



# 20th Sunday after Pentecost

October 10, 2021

## Welcome to Bethel Lutheran Church



We are glad you are here with us, whether in-person or 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.”*

### Prelude

### Call to Worship (based on Hebrews 4)

The Word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword.

**The Word of God pierces soul from spirit; and is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of our hearts. Before God and God's Word, nothing is hidden.**

But we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, who is able to sympathize with our weaknesses;

**Who in every respect has been tempted as we are. So let us approach the throne of grace with boldness, and we will receive mercy and find grace to help in our time of need!**



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.



1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer - cy, like the wide - ness of the sea;  
 2 There is wel - come for the sin - ner, and a prom - ised grace made good;  
 3 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sures of our mind;  
 4 'Tis not all we owe to Je - sus; it is some - thing more than all:



there's a kind - ness in God's jus - tice which is more than lib - er - ty.  
 there is mer - cy with the Sav - ior; there is heal - ing in his blood.  
 and the heart of the E - ter - nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind.  
 great - er good be - cause of e - vil, larg - er mer - cy through the fall.



There is no place where earth's sor - rows are more felt than up in heav'n.  
 There is grace e - nough for thou - sands of new worlds as great as this;  
 But we make this love too nar - row by false lim - its of our own;  
 Make our love, O God, more faith - ful; let us take you at your word,



There is no place where earth's fail - ings have such kind - ly judg - ment giv'n.  
 there is room for fresh cre - a - tions in that up - per home of bliss.  
 and we mag - ni - fy its strict - ness with a zeal God will not own.  
 and our lives will be thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of the Lord.



## Contemporary Hymn

## *Be Thou My Vision*

Attr. Dallan Forgaill, arr. Audrey Assad

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart  
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night  
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord  
Thou my great Father, and I thy true son  
Thou in me dwelling and I with thee one

Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise  
Thou mine inheritance, now and always  
Thou and thou only first in my heart  
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art

High King of heaven, my victory won  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall  
Still be my vision, O ruler of all



## THE WORD

### Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray together:

**Almighty and All-tender God, you promise never to forsake us even though we might forsake You. Such is your great love! In that love, increase in us the gift of faith; that we may forsake the things that threaten to possess and destroy us, to be possessed only by you; and in you, to find life abundant and eternal, through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lover of our Souls.**

**Amen.**

Seek the Lord and live,  
 or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire,  
 and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.  
 Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood,  
 and bring righteousness to the ground!

They hate the one who reproves in the gate,  
 and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.  
 Therefore because you trample on the poor  
 and take from them levies of grain,  
 you have built houses of hewn stone,  
 but you shall not live in them;  
 you have planted pleasant vineyards,  
 but you shall not drink their wine.  
 For I know how many are your transgressions,  
 and how great are your sins—  
 you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,  
 and push aside the needy in the gate.  
 Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time;  
 for it is an evil time.

Seek good and not evil,  
 that you may live;  
 and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you,  
 just as you have said.  
 Hate evil and love good,  
 and establish justice in the gate;  
 it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts,  
 will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

Word of God, Word of Life.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

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 10:17-31**

The Holy Gospel according to Mark.

**Glory to you, O Lord!**

As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.' " He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

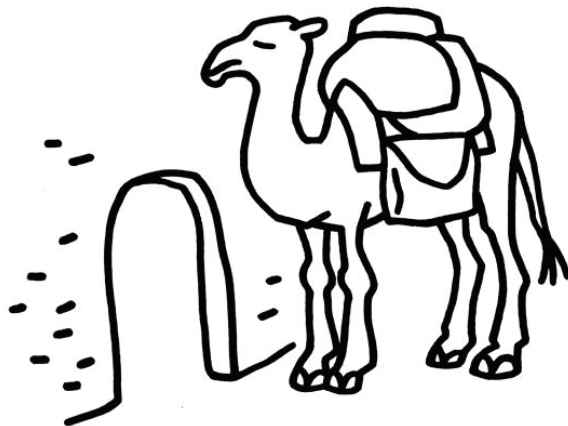
Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ!**

## Children's Time

### Sermon



# Hymn

## Take My Life, That I May Be, verses 1, 2 & 4



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.

## 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!**

*Donate online at <http://bethelpdx.org/donate/> or by text using Give Plus: (855) 944-1171 or 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 Music

*In Christ Alone*, Keith Getty/Stuart Townsend

SENDING

Announcements

Sending Hymn

*The Blessing*

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

Blessing

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

Postlude

*Oh Happy Day*, Edwin Hawkins

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 - Oct 10	Next Week - Oct 17
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	Summer Kaplan	Jamie Vandenberg



