

Bethel Lutheran Church
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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

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

In Service Today

Pastors: Rev. Julé Ballinger; Rev. Erika Buller; Rev. Jim Gustafson
Ministers: All baptized members of Christ's Church
Organist: Treyton Hoogland
Ushers: Courtney Dimmer; Clare Byron; Sharon Kornour
Reader: Clare Byron
Coffee Hour: Linda Azure; Christa Krump

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Sunday, 9:00 — 130

Next Weeks Readings: Psalm 23:6 & Psalm 84
<http://bethelwahpeton.com/sermons/>



Holy Preparer

June 10, 2018

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn

“Lamb of God”

ELW#336

Greeting

L: 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

Litany:

L: Come, walk in green pastures.

C: We follow the Shepherd, our Holy Provider.

L: Come, lie down in green pastures.

C: We trust the Shepherd, our Holy Protector.

L: Come, dine at the table of abundance.

C: We are fed by the Shepherd, our Holy Preparer.

L: Come, dwell in God's house.

C: We live in the Shepherd's care, our Holy Dwelling. Amen.

P: Hymn of Praise

“Shepherd Me, O God”

ELW #780

(Congregation join in on Refrain)

***Prayer of the Day**

L: O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

READING: Exodus 13:17-18

Children’s Message Pastor Erika Buller

Special Music Cyndy Gustafson

Scripture *(Please read together)* Psalm 23 (The Message)

GOD, my shepherd! I don’t need a thing. You have bedded me down in lush meadows, you find me quiet pools to drink from. True to your word, you let me catch my breath and send me in the right direction. Even when the way goes through Death Valley, I’m not afraid when you walk at my side. Your trusty shepherd’s crook makes me feel secure. **You serve me a six-course dinner right in front of my enemies. You revive my drooping head; my cup brims with blessing.** Your beauty and love chase after me every day of my life. I’m back home in the house of GOD for the rest of my life.

Message Psalm 23:5 Pastor Erika Buller

Hymn of the Day *“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”* ELW #502
(vs. 1.4.5.6)

Offering (received during the hymn)

(The “noisy offering” will go to the local Food Pantry)

Offertory *“Lord, Let my Heart be Good Soil”* ELW #512

Sacrament of Holy Baptism
Jaxon Chester Lee Gebro
Parents: Tyler Walberg & Simone Gebro
Sofia Marie Walberg
Parents: Tyler Walberg & Simone Gebro

SENDING

Benediction

Dismissal

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Be the love.

C: Thanks be to God.

Hymn *“Go, My Children, with My Blessing”* ELW # 543

Postlude

Remember to Pray for . . .

Grieving: Family of Lucy Mahler

Healing:

Adam Loepp	Lynn Rovig	Martha Manikowske
Dale DeVries	Inez Eckre	Wynne Hendrickson
Dale Johnson	David Luna	Dave Kocher
Deloris Compson	Emma Streyle	Yoshiko Tollefson
Jamie Hendrickson	Connie Sletten	Chuck Kaim
Bill Braun	Gil Braaten	Buffy Holbrook
Paul Nelson	Sharon Wixo	Char Oehlke
Al Romereim	Lester Lyons	Colton Fliflet
Diane Tunby		

Emily Bjore (in-law of Ester Krause)
 Beth Lovik (daughter of Alice Schlotfeldt)
 Bob Anastario (brother in law of Clark & Gail Williams)
 Gary Miller (brother of Lois Perkins) Jacob Petermann (friend to many)
 Sara Henderson (sister of Randy Hoerer) Preston Young
 Pat Holdeman (sister of Cyndy Gustafson) Bill Woehrmann (brother of Judy Oren)
 Kathryn Bernotas (mother of Tom Bernotas) Jan Townsend
 Cameren Nelson (grandson of Charlie & Jan Bellmore)
 Amelia Rossow (granddaughter of Pam Braun)
 Leslie Cose (sister-in-law of Jean & Randy Hoerer)
 Jim Oliver (brother in law of Darren Prochnow)

Serving in the Military: Major Joseph (Joe) Zabaldano – Kuwait (son-in-law of Gail and Harvey Link)

Nursing Home Residents & Shut-Ins; Richland & Wilkin County Jail Inmates



Altar Flowers in celebration of Clark & Gail William’s 50th wedding anniversary.

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

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.

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