

# Bethlehem Lutheran Church



*Twelfth Sunday after Trinity*  
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**The Order of Worship**  
**Divine Service Setting Three (LSB 184)**

*(Please stand if you are able for portions of the liturgy marked with an \*)*

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**Announcements**

**Opening Hymn: Praise the Almighty**

**LSB797**

**Confession and Absolution\***

**LSB 184**

**Introit\***

(Ps. 70:2b, 4a, 5b; antiphon: Ps. 70:1-2a)

Make haste, O God, to deliver me!

O LORD, make haste to help me!

**Let them be put to shame and confusion**

**who seek my life!**

Let them be turned back

and brought to dishonor who desire my hurt!

**May all who seek you rejoice**

**and be glad in you!**

You are my help and my deliverer;

O LORD, do not delay!

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son**

**and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning,**

**is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

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O LORD, make haste to help me!

Let them be put to shame and confusion

who seek my life!

**Kyrie\***

**LSB 186**

**Gloria in Excelsis\***

**LSB 187**

**Collect\*:** Almighty and merciful God, by Your gift alone Your faithful people render true and laudable service. Help us steadfastly to live in this life according to Your promises and finally attain Your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our

Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

**Old Testament Reading: Genesis 4:1-15**

<sup>17</sup> Is it not yet a very little while until Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field, and the fruitful field shall be regarded as a forest? <sup>18</sup> In that day the deaf shall hear the words of a book, and out of their gloom and darkness the eyes of the blind shall see. <sup>19</sup> The meek shall obtain fresh joy in the LORD, and the poor among mankind shall exult in the Holy One of Israel. <sup>20</sup> For the ruthless shall come to nothing and the scoffer cease, and all who watch to do evil shall be cut off, <sup>21</sup> who by a word make a man out to be an offender, and lay a snare for him who reproves in the gate, and with an empty plea turn aside him who is in the right. <sup>22</sup> Therefore thus says the LORD, who redeemed Abraham, concerning the house of Jacob: “Jacob shall no more be ashamed, no more shall his face grow pale. <sup>23</sup> For when he sees his children, the work of my hands, in his midst, they will sanctify my name; they will sanctify the Holy One of Jacob and will stand in awe of the God of Israel. <sup>24</sup> And those who go astray in spirit will come to understanding, and those who murmur will accept instruction.”

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual:** I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.  
My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.

**Epistle: Romans 10:9-17**

<sup>9</sup> because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup> For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. <sup>11</sup> For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” <sup>12</sup> For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. <sup>13</sup> For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” <sup>14</sup> How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? <sup>15</sup> And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” <sup>16</sup> But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has

believed what he has heard from us?”<sup>17</sup> So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Alleluia\***

**LSB 190**

**Holy Gospel\*: Mark 7:31-37**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 7<sup>th</sup> chapter. **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<sup>31</sup> Then he returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. <sup>32</sup> And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on him. <sup>33</sup> And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. <sup>34</sup> And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” <sup>35</sup> And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. <sup>36</sup> And Jesus charged them to tell no one. But the more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. <sup>37</sup> And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, “He has done all things well. He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

**Nicene Creed**

**LSB 191**

**Hymn of the Day: My Soul, Now Praise Your Maker**

**LSB 820**

**Sermon**

**Offertory\***

**Offering**

**Prayer of the Church\***

**Service of the Sacrament\***

**LSB 194**

**Distribution Hymns: 811, 628, 524, 793, 790**

**Nunc Dimittis\***

**LSB 199**

**Benediction\***

**Closing Hymn: The Lord, My God, Be Praised**

**LSB794**

## Announcements

### **Small Catechism: Daily Prayer**

As children of our Heavenly Father, we cannot help but pray. We have been given His name to call upon in every trouble, praise, pray, and give thanks. And through the blood of Christ, we may approach Him with all boldness and confidence, as a dear child asks his dear father. Some of our prayers will be prayed in the moment. They will be uttered with words not planned. Other prayers will be prayed in a formal way – that is, in a form, like that of the Lord's Prayer or often what we see in the Divine Service. In the Small Catechism, Martin Luther gives the church a routine for praying in both the morning and evening. This is drawn from Scripture, specifically the Psalms, that speak of calling upon God morning and noon and night (Psalm 55:17). This week, consider saying the Morning and Evening prayers when you rise and when you lay down to sleep.

