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!!
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Today in Service:

Pastor: Pastor Amy Eisenmann **Director of Children, Youth & Family Ministries:** Lisa Bassingthwaite

Director of Volunteer & Hospitality Ministries:

All baptized members of Christ's Church

Ministers: This Week

Organist: Mary Jean Pauly
Ushers: Judy & Doug Peterson

Cantor: Connie Foster
Reader: Connie Foster

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

Communion: Kari Krause, Suzanne Pehl & Vicki Trappen

Altar Flowers:

Eternal Candle: Brenda Gjesdal in memory of Annie CCLI LICENSE #1262078

Sunday, June 1, 2025

10 am Service 7th Sunday of Easter

Gathering

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

L: We gather, each one of us with our own gifts.

C: Each one of us here is different.

L: We come from various backgrounds.

C: We come with differing needs and dreams.

L: Let us gather to worship as one family together.

C: Praise be to God who blesses our diversity and our unity. Amen.

Confession and Forgiveness

Gathering Song

ELW 650

"In Christ There Is No East or West"

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. 213

Hymn of Praise "Glory to God" p. 213-215

Prayer of the Day

L: Bountiful God,

C: Form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Word

1st Reading Acts 16:16-34

After reading: L: Word of God, Word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 97 (read verses responsively)

2nd Reading Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

After reading: L: Word of God, Word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Children's Message Lisa Bassingthwaite

L: The Gospel, according to John, the 17th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

Gospel: John 17:20-26

L: The Gospel of our Lord. C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon Pastor Amy

"The Power of Prayer"

Hymn of the Day ELW 709

"When Our Song Says Peace"

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of the People

After each petition of the prayer, congregation responds with:

"Your mercy is great"

Offertory ELW 186

"Create in Me a Clean Heart"

Offering Prayer

L: Let us pray...

C: God of grace, as we give our offerings today, we are reminded of your great love for us. Your love knows no bounds and is beyond measure. Help us to reflect your love in all that we do, including our giving. May these gifts be used to spread your love to others and bring hope and healing to a world in need. Amen.

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

p.221

Communion

Communion Hymns

"Blest Be the Tie That Binds" ELW 656
"One Bread, One Body" ELW 496

Sending

Communion Blessing

Benediction

L: Friends in Christ, receive the blessing: may God's face shine on you with favor; may Christ Jesus mark you out as his own; and may the Holy Spirit lead you into all truth and peace.

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn

ELW 826

"Thine the Amen"

Dismissal

L: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude

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