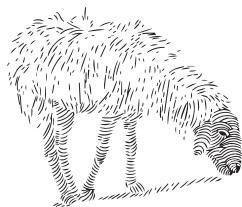




8TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 18, 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.”

Call to Worship (based on Psalm 23)

God leads me to refreshing waters; God restores my soul.

The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not be in want.

God leads me in right paths for the sake of God's holy name.

The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not be in want.

Surely God's goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my Shepherd forever!



Hymn

Shepherd Me, O God, verses 1, 2 & 5

Refrain
All



Shep-herd me, O God, be-yond my wants, be-yond my fears, from

to stanzas 1, 2, 3, 5 *to stanza 4*



death in - to life. life.

Leader or All



1 God is my shep-herd, so noth-ing shall I want, I
2 Gent - ly you raise me and heal my wea - ry soul, you
3 Though I should wan - der the val - ley of death, I



rest in the mead-ows of faith - ful - ness and love, I
lead me by path-ways of righ - teous-ness and truth, my
fear no e - vil, for you are at my side, your

Refrain



walk by the qui - et wa - ters of peace.
spir - it shall sing the mu - sic of your name.
rod and your staff, my com - fort and my hope.

Leader or All



4 You have set me a ban-quet of love in the face of

Refrain



ha-tred, crown-ing me with love be-yond my pow'r to hold.

Leader or All



5 Sure-ly your kind-ness and mer-cy fol-low me all the days of my life;



I will dwell in the house of my God for-ev - er - more.

Final refrain
All



Shep-herd me, O God, be - yond my wants, be -



yond my fears, from death in - to life.

Contemporary Song

If We Are The Body, Casting Crowns

It's crowded in worship today
As she slips in, trying to fade into the faces
The girl's teasing laughter
Is carrying farther than they know, farther than they know

But if we are the body
Why aren't my arms reaching?
Why aren't my hands healing?
Why aren't my words teaching?
And if we are the body
Why aren't my feet going?
Why is my love not showing them
There is a way, there is a way

A traveler is far away from home
He sheds his coat, and quietly sinks into the back row
The weight of their judgmental glances
Tells him that his chances are better out on the road

But if we are the body
Why aren't my arms reaching?
Why aren't my hands healing?
Why aren't my words teaching?
And if we are the body
Why aren't my feet going?
Why is my love not showing them there is a way

Jesus paid much too high a price
For us to pick and choose who should come
And we are the body of Christ

Chorus: LAST TIME:

But if we are the body,
Why aren't our arms reaching
Why aren't our hands healing
Why aren't our words teaching?
And if we are the body,
Why aren't our feet going
Why is our love not showing them there is a way?



THE WORD

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray together:

O God, all-powerful and all-compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal us and make us whole, that we may embody the justice and peace of Jesus Christ, the Gentle Shepherd and Lover of our Souls.

Amen.

Reading

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Lord, to Whom Shall We Go?

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the

words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel Reading

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

The Holy Gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord!

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ!

Children's Time

Sermon





1 The Lord's my shep-herd; I'll not want. He makes me down to lie
 2 My soul he doth re - store a - gain, and me to walk doth make
 3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill;
 4 My ta - ble thou hast rich - ly spread in pres-ence of my foes;
 5 Good-ness and mer - cy all my life shall sure - ly fol - low me,



in pas - tures green; he lead - eth me the qui - et wa - ters by.
 with - in the paths of righ-teous-ness, e'en for his own name's sake;
 for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me com - fort still;
 my head thou dost with oil a - noint, and my cup o - ver - flows.
 and in God's house for - ev - er - more my dwell-ing-place shall be;



He lead - eth me, he lead - eth me the qui - et wa - ters by.
 with - in the paths of righ-teous-ness, e'en for his own name's sake.
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Prayers of Intercession

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



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.

For Christ has died. Christ is risen. And Christ will come again!

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

Additionally you may be donate by mail.

COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer

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

Living God, Giver of Life, as your Spirit moved over the waters at creation,

Move over bread and cup and grace our table with your life-giving presence!

As your Spirit filled disciples on the day of Pentecost,

Set our hearts on fire with your love and empower us for ministry through this meal!

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, 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.

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 Hymn

There Is A Balm In Gilead, H. T. Burleigh


SENDING

Announcements


Sending Hymn

Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises


Refrain— sung twice each time



Ha - le - lu - ya! Pe - lo tsa ro - na, di tha -
Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your prais - es, all our



bi - le ka - o - fe - la. Ha - le - lu - ya! Pe - lo tsa
hearts are filled with glad - ness. Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your




ro - na, di tha - bi - le ka - o - fe - la. *En*
prais - es, all our hearts are filled with glad - ness.



1 Christ the Lord to us said: I am wine, I am bread
2 Now he sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt

Repeat stanza, then sing refrain



I am wine, I am bread, give to all who thirst and hun - ger.
strong in faith, free of doubt. Tell to all the joy - ful gos - pel.

Blessing

Gracious God, Creator, (+) Christ, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

Sharing the Peace

The Peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

You may remain on zoom to share the peace and visit with your Bethel Family.



| Stewardship of Service | This Week - July 18 | Next Week - July 25 |
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| 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 | Joann Noll | Ryan Burghard |

| Prayer Requested For: | Prayer Concern: | Prayer Contact: |
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| For the world | Prayers for assurance of God's love and healing as we work together during this global pandemic. | 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 cancer treatment. | 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 |
| 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 |
| Katie Reitel and her Family | Prayers for peace and comfort as Katie is in hospice care with a long battle with brain cancer. She is at home with her husband Matt, her 7-year-old son Teddy, and her mom Liz. Please keep her and family in your prayers during this difficult time. | The Bentleys |
| Jim Van Dyke | Prayers for Jim after his surgery while he undergoes further treatment for cancer. | Karen Anderson |
| Cheyenne and Kent Marx, Pastor Glenn's niece & husband | Prayers for Cheyenne and Kent Marx as they live through the consequences of the accident that killed Glenn's nephew Colton. | Karen Anderson |
| Mitch Fletcher & Family | Prayers for Mitch Fletcher and his family. | Karen Anderson |
| Carolyn (Stretch) Beck & Family | She was released today from the hospital following a heart attack on 6/7. She is accepting calls & visits. | Holly Redfern |
| The Noll Family | Joann Noll at the death of her brother, and for other recent losses in her family. | Holly Redfern |
| Miles Bard | The broken wrist is healing nicely on schedule. wMid-August he will find out when one of the metal plates can be removed. | Ronda Bard |
| Our prayers continue for many among us: for Timothy Collins, Elizabeth, Rob, Jacob Bard, Miles Bard, Patricia Connor. | | |

Bethel News: <https://us18.campaign-archive.com/home/?u=de62ac9195b867478ad8a19cd&id=b3b3a27814>

Psalm 23 *The Lord is My Shepherd*

