Bethany Lutheran Church

7th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 24, 2022 8:00 & 9:30 AM

WELCOME TO BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

We are so glad you are here in God's house for worship. Here are some things to remember as we are gathered together today:

Before worship, talk to God! (see inside cover of hymnal for pre-service prayer prompts)

During worship, let God talk to you!

<u>After</u> worship, talk to one another; and if you're a visitor, please stop by the Connections table before you leave today and capture the QR codes for more information.

<u>Parents of Young Children:</u> We love to have children in worship. God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to completely suppress it in God's house. We know the presence of children in worship is a gift to the church! It is in the Lord's house that we learn how to listen and speak to our God with our brothers and sisters in faith. Feel free to quietly explain the parts of the service and the actions of those leading worship. Children learn how to worship by copying you. If you have a need, we have "worship bags" in the Narthex filled with items to help children and families during worship. There is a <u>Cry Room</u> across the courtyard in the office complex, where you as a parent may take your little one needing a break. You will still be able to hear the worship service; and thus be able to continue your worship of the Lord.

<u>Please</u> place cell phones and electronic devices on mute as you join us in worship this morning. Thank you.

WELCOME



CALL TO WORSHIP: (Hebrews 1:3ff)

Leader: The Son is the radiance of God's glory

and the exact representation of His being, sustaining all things by His powerful Word.

CALL TO CONFESSION: (Hebrews 3:12)

Leader: See to it brothers, that none of you has a wicked, unbelieving heart

that turns away from the living God.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS: (Hebrews 7:26-27 & Hebrews 12:2)

Leader: We need a high priest who is holy, pure, innocent, set apart from sinners,

and who has the highest position in heaven, the throne of majesty.

Jesus, our High Priest, sacrificed for sins once and for all

when He offered Himself.

People: Dear Lord Jesus, it was for my sins You were offered.

Forgive me anew today,

especially of those things that bother me most.

(Silence for confession.)

Leader: Fix your eyes on Jesus, the Author and Perfecter of your faith.

Who for you endured the cross and scorned its shame.

He is at the right hand of the throne of God and for His sake your sin is forgiven.

People: Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Hebrews 10:19-25

 \boldsymbol{B} rothers and sisters, because of the blood of Jesus we can now confidently go into the holy place. Jesus has opened a new and living way for us to go through the curtain. (The curtain is his own body.) We have a superior priest in charge of God's house. We have been sprinkled with his blood to free us from a guilty conscience, and our bodies have

been washed with clean water. So we must continue to come to him with a sincere heart and strong faith. We must continue to hold firmly to our declaration of faith. The one who made the promise is faithful.

We must also consider how to encourage each other to show love and to do good things. We should not stop gathering together with other believers, as some of you are doing. Instead, we must continue to encourage each other even more as we see the day of the Lord coming. - GW ${\mathbb B}$

CHILDREN'S SERMON

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Hebrews 1:1-2

Leader: In the past, God spoke to our forefathers

through the prophets, at many times and in various ways,

People: but in these last days, He has spoken to us by His Son.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 11:1-13

Once Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he stopped praying, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray as John taught his disciples."

Jesus told them, "When you pray, say this:

Father,

let your name be kept holy. Let your kingdom come. Give us our bread day by day. Forgive us as we forgive everyone else. Don't allow us to be tempted."

Jesus said to his disciples, "Suppose one of you has a friend. Suppose you go to him at midnight and say, 'Friend, let me borrow three loaves of bread. A friend of mine on a

trip has dropped in on me, and I don't have anything to serve him.' Your friend might answer you from inside his house, 'Don't bother me! The door is already locked, and my children are in bed. I can't get up to give you anything.' I can guarantee that although he doesn't want to get up to give you anything, he will get up and give you whatever you need because he is your friend and because you were so bold.

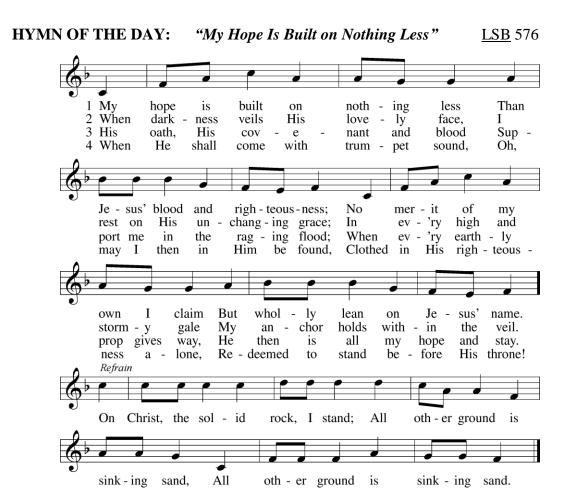
"So I tell you to ask, and you will receive. Search, and you will find. Knock, and the door will be opened for you. Everyone who asks will receive. The one who searches will find, and for the person who knocks, the door will be opened.

