

Bethany Lutheran Church

18th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 9, 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!

After 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.

Parents of Young Children: *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 **Cry Room** 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.

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

PRELUDE:

"Suite Brève, Op. 54: II. Cantilène"

~ Jean Langlais

Organ

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN: *“Only-Begotten, Word of God Eternal”* LSB 916



1 On - ly - be - got - ten, Word of God e - ter - nal, Lord of cre-
2 Ho - ly this tem - ple where our Lord is dwell - ing; This is none
3 Hear us, O Fa - ther, as we throng Your tem - ple. By Your past
△ 4 God in three per - sons, Fa - ther ev - er - last - ing, Son co - e -
a - tion, mer - ci - ful and might - y: Hear us, Your ser - vants,
oth - er than the gate of heav - en. Ev - er Your chil - dren,
bless - ings, by Your pres - ent boun - ty, Smile on Your chil - dren,
ter - nal, ev - er bless - ed Spir - it: To You be prais - es,
as our tune - ful voic - es Rise in Your pres - ence.
year by year re - joic - ing, Chant in Your tem - ple.
and in grace and mer - cy Hear our pe - ti - tion.
thanks, and ad - o - ra - tion, Glo - ry for - ev - er.

CALL TO WORSHIP: *(Based on II Timothy 1:2b)*

Leader: Good will, mercy, and peace are yours from God the Father
 and Christ Jesus our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS: *(Based on II Timothy 2:22-23)*

Leader: God has called us to pursue faith, love and peace;
 to avoid lust, foolish arguments, a judgmental attitude
 and to be willing to suffer wrong.

Yet, I confess to you, my brothers and sisters, and to God Almighty,
that I have sinned by my fault, by my own fault,
by my own most grievous fault;
and I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me,
forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

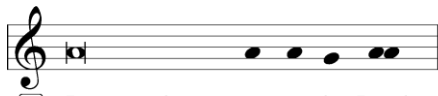
People: **The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness
and remission of all your sins. Amen.**

**We too, confess to God Almighty, before our brothers and sisters,
that we have sinned by our fault, by our own fault,
by our own most grievous fault;
and we pray God Almighty to have mercy on us,
forgive us all our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. Amen.**

Leader: The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness
and remission of all your sins.

People: **Amen.**

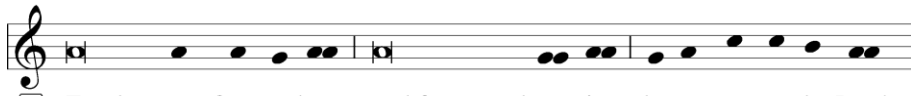
KYRIE: “*Lord, Have Mercy*”



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



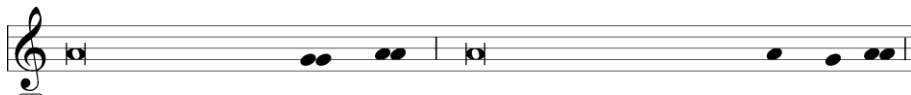
C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from a-bove and for our sal-va-tion let us pray to the Lord.



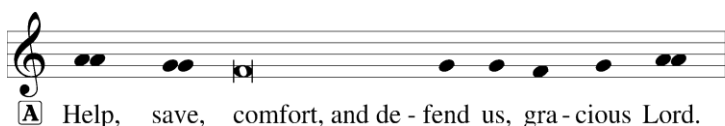
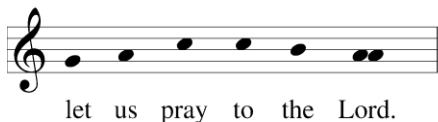
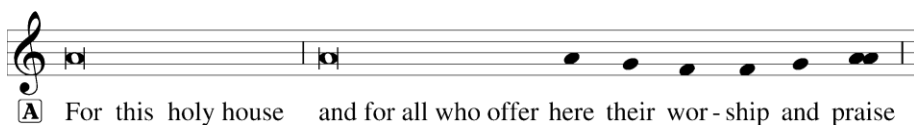
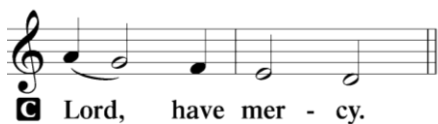
C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the uni-ty of all let us pray to the Lord.



