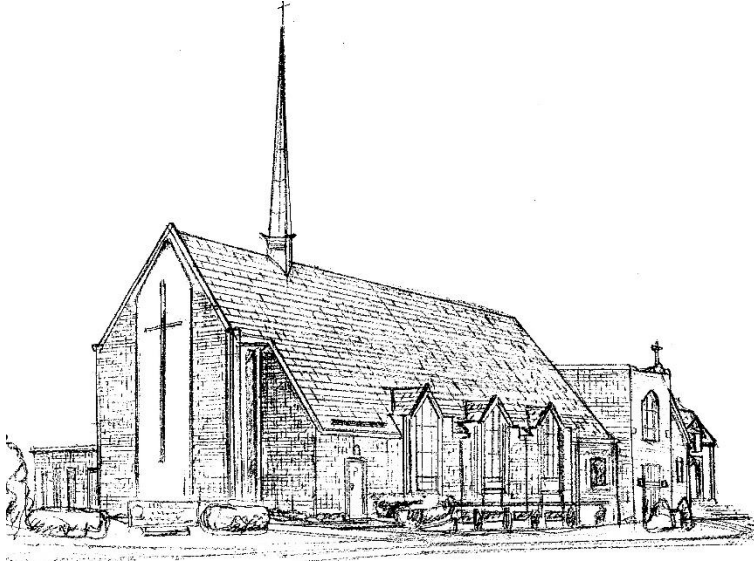


BETHLEHEM EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH



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Sunday, September 4, 2022

Lectionary 23

Introduction

Called to contemplate the cost of discipleship, we might be helped by translating Paul's request to Philemon into our prayer of the day: Refresh my heart in Christ. Strengthened by the company and forgiveness of Christ in holy communion and recalling God's grace in remembrance of baptism, we can be strengthened in this hour to "choose life"—to choose life in God as our own.

GATHERING

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.
C Amen.

L Dear friends, together let us acknowledge
our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

The congregation may kneel as able.

L: God of mercy and forgiveness,
**C: we confess that sin still has a hold on us.
We have harmed your good creation.
We have failed to do justice,
love kindness,
and walk humbly with you.**

**Turn us in a new direction.
Show us the path that leads to life.
Be our refuge and strength on the journey,
through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.
Amen.**

P: Beloved of God:

your sins are forgiven † and you are made whole.

God points the way to new life in Christ,
who meets us on the road.

Journey now in God's abiding love
through the power of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

GATHERING SONG NO. 880 O God Beyond All Praising

1 O God beyond all praising, we worship you today
and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;
for we can only wonder at ev'ry gift you send,
at blessings without number and mercies without end:
we lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word,
we honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.

2 The flow'r of earthly splendor in time must surely die,
its fragile bloom surrender to you, the Lord most high;
but hidden from all nature the eternal seed is sown—
though small in mortal stature, to heaven's garden grown:
for Christ, your gift from heaven, from death has set us free,
and we through him are given the final victory.

3 Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring,

that we who know your favor may serve you as our King;
and whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill,
we'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still:
to marvel at your beauty and glory in your ways,
and make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.

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APOSTOLIC 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.

HYMN OF PRAISE

The musical score is written for a single voice part in G major (one sharp, F#) and 4/4 time. It consists of eight staves of music. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with many notes beamed together in groups of four or six. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The overall mood is reverent and joyful.

Glo - ry to God in the high -

est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and

Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we

praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus

Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the

right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a -

lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,

Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of

God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Glo - ry to God in the high -

est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

Direct us, O Lord God, in all our doings with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name; and finally, by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Moses speaks to the Israelites, who are about to enter the land promised to their ancestors. In this passage, he lays out the stark choice before them: choose life by loving and obeying the LORD; or choose death by following other gods.

A reading from Deuteronomy,

¹⁵See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses.

Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him;

for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 1

¹Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel [|] of the wicked,
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats [|] of the scornful!

²**Their delight is in the law [|] of the LORD,
and they meditate on God's teaching [|] day and night.**

³They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that [|] do not wither;
everything they [|] do shall prosper.

