

Bethel Lutheran Mission Statement

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Come As You Are.....

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In other words
WE WELCOME YOU!!
BE.THE.Love

Today in Service:

Pastor: Pastor Amy Eisenmann
Director of Youth and Family Ministries: Lisa Bassingthwaite
Director of Volunteer & Hospitality Ministries: Joyce Johnson
Choir & Handbell Director: Linda Palmer
Ministers: All baptized members of Christ's Church

This Week

Organist: Mary Jane Pauly
Ushers: Laura & Mike Stone
Cantor: Cyndy Kollé
Reader: Cindy Borchert
Soundboard: Aaron Riebe & Sheila Dolan **Steaming:** Cameron Riebe
Communion Assistants: Glen Enderson, Floss Johnson & Linda Miller
Coffee & Treats:
Eternal Candle: Suzanne Pehl – in memory of Terry Pehl
Altar Flowers: Barb & Luther Sannes – in memory of Lance Sannes

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Sunday, December 15, 2024
3rd Sunday of Advent



9 am Service

Gathering

Prelude **“Do You Hear What I Hear?”** **Bethel Choir**

Welcome and Announcements
Confession and Forgiveness

Advent Wreath Hymn **ELW 257**

“O Come, O Come Emmanuel” Verse 6

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Zach & Lauren Maas Family

Opening Hymn **ELW 248**

“People Look East”

Greeting

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

A: And also with you.

Kyrie

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Hymn of Praise **“This is the Feast”**

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Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray together our prayer of the day:

A: Listening God, we know that you are constantly speaking to us. Through music, nature, and relationships, you make yourself known again and again. In gratitude, we long to return the favor. In gratitude, we long to meet you halfway. So in this

moment, we are quieting the noise in our heads. We are closing our eyes, we are leaning in. We are listening. We are doing the good that is ours to do. Speak to us through the chaos. Speak to us as only you can. With joy in our hearts, we listen, we pray. Amen.

Reading from Isaiah, the 58th chapter: Isaiah 58:9b-12

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Special Music

Bethel Choir

“Joy to the World”

Children’s Message

Lisa Bassingthwaite

L: A reading from the gospel of Luke, third chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

Gospel: Luke 3:7-16

L: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Amy

“Do the Good that is Yours to Do”

Hymn of the Day

ELW 807

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Offering (Offering is received during the hymn)

(The “noisy offering” will be received by the children)

Offertory “Create in Me a Clean Heart”

ELW 186

Apostles’ Creed

Prayers of the People

After each petition of the prayer, congregation responds with:

“Receive our Prayer”

Words of Institution

The Lord’s Prayer

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Communion

Communion Hymns

Special Music

Men’s Quartet

Hal Fisher, Rick Hendrickson, Kelly Voss & Keath Borchert

“Beautiful Savior”

“Mary, Did You Know”

Sending

Communion Blessing

Benediction & Dismissal

L: As you leave this place, may you have the wisdom to lean on one another. May you have the courage to hold onto hope, the compassion to do the good that is yours to do, and the confidence to trust that God sees you as a blessing. For in a world full of dead ends, Advent invites us to begin again. So start here. Start now. Go in peace, be with love and begin again.

C: Thanks be to God! Amen!

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Hymn

ELW 836

“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”

Postlude

“Christmas Blessing”

Bethel Choir

“Come As You Are!”

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Worship Band:

Vocalists: Kelly Voss, Alison Voss, Lara Lekang & Rick Hendrickson

Guitar: Pat Trappen & Rick Hendrickson

Drums: Tracy Bommersbach **Bass:** Troy Ballinger

This Week

Ushers: Don & Leah Leraas

Reader: Leah Leraas

Soundboard: Aaron Riebe & Sheila Dohman **Streaming:** Cameron Riebe

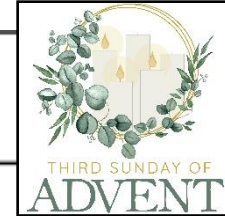
Communion Assistants: Cayden, Brady, Kristy & Bryson Wangler

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11 am
3rd Sunday of Advent



12/15/24

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements
Please Pass the Welcome Pad

Opening Song “O Come, O Come Emmanuel” (verse 1)

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Rob & Beth Dohman Family

Call to Worship

L: In this weary world,

C: **we sing of joy.**

L: In this fragile world,

C: **we lift each other up.**

L: In this beautiful world,

C: **we look for and see...God all around us.**

L: For here in this place, God has called us.

C: **Light the candles! Sing with joy! Christ is coming soon!**

Amen.

Song “Holy Is His Name”

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.**

Prayer of the Day

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Children's Message

Lisa Bassingthwaite

Readings

Isaiah 58:9b-12

Luke 3:7-16

Message

Pastor Amy

“Do the Good that is Yours to Do”

Song of the Day “Mighty to Save”

(The Offering is received during the hymn and the “noisy offering” will be received by the children)

Offertory

“Christmas Offering”

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of the People

“As We Pray”

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is 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

Communion

“Jesus Messiah”

Special Music by Praise Band

Sending

Communion Blessing

Benediction & Dismissal

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C: Thanks be to God! Amen! ❤️ BE.THE.Love

Sending Song “You Are Holy”