



Bethany Lutheran Church

welcomes you to worship!

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 26, 2021

10:00 a.m.

Order of Worship

Welcome

Call to Worship

In a world that cries out, “Fear me!”

We will listen to Jesus’ words, “Don’t be afraid!”

In a world that wants us to hate the other...

We will live Jesus’ call to, “Love God. Love your neighbor, as you love yourself.”

In a world that radicalizes...

We, too, will be radical. Radical with our hospitality. Radical with our hope. Radical with our love.

Then come to this place, ready to be who we are called to be.

Let us gather together and worship God.

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, **h** one God, whose teaching is life, whose presence is sure, and whose love is endless.

Amen.

Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God our comforter: like lost sheep, we have gone astray. We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity. We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression. We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed. Free us from our sin, gracious God. Listen when we call out to you for help. Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves. Amen.

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. By the gift of grace in **h** Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous. Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

Amen.

Gathering Music

“Gather Us In”

- 1 Here in this place the new light is streaming,
now is the darkness vanished away;
see in this space our fears and our dreamings
brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken,
gather us in, the blind and the lame;
call to us now, and we shall awaken,
we shall arise at the sound of our name.
- 2 We are the young, our lives are a myst'ry,
we are the old who yearn for your face;
we have been sung throughout all of hist'ry,
called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty,
gather us in, the proud and the strong;
give us a heart, so meek and so lowly,
give us the courage to enter the song.
- 3 Here we will take the wine and the water,
here we will take the bread of new birth,
here you shall call your sons and your daughters,
call us anew to be salt for the earth.
Give us to drink the wine of compassion,
give us to eat the bread that is you;
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.
- 4 Not in the dark of buildings confining,
not in some heaven, light years away—
here in this place the new light is shining,
now is the kingdom, and now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us forever,
gather us in and make us your own;
gather us in, all peoples together,
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

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

Generous God, **your Son gave his life that we might come to peace with you. Give us a share of your Spirit, and in all we do empower us to bear the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Reading

Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

⁴The rabble among them had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, “If only we had meat to eat! ⁵We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; ⁶but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at.”

¹⁰Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the LORD became very angry, and Moses was displeased. ¹¹So Moses said to the LORD, “Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in

your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? ¹²Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, ‘Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child, to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors’? ¹³Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, ‘Give us meat to eat!’ ¹⁴I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. ¹⁵If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favor in your sight—and do not let me see my misery.”

¹⁶So the LORD said to Moses, “Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you.”

²⁴So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. ²⁵Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

²⁶Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷And a young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.” ²⁸And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, “My lord Moses, stop them!” ²⁹But Moses said to him, “Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD’s people were prophets, and that the LORD would put his spirit on them!”

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

Gospel Acclamation *“Open Your Ears, O Faithful People”*

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| 1 Open your ears, O faithful people,
open your ears and hear God's word.
Open your hearts, O royal priesthood,
God has come to you. | 2 They who have ears to hear the message,
they who have ears, now let them hear;
they who would learn the way of wisdom,
let them hear God's word. Refrain |
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Refrain

God has spoken to the people, hallelujah!
God has spoken words of wisdom, hallelujah!
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God has spoken words of wisdom, hallelujah!

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Gospel Reading

Mark 9:38-50

The holy gospel according to St. Mark, the 9th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

³⁸John said to [Jesus,] “Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.” ³⁹But Jesus said, “Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. ⁴⁰Whoever is not against us is for us. ⁴¹For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

⁴²“If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. ⁴³If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. ⁴⁵And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. ⁴⁷And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, ⁴⁸where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

⁴⁹“For everyone will be salted with fire. ⁵⁰Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.”

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

Message

Pastor Peter Muschinske

Hymn of the Day

“We Come to You for Healing, Lord”



1 We come to you for heal - ing, Lord, of
2 As once you walked through an - cient streets and
3 You touch us through phy - si - cians' skills, through
5 We come to you, O lov - ing Lord, in



bod - y, mind, and soul, and pray that by your
reached toward those in pain, come, ris - en Christ, a -
nurs - es' gifts of care, and through the love of
our dis - tress and pain, in trust that through our



Spir - it's touch we may a - gain be whole.
mong us still with pow'r to heal a - gain.
faith - ful friends who lift our lives in prayer.
nights and days your grace will heal, sus - tain.

Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., 1923–2007

Music: MARTYRDOM, Hugh Wilson, 1764–1824

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Prayers of Intercession

Carol Hakala

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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Offering Music

"The Peace of the Lord"



1 The peace of the Lord, the peace of the Lord, the
2 The peace of the Lord, the peace of the Lord, the
3 The peace of the Lord, the peace of the Lord, the



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Lord is for you and for me, and al - so for all of God's
Lord is a - mong us right now, so o - pen your - selves to re -
Lord kept with - in can - not live, so o - pen your - selves now to



chil - dren. The peace of the Lord is for you and for
ceive it. The peace of the Lord is a - mong us right
share it. The peace of the Lord kept with - in can - not



me, and al - so for all of God's chil - dren.
now, so o - pen your - selves to re - ceive it.
live, so o - pen your - selves now to share it.

Text: Anders Ruuth; tr. Gerhard M. Cartford, b. 1923

Music: LA PAZ DEL SEÑOR, Anders Ruuth

Spanish text and tune © Anders Ruuth, admin. Augsburg Fortress. English text © Lutheran World Federation.

Offering Prayer

God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. 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

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 Song

"'Round the Table"

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Prayer after Communion

Announcements

Holy Baptism

Emerick David Henningsen

In Remembrance

Janie Riggs

Blessing

Closing Song

"Go, Make Disciples"

"Go, make disciples,
baptizing them, teaching them.
Go, make disciples,
for I am with you till the end of time.
Go, be the salt of the earth.
Go, be the light for the world.
Go, be a city on a hill,
so all can see that you're serving me.
Go, make disciples."

Text: Handt Hanson, b. 1950

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Dismissal

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.

Thanks be to God.

'ROUND THE TABLE

Larry Olson
Hans Peterson



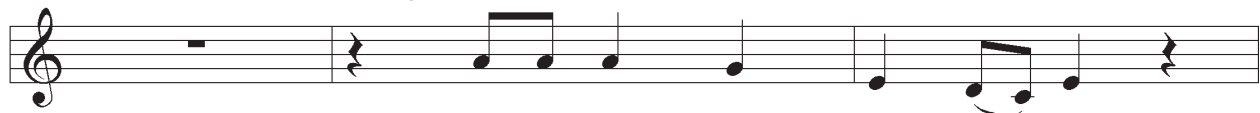
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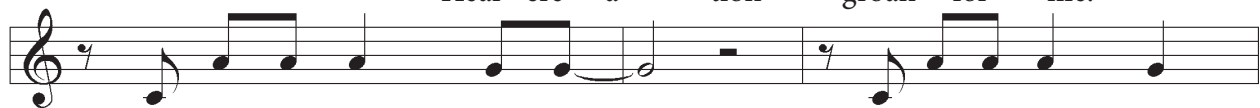
won - der, a heal- ing touch and a deep con- nec - tion



from the liv - ing cen - ter of it all.



Seek - ing mean - ing on the run
Bring a friend or e - ne - my
Hear cre - a - tion groan for life.



you try and save the day. But all is rea - dy
or one you hold or blame. With each oth - er
Will hate and hun - ger cease? In the roar of



will you come? Love in - vites the way.
we are one, here in Je - sus' name.
vi - o - lence the world cries for peace.

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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 worship Sundays at 8:00 a.m. in Bethany's Sanctuary and 10:00 a.m. under the tent in Bethany's green space! In the event of bad weather, 10:00 a.m. worship is moved indoors to the Sanctuary.
- ***In accordance with CDC guidelines, everyone inside the Bethany building is required to wear a face covering.***

CROSSTALK:

RESCHEDULED – SEE YOU IN JANUARY 2022!

The Space Between Us

If you haven't heard, there is an exciting book that Bethany Council members, staff members and book club members are all reading. The book is titled, The Space Between Us: How Jesus Teaches Us to Live Together When Politics and Religion Pull Us Apart by Sarah Bauer Anderson.

“When it comes to conversations around politics and religion, it's obvious we have a problem. This is for people who want to be part of a solution.”

“Tension in our personal relationships are at an all-time high. Dialogue-when it happens at all-is heated. It isn't that we've lost hope in what faith and politics can accomplish in our world. It's that in our polarizing times, faith and politics seem to be leading more to rage than actual change. It's discouraging, disheartening, and disappointing. But it doesn't have to stay that way. Civility is not a pipe dream. Nuance is not unrecoverable. Peace is possible. And it can all start right here, right now, with us.”

