

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 6, 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)

TEMPLE TALK - AARON MOREHEAD

We Gather to Acknowledge God's Presence

(Please stand)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (ELW p. 94)

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

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our 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.

Amen.

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

"In Christ Called to Baptize"

ELW Hymn 575

GREETING (ELW p. 138)

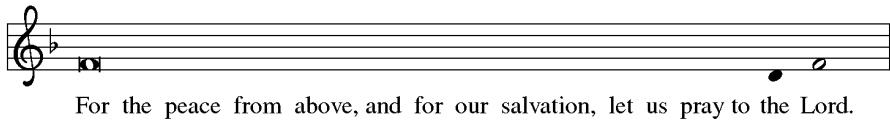
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

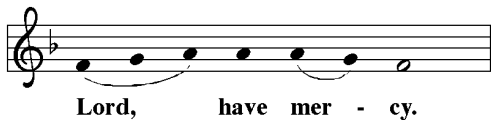
KYRIE (ELW p. 138)



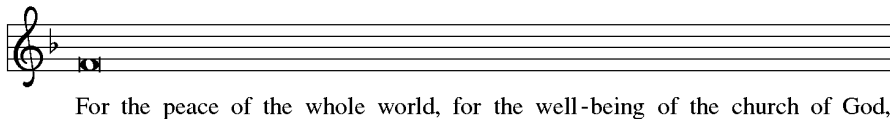
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



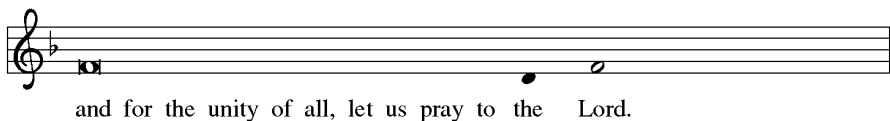
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



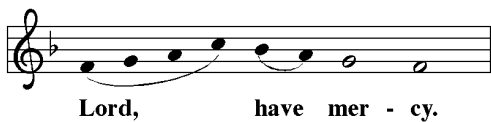
Lord, have mer - cy.



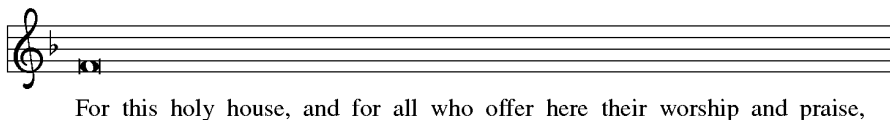
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



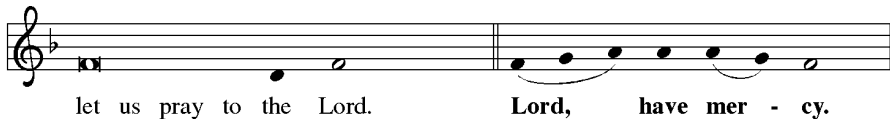
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



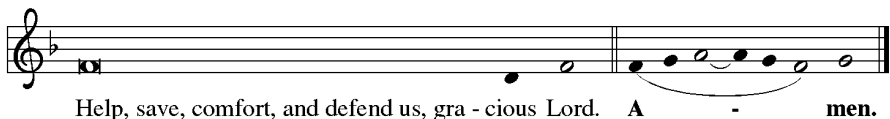
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - men.**

Hymn of Praise (ELW p. 139)

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb

who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and

strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of

God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,

glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was

slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY (ELW p. 142)

P: Let us pray.

C: **Almighty God, through your Son Jesus Christ you gave the holy apostles many gifts and commanded them to feed your flock. Inspire all pastors to proclaim your word diligently and your people to receive it willingly, that finally we may receive the crown of eternal glory; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

Amen.

We Listen to God's Word

(Please be seated)

FIRST READING:

Numbers 6:22-27

²²The LORD spoke to Moses, saying: ²³Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the Israelites: You shall say to them,

²⁴The LORD bless you and keep you;

²⁵the LORD make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you;

²⁶the LORD lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.

²⁷So they shall put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them.