⁴**It is not so [|] with the wicked;
they are like chaff which the wind [|] blows away.**

⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when [|] judgment comes,
nor the sinner in the council [|] of the righteous.

⁶**For the LORD knows the way [|] of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked shall [|] be destroyed.**

SECOND READING: Philemon 1-21

While Paul was in prison, he was aided by Onesimus, a man who had run away from Philemon, a slaveowner and a Christian friend of Paul. Paul told Onesimus to return to Philemon and encouraged Philemon to receive Onesimus back as a Christian brother.

A reading from Philemon,

¹Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,
To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, ²to Apphia our sister,
to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house:

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God ⁵because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. ⁶I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. ⁷I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

⁸For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, ⁹yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I,

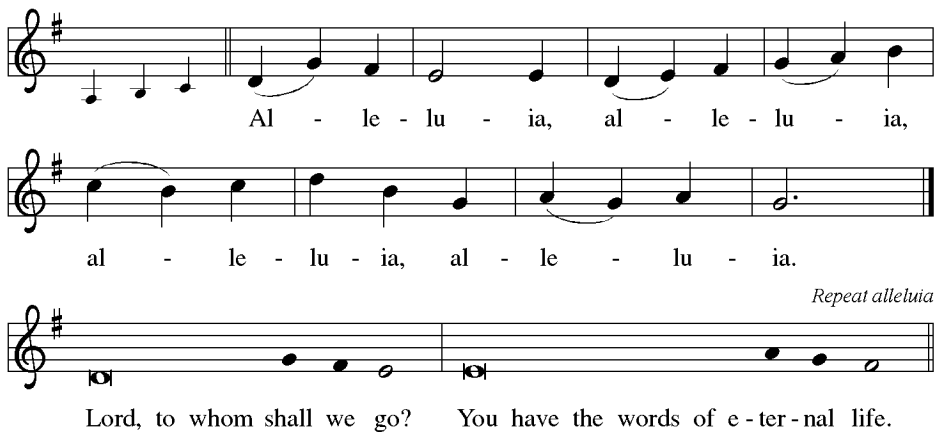
Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. ¹⁰I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. ¹¹Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. ¹²I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. ¹³I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; ¹⁴but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. ¹⁵Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, ¹⁶no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

¹⁷So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. ¹⁸If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. ¹⁹I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. ²⁰Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. ²¹Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Repeat alleluia

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

GOSPEL: 14:25-33

Jesus speaks frankly about the costs of discipleship. Those who follow him should know from the outset that completing the course of discipleship will finally mean renouncing all other allegiances.

P The holy gospel according to Luke.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁵Now large crowds were traveling with [Jesus;] and he turned and said to them, ²⁶“Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰saying, ‘This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.’ ³¹Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty

thousand? ³²If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.”

P The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON – *The Rev. Daniel P. Smail*

HYMN OF THE DAY NO. 660 Lift High the Cross

Refrain

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred name.

1 Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod,
our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God. *Refrain*

2 All newborn servants of the Crucified
bear on their brows the seal of him who died. *Refrain*

3 O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
as thou hast promised, draw us all to thee. *Refrain*

4 So shall our song of triumph ever be:
praise to the Crucified for victory! *Refrain*

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APOSTLES CREED

**C: 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.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

As scattered grains of wheat are gathered together into one bread, so let us gather our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of God's good creation.

A brief silence.

We pray for the church around the world and for the mission of the gospel. Refresh the hearts of your people, deepen our understanding of every good thing we share, and strengthen our partnerships in the faith. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

For the well-being of the earth and all its creatures: for trees and forests, for all that will yield fruit this season, and for streams and other bodies of water. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

For the nations and those in authority: for the elected leaders of our towns, states, and country, and for international organizations. Grant wisdom to those who govern and raise up citizens who make decisions in the best interest of their neighbors. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

For all in need: for those who suffer from disease, who struggle with homelessness or food insecurity, for those whose family life is difficult, and for all in this community who need your care; especially those we name within our hearts (*a brief silence...*). God of grace,
hear our prayer.

