

# Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

June 30, 2024 – 10am

Modern Worship, ELW Setting 10



Prelude Music

Announcements

## Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

C: Amen.

P: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: God, our provider,

C: **help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.**

P: Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, † the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

C: Amen.

Gathering Song:

*Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

ELW #773

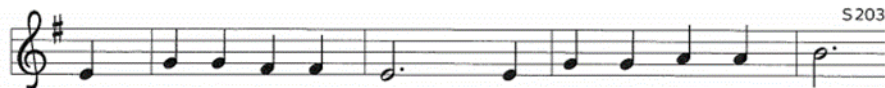
## Greeting

P: 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!

## Kyrie

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1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.  
2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.  
3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.




We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.  
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.  
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

## Glory to God


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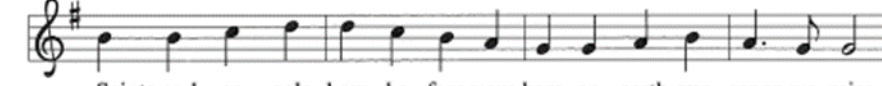
1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.  
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.  
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:  
Son of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;  
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.  
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.  
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.  
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.  
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

## Prayer of the Day

A: Let us pray together,

**C: Almighty and merciful God, we implore you to hear the prayers of your people. Be our strong defense against all harm and danger, that we may live and grow in faith and hope, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## First Reading: Lamentations 3:22-33

*The book of Lamentations is one of our most important sources of information about the fall of Jerusalem to the Babylonians in 587 BCE. Though the people admit that God's judgment was just, today's reading declares a fervent trust that God will not leave them forever.*

22 The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; 23 they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. 24 "The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him." 25 The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. 26 It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord. 27 It is good for one to bear the yoke in youth, 28 to sit alone in silence when the Lord has imposed it, 29 to put one's mouth to the dust (there may yet be hope), 30 to give one's cheek to the smiter, and be filled with insults. 31 For the Lord will not reject forever. 32 Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; 33 for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

L: The Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God**

## Psalm: Psalm 30

1 I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have lifted me up and have not let my enemies triumph over me.

**2 O Lord my God, I cried out to you, and you restored me to health.**

*(continued on next page)*

3 You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead; you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.

**4 Sing praise to the Lord, all you faithful; give thanks in holy remembrance.**

5 God's wrath is short; God's favor lasts a lifetime. Weeping spends the night, but joy comes in the morning.

**6 While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed.**

7 You, Lord, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains." Then you hid your face, and I was filled with fear.

**8 I cried to you, O Lord; I pleaded with my Lord, saying,**

9 "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the pit? Will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?

**10 Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; O Lord, be my helper."**

11 You have turned my wailing into dancing; you have put off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy.

**12 Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; O Lord my God, I will give you thanks forever.**

## Gospel Acclamation:

## Alleluia

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Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.

Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.

Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

## Gospel: Mark 5:21-43

*Jairus, a respected leader, begs Jesus to heal his daughter. A woman with a hemorrhage was considered ritually unclean and treated as an outcast. Both Jairus and the unnamed woman come to Jesus in faith, believing in his power to heal and bring life out of death.*

P: A reading from... **C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

21 When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. 22 Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet 23 and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live." 24 So he went with him. And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. 25 Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. 26 She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. 27 She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, 28 for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." 29 Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. 30 Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?" 31 And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'" 32 He looked all around to see who had done it. 33 But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. 34 He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease." 35 While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" 36 But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." 37 He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. 38 When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. 39 When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." 40 And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with

him, and went in where the child was. 41 He took her by the hand and said to her, “Talitha cum,” which means, “Little girl, get up!” 42 And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. 43 He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

**Sermon**

*Pastor Paul Busekist*

**Song of the Day:**

***Healer of Our Every Ill***

**ELW #612**

**Apostles Creed**

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

**Prayers of the Church / Sign of the Peace** *(Let us give one another a sign of peace according to your comfort level.)*

**Offering / Offering Song:**

*Zeke Clemons*

**Offertory:**

***Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful***

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of  
bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that  
we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of  
all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble  
with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

## Offering Prayer

A: Let us pray together.

C: Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.

## 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 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.

**Communion** (*Please note: gluten-free wafers and white grape juice cups are available*)

**Communion Songs:**

*Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service  
Taste and See*

**ELW #712  
ELW #493**

### Final Blessing

P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ☩ be upon you now and forever.

C: Amen.

**Sending Song:**

*I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me*

**ELW #860**

### Dismissal

A: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C: Thanks be to God.



**Bethlehem** June 30, 2024  
LUTHERAN CHURCH

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

7/2—Jim Johnson

7/6—Julie Cole

7/5—Norm Fred

7/7—Michelle Smith

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**COMMUNION AT THE RAILING:** During the July 14th Traditional service, we will have a trial run of receiving Communion at the altar railing. Because of the location of the musicians, just the railing on the East side will be used. You may either kneel or stand, depending on your comfort level. We plan to repeat this trial run at the August Traditional service.