Leader: The Holy Scriptures have the power to give you wisdom,

People: **so that we can be saved through faith in Christ Jesus.**

Leader: Every Scripture passage is inspired by God.
All of them are useful for teaching, pointing out errors,
correcting people and training all for a life that has God's approval.
(II Timothy 3:15-16)

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: *Ruth 1:1-7, 16-18*

In the days when the judges were ruling, there was a famine in the land. A man from Bethlehem in Judah went with his wife and two sons to live for a while in the country of Moab. The man's name was Elimelech, his wife's name was Naomi, and the names of

their two sons were Mahlon and Chilion. They were descendants of Ephrathah from Bethlehem in the territory of Judah. They went to the country of Moab and lived there.

Now, Naomi's husband Elimelech died, and she was left alone with her two sons. Each son married a woman from Moab. One son married a woman named Orpah, and the other son married a woman named Ruth. They lived there for about ten years. Then both Mahlon and Chilion died as well. So Naomi was left alone, without her two sons or her husband.

Naomi and her daughters-in-law started on the way back from the country of Moab. (While they were still in Moab she heard that the LORD had come to help His people and give them food. So she left the place where she had been living, and her two daughters-in-law went with her.) They began to walk back along the road to the territory of Judah...

But Ruth answered, "Don't force me to leave you. Don't make me turn back from following you. Wherever you go, I will go, and wherever you stay, I will stay. Your people will be my people, and your God will be my God. Wherever you die, I will die, and I will be buried there with you. May the LORD strike me down if anything but death separates you and me!"

When Naomi saw that Ruth was determined to go with her, she ended the conversation.
– GW ®

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: *II Timothy 2:1-13*

My child, find your source of strength in the kindness of Christ Jesus. You've heard my message, and it's been confirmed by many witnesses. Entrust this message to faithful individuals who will be competent to teach others.

Join me in suffering like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. Whoever serves in the military doesn't get mixed up in non-military activities. This pleases his commanding officer. Whoever enters an athletic competition wins the prize only when playing by the rules. A hard-working farmer should have the first share of the crops. Understand what I'm saying. The Lord will help you understand all these things.

Always think about Jesus Christ. He was brought back to life and is a descendant of David. This is the Good News that I tell others. I'm suffering disgrace for spreading this

If we have died with Him, we will live with Him.
 If we endure, we will rule with Him.
 If we disown Him, He will disown us.
 If we are unfaithful, He remains faithful
 because He cannot be untrue to Himself. – GW®

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee on His way to Jerusalem. As He went into a village, ten men with a skin disease met Him. They stood at a distance and shouted, “Jesus, Teacher, have mercy on us!”

Jesus asked, “Weren’t ten men made clean? Where are the other nine? Only this foreigner came back to praise God.”

Jesus told the man, “Get up, and go home! Your faith has made you well.” – GW ®

SERMON HYMN:

“Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling”

LSB 650

1 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er dwell - ing In the ho - liest
 2 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er liv - ing As the Church's
 3 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er work - ing Through the Church's

realms of light; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er brood - ing
 ver - y life; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er striv - ing
 min - is - try; Quick - 'ning, strength - 'ning, and ab - solv - ing,

O'er a world of gloom and night; Ho - ly Spir - it,
 Through us in a cease - less strife; Ho - ly Spir - it,
 Set - ting cap - tive sin - ners free; Ho - ly Spir - it,

ev - er rais - ing Those of earth to thrones on high; Liv - ing,
 ev - er form - ing In the Church the mind of Christ: You we
 ev - er bind - ing Age to age and soul to soul In com -

life - im - part - ing Spir - it, You we praise and mag - ni - fy.
 praise with end - less wor - ship For Your gifts and fruits un - priced.
 mu - nion nev - er end - ing, You we wor - ship and ex - tol.

SERMON: *“Connected”*

HYMN OF THE DAY: *“Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice”*

LSB 556



1 Dear Chris-tians, one and all, re - joice, With ex - ul - ta - tion
6 The Son o - beyed His Fa - ther's will, Was born of vir - gin
7 To me He said: "Stay close to Me, I am your rock and



spring-ing, And with u - nit - ed heart and voice And ho - ly
moth - er; And God's good plea - sure to ful - fill, He came to
cas - tle. Your ran - som I My - self will be; For you I



rap - ture sing - ing, Pro - claim the won - ders God has done, How
be my broth - er. His roy - al pow'r dis-guised He bore; A
striveand wres - tle. For I am yours, and you are Mine, And



His right arm the vic-t'ry won. What price our ran - som cost Him!
ser - vant's form, like mine, He wore To lead the dev - il cap - tive.
where I am you may re-main; The foe shall not di - vide us.