For this community of faith: for all our labors—begun, continued, and ended in you—that they glorify your holy name. Bless your people with the strength to live into their many vocations for the sake of the world. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We give thanks for the saints who now rest from their labors. Give us faith, like them, to love you with all our hearts, and by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Gathered together in the sweet communion of the Holy Spirit, gracious God, we offer these and all our prayers to you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
Amen.

PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

MEAL

OFFERING PRAYER

L Let us pray,

C God of abundance:

you have set before us a plentiful harvest.

As we feast on your goodness,

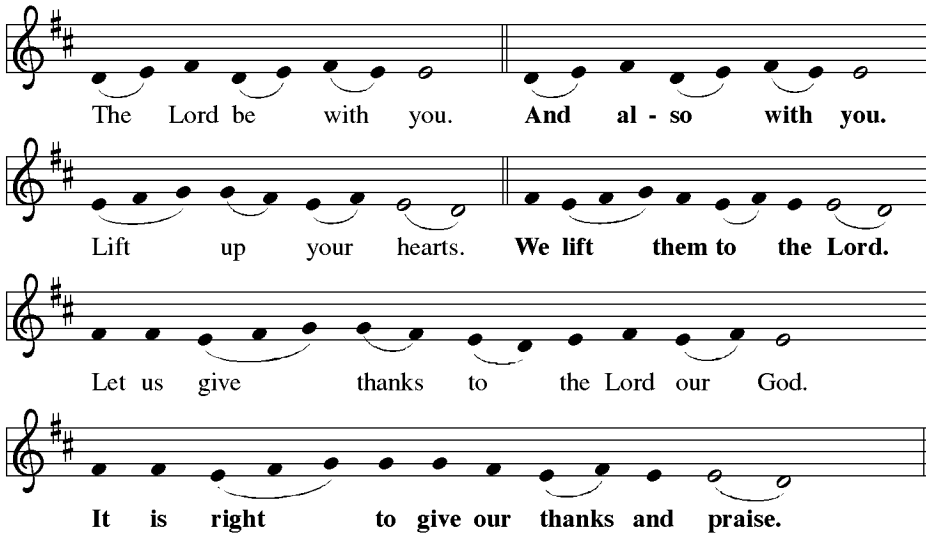
strengthen us to labor in your field,

and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all,

in the name of Jesus.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

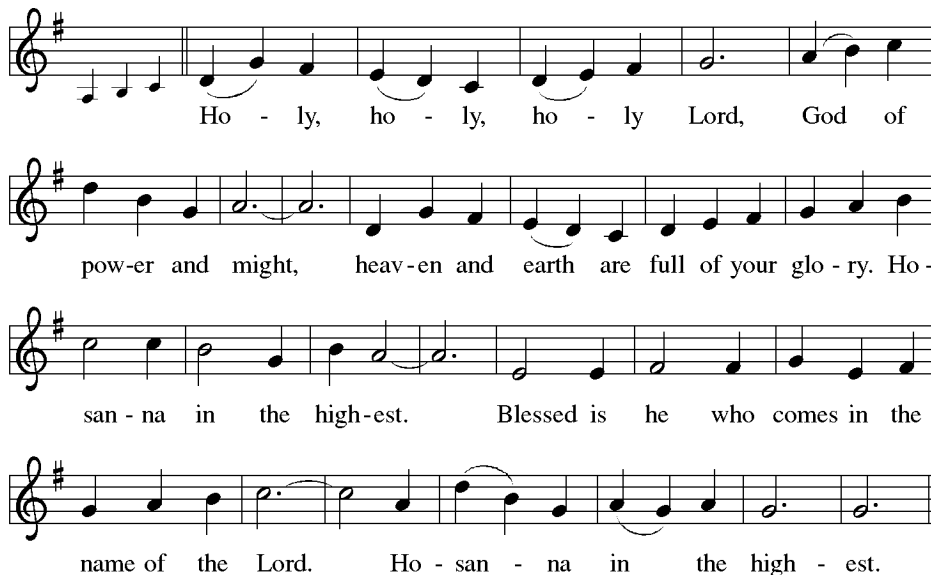
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy God,

our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer,
in the harmonious world of your creation,
the plants and animals,
the seas and stars
were whole and well in your praise.
When sin had scarred the world,
you sent your Son to heal our ills
and to form us again into one.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore,
his acts of healing,
his body given up,
and his victory over death,
we await that day when all the peoples of the earth
will come to the river to enjoy the tree of life.

