



BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

January 10, 2021

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.

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.

Baptism

Please have a bowl of water nearby, if you are able. You will be instructed when and how to utilize it as part of the Thanksgiving for Baptism.

GATHERING

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, (+) one God,

The fountain of Living Water, The Rock who gave us birth, our Light and our salvation. Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of Baptism, we are clothed in God's mercy, forgiveness and love. Let us give thanks for the gift of our Baptism. (water is poured in the font)

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you take delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel out of slavery into freedom. At the river Jordan your son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

By water and your Word you claim us as your sons and daughters, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all. We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. We remember that gift now with the sign of the cross.

(you may make the sign of the cross on your forehead with water)

Shower us now with your Spirit,

and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace and love.

Hymn

Baptized in Water



1 Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the
2 Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, dead in the
3 Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the



blood of Christ our king: heirs of sal - va - tion, trust - ing his
tomb with Christ our king: one with his ris - ing, freed and for -
sign of Christ our king: born of the Spir - it, we are God's



prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
giv - en, thank - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

Contemporary Song

Down To The River To Pray, George Allen

As I went down to the river to pray
Studying about that good old way
And who shall wear the starry crown
Good Lord, show me the way!

O sisters/brothers/fathers/mothers, let's go down,
Let's go down, come on down
O sisters, let's go down
Down to the river to pray



WORD

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray together:

God of holiness and wholeness, at the baptism of Jesus you proclaimed him your Beloved Son and anointed him with your Spirit. Make all of us who are baptized into Christ faithful to our calling to be your daughters and sons, and empower us all with your Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Lover of our Souls.

Amen.

Reading

Acts 19:1-7

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?" They replied, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." Then he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They answered, "Into John's baptism." Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus." On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied—altogether there were about twelve of them.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



Gospel Hymn

Glory to God In the Highest

Assisting minister



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Reading

Mark 1:4-11

The Holy Gospel according to Mark
Glory to you, O Lord!

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

The Gospel of our Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ!

Children's Time

Sermon

Hymn

Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized



1 Christ, when for us you were bap - tized, God's Spir - it on you
2 God called you, "My be - lov - ed Son"; you are God's ser - vant
3 Straight-way and stead - fast un - til death you then o - beyed the
4 Bap - tize us with your Spir - it, Lord; your cross on us be



came, as peace - ful as a dove, and yet as
true, sent to pro - claim the reign of heav'n, God's
call to serve with free and will - ing heart, to
signed, that like - wise in God's ser - vice we may



ur - gent as a flame, as ur - gent as a flame.
ho - ly will to do, God's ho - ly will to do.
give your life for all, to give your life for all.
per - fect free - dom find, may per - fect free - dom find.

Prayers of Intercession

The response to each prayer will be: Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer

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 and Affirmation of Giving (based on Matthew 13:22 and 1 Timothy 6:7-9, 18-19)

Jesus said that the cares of the world and the lure of money and material things can choke the Word in us, so that it yields nothing.

We bring nothing into this world, and we take nothing out of it.

We who call Jesus Lord devote ourselves to resisting greed, which plunges the human heart into ruin, and pierces it with many griefs.

We are determined to practice generosity with free hearts, fixing our hope on God and not the uncertainty of wealth.

We desire to be rich in good deeds and willing to share all that we have, laying up for ourselves treasure that will not decay but will shine in the age to come.

Please donate to Bethel using Give Plus to donate by text: (855) 944-1171. You may use one of our other options online <http://bethelpdx.org/donate/>

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 Communion Music

SENDING

Announcements

Sending Hymn

The Lord bless you and keep you
May His face shine upon 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

Almighty and All-tender God, sustain you with the gift of the Holy Spirit:
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the love of the Lord,
the spirit of joy (+) in God's presence, both now and forever.

Amen.

Go in the peace and power of your Baptism. Serve the Lord!

Thanks be to God!!

Postlude

Wade In The Water, Trad. Spiritual

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 those affected by wildfires	Prayers of strength and counsel for the thousands of people affected by the wildfires.	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
Faith St. John	Healing & support as she undergoes treatment for cancer.	Staff
David Gyles	Continued prayers for David & 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
Bethel's guests and volunteers	Peace and safety for Bethel's guests and volunteers who we cannot be with at this time, especially for Rich Blackwood and Leo.	Joann Noll
Carol and John Knight	Prayers for Carol & John Knight as he's isolated in memory care unit during the pandemic.	Karen Anderson
Pastor Christine and John Core	Prayers for the Cores after they lost their McKenzie River to a wildfire.	Joann Noll
The Griffin Family	Prayer for Harry as he continues physical therapy & chemo, but is in good spirits.	Staff
Jim Van Dyke	Prayers for Jim after his surgery while he waits to find out whether further treatment is needed.	Karen Anderson
Kenya, Joann's neighbor	Prayers of healing after her lung transplant.	Joann Noll
Rob, Joann's brother	Prayers of strength as Rob is experiencing severe back pain, complicated by his Parkinson's.	Joann Noll
Riva, friend of Joann	Prayers for Riva, who lives in her car in Seattle supervises homes for people with disabilities. Some of her clients and staff have Covid.	Joann Noll
Pastor Scott Dunfee	Prayers of healing after his gall bladder was removed last week..	Summer Kaplan
June and Wayne Hassebroek	Prayers for June after her emergency trip to the ER while they await further information.	Karen Anderson
Doris Bishop	Prayers of healing while she recovers from a broken leg.	Karen Anderson
Our prayers continue for many among us: for Timothy Collins, Elizabeth, Rob, Jacob Bard, Miles Bard, Annalu Lingnau, Ben Lingnau III, David Lingnau, Patricia Connor.		

Stewardship of Service	This Week - Jan 10 <i>Virtual</i>	Next Week - Jan 17 <i>Virtual</i>
Ministers	All Baptized Members of Bethel	All Baptized Members of Bethel
Pastor	Rev. Dr. Scott Dunfee	Rev. Dr. Scott Dunfee
Music Director	Dr. Kathleen Hollingsworth	Dr. Kathleen Hollingsworth
Zoom Host	Ryan Burghard	Jamie Vandenburg

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