

Bethany Lutheran Church

welcomes you to worship!

Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 6, 2021

10:00 a.m.

Order of Worship

We Gather

Welcome

Intergeneration Call to Worship

Come and worship, everyone on earth, everywhere the sun shines,
let's praise God together!

For listening when we call, answering our prayers, forgiving our mistakes, and providing what we need:

let's praise God together!

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Dedication of Tent Worship Space

Prayer

A reading from 1 Chronicles, chapter 16

L: God use this space to rejoice and participate in the blessing of music.

C: We give to you our thanks and praise!

L: May your presence be known both within and outside this space:

C: Spirit of the living God, you travel with us wherever we go!

A reading from Job, chapter 5

L: Oh Lord, be our safety and refuge.

C: We commit our cause to you; and our lives to your work.

L: Bless this space,

C: and our coming in and our going out, now and forever more.

Prayer

Gathering Hymn

“Come, Now Is the Time to Worship”

Refrain Come, now is the time to worship.

Come, now is the time to give your heart.

Come, just as you are, to worship.

Come, just as you are, before your God. Come.

Verse One day ev’ry tongue will confess You are God,
one day ev’ry knee will bow.

Still, the greatest treasure remains for those
who gladly choose You now. *Refrain*

Apostolic 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.

Prayer of the Day

God of grace and glory, **You love this world enough to bless it with abundance and dwell with us wherever we go. Pour out your Spirit on your people this Pentecost season. Propel us to dynamic faith-in-action that your will be done on earth. Amen.**

We Hear God’s Word

Psalm

Psalm 27:1-6

¹The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

**²When evildoers assail me to devour my flesh —
my adversaries and foes — they shall stumble and fall.**

³Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear;
though war rise up against me, yet I will be confident.

**⁴One thing I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after:
to live in the house of the LORD all the days of my life,
to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in his temple.**

⁵For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;
he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will set me high on a rock.

**⁶Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me,
and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody
to the LORD.**

Reading

Genesis 12:1-9

The scripture reading is from the book of Genesis, chapter 12, beginning with verse 1:

¹Now the Lord said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. ²I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

⁴So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. ⁵Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother’s son Lot, and all the possessions that they had gathered, and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran; and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, ⁶Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. ⁷Then the Lord appeared to Abram, and said, “To your offspring I will give this land.” So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. ⁸From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the Lord and invoked the name of the Lord. ⁹And Abram journeyed on by stages toward the Negeb.

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

Gospel Acclamation

HELP US O LORD

Larry Olson

Help us O Lord to hear your word. O - pen our hearts to
feel your word. Give us the strength to live your word each day.

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Gospel Reading

John 1:1-14

The holy gospel according to St. John, the 1st chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

²He was in the beginning with God. ³All things came into being through him, and with-

out him not one thing came into being. What has come into being ⁴in him was life, and the life was the light of all people.

⁵The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. ⁶There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. ⁷He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. ⁸He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. ⁹The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. ¹⁰He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. ¹¹He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. ¹²But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, ¹³who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. ¹⁴And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

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

Message

Pastor Peter Muschinske

Hymn of the Day

God Is Here!

Verses 1, 3, 4



1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to of - fer
3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the Shep - herd's
4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an age of



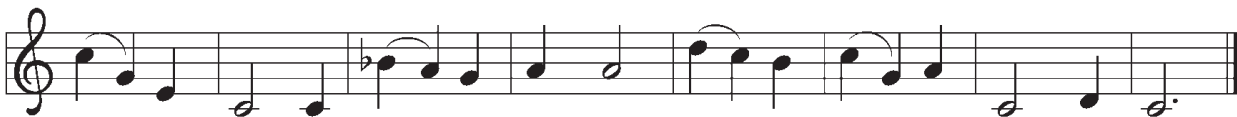
praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea - sure
flock and fold; here as bread and wine are tak - en,
change and doubt, keep us faith - ful to the gos - pel;



what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the
Christ sus - tains us as of old. Here the ser - vants
help us work your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's



world a - round us, all our var - ied skills and arts
of the Ser - vant seek in wor - ship to ex - plore
ded - i - ca - tion, all we have to give, re - ceive;



wait the com - ing of the Spir - it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.
what it means in dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.
we, who can - not live with - out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

