

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 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

In Service Today

Pastors: Rev. Jake Dyrhaug
Ministers: All baptized members of Christ's Church
Organist: Mary Jane Pauly
Ushers: Doug and Judy Peterson
Reader: Reeann Enderson
Coffee: Beverly McRoberts and Sharon Kotnour
Communion: Diane Fisher, Hal Fisher, Beri Coyne, Judy McDaniel
Soundboard: Keath and Cindy Borchert

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Sunday, 9:00 — 75 11:00-56 Wednesday— no worship



John 2:1-11

**Second Sunday after Epiphany
January 16, 2022**

GATHERING

PRELUDE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME

TEMPLE TALK pictures for Icon directory Cyndy Kolle

CONFESSION (*Stand as you are able*)

Congregation: Lord, we confess that we have heard the call but have chosen not to follow. We have picked roads that lead to anxiety and despair. We have walked paths of darkness and sorrow. We have run from Your beckoning love. Lord, we come into worship today asking for a new beginning. We want to be cleansed and made right. We desire direction and purpose for our living. We need our sins forgiven. (moment of silence for reflection)

Leader: Brothers and Sisters, God's ancient love is with us at all times. God's love is constant, unwavering, persistent, and unconditional. We are invited, each and every moment, to simply awaken to that love, receive it anew, and then pass it on. Brothers and Sisters, you are free. God has the first word in your life. God will have the last word. And, those words are Good News!

OPENING SONG: "Morning Has Broken" ELW #556

GREETING

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC Bethel Choir

CHILDRENS MESSAGE Pastor Jake Dyrhaug

READING I Corinthians 12:1-11

THE HOLY GOSPEL John 2: 1-11

MESSAGE Pastor Jake Dyrhaug

**HYMN OF THE DAY "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"
ELW #807**

OFFERING

**OFFERTORY "Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God "
ELW #186**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMNS

**"Let Us Break Bread Together" ELW #471
"I Love to Tell the Story" ELW #661**

COMMUNION BLESSING

THE BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG "Soon and Very Soon" ELW #439

POSTLUDE