geth - er we are seek - ing the road where faith is found.  
Our cov - e - nant is writ - ten on roads, as faith is found.

### Dismissal

Go in peace. Walk with Jesus.

**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
Katie Reitel & Family	Prayers for peace & assurance of God's love.	The Bentleys
Faith St. John	Healing and support as she undergoes treatment for cancer.	Staff
Jennifer Nevills, former YDIC director	Struggling with heart disease.	Karen Anderson
Family and friends of Bob Haggard	Prayers of peace after Bob Haggard's death Tuesday morning. We pray God may wipe all tears from their eyes.	Becky McAllister
David Gyles	Peace, assurance of God's presence and comfort; freedom from pain. Prayers of comfort for his companion Sandy Morris.	Bethel Care Team
Joan Barber	Peace and comfort and freedom from discomfort as she begins palliative care.	Pastor Core
Mary Rix	Prayers for continued healing after a successful surgery.	JulieAnn Edman
Faith Moser	Prayers for Faith, Joann Noll's mother to regain strength as she prepares to leave a skilled nursing facility.	Joann Noll
The Fletcher Family	Prayers for peace and comfort as the family prepares for the upcoming trial.	Bethel Care Team
Marlo Edman	Prayers of continued healing for Marlo Edman after a successful surgery followed be good progress at rehab.	JulieAnn Edman
<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 - Mar 1</b>	<b>Next Week - Mar 8</b>
Ministers:	All Baptized Members of Bethel	All Baptized Members of Bethel
Pastor:	Pr. Scott Dunfee	Pr. Scott Dunfee
Music Director		
Musician	Jaime Vandenburg	
Usher:		
Reader:		
Communion:		
Preparation of the Altar:		

# BETHEL NEWS

## † SERVICE SCHEDULE:

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- **3/01** Pastor Scott Dunfee
- **3/08** Pastor Scott Dunfee
- **3/15** Pastor Larry Jorgenson
- **3/22** Pastor Scott Dunfee
- **3/29** Pastor John or Joan Beck

## COMING UP:

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- **Mar 01** | Clerical Errors, Sunday Dessert, 3 pm
- **Mar 4** | Lenten Wednesday Soup Supper/Holden Vespers, 6:15pm / 7:15pm, details follow
- **Mar 6** | Clerical Errors, Friday Night Informal, 7 pm
- **Mar 7** | Clerical Errors, Saturday Matinée, 1:30 pm & Friday Night Informal 7 pm
- **Mar 8** | Clerical Errors, Sunday Dessert, 3 pm
- **Mar 14** | Women's Spirituality Group, 8:30 at the Edman's home

## SAVE THE DATE:

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- **Sept. 11-13** | All Bethel members and friends are invited to the 2020 Annual Bethel Camp-Out  
This will be at Milo McIver State Park, at the Steelhead site, where we were last year. Contact Scott Burris, Tana Bishop or one of the other Campers Extraordinaire.

## OTHER NEWS

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### Good News for our Lenten Traditions!

#### Wednesday Lent Services

Our Lenten practice will include Wednesday soup suppers followed by Holden Vespers with Jaime Vandenburg as our musician.

Sign up sheets will be available each Sunday, both for attendance and for helping with a pot of soup.

#### Schedule

- 2/26** | **7:30 pm** Ash Wednesday Service
- 3/04** | **6:15 pm** Soup supper & **7:15 pm** Holden Vespers
- 3/11** | **6:15 pm** Soup supper & **7:15 pm** Holden Vespers
- 3/18** | **6:15 pm** Soup supper & **7:15 pm** Holden Vespers
- 3/25** | **6:15 pm** Soup supper & **7:15 pm** Holden Vespers
- 4/01** | **6:15 pm** Soup supper & **7:15 pm** Holden Vespers

