



# Second Sunday in Lent

Worship with Holy Communion  
March 13, 2022

## Welcome to Bethel Lutheran Church



We are glad you are here with us—in person and 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, as well as gathered in person. 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 or grape juice, you may receive Communion without the cup—Christ is present in the bread, as Jesus said, “I am the Bread of Life.” (John 6:35)*

## GATHERING

**Prelude**

**Zombie**

**By Dolores O’Riordan**

### Greeting

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.**

*Restrooms are located in the basement on the east side of the building. An all gender/l restroom is 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.*

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# Gathering Song of Praise

## Glory to God

Assisting minister



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav'n-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, O Lord God,



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have



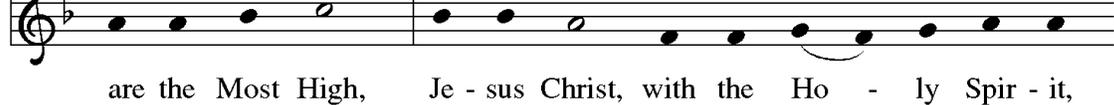
mer-cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the



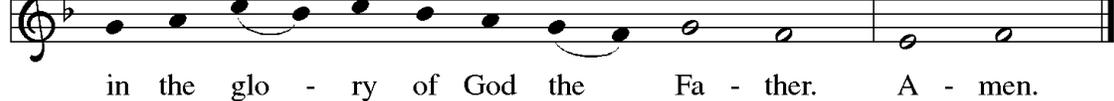
Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the



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.

## Confession

In the name of God,  
who makes a way in the wilderness,  
walks with us,  
and guides us in our pilgrimage.

**Amen.**

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Holy One,

**we confess that we have wandered far from you:  
we have not trusted your promises,  
we have ignored your prophets in our own day,  
we have squandered our inheritance of grace,  
we have failed to recognize you in our midst.**

**Have mercy on us!**

**Forgive us and turn us again to you.**

**Teach us to follow in your ways,  
assure us again of your love,  
and help us to love our neighbor.**

**Amen.**

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray together:

**God of the covenant, in the mystery of the cross you promise everlasting life to the world. Gather all peoples into your arms, and shelter us with your mercy, that we may rejoice in the life we share in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

**Amen.**



# WORD

## Scripture Reading

**Philippians 3:17-4:1**

<sup>17</sup>Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. <sup>18</sup>For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. <sup>19</sup>Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. <sup>20</sup>But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>21</sup>He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. <sup>4:1</sup>Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

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

## Gospel Acclamation

### Lenten Acclamation



Let your stead - fast love come to us, O Lord.

Save us as you prom - ised; we will trust your word.

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## Gospel Reading

**Gospel: Luke 13:31-35**

The Holy Gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord!**

<sup>31</sup>At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to [Jesus,] "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." <sup>32</sup>He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. <sup>33</sup>Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' <sup>34</sup>Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! <sup>35</sup>See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.' "

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Children's Time

## Sermon

**Pastor Leon LaCross**



**Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth**



1 Moth - er - ing God, you gave me birth in the bright  
 2 Moth - er - ing Christ, you took my form, of - fer - ing  
 3 Moth - er - ing Spir - it, nur - t'ring one, in arms of



morn - ing of this world. Cre - a - tor, source of ev - 'ry  
 me your food of light, grain . . . of life, and grape of  
 pa - tience hold me close, so that in faith I root and



breath, you are my rain, my wind, my sun.  
 love, your ver - y bod - y for my peace.  
 grow un - til I flow'r, un - til I know.

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**Prayers of Intercession**

*The response to each prayer is:* Merciful God, **Receive our prayer.**

**Sharing of Peace** — *Take time to share the peace on Zoom and in person*

# COMMUNION MEAL

*For those worshipping virtually, please gather your bread and wine to participate in Holy Communion.*

## Offering

*You may use one of our options for giving online at: <http://bethelpdx.org/donate> or by text using Give Plus: (855) 944-1171. Additionally, you may donate by mail or, if worshipping in-person, use the offering plate in the back of the sanctuary. Thank you for supporting the many ministries of Bethel!*

## Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

**God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

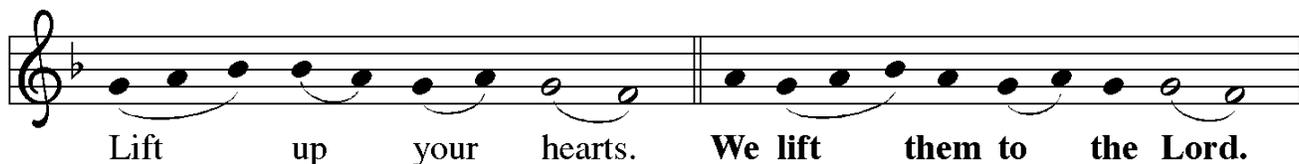
**Amen**

## Great Thanksgiving

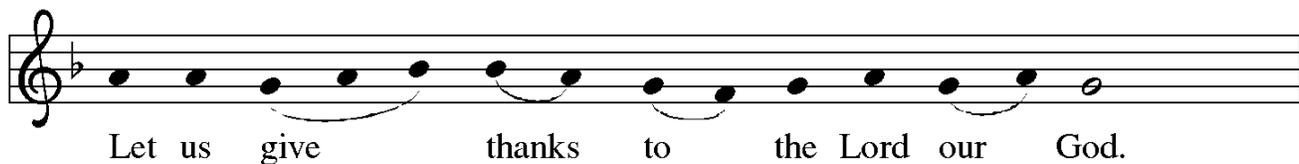
*The Pastor will guide you when to take the bread and cup to eat and drink.*



The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

The Thanksgiving continues with the preface for the season.

## Holy God *Trisagion*

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly God, ho - ly and might - y,". The second system also has a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "ho - ly and im - mor - tal, have mer - cy on us." The music is in a minor key with a common time signature.

Music: Russian Orthodox traditional

The presiding minister continues with the Thanksgiving at the Table. At the end, all say: **Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.**

**Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is 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

**Ave Maria**  
By Franz Schubert

# SENDING

## Announcements

### Blessing

You are children of God,  
anointed with the oil of gladness  
and strengthened for the journey.  
Almighty God,  
motherly, majestic, and mighty,  
✠ bless you this day and always.  
**Amen.**

### Sending Song

***This is My Father's World – Traditional Hymn***

**The Sending** – *Take time to share the peace on Zoom and in person.*

Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way.

**Thanks be to God.**



<b>Stewardship of Service</b>	<b>This week – March 6</b>	<b>Next week – March 13</b>
Ministers	All Baptized Members of Bethel	All Baptized Members of Bethel
Pastor	Pastor Leon LaCross	Pastor Leon LaCross
Music Director	David Tafone	David Tafone
Zoom Host	<b>Joann Knoll</b>	<b>Volunteer needed!</b>

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## **Please Pray**

Pray that we know that God is close and that we are open to receiving and sharing God's love.

**Pray for peace and justice** in Russia and Ukraine. Pray for the people of both countries, the diplomats and negotiators, and the leaders of all the nations involved. Keep all refugees and displaced persons safe and warm and fed. Bring healing and comfort to the injured and grieving.

**Pray for peace and justice and safety** among our houseless neighbors. Help us understand how we can share your love with them.

**Pray for Bethel Lutheran Church.**

**Pray for Bethel leaders**, including Pastor Leon LaCross, Music Director David Tafone, Admin Assistant Kerry Czuba, and the 2022 Church Council members.

**Pray for our children**, that they be safe in school and find joy in learning. Pray that Bethel supports our children and their families in religious education and spiritual formation.

**Pray for those who are ill:**

- Tami Bishop Rhodes (Tana's sister & Jared's aunt) as she recovers from a fall and surgery
- Neil Marshall (Nash's Portland family) as Neil undergoes treatment for a brain tumor
- Faith Moser (mother of Joann Noll) and all her family who are caregiving and traveling
- Diane Marx (Pastor Glenn's sister) as she recovers from Long COVID
- JulieAnn Edman (visiting daughter Lorien and healing in Arizona)
- David Gyles and improved lung health
- Aaron Beck (son of Jim & Stretch) as he recovers from surgery
- Leo Lawrence as he continues treatment for cancer
- Shirley Kolpin and family as Shirley recovers from hip surgery
- John Knight and family as John continues in memory care
- Marlo as he recovers after a recent trip to the hospital
- Quentin Czuba that he recovers from surgery.

**Pray for the family and friends of those we have recently lost to death:**

- Katie Reitel (friend of the Bentleys) who died in hospice care
- Paul Tweten (FOB and former Bethel Player)
- Carolyn Beck (spouse of Jim)
- Margie Fletcher (spouse of Michael and mother of Micah and Mitchell)
- Dorothea Leslie (grandma of Pastor Leon)

**Pray for those enduring family loss and anguish**, especially Diane Marx and Cheyenne and Kent Marx.

**A friend of Pastor Leon asks us to pray** for healing from racialized trauma that has been experienced at the hands of the Lutheran denomination.

**Continuing prayers** for well-being for our loved ones Timothy, Elizabeth, Marlo, Faith, Jim, Rob, Jacob, Miles, Andrew, and Patricia--may they walk in light and peace.

