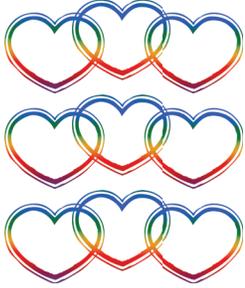




# 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 5, 2020

## Welcome to Bethel Lutheran Church



We are glad you are here with us via Zoom 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. 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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### Communion

We will celebrate Holy Communion together via zoom -- a temporary practice during this time of forced social distancing. Please have bread/cracker(s) and a cup of wine/grape juice ready, if you and those with you would like to participate. If you do not have access to wine/grape juice, you may receive Communion without the cup – Christ is present in the bread, as Jesus said, "I am the bread of Life."

## GATHERING

### Call to Worship (based on Psalm 62)

Only in God will my soul be at rest;

**From God comes my hope, my salvation.**

God alone is my rock and fortress;

**My Deliverer, my refuge, my God.**

Only in God is true freedom found;

**Freedom from fear and the guilt of sin.**

The war horse and the sword are a vain hope;

**Full of grace and truth, God alone is our Liberator!**



Hymn

My Country, 'Tis of Thee , verses 1 & 3



1 My coun - try, 'tis of thee, sweet land of lib - er - ty,  
 2 My na - tive coun - try, thee, land of the no - ble free,  
 3 Let mu - sic swell the breeze, and ring from all the trees  
 4 Our fa - thers' God, to thee, au - thor of lib - er - ty,



of thee I sing: land where my fa - thers died, land of the  
 thy name I love; I love thy rocks and rills, thy woods and  
 sweet free - dom's song; let mor - tal tongues a - wake; let all that  
 to thee we sing: long may our land be bright with free - dom's



pil - grims' pride, from ev - 'ry moun - tain - side let free - dom ring.  
 tem - pled hills; my heart with rap - ture thrills like that a - bove.  
 breathe par - take; let rocks their si - lence break, the sound pro - long.  
 ho - ly light. Pro - tect us by thy might, great God, our king.

**IN OUR AMERICA** ALL PEOPLE ARE EQUAL  
**LOVE WINS**  
**BLACK LIVES MATTER**  
 IMMIGRANTS & REFUGEES ARE WELCOME  
**DISABILITIES ARE RESPECTED**  
 WOMEN ARE IN CHARGE OF THEIR BODIES  
**PEOPLE & PLANET ARE VALUED OVER PROFIT**  
**DIVERSITY IS CELEBRATED**  
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## Song of Protest

*Freedom Is Coming, Oh Yes I Know*, South Africa, 1984

*Kathleen will sing the words in parentheses*

(Oh, freedom,) Freedom is coming,  
(oh, freedom,) freedom is coming,  
(oh, freedom.) freedom is coming, oh, yes, I know.  
(Oh, freedom,) Freedom is coming,  
(oh, freedom,) freedom is coming,  
(oh, freedom.) freedom is coming, oh, yes, I know.

(Oh, yes, I know,) Oh, yes, I know,  
(oh, yes, I know,) oh, yes, I know,  
(oh, yes, I know.) oh, yes, I know, oh, yes, I know.  
(Oh, yes, I know,) Oh, yes, I know,  
(oh, yes, I know,) oh, yes, I know,  
(oh, yes, I know.) oh, yes, I know, oh, yes, I know.

## Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray together:

**You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised for the freedom won for us in Jesus Christ. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Help us to come to you, to call upon you, to know you and to serve only you, through Christ our Liberator and Lover of our souls. Amen.**



# WORD

## Reading

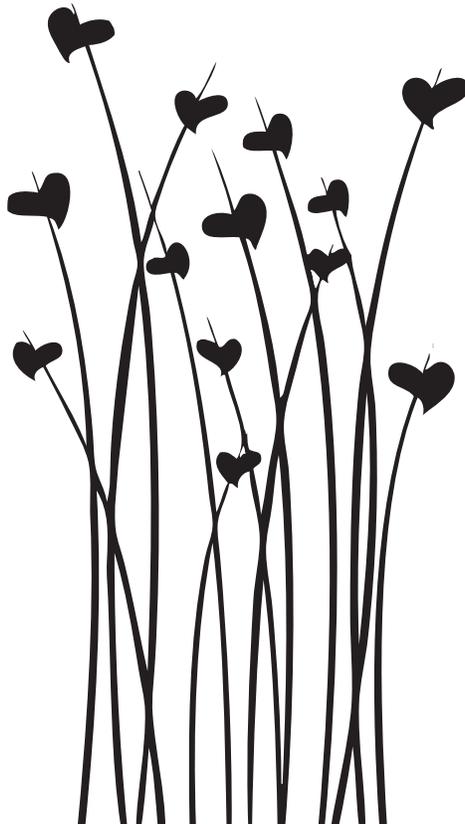
## *Romans 7:15-25a*

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



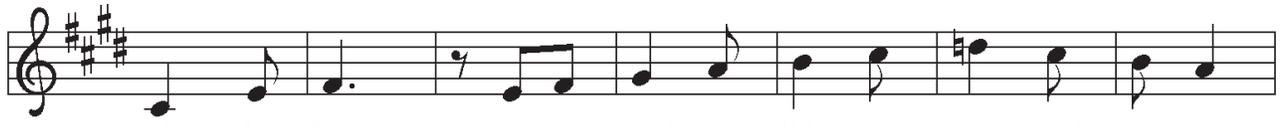
# Gospel Hymn

# 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.

*Refrain*



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



glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.

