WELCOME

to Bethel Lutheran Church!

Thanks for being with us on this Mother's Day! We're so glad you're here! Today, we focus on our identity as followers of Jesus Christ. What a privilege to be counted as sons and daughters of the Living God! And may our worship help us to see again, the great length God has gone to draw us to Himself, for now, and through eternity. May you be challenged, inspired, and blessed through our service today!

* You are invited to stand as you are able.

The Prelude: Improvisation on "Terra Patris"

L: Th

1 Peter 2:9-10

James

The Welcome/Announcements/Video

*The Opening Hymn: "This Is My Father's World"

#824

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*The Pastoral Greeting:

Leader: We begin today in the Name and the Spirit of the Author of all life, hope, and love...

People: In the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit!

Amen!

*Today's Responsive Reading:

- L: Lord, when we forget the place that we have been given in Your heart...
- P: Remind us of Your tremendous love for us!
- L: When we doubt Your promise and commitment to us...
- P: Instill in us a confidence, courage, and character, that is secure in our relationship with You!
- L: Challenge us to live lives worthy of our calling...
- P: And empower us to be bright lights and beacons to others!
- L: And when we stumble and fall...
- P: Grant us Your grace, pick us up, and point us back in the direction that we were meant to go!
- L: Teach us to trust You more each day, as our Heavenly Father and Parent...
- P: May our standing in Your kingdom, family, and church, continue to transform us!
- * The Prayer of the Day:
- L: Lord of the Journey...
- P: Help us to walk, and to live secure, in our glorious identity as Your children and chosen ones. May our presence, and our future in Your family, be an encouragement and an inspiration to us! In Your name, we pray. Amen!

*Sharing God's Peace:

.: The peace of the Lord be with you, always.

P: And also with you!

The Children's Message: Pastor John Lestock

Music Ministry: "A Mother's Prayer" Sager & Foster
Bella Glancy, vocals; Skip James, piano

The First Lesson:

Acts 7:55-60

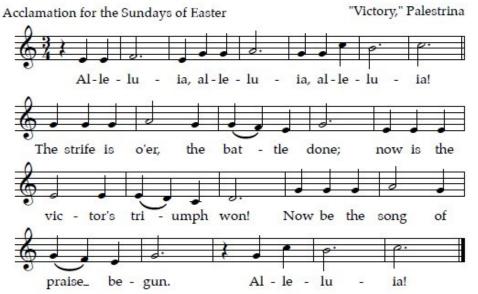
The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God!

The Second Lesson:

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God!



*The Gospel Lesson: John 14:1-6

The Message: "Just Who Do You Think You Are?"
Pastor John Lestock

*The Hymn: "Children of the Heavenly Father" #781

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the Holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*The Offering Prayer:

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

*The Apostle's Creed:

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,

born of the virgin Mary,

Creator of heaven and earth.

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

On the third day, He rose again.

He descended to the dead.

He ascended into heaven,

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord.

who was conceived by the holy Spirit,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

L: Gracious God, we come to give of ourselves today...

He is seated at the right hand of the Father.

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

P: Open our eyes to the needs of Your people, open our hands to share what has been entrusted to us, and open our hearts to be willing and joyful givers! In Your name and Spirit, we pray. Amen!

Giving our First and Best to God through our Offering

The Offering Music: Improvisation on "Machs mit mir, Gott" James

*The Prayers of God's People:

L: Hear us, O Lord...

P: Your mercy is great!

*The 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.

^{*}The Closing Blessing:

*The Closing Hymn: "Rise, Shine, You People!" #665

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*The Sending:

L: Go now, as sons and daughters of the Living God!

P: We go, as children of the Kingdom, and growing in His grace!

Postlude: Improvisation on "Wojtkiewiecz" James

WE HOLD IN PRAYER

THOSE WHO ARE SICK, INJURED AND IN NEED OF HEALING

Jerry Adams, Carol Amdahl, Marlin Amdahl, Jason Benson, Ken Bipes, Jeff Bowers, Joe Breault, Teresa Dickman, Paul Engebretson, Marlys Fiedler, Patrick Gibbons, Jane Hanson, Joy Hanson, Tyler Hanson, Sharon Haugo, Chuck Hildebrandt, Barb Holt, Jackie Hugdahl, Carol & Gary Jensen, Joe Kinney, Ken Larson, Pat Larson, Emily O'Malley-Larson, Ruth Lewis, Laura Lindahl, Bruce Miller, Brent Myster, Mary Kay Nolan, Donna Offerdahl, Bill Olson, Lois Palm, Terri Pomeroy, Luanne Rimer, Betty Seastedt, Joan Sorenson, Richard Thoemke, Dick Trende

THOSE SERVING OR DEPLOYED IN THE MILITARY

Scotty Krause, Charlie Richards, Peyton Massie, Cheyanne Massie, Charles Kemper

IN SYMPATHY

We offer our sympathies and prayers of comfort and strength for Cindy Chapin, and family, in the death of her brother, Rick; and for Michelle Drost, and family, in the death of her mother, Renita. God bless and comfort them with the promise of Christ: "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted."

TODAY'S WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Piano: Skip James

Song Leader: Tracey Jenkinson

Reader: Jeff Maki

Technical Assistants: Bill Jenkinson & Garnett Strack

"It is better to be a child of God than king of the whole world"

St. Aloysius Gonzaga



SUNDAY, May 10, 2020 | 8:00 AM WORSHIP

Downtown Campus

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Pastor Ladd Sonnenberg,
Pastor Kris Kurzejeski,
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