

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 you are welcomed to worship at Bethel? It means Bethel Lutheran Church family extends a special welcome to those who are single, married or divorced. It means 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 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

Today in Service:

Pastor: Pastor Rich Kramer
Director of Youth and Family Ministries: Lisa Bassingthwaite
Director of Volunteer & Hospitality Ministries: Joyce Johnson
Ministers: All baptized members of Christ's Church

This Week

Organist: 12:10: Mary Jane Pauly **6:35:** Stacy Owens
Ushers: 12:10: Cyndy Kolle **6:35:** Cyndy Kolle
Reader: 12:10: Cyndy Kolle **6:35:** Cyndy Kolle
Soundboard: 12:10: Brad & Angie Cruff **6:35:** Shae Jelinek
Altar Flowers:
Eternal Candle:

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Good Friday Services



Prelude

Call to Worship

Leader: This is a sad day for Christians as we remember the agony of our crucified Lord.

C: It hurts us when we think how sinful humanity can be, even in response to God’s love.

Leader: Without the obedience of Christ, we could not experience salvation from sin.

C: We rejoice in our Lord’s obedience and devotion, and worship him as our Savior.

Prayer of the Day

ALL: Almighty God, look with loving mercy on your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, to be given over to the hands of sinners, and to suffer death on the cross. Amen.

Hymn **ELW 351**
“O Sacred Head Now Wounded” **(Verse 1)**

Scripture Reading **Isaiah 52:13—53:12**

Hymn **ELW 351**
“O Sacred Head Now Wounded” **(Verses 3&4)**

Gospel Reading **Mark 15:1-32**

(short silence between passages)

Gospel Reading

Mark 15:33-47

Special Music

12:10

“The Old Rugged Cross”

Rene Hasbargen & Floss Johnson

Sermon

Pastor Rich

Hymn of the Day

“Go to Dark Gethsemane”

ELW 347

Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who are in heaven, hallowed by they name, thy kingdom come, they 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.

Harmonica Solo: “Were You There” **Keath Borchert**

(At end of service – depart in silence or remain for prayer & meditation. You are invited to exit from the front of the sanctuary – taking a route to walk by the cross – and then down the hallway or back to the narthex using the side aisle. If you have an offering, please place in an offering plate, located at the doors as you exit.)