*Refrain*



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



God; to make all things new.

*Refrain*

## Reading

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew

**Glory to you, O Lord!**

[Jesus spoke to the crowd saying:] "To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;  
we wailed, and you did not mourn.'

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

The Gospel of our Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ!**

## Children's Time

## Sermon

## Hymn

I'm gonna lay down my burden  
Down by the riverside,  
Down by the riverside,  
Down by the riverside.  
I'm gonna lay down my burden  
Down by the riverside.  
I ain't gonna study war no more.

### **Refrain:**

I ain't gonna study war no more.  
I ain't gonna study war no more.  
Ain't gonna study war no more, no more!  
I ain't gonna study war no more.  
I ain't gonna study war no more.  
I ain't gonna study war no more!

I'm gonna learn from the Prince of Peace  
Down by the riverside, . . . **(refrain)**

I'm gonna rest in the love of God  
Down by the riverside, . . . **(refrain)**

**Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30**

**Down By the Riverside,**  
(Spiritual from time of the American Civil War)



## Prayers of Intercession

The response to each prayer will be: Hear us, O Lord.

**Your mercy is great!**

## Sharing the Peace

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy and peace. The peace of the Lord be with you always

**And also with you.**

## Offering Music

## Offering

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# COMMUNION

## Eucharistic Prayer

*The pastor will guide you when to take the bread & cup and eat & drink*

Holy God, Mighty Wind, Gentle Presence:

**Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us, and on these gifts of bread and fruit of the vine.**

Bless this meal and breathe new life into us.

**Come, Holy Spirit.**

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to disciples, saying, Take and eat; this is my body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, and gave thanks; and gave it for all to drink, saying, This cup is the new covenant in my blood, poured out for you and for all people, that sins may be forgiven. Do this for the remembrance of me.

## 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.**



## Sharing the Bread and Cup

# SENDING

## Announcements

### Sending Hymn

May the Lord bless and keep you  
May His face shine up you and be gracious to you  
The Lord turn His  
Face toward you  
And give you peace

Amen, amen, amen  
Amen, amen, amen

### The Blessing

### Blessing

The peace of God, that passes all understanding,  
heal your body, (+)  
soothe your soul,  
calm your mind,  
and strengthen your spirit,  
now and forever.

**Amen.**

Take the yoke of Jesus upon you and learn from the Crucified and Risen One. For Jesus' yoke is easy and the Crucified and Risen One makes it light.

**Thanks be to God!**

### Postlude

*I Wish I Knew How It Would Feel To Be Free*, Nina Simone



Stewardship of Service	Today - July 5 Virtual	Next Week- July 12 Virtual
Ministers	All Baptized Members of Bethel	All Baptized Members of Bethel
Pastor	Pastor Scott Dunfee	Pastor Scott Dunfee
Music Director	Dr. Kathleen Hollingsworth	Dr. Kathleen Hollingsworth
Musician		

Prayer Requested For:	Prayer Concern:	Prayer Contact:
For the world	Prayers for assurance of God's love and healing as we work together during this global pandemic.	Staff
For all who have lost their jobs	Prayers of strength and counsel as many cope with job losses during this global trial.	Staff
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
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
David Gyles	Continued prayers for David and Sandy as David continues to struggle with his lung problems	Bethel Care Team
Joan Barber	Peace and comfort and freedom from discomfort as she begins palliative care.	Pastor Core
Marlo & JulieAnn Edman	Continued prayers for Marlo as he gains strength and mobility . Prayers for patience, strength and endurance for JulieAnn.	JulieAnn Edman
The Griffin Family	Prayers for, the Griffin family, their son Harry, is hospitalized and is receiving chemotherapy cancer.	Tana & Scott Burris
Lorien Tersey	Continued prayers for our daughter Lorien as she copes with the death of her husband Dale.	JulieAnn Edman
The Edman Family	Prayers of peace and comfort for the Edman's after Marlo's brother Dwight,died peacefully last weekend.	JulieAnn Edman
Yvonne Edman	Prayers for Dwight's wife, Yvonne, who had major surgery and is recovery in a nursing home.	JulieAnn Edman
Ray Bard	Prayers for continued healing.	Staff
Laurie Ross (FOB & Bethel Player)	Prayers of healing for Laurie Ross who broke her foot & ankle on 6/6. She's home recovering & may need surgery	Svea Erickson
Bethel's guests and volunteers	Peace and safety for Bethel's guests and volunteers who we cannot be with at this time, and especially for Rich Blackwood and Leo.	Joann Noll
Paul Hansen (Joyce & Warren's oldest son)	Healing, strength and comfort after colon cancer diagnosis; surgery scheduled for July.	Bethel Care Team
<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.		



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