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Prayers of Intercession

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Sharing of Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

We Celebrate the Lord's Supper

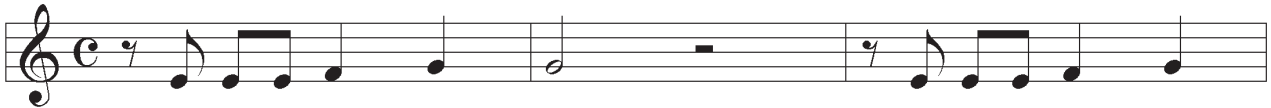
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Offering Song

WHAT SHALL I GIVE

Sara Thomsen



What shall I give to you?

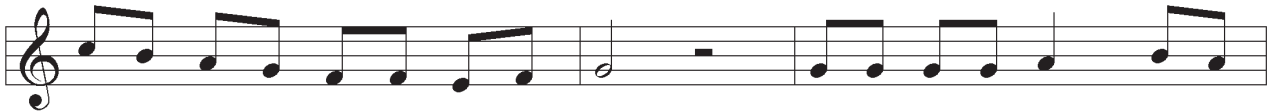
What shall I give to



you?

Oh, that we could give
Teach us how to give
Oh, that like the bread

like the rain,
we— pray,
we be - come



pour - ing out on rich and poor the same.
of - fer - ing our work— and— play.
scat - tered grains all gath - ered in one.

Oh, that we could give like the
Oh, that we could learn how to
With this cup of bless - ing you



sun,
care,
give,

shin - ing light on ev - 'ry— one.
ev - 'ry breath we breathe a— prayer.
fill us and teach us how to live.

sun,
care,
give,

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Offering Prayer

Jesus, Bread of life, **you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also 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.

Words of Institution

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.

Invitation to Communion

Prayer after Communion

We Are Sent

Announcements

Blessing

Sending Song

"Shout to the Lord"

My Jesus, my Savior,
Lord, there is none like you.
All of my days I want to praise
the wonders of your mighty love.
My comfort, my shelter,
tower of refuge and strength;
let ev'ry breath, all that I am
never cease to worship you.

Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing
power and majesty, praise to the King.
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar
at the sound of your name.
I sing for joy at the work of your hands;
forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise I have in you.

Dismissal

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

Restrooms are available inside the church building.

Weekly Worship Opportunities:

- Tune in every Sunday at 8:00 a.m. to WJMC FM 96.1 & AM 1240
- 8:00 a.m. worship is streamed live on Bethany's website and Facebook page
- Watch on local access cable channels 992 (Charter) & 993 (Mosaic) on Sundays at 11:00 AM & 7:00 PM and Thursdays at 7:00 PM
- In person 10:00 a.m. worship on Sundays under the tent in Bethany's green space!
- If you are fully vaccinated, masks are optional inside Bethany's building. We ask that those who are NOT fully vaccinated to please continue to wear their masks indoors.

Safely Regathering Task Force Update: The Safely Regathering Task Force is excited to report that Barron County's Covid statistics have moved from among Wisconsin's worst counties in early May to one of the best as we enter June. As of Wednesday, June 2, the number of daily new cases of Covid for Barron County is 1.6 per 100,000 population. The infection rate is 0.53 and the per cent of positive tests is 2.3%. The vaccination rate still lags behind the state rate but at 41.5% for first dose and 34% for fully vaccinated, the numbers are slowly climbing. Free vaccinations continue to be offered at UWEC-BC on a walk-in basis. We are looking forward to our next meeting, June 7, at which time we will be looking to make recommendations to the Church Council to move us further along on our path toward desired and treasured worship practices.

If you have questions, do not hesitate to reach out to one of our members or contact Mark Nymo, chair of the Safely Regathering Task Force, at nymomtn@gmail.com. Also check the COVID-19 page on Bethany's website.

Aquafest Parade Fun

Bethany is taking to the streets!

Join us, we're marching the Aquafest Parade on June 13 at 12:30 p.m. There will be fun for all ages!

We need: Bell Ringers (Absolutely no experience needed!), people to hand out parade gifts and people to ride on the bus.

Contact Amy Brekke at 715-651-6991 or brekke.amy@gmail.com to sign up!

