

Bethany Lutheran Church

welcomes you to worship!

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

June 27, 2021

10:00 a.m.

Order of Worship

Welcome

Call to Worship

Sing praises to our Lord:

who heals us and makes us whole.

Sing praises to our Lord, faithful children of God:

whose joy rises in our lives each and every day.

Sing praises to our Lord, faithful children of God; give thanks to God's holy name:

God's Kingdom is near to us; God's peace resides in our hearts.

~ written by Thom Shuman, and posted on Lectionary Liturgies

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, **h** one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

Amen!

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider, **help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.**

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, **h** the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

Amen.

Gathering Hymn

“All Are Welcome”

1. Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell
how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:
Refrain
3. Let us build a house where love is found
in water, wine and wheat:
a banquet hall on holy ground
where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus,
is revealed in time and space;
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:
Refrain
4. Let us build a house where hands will reach
beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the Word they’ve known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
bear the image of God’s face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger:
Refrain

Refrain

All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

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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

Almighty and merciful God, **we implore you to hear the prayers of your people. Be our strong defense against all harm and danger, that we may live and grow in faith and hope, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Special Music

“It Is Well with My Soul”

Lainie Tomesh

First Reading

Lamentations 3:22-33

²²The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; ²³they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. ²⁴“The LORD is my portion,” says my soul, “therefore I will hope in him.”

²⁵The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. ²⁶It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD. ²⁷It is good for one to bear the yoke in youth, ²⁸to sit alone in silence when the Lord has imposed it, ²⁹to put one’s mouth to the dust (there may yet be hope), ³⁰to give one’s cheek to the smiter, and be filled with insults.

³¹For the Lord will not reject forever. ³²Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; ³³for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

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

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 8:7-15

⁷Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

⁸I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. ⁹For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. ¹⁰And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something—¹¹now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. ¹²For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. ¹³I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between ¹⁴your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. ¹⁵As it is written, “The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little.”

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Gospel Acclamation

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -
- le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -
lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

Music: Caribbean traditional

Gospel Reading

Mark 5:21-43

The holy gospel according to St. Mark, the 5th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

²¹When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. ²²Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet ²³and begged him repeatedly, “My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.” ²⁴So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. ²⁵Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. ²⁶She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. ²⁷She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, ²⁸for she said, “If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.” ²⁹Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. ³⁰Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, “Who touched my clothes?” ³¹And his disciples said to him, “You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, ‘Who touched me?’ ” ³²He looked all around to see who had done it. ³³But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. ³⁴He said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.”

³⁵While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader’s house to say, “Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?” ³⁶But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, “Do not fear, only believe.” ³⁷He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. ³⁸When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. ³⁹When he had entered, he said to them, “Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.” ⁴⁰And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child’s father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. ⁴¹He took her by the hand and said to her, “Talitha cum,” which means, “Little girl, get up!” ⁴²And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. ⁴³He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

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

Message

Pastor Gary Hedding

Hymn of the Day

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

Verse 1

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not;
as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

Refrain

Great is thy faithfulness!
Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Verse 2

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. *Refrain*

Verse 3

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Refrain

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Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Lord in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

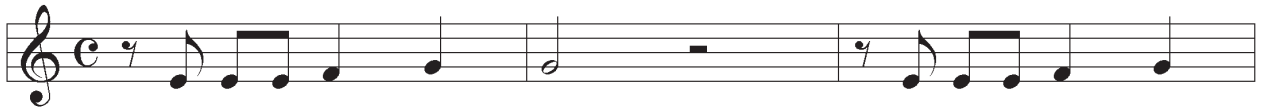
Sharing of Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

Offering

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What shall I give to you?

What shall I give to



you?

Oh, that we could give like the rain,
Teach us how to give we— pray,
Oh, that like the bread 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.

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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 Distribution

Lord's Prayer

We join our voices together in the Lord's Prayer.

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray...

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

Communion Hymn

"Here Is Bread"

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| 1. Here is bread, here is wine,
Christ is with us, he is with us.
Break the bread, taste the wine,
Christ is with us here. | 2. Here is grace, here is peace,
Christ is with us, he is with us.
Know his grace, find his peace,
feast on Jesus here. <i>Refrain</i> |
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Refrain

In this bread there is healing,
in this cup is life forever.
In this moment, by the Spirit,
Christ is with us here.

3. Here we are, joined in one,
Christ is with us, he is with us.
We'll proclaim till he comes
Jesus crucified. *Refrain*

Prayer after Communion

Announcements

Blessing

Sending Song

"As You Go On Your Way"

As you go on your way may Christ go with you.
May he go before you to show you the way;
may he go behind you to encourage you;
beside you to befriend you;
above you to watch over;
within you to give you peace.

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Dismissal

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

Postlude

Susan Barta

Worship Assistants

Ministers: Pastor Gary Hedding
Pastor Peter Muschinske
Assisting Minister: Carol Hakala

Reader: Abby Doeberiner
Song Leaders: Lainie Tomesh
Keyboard: Tammy Roberg
Audio: Preston Pearson

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Announcements, Announcements, Announcements!

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.

Wednesdays, from 6:00-7:00 p.m.

- July 7: Bethany Brass
- August 4: Jake Donze
- August 18: Bethany's PRAISE!

You are invited to share: *Cool Drinks & Conversation with Council Members*

Join us for A Summer Council CrossTalk!

When: Wednesday, June 30, 2021

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Where: Under the Tent at Bethany

What: An informal conversation with council members. A potpourri of topics. Come join us!

