

WELCOME

to Bethel Lutheran Church!

We are glad you are able to join us for worship today. Jesus has called us to a life of following Him and that path is not easy. May you find strength daily, given by the Spirit, to walk this difficult path, while inviting others to join you!

* You are invited to stand as you are able.

Prelude: Improvisation on "Foundation" James

The Welcome/Announcements

***The Opening Hymn: "How Firm a Foundation" #796**

*The Pastoral Greeting:

Leader: We join to express our faith in the One who guides our lives.

People: We gather to worship in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

*The Responsive Verses:

L: The Hope of the world entered as an infant...

P: Jesus invites us to follow Him.

L: He preached a message of redemption for all...

P: Jesus invites us to follow Him.

L: He bore the sins of a broken world...

P: Jesus invites us to follow Him.

L: The Lord has invited us to spread the message of life and love...

P: Jesus invites us to follow Him and do likewise.

*The Prayer of the Day:

L: Almighty God...

P: By grace alone You call us to follow and invite us to serve. We often make this complicated and difficult. Yet through Your infinite patience, the offer to be Your disciples is extended to us everyday. Help us to be worthy of such a magnificent call! Amen.

*The Sharing of God's Peace:

L: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

P: And also with you!

The Children's Message: Pastor Kris Kurzejeski

The Anthem: "See What Love" James
The Bethel Quartet

"See what love the Father has given us that we should be called children of God; and so we are! When He is revealed, we will be like Him, for we will see Him like He is." 1 John 3:1-2

The First Lesson: Read Responsively Psalm 62:5-8

L: Yes, my soul, find rest in God...

P: My hope comes from Him.

L: Truly He is my rock and my salvation...

P: He is my fortress, I will not be shaken.

L: My salvation and honor depend on God.

P: He is my mighty rock, my refuge.

L: Trust in Him at all times...

P: Pour out your hearts to Him, for God is our refuge.

The Second Lesson: Jonah 3:1-5,10

L: The Word of the Lord

P: Thanks be to God!

***The Gospel Acclamation: "Change My Heart, O God" #801**

*The Gospel Lesson: Mark 1:14-20

The Message: "Courageous Faith" Pastor Kris Kurzejeski

***The Hymn: "Will You Come and Follow Me" #798**

*The Offering Prayer:

L: Generous and Giving Lord...

P: You have always opened Your heart to us and shared Your wisdom with us. Then You invited us to share in Your joy and abundance. We thank You for all You have provided for us, and pray You will help us to be generous and kind with these blessings, sharing them with others. In Your Holy Name we pray. Amen.

Giving our First and Best to God through our Offering

Offering Music: James

*The Prayers of God's People:

L: Lord of all...

P: Hear our prayer.

***The Lord's Prayer: (Shared by First Graders)**

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name.

Your kingdom come, Your will be done,

on earth, as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins,

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are Yours, now and forever. Amen.

*The Closing Blessing

***The Closing Hymn: "Rejoice, Ye Pure In Heart" (vss 1-4) #873**

*The Sending:

L: Go and spread the Good News...

P: Jesus is with us and always will be!

The Postlude: Improvisation on "Marion" James

Worship Notes

WE HOLD IN PRAYER

THOSE WHO ARE SICK OR IN NEED OF HEALING:

Joe Alms, Carol Amdahl, Marlin Amdahl, Barry Anderson, Marlys Anderson, Roger Becker, Jason Benson, Jon & Colleen Berglund & Family, Jeff Bowers, Edna Bowman, Teresa Dickman, Darlene Ecker, Lowell Enerson, Paul Engebretson, Lee Felter, Kaye Gavic, Patrick Gibbons, Oscar Grothaus, Jane Hanson, Joy Hanson, Tyler Hanson, Sharon Haugo, Sam Head, Leah & Isabel Isakson, Jan Johnson, Jerry Johnson, Joe Kinney, Ruth Lewis, Laura Lindahl, Mary Martin, Brent Myster, Donna Offerdahl, Duane Peterson, Terri Pomroy, Larry Quam, Betty Seastedt, Sharon & Jon Sippel, Donna Mae Stohlmann, Ralph Swenson, Richard & Edith Thoenke, Dick Trende, Paul Vandesteen, Eli Wiggs, Vera Yndestad.

THOSE SERVING OR DEPLOYED IN THE MILITARY

Scotty Krause, Charlie Richards, Peyton Massie, Cheyanne Massie, Charles Kemper, Maija Agee, Tom Hitzke.

Today we celebrate with our 1st graders as they complete the Lord's Prayer Faith Milestone. May Jesus' prayer strengthen you and remind you that He is with you no matter what.

IN SYMPATHY:

We offer our sympathies and prayers of comfort and strength for, the family and friends, of Jim Webber upon the death of his Brother, Bill. And to Lori Voss and family and friends upon the death of her Father, Jack. And to Kristen Gillingham and family and friends upon the death of her Father, David. We ask God to bless and comfort these friends with the promise of Christ: *"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted."*

TODAY'S WORSHIP ASSISTANTS:

Piano: Skip James

Song Leader: Tracey Jenkinson

Scripture Reader: Dan Roeglin

Technical Assistants: Ashley Dorr, Jonas Andrews

Bethel Quartet: Megan Wagner, Margaret Jane Wray, Obed Floan, Mark Billy

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"The road that leads to heaven is risky, lonely, and costly in this world, and few are willing to pay the price. Following Jesus involves losing your life - and finding new life in Him."

- David Platt



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Pastor Kris Kurzejeski, Preacher
Pastor Ladd Sonnenberg,
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