

**THOSE SERVING YOU TODAY**

5PM

PRESIDING MINISTER:  
ORGANIST:  
ACOLYTES:  
USHERS:

Pastor Timothy Rossow  
Tom Mueller  
Jack Reid & Dean Parr  
Bill Hahn, Dick Knosher, Bill Cade, James Wasson

9:00AM

PREACHING:  
LITURGIST:  
ORGANIST:  
ACOLYTES:  
CHOIR:  
SOLOIST:  
GREETERS:  
WELCOME CENTER:  
USHERS:

Pastor Timothy Rossow  
Pastor Stephen Schumacher  
Tom Mueller  
Chris Tatara & Samuel Simpson  
*Jubilate!*; Cantor Phillip Magness, director  
Erica Heggeland  
Dwight & Susan Morrow  
Deanne Lieb  
Mick Herrick, Rick Grimes, Steve Schiewe, Kevin Mooney, Dennis Webb

ALTAR GUILD:  
BUILDING OPENER:

Pam Splitt  
Bill Kokaska

## *Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

### WELCOME TO BETHANY

We gather this day to receive God's gifts and to praise His holy name. If you are visiting us today, we encourage you to fill out a yellow card in the pew rack to inform us of your visit and to introduce yourself to one of the pastors. Please stop by our Welcome Center in the narthex for more information about Bethany, and to receive a gift for you from our church family. Also, be sure to pick up our weekly *News & Notes*, located on the table in the back of the church.

Bethany is a singing parish and we hope that you will join us. A fine voice is not required – just a heart for worship. As you follow the order of service in this bulletin, please note:

- LSB refers to the hymnal, *Lutheran Service Book*
- Hearing aids and large print bulletins are available. Please ask an usher.
- Front pew - hymnals are in a rack underneath your seat.

For your reference, worship participants are indicated as follows in the bulletin:

P: Presiding Minister (pastor's parts)

A: *Assisting Liturgist (pastor, choir or cantor)*

C: **Congregation (or all)**

### AS WE GATHER

Today's Psalm is a brief prayer for salvation. It gives us a good opportunity to illustrate the spiritual exercise of praying the Psalms. The book of Psalms is a prayer and hymn book. It is great for daily devotions and as we will learn today can give rise to beautiful and meaningful prayers of our own.

### COLLECT FOR PEACE

P: Behold, God is my helper.

C: **The Lord is the upholder of my life.**

C: **O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

### BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C:



Thanks be to God.

P: The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ☩ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

C:



A - men.

### CLOSING HYMN "Lift High the Cross"

LSB #837 st. 1,5,6

### ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Fa-ther who art in hea - ven, hal-low - ed be thy name,  
 thy king-dom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heav - en.  
 Give us this day our dai - ly bread; and for-give us our tres-pass-es  
 as we for-give those who tres-pass a-gainst us; and lead us not in-to temp-ta - tion  
 but de - liv - er us from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom  
 and the pow'r and the glo - ry for-ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

P O Lord, hear my prayer.

C: **And let my cry come to You.**

P: O God, whose strength is made perfect in weakness, grant us humility and childlike faith that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

**THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

C: **hear our prayer.**

**GREETING**

*+We Stand in Our Baptismal Grace+*

**THE GLORIA PATRI (5PM)**

LSB #229

**THE GLORIA PATRI AND VENITE (9AM)**

LSB #235

**THE PSALM OF THE DAY**

Psalm 54

Be - hold, God is my help - er; the  
 Lord is the up - hold - er of my life.

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A: *antiphon*

C: **antiphon**

A: *O God, save me, | by your name  
and vindicate me | by your might.*

C: **O God, | hear my prayer;  
give ear to the words | of my mouth.**

A: *For strangers have risen against me;  
ruthless men | seek my life;  
they do not set God be- | fore themselves.*

C: **antiphon**

A: *He will return the evil to my | enemies;  
in your faithfulness put an | end to them.*

C: **With a freewill offering I will sacri- | fice to you;  
I will give thanks to your name, O Lord, for | it is good.**

A: For he has delivered me from e- | very trouble,  
and my eye has looked in triumph on my | enemies.

All: **Glory be to the Father and | to the Son  
and to the Holy | Spirit;  
as it was in the be- | ginning,  
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

C: **antiphon**

### THE PSALM PRAYER

P: Father, hear our prayer and come to the aid of Your Church. In your great compassion, deliver us all in the world that seeks to devour us, be they the sirens of temptation, the snares of evildoers, or the false counsels of the ungodly. Save us from all these enemies, just as surely as you have saved us from the guilt of our sin, that we may extol your goodness and magnify your great and glorious name, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

+We Sit to Meditate on God's Word+

### OFFICE HYMN "Children of the Heavenly Father"

LSB #725

At 9AM, stanza 2 is sung by the choir.

### THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 11:18-20 (ESV)

<sup>18</sup>The Lord made it known to me and I knew;  
then you showed me their deeds.

<sup>19</sup>But I was like a gentle lamb  
led to the slaughter.

I did not know it was against me  
they devised schemes, saying,

"Let us destroy the tree with its fruit,  
let us cut him off from the land of the living,  
that his name be remembered no more."

<sup>20</sup>But, O Lord of hosts, who judges righteously,  
who tests the heart and the mind,  
let me see your vengeance upon them,  
for to you have I committed my cause.

