

WELCOME

to Bethel Lutheran Church!

We are glad you are here to worship with us on this second Sunday in Lent. Thanks for coming! We hope you’ll walk with us through the next days of Lent. May you be encouraged, inspired, and challenged by our service today!

**You are invited to stand as you are able*

The Prelude: Selections from the Music of Edvard Grieg James

The Welcome/Announcements

*The Confession and Forgiveness:

Leader: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit
People: Amen.

L: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

P: Amen.

L: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

L: Most Merciful God...

P: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

L: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for His sake, forgive us all our sins, As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

P: Amen.

***The Opening Hymn: “Thy Holy Wings” #613**

*The Pastoral Greeting:

L: Let us begin in the Name of the Lord of all Life...

P: In the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen!

*The Lenten Litany:

L: Lord, we come asking You to walk with us on our Lenten journey!

P: Help us to use this time to reflect on our lives, our priorities, and our directions.

L: Help us to look deep within ourselves and to decide what to keep and what to discard...

P: Give us the wisdom and strength to lay down our self-centeredness and pride for lives of humility.

L: Keep us grounded in Your Word and truth...

P: Keep us moving towards You and the values of Your kingdom.

*The Prayer:

L: God of Grace and Mercy...

P: We know we need Your gift of new beginnings each day in our lives. In our struggles against temptation, help is to live as Your forgiven people. Amen!

*The Sharing God’s Peace:

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

P: And also with you!

The Children’s Message: Pastor John Lestock

The Music Ministry: “Near the Cross” Franny Crosby & Willam H. Doane
The Bethel Quartet

The Old Testament Lesson: Psalm 125:1-5

L: The Word of The Lord.

P: Thanks be to God!

The New Testament Lesson: Colossians 3:1-4

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God!

***The Lenten Antiphon: “Return to the Lord”**

*The Gospel Lesson: Mark 8:34-37

The Message: “Gains and Losses”
Pastor John Lestock

***The Hymn “If I Gained the World”**

***The Nicene Creed pg. 104**

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
for us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,**

**was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of
the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen!**

*The Offering Prayer:

L: Our Good and Gracious God...

P: Receive these humble gifts. We give them with generous hearts and an eye towards those in need. Accept them as a reflection of our love for You. Amen!

Giving our First and Best to God through our Offering

The Offering Music: Improvisation on “Olander” James

*The Prayers of God’s People:

L: Hear us, Lord...

P: Your mercy is great!

*The Lord’s Prayer:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done,
on earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day, our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

*The Closing Blessing

***The Closing Song: “Will You Come and Follow Me” #798**

*The Sending:

L: Now go as God’s people...

P: We go to be faithful to Christ, as we continue our Lenten journey!

The Sending Music: Improvisation on “Bred dina vida vincar” James

Worship Notes

WE HOLD IN PRAYER

THOSE WHO ARE SICK, INJURED AND 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, Gwen Collins, Teresa Dickman, Darlene Ecker, Paul Engebretson, Lee Felter, Janet Gavic, Kaye Gavic, Patrick Gibbons, Oscar Grothaus, Jane Hanson, Joy Hanson, Tyler Hanson, Sharon Haugo, Sam Head, Tom Hugdahl, Leah & Isabel Isakson, Jan Johnson, Jerry Johnson, Joe Kinney, Ruth Lewis, Bill Libby, Laura Lindahl, Mary Martin, Brent Myster, Lacey Nolan, Donna Offerdahl, Duane Peterson, Terri Pomeroy, Marge Sandfort, Betty Seastedt, Sharon & Jon Sippel, Tim Sonnenberg, Donna Mae Stohlmann, Ralph Swenson, Dick Trende, Paul Vandersteen, Eli Wiggs.

THOSE SERVING OR DEPLOYED IN THE MILITARY:

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

TODAY'S WORSHIP ASSISTANTS:

Piano: Skip James

Song Leader: Tracey Jenkinson

Scripture Reader: Sean Hanner.

Technical Assistants: Ashley Dorr, Kathy Jeska.

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



“Gains and Losses”

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2021 | 8:00 AM WORSHIP
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Pastor John Lestock, Preacher

Pastor Kris Kurzejeski,

Pastor Ladd Sonnenberg

“We take excellent care of our bodies which we have for
only a lifetime, yet we let our souls shrivel which
we will have for eternity”

- Billy Graham

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