There are copies in Bethany's library for anyone who wants to read this book for themselves!

Have you unsubscribed?

Just a reminder to those who may have unsubscribed to emails from Bethany Lutheran. If you have unsubscribed, you will not receive any communications from the church. If we send an email reminder or a text notice of an important alert, you will not receive them. Also, you will not receive the weekly Bethany 411! with all the latest news and announcements. We try very hard to be responsible with any mass communications we send, so if you think you may have unsubscribed in error, please contact Dawn Paul at dpaul@bethanyricelake.org or 715-296-2817.

You Are Vital to Bethany's Mission!

Bethany's mission to **INVITE**, **GROW** and **GO** invites all to share their gifts and talents. Your hands are the vital link in serving the church, our community and our world. Please consider how Jesus is calling you to serve your neighbor. It all begins with worship of Jesus, the alpha and omega. No matter our worship format or location, please extend your partnership in this by asking yourself:

- Could you read during worship?
- Is ushering something you might like to try?
- Maybe you want to learn more about public prayers of the church!
- Or, perhaps your calling is being part of the Altar Guild and preparing the communion elements for worship.
- For those who prefer serving unseen, the streaming/audio position or projectionist might be the best fit!

However you feel called to serve, we want you to succeed! Signups for most positions are on Bethany's website under the Signups tab. If you are not able to find what you are looking for or have questions, please contact the office at 715-234-9028 or lhullinger@bethanyricelake.org.

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 at least 90% cotton. The second new collection is cork. It must be real, not synthetic, cork.

The Bethany Week Ahead • September 26 - October 2, 2021

Sunday
26 8:00 AM Worship/SA
9:05 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Worship/GS

Monday
27 1:00-4:00 PM Quilting/QR

Tuesday
28 8:00 AM Bethany Belles/BR
9:30 AM Staff Meeting/Zoom
12:00 PM LunchBox/PL

Wednesday
29 5:30 PM Vesper Bells/BR
6:00 PM Here We Stand/GS

Thursday
30 7:00 PM AA/105

Friday
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Saturday
2

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

Worship Participants

Officiant:	Pastor Peter Muschinske	Assisting Minister:	Carol Hakala
Keyboard:	Linda Mullikin	Musicians:	Kyle Tomesh
Reader:	Max Nelson		Nolan Tomesh, Jan Wick
Ushers:	Con Eastwold		Ric Brekke, Deb Slagstad

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

Website: www.bethanyricelake.org

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Facebook: Bethany Lutheran - Rice Lake, WI

Bethany's website and Facebook page

Live Radio Broadcast: Sundays 8:00 a.m.

Cable Broadcast: Channels 992 (Charter) & 993 (Mosaic)

WJMC 96.1 FM & 1240 AM

Sundays 11:00 AM & 7:00 PM; Thursdays 7:00 PM

Prayer Ministry

New Prayers for Members: Vivian Mundt • Sharon Peterson

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

Kendra Fritz • Bob Gerber • Jim Hagen • Bob Johnson • Sue Linder • Maci Lundequam •

Alyssa McCullough • Kaylee Musil • Whitney (Passint) Prestby • Cole Rindsig •

Jaymee Sevals • Romaine Stewart • Lynn Sulackow • Virginia Tronstad • Ray Vaughn

New Prayers for Family & Friends of Members:

Ongoing Prayers for Family & Friends of Members: Todd Arneson • Chad Becker •

Bob (Roxie) Berg • Felecia Keleven • Clara Kern • Paul Klancher • Charlie Lawton •

Mark Loehlein • Gloria Mattakat • Troy Miller • Bruce Olson • Kaye Olson • Paul Rindsig •

Holly Thompson • Paul Wilker

Active Military Duty: Tanner Ely • Jonathan Marsh • Ethan Nieman • Alain Pierre •

Jason Randall • Abby Ring

In Sympathy and Grief: Kathy Osterloth and family upon the death of her mother, Janie Riggs.

Flowers near the Altar on Sunday: In memory of Philip Arnevik by his children and grandchildren.

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.

Prayers for Our Home Members

Sandie Anderson • Edie Berg • June Brunette • Irene Christianson • Foster Dunwiddie •

Pauline Eidahl • Donna Gagner • Elaine Gonske • Betty Granum • Esther Honetor •

Alice Johnson • Sid & Carolyn Johnson • Tom & Judy Klasell • Dick Moe • Regina Mueller

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314-703-1496