Flat Jesus! Summer is almost here and Flat Jesus is back! Summer is a time for lots of fun and exciting adventures: camping, travel, vacation, going to the beach, spending time with family and more. We want everyone to stay connected with their faith, church family and to remember that Jesus is with you wherever you go!

Take Flat Jesus with you this summer—everywhere you go. Take pictures of Flat Jesus on all of your adventures this summer and send us pictures and stories back to Bethany so that everyone can stay connected and enjoy hearing about one another's adventures. When sharing your Flat Jesus adventures with us include a photo, your name, and a comment about where you are, and send it to abuchli@bethanyricelake.org or share with us on Facebook.

Flat Jesus will be available in the Narthex starting on May 30. You can pick up a printed Flat Jesus and paint stick on the long table in the Narthex. Or you can print one [HERE](#) and attached to your own paint stick (or anything you choose). You can also make your own Flat Jesus.

Prayers of the People: Bethany is seeking those willing to serve as Assisting Ministers primarily to prepare and lead the Prayers of the People (or of “Intercession”) for our 8:00 a.m. Sunday worship broadcast services. Please contact the office at 715-234-9028 or lhullinger@bethanyricelake.org OR sign up for a time through the Signups tab on Bethany’s website.

Not sure what an Assisting Minister does or the practice of public prayers of the Church? Pastor Peter will be leading a training session for those interested in serving!

Ushers Needed: Will you support Bethany by ushering during worship? You can sign up online to usher. The signup link can also be found on the Signups tab of the Bethany website. You will be given instructions and training for your role.

Volunteer Opportunity: Did you know that Bethany did a big upgrade on their worship technology? Would you like to know how to run it? We are in need of people who are willing to serve as projectionists and streaming/audio operators; don’t worry, we provide excellent training! To learn more, or to volunteer for this ministry, please contact the

office at 715-234-9028 or lhullinger@bethanyricelake.org.

Bug Safari VBS

July 19-22, 2021

5:00-5:30 p.m.

Supper available

5:30-7:15 p.m. - VBS



VBS for ages 4 years old - 5th grade.

Volunteers needed ages 6th grade - adult.

Registration available on Bethany’s website.

Bethany Summer Fun

3 Events = 3x the fun!

You are invited to a Barn Tour on June 16, from 5:00-7:00 p.m.! Come and watch ROBOTIC moms feed calves, pet the calves, climb hay bale towers and play in the corn pit. There will be yard games for all ages, music by a DJ, grilled hot dogs & fixin’s and ice cream treats.

Country Fun at Four Mile Creek Calf Barn

835 13th St., Hillsdale, WI

Hosts: Jim & Audrey Kusilek

Other Summer Fun Events Coming Up:

July 14 - Airplane Fun at the Cumberland Municipal Airport

August 11 - Boating & Fishing Fun on Rice Lake

Mission Jamaica Update: Well, it is now official! There will not be a Mission Jamaica Garage Sale in 2021. Due to wear and tear on bodies (ours) and Covid restrictions at Bethany, we are not able to do our huge multi-day garage sale. That leaves a gaping hole in the donations to West Haven and J’Abode

builds. If you feel like you have been blessed over this past year, please feel free to give a donation to Mission Jamaica via a check or cash indicating Mission Jamaica/J'Abode or West Haven. There'll be more in the future about needs as we line up our team! Please consider joining Team B on January 8-15, 2022. Call Sovacools at 715-790-0729 for information. ~ Lenae and Dave Sovacool

Summer Worship: All are welcome to Summer Outdoor Worship on Sundays at 10:00 a.m.! Bring a chair and meet us under the tent! Ushers will be available to help with wheelchairs and walkers. Church restrooms will be open. In the event of bad weather, worship will move to the Sanctuary.

Thank you Bethany Trust Fund for the generous gift allowing the Worship & Music Team to create an outdoor space for worship and to gather. With this gift we were able to rent a durable tent and purchase six picnic tables. The tent will remain up for the entire summer and is open to any group of Bethany for use. Simply call Leah in the church office at 715-234-9028 to reserve the outdoor space as you would any other room in the church.

Thank you Trust Fund in bringing our ministry outside and into the community!