NICENE CREED: (* catholic means the universal Christian Church)

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy *catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.
Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH:

Leader: O Lord, in this world of uncertainty and confusion grant us to love Your Word of truth and to rejoice in Your promises continually, that we may live in Your peace. Lord, in Your mercy,
People: **hear our prayer.**

Leader: Heavenly Father, Timothy learned of Christ from his grandmother, Lois and his mother, Eunice. Bless parents and grandparents, that they might be examples of Jesus' love and proclaim His truth and goodness to their children. Lord, in Your mercy,
People: **hear our prayer.**

Leader: Dearest Jesus our Prince of Peace, remember those who suffer from violence, strife, abuse, neglect and rejection. Walk with them, through Your church, in their pain and lift them to Your place of honor. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: Ruler of all seated at God's right hand, we thank You for the freedom we have in this nation. Give to those whom we have entrusted, and to those who we shall soon entrust, the authority of government the spirit of wisdom. Grant that we may choose trustworthy leaders and contribute to wise decisions for the general welfare, that there may be justice and peace in our land. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: O Great Physician, O Gracious Giver, we pray that You would extend Your hand to heal and deliver, according to Your will, all those in affliction and illness who we name before You or lift unto You in our hearts and minds _____ and Lord grant that all those who celebrate this day, including _____, know that You are the Giver of every good and perfect gift. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: Into Your hands we commend all for whom we pray trusting in Your mercy through Jesus Christ Your Son our Lord who has taught us to pray...

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 Maralee at mshaeffer@bethanylutheran.org or call 562-421-4711, ext. 21. Thank you!*

*****For our 8:00 a.m. worshippers, the service continues on page 14 with the special announcements.**

*****For our 9:30 a.m. worshippers, the service continues with the Celebration of Holy Communion:**

+ 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.

*****Our communion pattern at Bethany for the 8:00 AM service is the 1st and 3rd Sundays, generally at the rail. For the 9:30 AM service, it is the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays, generally walking past the fount. Follow the direction of the ushers. For those members desiring to commune with the individual packets, we ask that you pick one up from the Church Narthex prior to worship. After the words of institution, when your row is dismissed to the table, we invite you to commune.**

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

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

"O Living Bread from Heaven"

LSB 642



1 O liv - ing Bread from heav - en, How well You
 2 My Lord, You here have led me To this most
 3 You gave me all I want - ed; This food can
 4 Lord, grant me then, thus strength - ened With heav'n - ly

feed Your guest! The gifts that You have giv - en
 ho - ly place And with Your - self have fed me
 death de - stroy. And You have free - ly grant - ed
 food, while here My course on earth is length - ened,

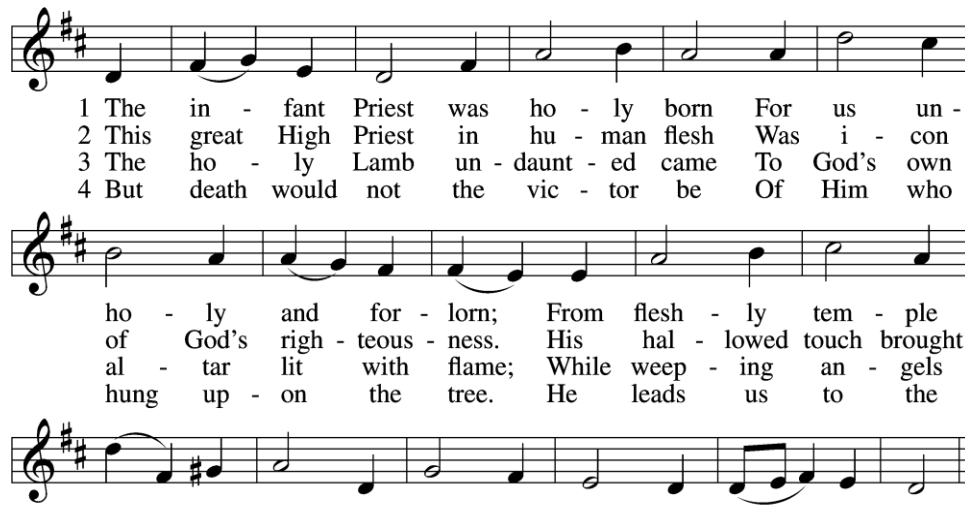
Have filled my heart with rest. Oh, won - drous food of
 The trea - sures of Your grace; For You have free - ly
 The cup of end - less joy. My Lord, I do not
 To serve with ho - ly fear. And when You call my

bles - ing, Oh, cup that heals our woes! My heart, this
 giv - en What earth could nev - er buy, The bread of
 mer - it The fa - vor You have shown, And all my
 spir - it To leave this world be - low, I en - ter,

gift pos - sess - ing, With prais - es o - ver - flows.
 life from heav - en, That now I shall not die.
 soul and spir - it Bow down be - fore Your throne.
 through Your mer - it, Where joys un - min - gled flow.

