

# Bethlehem Lutheran Church



*Fifth 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: How Can I Thank You, Lord** **LSB 703**

**Confession and Absolution\*** **LSB 184**

**Introit**

(Ps. 27:1a, 11-12, 14; antiphon: Ps. 27:7, 9b)

Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud;  
    be gracious to me and answer me!

**O you who have been my help,**  
    **forsake me not, O God of my salvation!**

The LORD is my light and my salvation;  
    whom shall I fear?

**Teach me your way, O LORD,**  
    **and lead me on a level path because of my enemies.**

Give me not up to the will of my adversaries;  
    for false witnesses have risen against me, and they breathe out violence.

**Wait for the LORD;**  
    **be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!**

**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**

Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud;  
    be gracious to me and answer me!

O you who have been my help,  
    forsake me not, O God of my salvation!

**Kyrie\*** **LSB 186**

**Gloria in Excelsis\*** **LSB 187**

**Collect\*:** O God, You have prepared for those who love You good things that surpass all understanding. Pour into our hearts such love toward You that we, loving You above all things, may obtain Your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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: 1 Kings 19:11-21**

<sup>11</sup> And he said, “Go out and stand on the mount before the LORD.” And behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. <sup>12</sup> And after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper. <sup>13</sup> And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And behold, there came a voice to him and said, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” <sup>14</sup> He said, “I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away.” <sup>15</sup> And the LORD said to him, “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus. And when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael to be king over Syria. <sup>16</sup> And Jehu the son of Nimshi you shall anoint to be king over Israel, and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah you shall anoint to be prophet in your place. <sup>17</sup> And the one who escapes from the sword of Hazael shall Jehu put to death, and the one who escapes from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha put to death. <sup>18</sup> Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.” <sup>19</sup> So he departed from there and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen in front of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and cast his cloak upon him. <sup>20</sup> And he left the oxen and ran after Elijah and said, “Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you.” And he said to him, “Go back again, for what have I done to you?” <sup>21</sup> And he returned from following him and took the yoke of oxen and sacrificed them and boiled their flesh with the yokes of the oxen and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he arose and went after Elijah and assisted him.

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

**Gradual:** Behold our shield, O God; look on the face of your anointed! O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; give ear, O God of Jacob!

**Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25**

<sup>18</sup> For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. <sup>19</sup> For it is written, “I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.” <sup>20</sup> Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? <sup>21</sup> For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. <sup>22</sup> For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, <sup>23</sup> but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, <sup>24</sup> but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. <sup>25</sup> For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

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

**Alleluia\***

**LSB 190**

**Holy Gospel\*: Luke 5:1-11**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 5<sup>th</sup> chapter. **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup> On one occasion, while the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, <sup>2</sup> and he saw two boats by the lake, but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. <sup>3</sup> Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. <sup>4</sup> And when he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.” <sup>5</sup> And Simon answered, “Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets.” <sup>6</sup> And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking. <sup>7</sup> They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. <sup>8</sup> But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, “Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord.” <sup>9</sup> For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish that they had taken, <sup>10</sup> and so also were James and John,

sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men.” <sup>11</sup> And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

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

<b>Nicene Creed*</b>	<b>LSB 191</b>
<b>Hymn of the Day: “Come, Follow Me,” the Savior Spake</b>	<b>LSB 688</b>
<b>Sermon</b>	
<b>Offertory*</b>	<b>LSB 192</b>
<b>Offering</b>	
<b>Prayer of the Church*</b>	
<b>Service of the Sacrament*</b>	<b>LSB 194</b>
<b>Distribution Hymns: 685, 625, 750, 684</b>	
<b>Nunc Dimittis*</b>	<b>LSB 199</b>
<b>Benediction*</b>	
<b>Closing Hymn: Jesus, Lead Thou On</b>	<b>LSB 718</b>

### **Announcements**

**Lord’s Supper in July:** Due to Pastor Jennings’ out of town schedule this month, the Lord’s Supper will be offered on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays in July.

**Voters’ Meeting Tonight:** There will be a Voter’s Meeting tonight at 7:00pm.

**National Youth Gathering:** 14 Agape youth members and 3 adults were in Houston last week enjoying the LCMS youth gathering, In All Things. We can't say thank you enough for all the love and support our congregation shows to this group. To parents who encourage us and help out when needed, to all who have supported one of our many fundraisers, to those that have prayed for our group and spoken kindly of us, to those that made or donated shirts, to those that just gave us a donation to go towards our trip - a huge thank you!

**Now Enrolling:** Bethlehem Lutheran Preschool is now enrolling 3 & 4 year olds for the 2022-2023 school year. If you know of anyone, please contact Dena Brammeier at (618) 304-4564.

**Open Enrollment:** Registration for the 2022-2023 school year is open and available at Trinity Lutheran School Hoffman. Please share our school with anyone looking for a Christian environment for their children. We will be happy to talk with them and schedule a visit.

**Open Teaching Positions at Christ Our Rock:** Christ Our Rock is looking for a part-time Teacher Assistant to work with students who need additional time on tests or additional tutoring during the school day. They are also looking for a Spanish & Art Teacher. Interested parties should send resumes to Mr. Don Duensing, Christ Our Rock Lutheran High School, 9545 Shattuc Road, Centralia, IL 62801, 226-3315, [dduensing@corlhs.org](mailto:dduensing@corlhs.org) or call the school office for additional information.

**DAVID'S HARP** is a new Recognized Service Organization (RSO) of the LCMS. Their motto is, "Where Music Brings Christ into the World." They foster the establishment of centers of music education in LCMS churches around the country (and on the mission field). These centers are designed to raise up new pianists, organists, and other musicians who will serve in the church and to use music as a means of outreach. Want to know more? A meeting has been scheduled for **Wednesday, August 3, at 7:00pm** at St. John's Lutheran Church, New Minden, to explore establishing such a center among the congregations of SID Circuits 7 and 8. Pastors, church musicians, and lay leaders of our congregation are invited to attend. If you do plan to come, kindly let Pastor Tim Mueller know in advance (text 618-314-3972 or email [tpm@frontiernet.net](mailto:tpm@frontiernet.net)). For more information, explore the David's Harp website: [davidsharpmusic.org](http://davidsharpmusic.org).

### **Upcoming Agape Youth Events:**

- August 2-4 - Agape youth will be making ice cream. If you have any gallon containers, the youth group would appreciate these! Ice cream is on sale - gallons will be \$12 and \$4 for quarts (if these are available).
- August 7: Ice Cream Social from 5-8. Come join a night of food, games, and fellowship. There will be a bounce house and all the classic games for kids to play!
- August 20: Youth will be running a food stand at a local auction - times to be announced.

**Find Bethlehem on Podbean or Facebook:** Listen to Pastor Jennings sermons on Podbean or 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