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM:**Psalms 84**

- L: How dear to me is your dwelling,
O LORD of hosts!
- C: My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.**
- L: Even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest where she may
lay her young,
by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts, my king and my God.
- C: Happy are they who dwell in your house!
They will always be praising you.**
- L: Happy are the people whose strength is in you,
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.
- C: Those who go through the balsam valley will find it a place of springs,
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.**
- L: They will climb from height to height,
and the God of gods will be seen in Zion.
- C: LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer;
give ear, O God of Jacob.**
- L: Behold our defender, O God;
and look upon the face of your anointed.
- C: For one day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.
I would rather stand at the threshold of the house of my God than dwell
in the tents of the wicked.**
- L: For the LORD God is both sun and shield, bestowing grace and glory;
no good thing will the LORD withhold from those who walk with integrity.
- C: O LORD of hosts,
happy are they who put their trust in you!**

SECOND READING:**Romans 12:4-8**

⁴For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, ⁵so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. ⁶We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ⁷ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; ⁸the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

- 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.

P: The Gospel according to Luke the 10th chapter.

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

GOSPEL:

Luke 10:1-12, 16-20

¹After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ²He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. ⁴Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. ⁵Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' ⁶And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. ⁷Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. ⁸Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; ⁹cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' ¹⁰But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, ¹¹'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.' ¹²I tell you, on that day it will be more tolerable for Sodom than for that town.

¹⁶Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.

¹⁷The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" ¹⁸He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. ¹⁹See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. ²⁰Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

L: The gospel of the Lord.

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

We Respond to God's Word

THE NICENE CREED (ELW p. 104) *(unison)*

We believe in one God,

**the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

**the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation

**he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven**

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

**who proceeds from the Father and the Son,*
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Presentation

The assembly stands. The pastor being installed and a representative of the calling body come before the presiding minister and the assembly.

Having been authorized by the church to install DaMisha Amaris McFarland-Pollock, our co-worker in the gospel, as pastor, I now ask for certification of this call.

After prayerful deliberation, we, of Messiah Lutheran and Bethany Lutheran, have called DaMisha Amaris McFarland-Pollock to serve as a minister of word and sacrament in the position of pastor. I present Pastor Misha and this letter certifying the call.

The representative moves aside, and the assembly is seated.

Address and Questions

A reading from John: Jesus said, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you. Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.” (*John 20:21-23*)

A reading from Matthew: Jesus said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.” (*Matthew 28:18-20*)

A reading from First Timothy: Set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. Attend to the public reading of scripture, to exhorting, to teaching. Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you through prophecy with the laying on of hands by the council of elders. Put these things into practice, devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress. Pay close attention to yourself and to your teaching; continue in these things, for in doing this you will save both yourself and your hearers. (*1 Timothy 4:12-16*)

Misha, in the presence of this assembly will you commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility, in the confidence that it comes from God through the call of the church?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you preach and teach in accordance with the holy scriptures and with the confessions of the Lutheran church?
Will you carry out this ministry in harmony with the constitutions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you be diligent in your study of the holy scriptures and faithful in your use of the means of grace?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Trusting in God's care,
will you love, serve, and pray for God's people,
nourish them with the word and sacraments,
and lead them by your own example in faithful service and holy living?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you give faithful witness in the world,
that God's love may be known in all that you do?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Almighty God, who has given you the will to do these things,
graciously give you the strength and compassion to perform them.

The assembly responds: Amen.

The assembly stands.

The presiding minister addresses the assembly.

People of God,
will you receive Misha as a messenger of Jesus Christ
sent to serve all people with the gospel of hope and salvation?
Will you regard Misha as a servant of Christ and a steward of the mysteries of God?
C: We will, and we ask God to help us.

Will you pray for Misha?
Will you help and honor Misha in carrying out this ministry?
In all things, will you strive to live together in the peace and unity of Christ?
C: We will, and we ask God to help us.

Misha, the office of pastor is now committed to you
in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Blessing

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make you complete in everything good so that you may do God's will, working in you that which is pleasing in God's sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever.

Amen.

The presiding minister escorts the pastor to the place of baptism. A representative of the congregation says:

You have been called to be among us to baptize, to teach, and to forgive sins.

