

Bethel Lutheran Mission Statement

Bethel Lutheran Church is a community of believers called by God to invite all people into a living relationship with Jesus Christ, build them up in the faith, and send them out to be witnesses in word and deed to the gospel of Jesus Christ.

COME AS YOU ARE...

What does it mean when the pastor welcomes us to worship? It means Bethel Lutheran Church family extends a special welcome to those who are single, married, or divorced. It means we want to welcome the filthy rich as well as the dirt poor and all in-between. We want to welcome those children who are crying or soon will be. It means you are welcome if you can sing like an angel or plan to lip synch your way through every hymn. You are welcome here if you're "just browsing," just woke up or just got out of jail. We don't care if you're more Lutheran than Old Martin or haven't been to worship in who knows how long. We extend a special welcome to those who are over 60 but have not grown up yet as well as to teenagers who are growing up too fast. We welcome soccer moms, NASCAR dads, starving artists, tree-huggers, latte-sippers, vegetarians, and junk-food eaters. We welcome those who are in recovery or still addicted. We welcome you if you're having problems or you're down in the dumps or if you don't like "organized religion" because we've been there too. If you blew all your offering money at the casino, you are welcome here. We offer a special welcome to those who think the earth is flat, work too hard, don't work, can't spell, or because Grandma is in town and guilted you into going to worship. We welcome those who are inked, pierced or both. We offer a special welcome to those who could use a prayer right now, had religion shoved down your throat as a kid or got lost in traffic and wound up here by mistake. We follow a strange and wonderful Lord who welcomes everyone so we at Bethel strive to do the same.

In other words...WE WELCOME YOU!

♥BE.THE.Love

Pastors: Rev. Julé Ballinger; Rev. Erika Buller; Rev. Jim Gustafson

Worship Band

Leader: Emily Hendrickson

Vocalists: Emily Hendrickson; Alex Hendrickson; Kelly Voss

Emily Hendrickson—**guitar** Allison Voss – **guitar**; Carmen Tischer —**drums**
Troy Ballinger – **bass**

Ushers: Brad & Angie Cruff

Reader: Jaylyn Romereim

Coffee: Jeff & Steph Beyer

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Sunday, 9:00 — 140 11:00— 354

Next Weeks Readings: Acts 2:1-21 & John 14:16-17

"Come As You Are!"

Contemporary Worship
May 13, 2018

Gathering Songs

Welcome and Announcements

Song:

"Come, Just As You Are"

Come just as you are, hear the Spirit call

*Come just as you are; Come and see, come receive,
come and live forever. (repeat)*

Call to Worship

P: Come and worship, come as you are!

C: Imperfect, are we welcome?

P: Yes, come, worship, and praise just as you are!

C: We come this morning, different people, different lives, different histories...

P: Come ready to worship together. You are all children of the same parent.

C: Who loves us just as we are!

P: Come and see Christ the Lord in the face of those around us.

C: All are welcome! Let us come together with joy, and worship in this place!

♥BE.THE.Love

*Narrative Lectionary Worship resources Copyright© 2016 Clergy Stuff

CCLI License #1262078

Song of the Day

“Lay Me Down”

*With this heart open wide from the depths from the heights
I will bring a sacrifice*

*With these hands lifted high hear my song hear my cry
I will bring a sacrifice I will bring a sacrifice*

Chorus: *I lay me down I'm not my own I belong to You alone
Lay me down lay me down*

*Oh hand on my heart this much is true there's no life apart from You
Lay me down lay me down (Oh lay me down lay me down)*

*Letting go of my pride giving up all my rights
Take this life and let it shine take this life and let it shine*

Chorus:

Bridge: *It will be my joy to say Your will Your way
It will be my joy to say Your will Your way
It will be my joy to say Your will Your way always*

Chorus:

Offering: (We will receive the offering during the Song of the Day)
(The “noisy offering” will help pay for school milk money in Wahpeton and Breckenridge)

Offertory

“Create in Me”

*Create in me a clean heart, oh God;
That I might serve you.
Create in me a clean heart, oh God;
That I might be renewed.
So fill me and heal me,
And bring me back to You.
Create in me a clean hart, oh God;
That I might serve You.*

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Bently Sam Ness Zucallo
Parents: Nicholas Zucallo & Anna Ness
Sponsors: Corinne Zucallo & Connor Ness
Nicholas James Zucallo
Parents: Mark & Terri Schrews

Profession of Faith

P: With the whole church, let us confess our faith. Do you believe in God the Father?

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

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

All: **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.**

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

All: **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**

WELCOME

P: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Welcome by the Congregation:

C: **We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God’s creative and redeeming word to all the world**

Song

“Jesus Loves Me” vs 1-3

Prayers of the People *“Lord Listen to Your Children Praying*

*Lord listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
send us love, send us pow’r, send us grace. (Repeat)*

The Lord’s Prayer

All: **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.

Benediction

(Children are welcome to come up front and play instruments)

Song of the Day

“Lay Me Down”

*With this heart open wide from the depths from the heights
I will bring a sacrifice*

*With these hands lifted high hear my song hear my cry
I will bring a sacrifice I will bring a sacrifice*

Chorus: *I lay me down I'm not my own I belong to You alone
Lay me down lay me down*

*Oh hand on my heart this much is true there's no life apart from You
Lay me down lay me down (Oh lay me down lay me down)*

*Letting go of my pride giving up all my rights
Take this life and let it shine take this life and let it shine*

Chorus:

Bridge: *It will be my joy to say Your will Your way
It will be my joy to say Your will Your way
It will be my joy to say Your will Your way always*

Chorus:

Offering: (We will receive the offering during the Song of the Day)
(The “noisy offering” will help pay for school milk money in Wahpeton and Breckenridge)

Offertory

“Create in Me”

ELW #185

*Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence,
And take not your Holy Spirit from me.*

*Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
And uphold me with your free Spirit.
Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.*

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Bently Sam Ness Zucallo

**Parents: Nicholas Zucallo & Anna Ness
Sponsors: Corinne Zucallo & Connor Ness**

**Nicholas James Zucallo
Parents: Mark & Terri Schrews**

Profession of Faith

P: With the whole church, let us confess our faith. Do you believe in God the Father?

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

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

All: 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.

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

All: 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

WELCOME

P: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Welcome by the Congregation:

C: We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God’s creative and redeeming word to all the world

Song

“Jesus Loves Me”

Prayers of the People “Lord Listen to Your Children Praying

*Lord listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
send us love, send us pow’r, send us grace. (Repeat)*

The Lord’s Prayer

All: 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.

Benediction

(Children are welcome to come up front and play instruments)