#### Contact person:

JulieAnn Edman,  
593-984-7930 (text or call)  
jedman999@gmail.com

## **Bethel Council News, 2/16 Meeting Notes from Joann Noll**

### **Council Office Elections**

**Co-Presidents:** Cate Milburn & Holly Redfern

**Vice President:** vacant

**Co-Secretaries:** PJ Bentley & Joann Noll

**Co-Treasurers:** Stephanie Burdick & Dorian Bentley

### **Finance Report**

The Bethel Players agreed to donate \$8,000 to Bethel to help offset the deficit. In addition, three memorials were approved to transfer funds to the general budget. Cash flow from month to month is negative. The team has put together an Estimated Giving card that will be distributed to the congregation so that we can forecast revenue more accurately. The parsonage will soon be at full capacity with tenants, which should improve revenue in that regard. For any rental income in excess of what was budgeted, the congregation will decide if that excess is applied to paying off the loan or used for other purposes.

### **Interim Pastor**

Council will meet for a special meeting at 11:30am on Sunday, February 23 to codify the expectations for the interim pastor position.

### **Food Ministry**

The breakfast program will move to Saturdays, 9:30am-10:30am beginning March 21.

### **Bethel Play**

The play is scheduled for February 28-March 1 and March 6-8. Please make sure to buy tickets and invite others to attend--there are plenty of seats available!

### **Drop In Center**

The YDIC board hired two Summer Drop-In Co-Directors, Cheyenne McPherson and Angela Huddleston. YGA has also proffered a \$6,500 grant for the program.

## **Women's Spirituality Group, 3/14, Saturday, 8:30 am at the Edman's Home**

In our women's group we share the ordinary and extraordinary as we contemplate, laugh, pray and meander through our study book "In Wisdom's Path". Please join us and enjoy a light breakfast and a time of sharing this Saturday! Also remember, we're getting close to Mardi Gras.

**Future Saturday Dates:** 3/28

Blessings to all,

JulieAnn,

503-984-7930,

jedman999@gmail.com

## It's Showtime!



## Bethel Players Present Clerical Errors

### Performance Dates:

- **Dress Rehearsal** Feb 27 | 7 pm, Free
- **Friday Night Informal** Feb 28 & Mar 6 | 7 pm, \$15 / \$17 door
- **Saturday Matinée** Feb 29 & Mar 7 | 1:30 pm, \$10 door
- **Saturday Dinner** Feb 29 & Mar 7 | 7 pm, \$20 / \$22 door
- **Sunday Dessert** Mar 1 & Mar 8 | 3 pm, \$15 / \$17 door

### Purchase Tickets Online at Eventbrite

**Direct link:** <https://clericalerrors.eventbrite.com>

**Call:** 503-285-4919 and leave a message to reserve tickets  
**or email:** [bethelplayers@bethelpdx.org](mailto:bethelplayers@bethelpdx.org)

## Kitchen Volunteers Needed for Clerical Errors

### Can you assist with any of the 2020 performances of Clerical Errors?

We have MANY job slots identified for each play date, so that you can choose as long a time and as many tasks as you want. Feel free to sign up for one focused effort or for several. All help is appreciated.

### Three Ways to Sign Up

1. Online: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4AACA62AAAF94-bethel>
2. Paper: announced and passed around each Sunday.
3. Call or email: Ronda to let her know slots you want to claim. Ronda Bard, cell 503 307 5706, [ronda.bard@gmail.com](mailto:ronda.bard@gmail.com)

We have an exciting play this year. Thanks for spreading the word and helping us serve our fabulous audiences.

See you soon! Ronda Bard and Svea Erickson and Nash Ababu

WE  VOLUNTEERS!

## HELPFUL CONTACTS

### Executive Council

#### Co-Presidents:

Cate Milburn, [catemilburn@gmail.com](mailto:catemilburn@gmail.com)  
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### Bethel GivePlus No.

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Dorian Bentley, [dorian.bentley@gmail.com](mailto:dorian.bentley@gmail.com)

### Sign-Up Form for Food Ministry

Located in the Bethel Kitchen