They proceed to the place of the word. A representative of the congregation says:

You have been called to be among us to proclaim the good news.

They proceed to the place of the meal. A representative of the congregation says:

You have been called to be among us to preside at the Lord's supper.

People of God, I present to you Pastor Misha, your pastor.

Let us welcome Pastor Misha in the name of Christ.

(Please Stand)

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

(Please be seated)

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

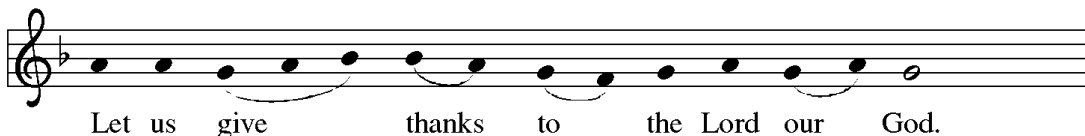
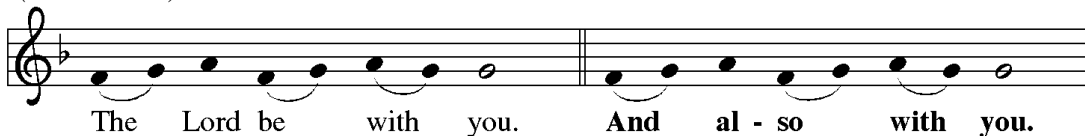
Each petition concludes:

P: God of Grace,

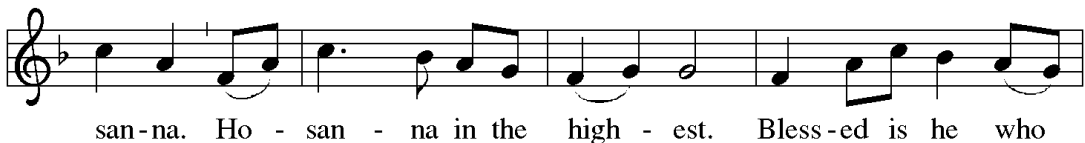
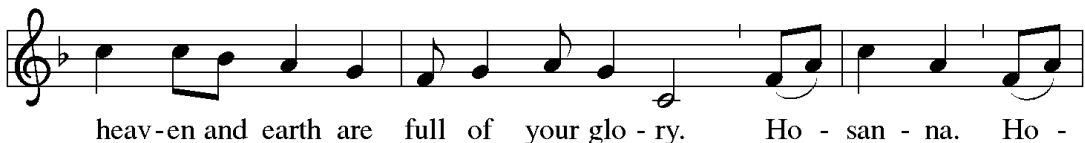
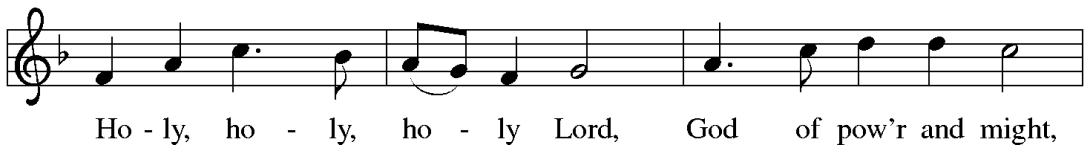
C: **hear our prayer.**

We Share in the Holy Meal

(Please stand)



P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...
...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(unison)*