**The ELCA Youth Gathering is July 16-20th, 2024 in New Orleans.** We are very excited to have two youth and two adult leaders from BLC attending this wonderful event! Please keep these youth and their adult leaders in your prayers as they prepare to make the journey to attend Gathering!

### **Worship Servants for June 30**

Assisting Minister—Bethany Uhl

Lector—Kathy Ancinec

Musicians: David Husser, Zeke Clemons, Phil & Denice Bossardet, Pr. Paul

Today's altar flowers are donated: *by the Congregation in thanks for all of God's Blessings.*

Hospitality—Gary & Kathy Ancinec

A/V—Acker Family

Cookies/Coffee— Gail Goldsmith / Mary Ann Tanis

Welcome Table— Gail Goldsmith

Bell Ringer— Gail Goldsmith

Front Door Monitors— Norm Fred

Altar Guild— Mary Ann Tanis / Gail Goldsmith

Tech Support—Julia Acker

Counters—Forrest Bowling / Jim Monroe

**TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME** Let's go to a Pit Spitter Game. We are planning a church event to go on Sunday July 14th at 5:05 P.M. If you would like to go please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex. The cost is \$12 per person. Please write checks to Bethlehem Lutheran Church and note Pit Spitters in the memo line. Sign up and money must be received by July 7th. LET'S HAVE SOME FUN!!!

**GET A TREAT AND TAKE A SEAT!!!** Remember that since this is the final Sunday of month, we are moving our coffee hour into the Fellowship Hall. This allows each person to sit for a moment and perhaps visit with someone new. So, on that Sunday each month be sure to take a turn into the Fellowship Hall. We will have a reminder sign on the counter in the Gathering Space to help you remember. Thank you!

**CHAIR YOGA:** Bethlehem Lutheran Church will be having Chair Yoga again. We have a new instructor, Janet Weaver who is a nurse and teaches Chair Yoga independently and at The Village of Bay Ridge and the Traverse Area District Library. **We will have the class on Mondays at 3:00 in the Fellowship Hall.. The group will meet each Monday through July – except for July 1st during Cherry Festival.** The cost will be \$5.00 per class. There is no need to sign up, just attend the class. If there are any questions, contact Gail Goldsmith 231-633-2630.

**FOR BOOK CLUB MEMBERS:** The book club will be taking a break for the months of July and August. Be sure to keep reading and send Cindy any of your suggestions for the fall at [cmonroe@chartermi.net](mailto:cmonroe@chartermi.net). Already requested are *The River We Remember* by William Kent Krueger and *The Women* by Kristin Hannah. We have a hold on the latter at the library, but there are 4 holds ahead of us.

**Parking Lot Fundraiser UPDATE:** We have wonderfully full crews of volunteers for both of our weekend parking lot fundraiser shifts! Thank you for volunteering - God Bless You and your generous hearts! **We are still looking for volunteers for the 4th of July shift, from 6pm - 10:30pm.** It's a commitment of only a few hours, and you get the satisfaction of knowing you participated in the biggest yearly fundraiser for Bethlehem's youth program - then go across the road to the beach and watch the fireworks! An updated sign-up sheet is in the Narthex and in your weekly email. Thank you for supporting our youth program!

**VBS Registration is Open!** Kids ages 3-10 are invited to join us for Scuba Vacation Bible School on July 29th - 31st. Activities will include games, crafts, storytime, snacks, and other fun as they learn all about God's love for them! Registration is available online now in your weekly email or on the BLC website. Space is limited, so sign up now!

**VBS Volunteers Needed!** We are still looking for a few more volunteers for VBS! Do you love being around children and seeing their joy and fun, especially while they learn about God's Word? Do you have a few hours free in the last week of July? Sign up now to volunteer for VBS! Updated sign-up sheets are in the Narthex or in your weekly email, or you can reach out directly to Alanna to sign up or ask questions! Thank you for generously volunteering your time and your heart!

**The July issue of the STAR is now available.** If you receive the weekly email, your issue should be in with your emails this morning. The shut-ins will receive an issue by mail. There will also be a few copies available on the counter by the mailboxes. You may also contact the office at 947-9880 to request that mail delivery continues. For current issues of the Star, feel free to check online at [www.bethlehemtc.org](http://www.bethlehemtc.org) < About Us > “The Online Bethlehem Star” or type this URL to get these directly: <http://www.bethlehemtc.org/the-bethlehem-star-newsletter>.

**Volunteers for Watching the Front Door During Worship:** The Safety and Security Committee has the new sign up sheets available. We need volunteers who can be available to stay in the Gathering Space to lock the doors and let in late comers for Sundays in July and August. We appreciate all of the volunteers. If you have any questions, the committee members are Gail Goldsmith, Maureen Bauer, Jana Rockne and Jan Stretlien.