"If your child asks you, his father, for a fish, would you give him a snake instead? Or if your child asks you for an egg, would you give him a scorpion? Even though you're evil, you know how to give good gifts to your children. So how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?" — GW ®



SERMON: "Just What We Needed"

Text: Hebrews 10:19-25



Hebrews 10:22a & 23a

Leader: Let us draw near to God with a sincere heart

and hold unswervingly to the hope we profess.

APOSTLES' CREED: (* catholic means the universal Christian Church)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day He rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy *catholic Church,

the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

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 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.

OFFERING: The Offering Box is located in the center aisle. If you so desire, Text Giving is now available by texting GIVE to 562-210-0463. For On-line Giving information, contact Maraley at mshaeffer@bethanylutheran.org or call 562-421-4711, ext. 21. Thank you!

+ Holy Communion +

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Bethany in the joyful confession that our Lord gives us His very Body and Blood for the forgiveness of sins in this sacrament. God intends this gift for His children who recognize their sin, trust in Christ as their Savior, desire to live for Him alone and join in this joyful confession.

To help you prepare for communion we invite you to take a few moments of quiet prayer. For aid there are prayers on the front page of the hymnal for both before and after the reception of communion. Or simply pray, Dear Lord Jesus, at Your gracious invitation You invite me to come to You, to eat and drink Your holy body and blood as You Yourself have promised to give in this sacrament of Your altar. Forgive me of my sin, through this Your meal of Forgiveness. Let me experience the fullness of Your love, through this Your meal of love. Strengthen my faith, through this meal of Yours that calls for and bestows faith. Empower me to live for You, through this Your meal that promises life everlasting and equips me for daily living as one who has received You and Your gifts.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE BLESSING: (Hebrews 13:20-21)

Leader: May the God of peace,

who through the blood of the eternal covenant

was brought back from the dead.

Our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing His will, and may He work in you what is pleasing to Him,

through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN:

"To God Be the Glory"



POSTLUDE

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"Praise the Almighty" LSB 797

Text: Johann Dnaiel Herrnschmidt, 1675-1723; tr. Alfred E. R. Brauer, 1866-1949, alt.

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Tune: New-vermehrte Christliche Seelenharpf, Ansbach, 1665; setting: Christian Worship, 1993

Text and Music: Public domain

"I Lay My Sins on Jesus" LSB 606

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-89. Tune: Neu-vermehrtes . . . Gesangbuch, 3rd ed., Meiningen, 1693.

Text and music: Public domain

"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" LSB 576

Text: Edward Mote, 1797-1874, alt. Tune: William B. Bradbury, 1816-68. Text and tune: Public domain

"To God Be the Glory"

Text: Fanny J. Crosby. Music: William H. Doane. Text and Music: Public domain

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You can hear them as podcasts on our website www.bethanylutheran.org.

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The *Bethany Bullet* is a weekly capsule of worship highlights, and important information about events taking place at BLC. If you would like to receive the *Bethany Bullet* please email Aimee Coleman (acoleman@bethanylutheran.org) with your name and email address.

The purpose of the *Bethany Bullet* is to bolster you in faith, build you up in the key Biblical themes shared the previous Sunday in worship, to bring to mind the important issues on Bethany's plate, and to broaden your awareness of opportunities of service to your Lord, your church, and your community. Tell a friend about the *Bethany Bullet!*

REGULAR CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

 $\label{eq:monday-mon} \begin{aligned} & Monday-Thursday \ from \ 7:30 \ AM-12:00 \ PM \ noon. \\ & \textbf{Closed Fridays}. \end{aligned}$

OUT OF THE OFFICE IS:

Pastor Kyle Blake – July 16-30 Tammy Simpson – July 24-31 Kayleigh Lopez – July 25-August 5

The <u>Church Office</u> will be closed Monday, July 25 and Tuesday, July 26, as Cindy Morrison is on vacation.