Send your Spirit upon us and this meal:
as grains scattered on the hillside become one bread,
so let your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth,
that all may be fed with the Bread of life, your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,
in your holy Church,
both now and forever.

Amen

LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

C **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,**

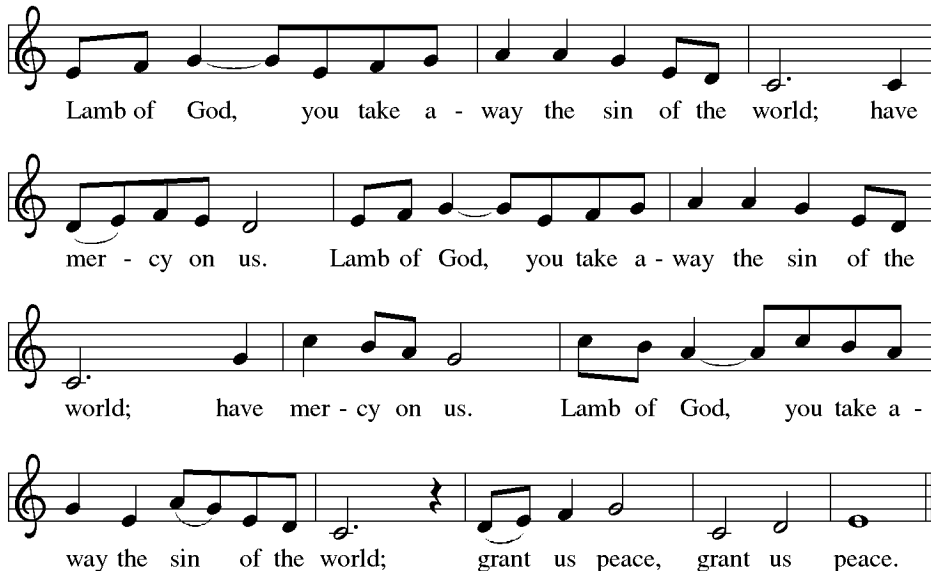
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever.
Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy. Come to the banquet

COMMUNION SONG



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

SOLO -

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing, arr. Mandi Kitchen

Julia Simeone, violin

COMMUNION HYMN NO. 757 All My Hope on God is Founded

- 1 All my hope on God is founded
who will all my trust renew,
who through change and chance will guide me,
only good and only true.
God unknown, God alone,
call my heart to be thine own.
- 2 Mortal pride and earthly glory,
sword and crown betray our trust;
what with care and toil we fashion,
tow'r and temple, fall to dust.
But thy pow'r, hour by hour,
is my temple and my tow'r.
- 3 Great thy goodness, e'er enduring;
deep thy wisdom, passing thought;
splendor, light, and life attend thee,
beauty springing out of naught.
Evermore from thy store
newborn worlds rise and adore.
- 4 Still from earth to God eternal
sacrifice of praise be done,
high above all praises praising
for the gift of God's own Son.
Christ doth call one and all:
ye who follow shall not fall.

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE ELW 204

Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.



Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

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POST COMMUNION PRAYER

L Let us pray.

God of the abundant table,
you have refreshed our hearts in this meal
with bread for the journey.

Give us your grace on the road
that we might serve our neighbors with joy;
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

P God, who gives life to all things
and frees us from despair,
bless you with truth and peace.

And may the holy Trinity, † one God,
guide you always in faith, hope, and love.
C Amen.

SENDING SONG NO. 802 Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus

1 Let us ever walk with Jesus,
follow his example pure,
through a world that would deceive us
and to sin our spirits lure.
Onward in his footsteps treading,
trav'lers here, our home above,
full of faith and hope and love,
let us do our Savior's bidding.
Faithful Lord, with me abide;
I shall follow where you guide.

2 Let us suffer here with Jesus,
and with patience bear our cross.
Joy will follow all our sadness;
where he is there is no loss.
Though today we sow no laughter,
we shall reap celestial joy:

all discomforts that annoy
shall give way to mirth hereafter.
Jesus, here I share your woe;
help me there your joy to know.