Live Music (x5!) Under the Tent: The Worship and Music Committee invites you to grab a drink, a friend, a blanket or lawn chair and meet us under the tent. We think you deserve a mid-week break, so let us treat you to a pizza and some live music on Wednesdays, from 6:00-7:00 p.m.

- June 9: Adam Bever and Jake Arnold
- June 23: Resurrection String Band
- July 7: Bethany Brass
- August 4: Jake Donze
- August 18: Bethany's PRAISE!

FUN * Games for the Kids * FUN * Free Pepperoni Pizza * FUN * Fellowship

Building / Office Hours: The church building and office are open with the following schedule: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday and 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. on Fridays.

Follow Along with Worship: The Sunday bulletins are available on Bethany's website homepage and archived on our bulletin publications page! We invite you to print a copy or follow along on your device with our order of service.

Worship Assistants

Ushers: Con Eastwold, Bun Hanson, Eric & Amy Pelle, Brian & Alexa Giddings

Song Leader: Lainie Tomesh **Assisting Minister:** Carol Sevals **Audio:** Joe Erickson

Musicians: Mike Bock, Jan Wick, Andy Denison, Anakah Denison, Sawyer Denison

The Bethany WeekAhead • June 6 - 12, 2021

Sunday
6 8:00 AM Worship/Streamed Online & Radio
10:00 AM In-Person Worship/GS

Monday
7 1:00-4:00 PM Quilting/QR

Tuesday
8 8:45 AM Staff Meeting/Zoom
10:30 AM Executive Committee/Zoom
12:00 PM Lunch Box/Parking Lot
5:30 PM Personnel Committee/Zoom

Wednesday
9 6:00 PM Music Under the Tent/GS

Thursday
10 9:30 AM Caring Community Coordinators/Zoom
5:00 PM Worship & Music/Zoom
7:00 PM AA/3F

Friday
11

Saturday
12

Main Level: CR-Conference Room GR-Gathering Room LI-Library NA-Narthex SA-Sanctuary
NS-Nursery BR-Bell Room
Lower Level: LL-Luther Lecture FH-Fellowship Hall QR-Quilting Room YR-Youth Room
Upper Level: 3F-3rd Floor

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Live Radio Broadcast: Sundays 8:00 a.m.
WJMC 96.1 FM & 1240 AM

Worship: Sundays 8:00 a.m. (Online); 10:00 a.m. (In Person)

Live Streaming: Sundays 8:00 a.m. on

Bethany's website and Facebook page

Cable Broadcast: Channels 992 (Charter) & 993 (Mosaic)
Sundays 11:00 AM & 7:00 PM; Thursdays 7:00 PM

Prayer Ministry

New Prayers for Members: Bonnie Dahl

Ongoing Prayers for Members: Marie Anderson • Sandie Anderson • Ray Arnevik • Red Axtell • Laif Bever • Cady Buchli • Ron Debner • Bob Gerber • Jim Hagen • Lee Haight • Kevin Jacobson • Doug Karis • Carolyn Kochel • Maci Lundequam • Alyssa McCullough • Dick Moe • Regina Mueller • Leon Mundt • Kaylee Musil • Randy Read • Shirley Stokes • Virginia Tronstad • Ray Vaughn

New Prayers for Family & Friends of Members:

Ongoing Prayers for Family & Friends of Members: Bob (Roxie) Berg • Matt Dahl • Vanessa Gagner (Coe) • John Jaros • Clara Kern • Paul Klancher • Marianne Koser • Charlie Lawton • Mark Loehlein • Gloria Mattakat • Colin McCann • Bruce Olson • Kaye Olson • Nolan Passint • Paul Rindsig • Mary Simma • Nick Sovacool • Holly Thompson • Ingvald Tronstad • Kelly White (Anderson) • Paul Wilker

Active Military Duty: Tanner Ely • Alex Kusilek • Jonathan Marsh • Ethan Nieman • Alain Pierre • Jason Randall • Abby Ring

Radio Broadcast: In memory of Charles Snobl by Don & Caroline Dostal.

Sympathy and Grief: Herman Friess and family upon the death of his brother, Foster.

You may make requests for the Prayer Ministry by calling the church office at 715-234-9028. You can also email bethany@bethanyricelake.org or fill out a request form on Bethany's website.

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