"The Infant Priest Was Holy Born"

LSB 624



1 The in - fant Priest was ho - ly born For us un -
2 This great High Priest in hu - man flesh Was i - con
3 The ho - ly Lamb un - daunt - ed came To God's own
4 But death would not the vic - tor be Of Him who

ho - ly and for - lorn; From flesh - ly tem - ple
of God's righ - teous - ness. His hal - lowed touch brought
al - tar lit with flame; While weep - ing an - gels
hung up - on the tree. He leads us to the

forth came He, A - noint - ed from e - ter - ni - ty.
sanc - ti - ty; His hand re - moved im - pu - ri - ty.
hid their eyes, This Priest be - came a sac - ri - fice.
Ho - ly Place With - in the veil, be - fore God's face.

- 5 The veil is torn, our Priest we see,
As at the rail on bended knee
Our hungry mouths from Him receive
The bread of immortality.
- 6 The body of God's Lamb we eat,
A priestly food and priestly meat;
On sin-parched lips the chalice pours
His quenching blood that life restores.
- 7 With cherubim and seraphim
Our voices join the endless hymn,
And "Holy, holy, holy" sing
To Christ, God's Lamb, our Priest and King.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE BLESSING:

Leader: Go and fight the good fight, complete the race, keep the faith;
for the prize is yours in Christ,

People: **not only ours, it belongs to all who eagerly await His coming.**
Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: “Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word” LSB 655

1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in Your Word; Curb those who
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For You are
3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, Send peace and
by de - ceit or sword Would wrest the king - dom from Your
Lord of lords a - lone; De - fend Your ho - ly Church that
u - ni - ty on earth; Sup - port us in our fi - nal
Son And bring to naught all He has done.
we May sing Your praise e - ter - nal - ly.
strife And lead us out of death to life.

POSTLUDE: “Suite Brève, Op. 54: IV. Dialogue sur les Mixtures” Organ ~ Jean Langlais

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“Our Sabbath continues at 11:00 AM as we gather for study via zoom to connect more deeply with the texts read and proclaimed in worship and to connect with one another; brothers and sister sent with us into the world as His hands, feet and voice.”

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/879060806> Meeting ID: 879 060 806

There is no password.

In October, we start a four-week series leading up to Reformation Day from II Timothy:
“Gathered, Connected, Sent! What Does This Mean?”

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“Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling” LSB 650

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“Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice” LSB 556

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“O Living Bread from Heaven” LSB 642

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“The Infant Priest Was Holy Born” LSB 624

Text: Chad L. Bird, b. 1970. Tune: *Second Supplement to Psalmody in Miniature*, London, 1778; adapt. Edward Miller, 1731-1807; Setting: *The Worshipbook: Services and Hymns*, 1972.
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“Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word.” LSB 655

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SERVING GOD’S HOUSE TODAY:

Children's Sermon... Alissa Brege
Acolyte 8:00... Daniel Evans
Acolyte 9:30... Reenie Long
Usher Team 8:00... Team 10
Lector 8:00... Claude Potter
Elders 8:00... Jonathan Widmann, Marty Callow
Accompanist... Kevin Bowers
Liturgist... Senior Pastor Kevin L. Kritzer

Choir Director... Jordan Kirby
Crucifer 8:00... Benjamin Evans
Crucifer 9:30... Jamie Long
Usher Team 9:30... Team 12
Lector 9:30... Greg Goebel
Elders 9:30... Pat Gagan, Jon Ludwig
Organist... Robert Bottoms
Preacher... Pastor Kyle Blake

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Having been called to Faith in Christ, moved by the love of God the Father
and empowered by the Holy Spirit,
the members of Bethany Lutheran Church are committed to:

Worshiping Faithfully (Acts 2:42, 46)
Forming Spiritually (Colossians 1:10-14)
Serving Passionately (Ephesians 2:10)
Giving Proportionately (Luke 21:1-4)
Sharing Intentionally (Matthew 28:19-20)

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