**Parkinson’s walk and picnic:** We have another community event coming up to support a member of BLC so please mark your calendars for Aug 24 at 10:00 at the Civic Center. There will be a sign-up for shirts in early July on the table in the gathering space. There will be more info coming but just wanted you to reserve that date if possible.

**Good Samaritan Fund Drive:** You did so well with contributions last year that council agreed that a drive should be repeated this summer, especially since the needs are so great in our community. Please keep that in mind if you have been setting any \$\$\$ aside for a special need.

**Food/Supply Pantry:** It’s SUMMER! Please LOOK for staple items when they are on sale and bring your extras to the coat room. Families visiting the baby pantry especially have appreciated the cleaning supplies. NO matter what you bring your generosity is so appreciated.

**Building and Office Hours are: 9:00am – 2:30pm, Monday – Thursday.**

**Offerings:** Even though the offering plates are passed during the service, you may use the vase in the back of the Sanctuary if you prefer not to touch the offering plate.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** We often find the front door and/or the kitchen door unlocked when there is no one in the building. Please be sure that the doors are locked when you leave.

**Please Note:**

Barbara Oster/Administrative Assistant works 9:00am-2:30pm on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday

Phil Anderson/Bookkeeper works 8:30am-12:30pm on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. This is a change for the summer months

Alanna Steffunick/Ministry Coordinator works 9:00am-2:30pm – in the office on Tuesday and Thursday and from home on Wednesday

**The July / August / September Christ In Our Home is now available.**

**Taking a break for the summer:** Wednesday Bible and Book Studies along with Sunday School, Adult Education, XYZ, our Third Thursday services and Tuesday morning Quilters will all pause for the summer. These activities will return in September.

**Are you grieving something from a death or something else?** It could be any kind of loss, and it hurts. We have a place for you here at Bethlehem on the 3rd Monday of the month from 6:00 to 7:00 in the library. If you have any questions, please contact Peggy Burns at 231 392-6913.

**Prayer Requests:**

- Prayer Chain: Please contact Jan Stretlien at [jstretlien@gmail.com](mailto:jstretlien@gmail.com) or 231-947-3265
- Prayers read from the altar: Please call Administrative Assistant in the church office 231-947-9880

**Celebrate a new child in your life with a rose on the baptismal font!** Cost \$10.00 per rose. Contact Barbara Oster at beo6475@yahoo.com or 231.668.7038.

**Norm Fred has helped a previously homeless couple for a few years.** They are proud people and do not like to be given charity but they will accept help in the form of donated cans that they can recycle for money. Please bring in your recyclables in for them. **Leave them in plastic bags by the garage.** These are nice people. There, but for the Grace of our God, go we.

**Spotlight on Zeke:** So many of us enjoy Zeke's talents with religious music, but did you know that he plays other kinds of music at various locations in the Traverse City area? Here is a list of his engagements in the next month that are close to TC: **Fri 7/05—Hotel Indigo 6:00pm**

**Coffee and Cookies on Sunday:** Remember that treats and a drink on Sunday are appreciated by all. Please take a moment to sign up to bring cookies or some other tasty treat on the Sunday that works best for you. Or sign up to prepare the coffee to give our loyal volunteer Mary Ann Tanis a day off. Please see the message elsewhere about having the final Sunday of the month be a time when we join in the Fellowship Hall for this activity. We can sit at a table and chat with someone new while we munch on a treat.

**Are you looking for the Caring Table for your donations?** It has been moved inside the coat room to the right. Also, the area for the Oleson and Family Fair receipts is in the lower cabinets below the mailboxes (under the A-B-Cs...). The cabinet door is marked with the receptacle inside.

**LOST AND FOUND:** If you lose something in the church building, please check our new Lost and Found box located in the Coat Room. Also, if you find something, please put it in the box.

**Yarn Available:** There is yarn available free for the taking located in the cabinets located under the mailboxes in the Narthex. Take what you need.

**Name tags:** Your name tags are in your mailboxes. Please retrieve them so you can proudly wear them on Sunday mornings. We often have visitors and with so many recent new members it helps them if they can see a friendly face and attach a name to it.

**A big thank you to all who have turned in Olesons' slips.** On April 8th, we received a check from Olesons for \$206.60. Olesons' slips never expire. Please continue to turn in your Olesons receipts to Bethlehem. Thanks so much!!!

**The church calendar is below. Please be sure to notify the office (admin@bethlehemtc.org or 231.947.9880) to be sure that your group is of the calendar.**

**Sunday, June 30**

9:30am—Parking Lot Fundraiser  
10:00am—Worship Service (S)

**Tuesday, July 2**

**Bulletin articles due today**

9:00am—Property Work Group  
10:45am—Staff Meeting (CR)

**Wednesday, July 3**

11:30am—Music Rehearsal (S)

**Thursday, July 4**

**Happy Fourth of July**

**Office Closed**

5:30pm—ACA (FH)  
6:00pm—Parking Lot Fundraiser

**Sunday, July 7**

10:00am—Worship Service (S)  
11:15am—Worship and Music (CR)

