

Bethlehem Lutheran Church



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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 *)*

Announcements

Opening Hymn: Praise the Almighty **LSB 797**

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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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: Isaiah 29:17-24

¹⁷ 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? ¹⁸ 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. ¹⁹ The meek shall obtain fresh joy in the LORD, and the poor among mankind shall exult in the Holy One of Israel. ²⁰ For the ruthless shall come to nothing and the scoffer cease, and all who watch to do evil shall be cut off, ²¹ 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. ²² 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. ²³ 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. ²⁴ 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

⁹ 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. ¹⁰ For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. ¹¹ For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” ¹² 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. ¹³ For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” ¹⁴ 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? ¹⁵ 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!” ¹⁶ But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has

believed what he has heard from us?”¹⁷ 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 7th chapter. **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

³¹ Then he returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. ³² 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. ³³ And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. ³⁴ And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” ³⁵ And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. ³⁶ And Jesus charged them to tell no one. But the more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. ³⁷ 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.**

Apostles’ Creed*

LSB 192

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

LSB 820

Sermon

Offertory*

LSB 192

Offering (*How Great Thou Art sung by Vikki Siddell*)

Prayer of the Church*

Lords’ Prayer*

Benediction*

Closing Hymn: The Lord, My God, Be Praised

LSB 794

Announcements

Support for Mike & Opal Jones: Those interested in helping provide meals for the Jones family may sign-up on the board by the front door of the church. Additional questions can be directed to Deb Albers.

CORLHS: September is the month for our church to keep CORLHS in our personal prayers and to bring the staff or school some treats to know they are being prayed for and thought of. Any questions talk with Angie Siddell.

Collecting for Matthew 25 food pantry: The Ladies Aid/LWML is still collecting items for the Matthew 25 food pantry. Please help us fill the tote under the mailboxes in the narthex. You can bring any kind of boxed food item, or personal care items too, like soap, small bottles of laundry soap, diapers, toothpaste, bathroom tissue, etc. it sure helps those who are in need. As stated in the 25th Chapter of Matthew, verse 4 *"The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'* The Lord asks us to share out of our bounty with those in need.

Ladies Aid/LWML: Thursday, September 8th is the cleaning day at the school basement at **4:00pm**. Come help us spruce up the school basement.

Braille Prayer Books: We will be preparing Prayer Books on **Tuesday, September 6th** from **9:00am–11:00am** in New Minden.

Helpers needed: Apple butter days are here again! **September 23-24** will be the weekend to peel, core and cook that yummy sweet butter. It has been a long time tradition here at Bethlehem and we need helpers of all ages. We need prayers from everyone for good weather, willing workers, and safety. PLEASE let a member know if you can come help us out at any time that weekend. Friday peeling will start at 1:00pm. Saturday washing of the apples will begin about 7:00am and cooking around 7:30am. Soups and sandwiches will be served. If you wish to bring a dish to share, that would be appreciated. It is a good time of fellowship, work and stories galore! Come help out and make some memories!

Work Day: There will be a work day to clean up the church grounds on **Saturday, September 17th** starting at **8:00am**. As God has entrusted this beautiful building and grounds to us, it is all of our responsibility to help maintain it. In the years where we've had a good turn out, this only takes a couple of hours. Thanks and see you on September 17th.

LWML Fall Retreat: LWML CID/SID joint fall retreat is scheduled for **October 7th-8th** at Camp CILCA in Cantrall, IL (a bit north of Springfield). Come and spend time in God's Word with the LWML retreat, "God's Quilt of Comfort: Wrapping Up in the Psalms." The deadline for registration is **September 23, 2022**.

The Word of the Lord Endures Forever: The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a daily 15-minute verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Will Weedon. Pastor Weedon recently started a study on The Book of Genesis. You can listen on-demand at thewordendures.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

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This Week in our congregation:

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

Wednesday: 6:00pm-7:30pm Religion/Confirmation Classes

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9:30am Divine Service