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 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 all educators, students, families, and supporters!	Pray for health, stamina, well-being, and passion for learning for all educators, students, families, and supporters!	Ronda Bard
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
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
The Bethel Call Committee	Prayers for clear thinking, compassion, and stamina for the Call Committee!	Rhonda Bard
Mary Hollingsworth (Kathleen's mom)	Prayers of healing for Mary Hollingsworth, recovering from a broken leg	Holly Redfern
Rose Marie (Ray Bard's niece)	Prayers for Rose Marie, in the midst of wildfires and evacuated from her home.	Holly Redfern
Leo Lawrence	Prayers for Leo Lawrence, being treated for kidney cancer.	Karen Anderson
Family & Friends of Joan Barber	Peace for the family and friends of Joan Barber, who died April 25, 2021.	Ronda Bard
Bethel Community	Prayers of gratitude for the family of Bethel. Your warm welcome, help, and inspiration, back into communion and community have been a healing blessing.	Ginamarie L. Pezzi
<b>Our prayers continue for many among us:</b> for Timothy Collins, Elizabeth, Rob, Jacob Bard, Miles Bard, Patricia Connor.		

**[Bethel News: w://us18.campaign-archive.com/home/?u=de62ac9195b867478ad8a19cd&id=b3b3a27814](https://us18.campaign-archive.com/home/?u=de62ac9195b867478ad8a19cd&id=b3b3a27814)**

# MARK 10:17-31

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# NEWS HIGHLIGHTS

*Full news online [bethelpdx.org/weekly news](http://bethelpdx.org/weekly%20news)*

**10/8** Congregational Meeting 10/17 after worship

**10/1** Goodbye Miss Joanie!

## **Congregational Meeting**

*Sunday, 10/17 after worship online & in person*

There will be a brief congregational meeting on Sunday, 10/17 immediately after service (and just before the monthly council meeting!) You can remain on Zoom after service if you are attending virtually. If you are attending Bethel physically, we look forward to seeing your face in person!

The purpose of the meeting is to ask for congregational approval of funds to pay for the plumbing repairs in the basement kitchen. Council previously agreed to pay "up to \$2500.00" for the initial clean-out work to be done. That work is complete, or nearly complete. Additional monies need to be allocated to cover installation of a grease interceptor, cement work and new floor tiles in the basement. Council is waiting for a new bid for this work, but believe it will be around \$8500.00. The final bid amount will be available at the meeting.

### **Funds are available to cover the costs from several programs including:**

- Bethel Players table money
- Youth Drop-in program
- Food Ministry program.

Your vote is needed to approve these repairs and costs.

Holly Redfern

Ryan Olson

*co-chairs, Bethel Council*

## Good-bye, Miss Joanie!

Joan Barber died April 25, 2021. The obituary reprinted below (with permission) appeared in The St. Johns Review, Vol. 118 - No. 17 August 20, 2021 <http://www.stjohnsreview.com/>. Find a collection of family photos at her Skyline Memorial obituary, linked \*HERE.

Joan was a lifelong friend of Bethel and the BLCW, and she was a Bethel member for many years. Joan loved working as cook and kitchen manager for the Bethel Neighborhood Youth Drop-In summer programs, where the children called her Miss Joanie. The Drop-In kids misheard her name for her popular minestrone soup, re-branded as Miss Joanie Soup, and often begged her to make another batch.

### From The St. Johns Review:

*Joan Barber passed away this last April. She was born in 1934 in Virginia MN to Grant Sherman and Agnes Jensen. Her husband, Lawrence Barber (Gene) and brother Clifford (Cliffy) predeceased her. She is survived by her children, Catherine, David (Linda), and Michael (Kari), and grandchildren Christopher and Jessica.*

*Joan will be greatly missed. Mom lived a full life raising three children and countless dogs. She was involved in various churches during her life (Bethel Lutheran, Peace Lutheran, Portsmouth Trinity Lutheran, Holy Cross Catholic). She became a devoted Seahawks fan in her later years and was buried wearing her blue and green jersey.*

*Burial was a small family gathering at Skyline Memorial Gardens. Please visit their website for Joanie's pictures and life. Please make any memorial contributions to any drop-in center or food charity organization in need.*

\*Please access the online versions to view links.



### October Birthdays

**4 Solveig Elise Spencer**

**7 Joann Noll**

**10 Marlo Edman**

**16 Beverly Cleverly**

**21 Michelle Schilz**

**23 Ryan Marquardt**

**24 Lisa Siems**

**26 Mary Bentley**

**30 Breziah Dunnigan**

**30 Robin Moody**

### The Worship & Music Committee is Recruiting!

The Worship & Music Committee is recruiting new members!

Do you like music? Do you like worship? Do you know nothing about worship or music? Then you are an ideal candidate for the Bethel Worship & Music Committee!!

Not only can you contribute to the style and sound of our worship services, but you can also be an active part as we hire our next Bethel Music Director! The W&M committee meets every 2nd Wed of the month, though we can adapt our schedule for new members. Come one come all and help us worship the Lord!

If interested, please contact Ryan Burghard ([ryanburghard@hotmail.com](mailto:ryanburghard@hotmail.com)).

Thanks, Worship & Music Committee