3 Let us gladly die with Jesus.
Since by death he conquered death,
he will free us from destruction,
give to us immortal breath.
Let us mortify all passion
that would lead us into sin;
and the grave that shuts us in
shall but prove the gate of heaven.
Jesus, here with you I die,
there to live with you on high.

4 Let us also live with Jesus.
He has risen from the dead
that to life we may awaken.
Jesus, you are now our head,
we are your own living members;
where you live, there we shall be
in your presence constantly,
living there with you forever.
Jesus, let me faithful be;
life eternal grant to me.

DISMISSAL

L Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

C Thanks be to God.

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Altar Flowers The flowers in the Sanctuary this weekend are dedicated to the Glory of God and the adornment of His House in honor of our 15th Wedding Anniversary, and Andy & Nicole's 17th Wedding Anniversary, given by Peter Nowakowski and Deborah Marshall.

Those Serving at worship this weekend

LECTORS

6:00pm - Marianne Leister

8:00am - Fran Mears

9:30am - Wendy Farone

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

6:00pm - Marianne Leister

8:00am - Fran Mears

9:30am - Wendy Farone

LAY ASSISTANTS

8:00am - Jamie Stromoski

9:30am - Jay Hellinger

Advancing the Slides

6:00pm - Terri Begenwald

8:00am -

9:30am - Cheryl Wolosik

ACOLYTE 9:30am If you are at worship and would like to serve, just let one of the Pastors know that you will robe and participate.

Ushers: 8:00am - Russ Bennardo and Donna Tappe

9:30am - Rich McHale

Monthly Counting Team:

Bruce & Luann Letterle, Jim and Suzi Fisher, and Bob Kenst

Monthly Benevolence for September is: LUTHERLYN

Your special envelope may be placed in the offering basket at any Worship service, or they can be mailed directly to the church office. Thank you for your generous support.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE CHANGE --- Beginning the weekend of Sept. 10-11 our late service on Sunday's will go back to 10:30am and Sunday School also starts that weekend with both our children and adult sessions that will take place at 9:15am each week..

Speaking of Sunday School ---Did you register your child yet? See the form in today's bulletin to complete and put it in the offering box while you are here today at worship. Or you can return it to the church office via mail.

The Week at Bethlehem

Sunday, September 4th 8:00am Worship/Communion
*9:30 am Worship/Communion
following service - Lemonade on the lawn sponsored by Christian Ed
*Live streamed worship service

Monday, September 5th **OFFICE CLOSED** -Labor Day

Tuesday, September 6th 6:00pm NA Mtg. in Fellowship Hall
7:00pm Fellowship Committee Mtg.

Wednesday, September 7th 10:30am & 7:00pm Pastors Bible Study
7:00pm Boy Scouts (Fellowship Hall)

Thursday, September 8th 5:30-7:00pm Girl Scouts (Fellowship Hall classroom)

Friday, September 9th 10:00am Health & Wellness Mtg. (Library)

Saturday, September 10th 6:00pm Worship/Communion

We are happy to announce the Church Picnic is back! Come join in the fellowship after the 10:30 am service on September 11th with some hot dogs and burgers to celebrate Rally Day.

Please RSVP -- By TODAY, September 4th either through, bulletin board sign up or with the form below. We ask those with last names A-M bring a side dish while those with last name N-Z bring a dessert to share.

detach and place in Boothe, J. & Kerchner, H mailbox

RSVP for Rally Day by TODAY, September 4th

Name: _____

Number of adults: _____ Number of children: _____

Would You Be Willing to Help?

Dear friends, as members of Bethlehem Lutheran we care for one another deeply and want our members and visitors to have a meaningful experience every time they attend worship or participate in a church function. In a recent conversation with our ushers, we discerned it might be helpful to have some members who were medical professionals that would be willing to help if someone needed medical assistance – until first responders arrive. If you would be willing to serve in this capacity, please contact the church office. We'd be more than happy to incorporate you into this important work. Thank you so very much for your faithful collaboration and kind consideration!

