

## Bethel Lutheran Mission Statement

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

### Today in Service:

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

### This Week

**Organist:** Stacy Owens  
**Ushers:**  
**Cantor:** Connie Foster  
**Reader:** Keath Borchert  
**Soundboard:** Sheila Dolan & Aaron Riebe  
**Streaming:** Cameron  
**Coffee & Treats:** Brad & Angie Cruff  
**Altar Flowers:** Pastor Amy in memory of Bill Alexander  
**Eternal Candle:** Pam Hendrickson

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**Sunday, February 23, 2025**

**9 am Service**  
**7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany**

## Gathering



**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

**Opening Hymn**

**ELW 603**

**"God, When Human Bonds Are Broken"**

**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**

**p. 147-148**

**Hymn of Praise**

**"Glory to God"**

**p. 148-149**

**Prayer of the Day**

O Lord Jesus,

**Make us instruments of your peace, that where there is hatred, we may sow love, where there is injury, pardon, and where there is despair, hope. Grant, O divine master, that we may seek to console, to understand, and to love in your name, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

**Amen.**

**Word**

**Reading**

**Genesis 45:3-11, 15**  
**1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50**

**After each reading:**

**L: Word of God, Word of life.**  
**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Special Music**

**Stacy Owens**

**Children's Message**

**Lisa Bassingthwaite**

**L: The reading from the gospel of Luke, 6<sup>th</sup> chapter.**

**C: Glory to You, O Lord**

**Gospel:**

**Luke 6:27-38**

**L: The Gospel of our Lord.**

**C: Praise to You, O Christ**

**Sermon**

**“Which rule is it?”**

**Pastor Amy**

**Hymn of the Day**

**“Build a Longer Table”**

**ACS 1062**

**Apostles' Creed**

**p.217**

**Prayers of the People**

***After each petition of the prayer, congregation responds with:***

**“Hear our prayer”**

**Offertory**

**“Create in Me a Clean Heart”**

**ELW 186**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**p.221**

**Sending**

**Benediction**

**L: As you go on your way, may God go with you. May God go before you to show you the way. May God go behind you to encourage you, beside you to befriend you, above you to watch over, within you to give you peace. In the name of the Father, Son, and Spirit.**

**C: Amen!**

**Sending Hymn**

**“In Christ There is No East or West”**

**ELW 650**

**Dismissal**

**L: Go in peace, be the love!**

**C: Thanks be to God, and we will!**

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**Postlude**

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**Worship Band:**  
**Vocalists:** Kelly Voss, Alison Voss, Lara Lekang  
**Guitar:** Pat Trappen  
**Drums:** Tracy Bommersbach      **Bass:** Troy Ballinger

### This Week

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11am Service  
7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

**Gathering Song “Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)”**

**Welcome and Announcements**  
**Please Pass the Welcome Pad**

**Opening Song “Mighty to Save”**

### Call to Worship

**L:** We gather here, where God teaches us  
**C:** **to be more compassionate, to be more loving.**  
**L:** We gather here, where Jesus teaches us  
**C:** **the wisdom to choose forgiveness over holding a grudge, the language of hope so we may speak to all.**  
**L:** We gather here, where the Spirit teaches us  
**C:** **so that we might know how to share grace, and learn to welcome all to this place.**

**Song of Praise “Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)”**

### Greeting

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**C:** **And also with you.**

## **Prayer of the Day**

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**Amen.**

## **Children's Message**

**Lisa Bassingthwaite**

## **Readings**

**Genesis 45:3-11, 15**

**Luke 6:27-38**

## **Message**

**“Which rule is it?”**

**Pastor Amy**

## **Song of the Day**

**Untitled Hymn (Come to Jesus)**

## **Apostles' Creed**

## **Prayers of the People**

**“As We Pray”**

## **Offering Song**

**“At The Cross (Love Ran Red)”**

## **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

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## **Sending Song**

**“Your Grace Is Enough”**

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