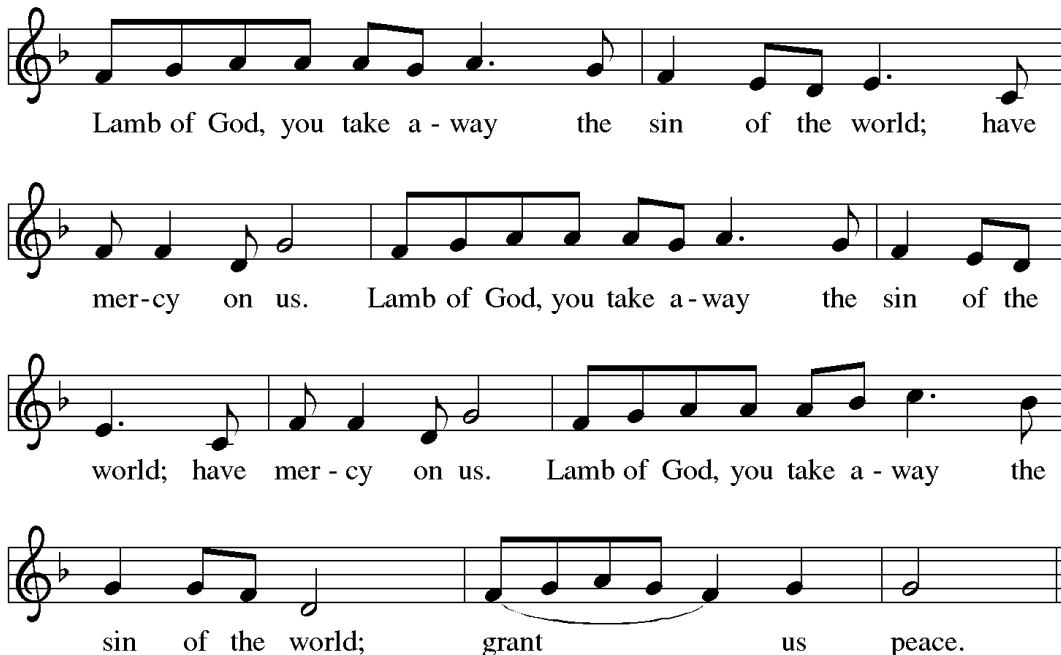
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION (ELW p. 146)

P: Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

(Please be seated)

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION BY INDIVIDUAL GLASSES

(Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.)

All who believe in the real presence of Christ in the sacrament are invited to commune. Children who do not commune are welcome to come for a blessing. You will be given a wafer. The glasses of dark liquid are wine; the middle ring is juice. There is a bowl of water if you would like to remember your baptism.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

*“One Bread, One Body”
“To Be Your Presence”*

**ELW Hymn 496
ELW Hymn 546**

(Please stand)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

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

“We All Are One in Mission”

ELW Hymn 576

THE DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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- Missionary Support: Open
- Altar Flowers: Ginny Mesecher
- 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: **20th Sunday after Pentecost**
Pastor Misha to be installed!
8:15-8:45 a.m. Gathering and Fellowship to celebrate Pastor Misha’s installation
9:00 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion
10:55 a.m. Lutheran Church of Hope Service
2:00 p.m. Blessing of the Animals @ Messiah Lutheran shelter house
- Monday:** Noon Retired School Personnel Luncheon Mtg.
- Thursday:** **9:30 a.m. Bible Study @ Messiah Lutheran Church**
6:00 p.m. Executive Committee Mtg.
6:30 p.m. Finance Mtg.
- Next Sunday: **21st Sunday after Pentecost**
9:00 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion
10:15 a.m. Church Life
10:55 a.m. Lutheran Church of Hope Service

PASTOR MISHA INSTALLATION!

Please join us for gathering and fellowship before worship at 8:15am-8:45am to celebrate Pastor Misha’s Installation! Our wonderful Pastor Misha will be installed on Sunday, October 6th during worship! Deacon Jodi Schuman will be here and Guest Preaching!

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

There will be an extra joint service on Sunday, October 6 at 2:00pm at the shelter house at Messiah Lutheran Church for the Blessing of the Animals! Please come join us with your furry friends!

HAT AND MITTEN TREE

The hat and mitten tree is now up! Please bring hat and mittens in to donate to children in need to stay warm this fall and winter! Thank you for your generosity!

OUTREACH FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

For September into October the donations are canned goods! Thank you, everyone, for your generosity!

BIBLE STUDY!

Every Thursday, Bible Study will be held @ Messiah Lutheran Church @ 9:30am in the Conference Room! Please, come and join us!

UKRAINIAN REFUGEE FAMILY DONATIONS

We have a couple sheets with a list of items that are needed for the Ukrainian families that have fled their home country and have come to Burlington. Please stop and take a look at what is needed and please donate if you would like. These sheets are on the table to the right of the sanctuary doors. Thank you for your generosity!

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