Men or Women have you ever considered serving as an Usher?

It is a great form of Stewardship – giving YOUR time and talent. You could talk with either Jim Good at 8am service or Rich McHale at 9:30am service to get more information or you could just contact the church office and we would be happy to pass your name along to the appropriate person. You would serve on a team for a whole month at a time and likely only be called upon 2-3 times per year in a rotation format. The more ushers there are the less each team must serve.



BELC MUSIC MINISTRY

Are you interested in joining the Music Ministry this fall?

The adult choir rehearses on Sunday mornings from 9:00-10:15 AM and will begin rehearsals on Rally Day, September 11th. The choir sings several times per month at the 10:30 service.

The choir season runs from September through mid-May.

The Handbell choir rehearses on Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:00 PM and usually plays a couple of times in the fall and spring. The first rehearsal is on September 14th and the season ends in early May.

If you are interested in joining either of our choirs, or have questions, please feel free to reach out to Laura either by email: L.henri@belc.org OR phone: (412-486-0550 ext. 102)

Thank you!

Attendance Books

Dear friends, at the end of each pew you will discover a little red folio pad. Inside that folio, you'll find attendance sheets. If you could take a moment to make note of your participation in worship this week and pass it along to the next person or family in your pew, that would be greatly appreciated. These pads help us track attendance, those who have communed, connect with visitors, and faithfully address the concerns of our members. Thank you so very much for your help!

PRISON MINISTRY PROJECT

Our collection ends TODAY, SEPT. 4, 2022

Thanks to everyone for their fine participation .

Can you provide a missing piece of care for our brothers & sisters in Christ?



SUMMER - JIGSAW PUZZLE COLLECTION

Puzzles must be:

- **New or gently used**
- **With box sides taped**
- **Any number of pieces**



Bethlehem Lutheran Church
Sunday School Registration 2022-2023

FINAL WEEK TO REGISTER ---Sunday School begins on Rally Day, Sept. 11th @ 9:15am)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Grade Entering: _____ Nickname: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Date of Baptism: _____

Emergency Contact during Sunday School:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Relationship: _____ OR In the Building: _____

Food Allergies: _____

Helpful hints to help your child learn: _____

Special Needs: _____

Thank you,
Bethlehem Sunday School Staff

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO THE CHURCH OFFICE

And Now for Something Completely Different!

The “Mystery Box” is one thing, but Pastor Ellen and Pastor Dan are taking it to the next level. Next weekend, September 10th and 11th the four lessons assigned from the lectionary, plus two extra Gospel lessons will be placed into a hat. When it’s time for the sermon, each of the pastors will have an opportunity to pull a lesson from the hat and will immediately begin preaching. The lessons will be known, the preparation will be intense, and the moment of proclamation will be memorable. It will be Rally Day, and this is an exciting and creative way to kick off the programmatic year... 6 different homilies in one weekend. You won’t want to miss it!

Upcoming L.I.F.T. Event

LIFT to Hartville, OH - day trip Saturday, September 24 @ 8:30 am

Join the LIFT group (and friends) as we head out for a day trip to Hartville, OH for shopping, fun and fellowship! We’ll plan to leave at 8:30 am from the church. We’ll have lunch, shop and return to the church in the late afternoon. Look for a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

We’ll need drivers for the trip. If you are willing to drive, please add that info to the sign-up sheet. There is a great Farmers Market at Hartville – and, it’s not too early to be putting your Christmas shopping list together! For more information, please see or call Linda Ulrich (412-897-1666). Hope you can join us!

Interested in Membership?

Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Glenshaw is a vibrant community of faith. We take our lives in Christ seriously, and we seek to connect our members with God’s grace and provide meaningful opportunities to grow in faith. If you’d like to be a part of Bethlehem, this is the perfect opportunity. We will have a new member orientation on Sunday, October 2nd after the 10:30 service. And we will receive new members on Sunday, October 9th at the 10:30 service. We enjoy fellowship and a reception after worship. If you have questions about membership, or would like to be included in these events, please reach out to Pastor Dan or Pastor Ellen. We would be grateful to have you as a member of our congregation!

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