

Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

July 21, 2024



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Bethany's Mission Statement: Reaching out in Worship, Fellowship, Learning and Love - we are God's people.

We are so glad you chose to worship with us this morning. We hope everyone feels welcome as we strive to serve and strengthen each other in faith toward God and in love toward all. Now, as you wait for the service to begin, please relax, enjoy the music, and quiet your heart before God.

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ELW indicates that hymns or liturgy are taken from Evangelical Lutheran Worship—red hymnal

PRELUDE

Welcome, Announcements, Celebration Bank

(money given to Human Concerns Fund)

We Gather to Acknowledge God's Presence

(Please stand)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

(Silence is kept for reflection.)

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✚ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen.

(Please stand)

OPENING HYMN

"Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer"

ELW Hymn 618

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Kyrie


Refrain




Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.




Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.



1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . . for
4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for
hun - gry and the poor; that
friends and fam - i - ly; for
wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
life and for love, for our work and our play,
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,

Refrain



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Hymn of Praise

Refrain



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, the high - est, and



peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



I Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther,



we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you

Refrain



for your glo - ry. Glo - ry to God in the high-



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

2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, 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.

Refrain

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, the high - est, and
peace to God's peo - ple on earth. 3 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. A - men. A - men.

Final refrain

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

C: **O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

Amen.

We Listen to God's Word

(Please be seated)

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 23:1-6

¹Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. ²Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

⁵The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

L: The LORD is my shepherd;
I shall not be in want.

**C: The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.**

L: You restore my soul, O LORD,
and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

**C: Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no
evil;
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

L: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

**C: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

SECOND READING

Ephesians 2:11-22

¹¹Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called “the uncircumcision” by those who are called “the circumcision”—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—¹²remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. ¹⁵He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. ¹⁷So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; ¹⁸for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. ²¹In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; ²²in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand)

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, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

P: The Gospel according to Mark the 6th chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord**

GOSPEL

Mark 6:30-34; 53-56

³⁰The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹He said to them, “Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.” For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

⁵³When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

L: The gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

(Please be seated)

GUEST SPEAKER

Bob Bartles

(Please stand)

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us ”

ELW Hymn 789

We Respond to God’s Word

THE APOSTLES’ CREED *(unison)*

**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.**

(Please Stand)

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

(Please be seated)

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Each petition concludes:

P: In your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

BLESSING

P: The God of steadfastness and encouragement
grant you to live in harmony with one another,
in accordance with Christ Jesus.

C: **Amen.**

P: The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,
so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

P: The God of all grace † bless you now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

“All People On Earth Do Dwell”

ELW Hymn 883

THE DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Lector: David King
Usher: Susan Swanson
Communion: No Communion this week
Greeters: Carol Dodge
Missionary Support: Open
Altar Flowers: Marlys McClurg & Vanette Wooldridge-In Memory of our Brother, Bill Neese
Remember in prayer: Dorothy Hopson, Barb West, & Eleonore Benninghoven

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A Cry Room for infants is available up the stairs and to the right.
There are Kids Celebrate children's bulletins available for youngsters
who'd like to have their own reference to the lessons for this week.
Ask our usher for help.

Please join us for coffee and donuts in the fellowship
hall following the worship service. We would like to
get to know you and offer our friendship.

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ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Today: **Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**
Guest Speaker: Bob Bartles!
9:00 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion
10:15 a.m. Ukrainian Refugee Mtg.
10:15 a.m. Ice Cream Social Mtg.
10:55 a.m. Lutheran Church of Hope Service

Monday: Office Closed: Wendy Out of Office
Pastor Misha returns

Wednesday: Office Closed: Wendy Out of Office

Saturday: Ragbrai Team packs up and leaves parking lot

Next Sunday: **Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**
9:00 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion
10:55 a.m. Lutheran Church of Hope Service

JULY 21 GUEST SPEAKER: BOB BARTLES

On Sunday, July 21, Bethany will host a guest speaker, Bob Bartles, to speak about Ukrainian refugees looking to escape the war in their home country. Several families have relocated to the Burlington area thanks to the efforts of area organizers and community members. The Bethany Outreach committee would like to offer the kindness and love of our church and are already active in assisting a family. We have a list of items that are needed to help, and would like to tell you more about what we're doing in a short meeting at 10:15 that day in the library.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL SIGN-UP SHEETS

There are 2 sign up sheets out for the Ice Cream Social! 1 is for bringing items for the Ice Cream Social and the other is to help on the day of the Ice Cream Social. Please stop at the long table to the right of the sanctuary doors to sign up for your choosing!

ICE CREAM SOCIAL SIGNS

If you have an Ice Cream Social yard sign from last year, please pick up a new date sticker for your yard sign. See Bill Mundt. Thank you!

JULY 22 & 24 OFFICE CLOSED

Just a friendly reminder that the office will be closed on Monday, July 22 & Wednesday, July 24, due to Wendy being out of the office for fair those 2 days.

CHURCH OUTREACH DONATIONS

July donations will be Cereal! Please place your donations in the cart in the foyer. Thank you, everyone for your generosity!

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