In case of inclement weather, the CrossTalk will be held in the Gathering Room.

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

French Fry Booth: Summer is upon us and it is almost time for our Bethany French Fry Booth at the Barron County Fair-July 14-18. This is an awesome fundraiser for our youth activities such as our summer trips and es-

pecially the ELCA Youth Gatherings every three years. We rely on our middle school youth, high school youth and Bethany family to help staff our French Fry Booth. Please consider signing up to work a shift. Each shift is three hours and needs four people. One of those four has to be an adult. We also need help the Monday and/or Tuesday before the fair (July 12-13) to clean the booth and get it ready and again after the fair, July 19-20 to clean up the booth for the winter.

This is our biggest youth activity fund-raiser each year bringing in over \$5,000 annually. It helps fund youth activities, ELCA Youth Gatherings and alternating high school mission trips. Please consider helping us out. This is a great way to support Bethany's youth!

The signup can also be found on the Signups tab of Bethany's website!

New Study Group: A new study group, Courageous Conversations for the Curious (formerly A JUST You), begins the week of July 12. We will read and discuss The Space Between Us – How Jesus Teaches Us to Live Together When Politics and Religion Pulls Us Apart by Sarah Bauer Anderson. Please contact Bea Evans at beaevans2@gmail.com or 262-565-3327 if you are interested in participating. Four study sessions, lasting an hour each, are anticipated. Individuals expressing interest will be asked to complete a survey to determine a meeting time that works for the majority of the group.

Bethany Summer Fun

3 Events = 3x the fun!

Join us @ the Cumberland
Municipal Airport

Wednesday, July 14 from 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Airplane display ~ Drone & Remote Control Airplane demonstration ~ Bethany Convertible Club display ~ Visit by Civil Air Patrol and Life Link ~ Live Music by the Songsmiths ~ Games ~ Louie's Hotdogs ~ & More!

Need a ride? Call the church office at 715-234-9028 and we will help with transportation.

Summer Fun Event Coming Up:

August 11 - Boating & Fishing Fun on Rice Lake

Flat Jesus! Summer is 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 is available in the Narthex. You can pick up a printed Flat Jesus and paint stick from the church, or you can print one from Bethany’s website and attach to your own paint stick (or anything you choose). You can also make your own Flat Jesus.

Bug Safari VBS: July 19-22, 2021

5:00-5:30 p.m. - Supper available
5:30-7:15 p.m. - VBS Programming

VBS for ages 4 years old - 5th grade.
Volunteers needed ages 6th grade - adult.



Participant
Registration



Volunteer
Registration

The Green Team Collections: The Green Team is collecting gently used shoes for Sole4Souls, used AA, AAA, C, D and 9-volt batteries, used markers and used printer cartridges. These collections will be continuous.

There are two new, ongoing, collections happening. The first is denim; it can be recycled into insulation. Please note, the denim **MUST** be 90% cotton. The second new collection is cork. It must be real, not synthetic, cork.

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!

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.

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.

Safely Regathering Task Force Update: As of June 23, the risk level for Covid 19 in Barron County remains in the Medium Category with new daily cases at 4.4 per 100,000 population, infection rate at 0.92, and percent of positive test cases at 1%. These num-

bers have been stable for several weeks and reflect a relatively low level of Covid 19 disease in the county compared to the extreme numbers of this past fall and winter. Barron County's vaccination rate continues to lag behind the state of Wisconsin with 42% of residents having had their first dose and 36% being fully vaccinated. Because of the low level of Covid 19 in Barron County, the Safely Regathering Task Force will reserve its video and 411 messaging to an as-needed basis when we have made changes in our

recommendations. Currently, we recommend that Bethany follow CDC guidelines for indoor use of our facilities, whether for worship, meetings or office activities. The guidelines indicate that masking is optional for those who are fully vaccinated and that masks are needed for those not fully vaccinated. Task force members continue to welcome questions or concerns and are especially willing to offer information to help those making decisions on vaccinations.

The Bethany WeekAhead • June 27 - July 3, 2021

Sunday
27 8:00 AM Worship/Streamed Online & Radio
10:00 AM In-Person Worship/GS

Monday
28 1:00-4:00 PM Quilting/QR

Tuesday
29 8:45 AM Staff Meeting/Zoom
12:00 PM Lunch Box/Parking Lot

Wednesday
30 6:00 PM Summer Council CrossTalk/GS

Thursday
1 7:00 PM AA/3F

Friday
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Saturday
3

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 ***Outside:*** PL-Parking Lot GS-Green Space

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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: Whitney (Passint) Prestby

Ongoing Prayers for Members: Marie Anderson • Ray Arnevik • Cady Buchli •

Ron Debner • Kendra Fritz • Bob Gerber • Jim Hagen • Bob Johnson • Carolyn Kochel •
Maci Lundequam • Alyssa McCullough • Regina Mueller • Leon Mundt • Kaylee Musil •
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 • Felecia Keleven • Clara Kern • Paul Klancher •
Charlie Lawton • Mark Loehlein • Gloria Mattakat • Colin McCann • Troy Miller •
Bruce Olson • Kaye Olson • Paul Rindsig • Mary Simma • Nick Sovacool • Holly Thompson •
Ingvold Tronstad • Kelly White (Anderson) • Paul Wilker

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

Sympathy and Grief: Jeff and Scott Christofferson and families upon the death of their fa-
ther, John Christofferson, Jr.

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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