**Rally Sunday:** Rally Sunday is August 29<sup>th</sup>. Everyone is invited to the church picnic that evening from 4:00pm-6:30pm. Weather permitting there will be a bounce house for the kiddos too! Bring a side dish, lawn chair, and if you have a washer set or corn hole game, bring that too. We are praying for a nice evening for food, fellowship and some outdoor fun. If rain comes, we will eat and play some card games inside. In addition to a side dish, we ask that you bring any of the following to help support the Preschool (paper towels, 5 oz. Dixie cups, Windex, Clorox wipes, plastic forks, paper bowls, glue sticks, aluminum foil, play-doh, Kleenex).

**Youth Card Game Night at Messiah Carlyle:** Ferrin youth who are entering 6th grade through Agape high school youth members are invited for a card game at Messiah Carlyle **tonight, August 22<sup>nd</sup>** from **6:30pm-8:30pm**. Let Sara know if you are interested in going (974-8369).

**Messiah Lutheran Church Carlyle:** Chicken Dinner, **Sunday, August 29, 2021**, 10:30am-1:30pm @ the Fellowship Hall, 13th & Kane, Carlyle. Curbside & Carry Out Only. Featuring Homemade Desserts. \$12.

**Work Day:** There will be a work day to clean up our Church grounds on **September 18<sup>th</sup>** starting at **8:00am**. We had great help last year and were able to finish everything in record time. We hope to see you all back again this year!

**Men's Club:** Men's Club will be hosting our annual BBQ on **Monday, September 6<sup>th</sup>** beginning at **6:00pm**. The committee is Dennis Kleiboeker, Norman Kleiboeker and Jeff Pigg. While meat will be provided we ask that members bring a dish for the potluck. **ALL** men of the congregation are invited to come and enjoy the meal and fellowship. Please let a committee member know if you will be attending so we make sure to grill enough for everyone!

**Help Needed:** The Ladies Aid/LWML tradition of apple butter making will continue, but only with the help of our congregation members. **Friday September 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am** we will peel and core the apples until they are done. Bring your lawn chair, pan and knife and we will visit while we work. **Saturday September 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00am** we will start washing apples, washing kettles and starting fires to begin the cooking as soon as can. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. We are thankful for anyone that can come help peel, core, wash, stir and can the delicious apple butter! We also ask for your prayers for favorable weather, lots of helpers, good health and safety. A sign up sheet will be on the table in the secretary's office for anyone willing to help in any way. We look forward to 2 days of good fellowship with everyone on that fall weekend.

**Apple Butter Orders:** Orders can be given to Opal Jones 334-3024 or Caroline Tate 322-3708. Please get your orders in as soon as possible to ensure your orders are filled.

**Cookbooks:** Bethlehem Ferrin Ladies Aid cookbooks are being reprinted and should be ready the end of September. We have ordered extra so if anyone still needs one call Lois Pigg 618-304-9701. The purchase price is \$20 each.

**Find Bethlehem on Podbean or Facebook:** Listen to Pastor Jennings sermons on Podbean or on our Facebook page. Download the app 'Podbean' to your smartphone. Search for Bethlehem Lutheran Church and begin listening.

**This Week in our congregation:**

Sunday:       8:30am Bible Class/Sunday School  
                  9:30am Divine Service

Wednesday: 8:30am Matins

Sunday: 8:30am Bible Class/Sunday School

9:30am Divine Service

4:30pm–6:30pm Rally Sunday Church Potluck

**Upcoming Events:**

- **August 29<sup>th</sup>** – Rally Sunday and Church Potluck
- **September 1<sup>st</sup>** – Wednesday Religion Parents' Meeting, Preschool Open House
- **September 10<sup>th</sup>** – Movie Night on the Preschool Lawn
- **September 18<sup>th</sup>** – Church Grounds Work Day
- **September 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>** – Apple Butter
- **October 10<sup>th</sup>** – Dinner Carry-Out Sponsored by the Preschool
- **November 12<sup>th</sup>** – Card Tournament and Silent Auction