P: O Lord, have mercy on us.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

+We Stand for Praise and Prayer+

### OFFERTORY

"There Is a Redeemer"

(LSB Electronic Edition)



1 There is a Re - deem - er— Je - sus, God's own Son;  
2 Je - sus, my Re - deem - er, Name a - bove all names;  
3 When I stand in glo - ry, I will see His face;



Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes-si - ah, Ho - ly One.  
Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes-si - ah, Hope for sin - ners slain.  
There I'll serve my King for-ev - er In that ho - ly place.



Refrain  
Thank You, O my Fa - ther, For giv-ing us Your Son,



And leav - ing Your Spir-it Till the work on earth is done.

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### KYRIE



Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy;

P: Dear sister in Christ, you have been chosen to serve our Lord in this congregation in the ministry of the liturgy. As music and worship apprentice, your duties will be to assist the liturgy of this congregation in the areas of administration, leadership, musicianship, and scholarship.

In the presence of God and of this congregation I therefore ask you: Do you accept the responsibilities entrusted to you, and do you promise reverently and faithfully to carry out your duties, trusting in the Lord and conforming yourself to His Word in accordance with the faith of the Evangelical Lutheran Church?

R: *I do so intend, with the help of God.*

P: God bless you in your holy task.

Mikaela, I place you as Music and Worship Apprentice in Bethany Evangelical Lutheran Church, in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

P: Let us pray. God of all grace and mercy, bless those who seek by music to enrich the liturgy of the Church. May they sing the song You composed in our hearts in Holy Baptism, and may we carry that song out into the world; through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

P: Go then in the name of the Lord. Be steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, for your labor in the Lord is not in vain. The almighty and most merciful God, the Father, ☩ the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

*+The Tithes and Offerings are Received+*

## VOLUNTARY

*(All guests and members are requested to complete an attendance card.)*

## GRADUAL

Psalm 37:4; 34:9,19

A: *(antiphon) Sing praise to God the highest good, the Author of creation,  
The God of love who understood our need for His salvation.  
With healing balm our souls He fills and every faithless murmur stills:  
To God all praise and glory!*

A: *Delight yourself | in the Lord,  
and he will give you the desires | of your heart.*

C: **Fear the Lord, | you his saints,  
for those who fear him lack | nothing!**

A: *Many are the afflictions of the | righteous,  
but the Lord delivers him out | of them all.*

C: **Delight yourself | in the Lord,  
and he will give you the desires | of your heart.**

A: *antiphon*

## THE EPISTLE

James 3:13-4:10 (ESV)

<sup>13</sup>Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom. <sup>14</sup>But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth. <sup>15</sup>This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. <sup>16</sup>For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice. <sup>17</sup>But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. <sup>18</sup>And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

<sup>1</sup>What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? <sup>2</sup>You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. <sup>3</sup>You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. <sup>4</sup>You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. <sup>5</sup>Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, "He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us"? <sup>6</sup>But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, "God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble." <sup>7</sup>Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. <sup>8</sup>Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. <sup>9</sup>Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. <sup>10</sup>Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

P: O Lord, have mercy on us.  
C: **Thanks be to God.**

+We Stand in Honor of the Holy Gospel+

**THE VERSE**

Mark 9:35b

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

C: **antiphon**  
A: *If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all.*  
C: **antiphon**

**THE HOLY GOSPEL** Mark 9:30-37 (ESV)

<sup>30</sup>They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he did not want anyone to know, <sup>31</sup>for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him. And when he is killed, after three days he will rise." <sup>32</sup>But they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him. <sup>33</sup>And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you discussing on the way?" <sup>34</sup>But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. <sup>35</sup>And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, "If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all." <sup>36</sup>And he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them, <sup>37</sup>"Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me."

P: O Lord, have mercy on us.  
C: **Thanks be to God.**

P: In many and various ways, God spoke to His people of old by the prophets.  
C: **But now in these last days, He has spoken to us by His Son.**

+We Sit for the Proclamation of Law and Gospel+

**LITURGY SPOTLIGHT** *The Hymn of the Day, like so many great Lutheran hymns, presents a sermon within a hymn and a description of the Christian life. Each of the first three stanzas describes the reality of the world and its evils, and each of the second final three stanzas provides a respective answer, line by line, replacing fear of the devil with assurance in Jesus Christ. For example, "I walk in danger" becomes "I walk with angels," "I pass through trials" becomes "I walk with Jesus," "Death pursues me" becomes "My walk is heav'nward," and so on.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY** "I Walk in Danger All the Way" LSB #716  
*At 9AM stanzas 1 and 4 are sung by the choir.*

**SERMON** "Living the Christian Life: Praying the Psalms" Psalm 54

+We Stand for the Canticle of Praise+

**THE MAGNIFICAT** (5PM) "Song of Mary" LSB #231

**THE TE DEUM** (9AM) "We Praise You, O God" LSB #223

**THE INSTALLATION OF THE MUSIC AND WORSHIP APPRENTICE** (9AM)

P: I now invite Mikaela Kolany to come forward to be installed as Music and Worship Apprentice in our congregation.

P: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
C: **Amen.**

P: Praise the Lord! Praise God in His sanctuary; praise Him in His mighty heavens.  
C: **Praise Him for His mighty deeds; praise Him according to His excellent greatness!**

P: I will sing of the steadfast love of the Lord, forever;  
C: **with my mouth I will make known His faithfulness to all generations.**

P: He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God.  
C: **Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the Lord.**

P: Praise Him with trumpet sound; praise Him with strings and pipe!  
C: **Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!**