WELCOME

to Bethel Lutheran Church!

We are so glad you are with us today as we gather together in worship. We pray this service is meaningful and reminds you of the great love that Jesus has shown for us. May the knowledge of this love, inspire and encourage us to see the value in others and treat them with compassion and kindness.

* You are invited to stand, as you are able

All who believe in Jesus as Lord and Savior are welcome and encouraged to join us for communion, regardless of church membership or denomination.

The Gathering Music:

"Get Together" **Chet Powers**

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The Welcome/Announcements/Video

The Recognition of Kari Jo Fore

The Children's Message: Pastor Kris Kurzejeski

*The Opening Song:

"Feet That Move"

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Louder than the songs we sing Greater than the melodies that we bring **Greater than anything** We could ever give as our offering

> We want to bring You more We want to bring You more

(Chorus) We will praise You with The sound of our hands reaching I will worship You with Feet that move to bring good news (yeah)

We will let the truth we've heard Send us to the very ends of the earth We will gladly live our lives Moving in the power and love of Christ

> We want to bring You more We want to bring You more

> > Chorus 2X Instrumental Chorus 3X

*The 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, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

*The Responsive Reading:

- Lord, You have invited us into ministry with You.
- P: Help us to be Your hands and feet to those in need.
- Lord, You prayed for others when Your own life was in jeopardy. L:
- P: Help us to be as selfless as You and pray for those who are
- L: Lord, You are the Savior of the world; yet Your humility knew no match.
- P: Help us to realize our need for grace and extend that grace to
- L: Lord, You love us with Your whole heart, even when we have failed You.
- P: Help us to look deep within our hearts to find common ground with others, loving them unconditionally.

*The Prayer:

Compassionate Lord...

Your love and grace are far greater than we can imagine. Help us to live into Your confidence in us, that we might share the Good News of Your amazing love with all we encounter, building up the body of Christ, and inviting people to see Your goodness and mercy. In Your name we pray. Amen.

John 17:6-19 The Gospel Lesson:

The Message: "Love From the Pit" Pastor Kris Kurzejeski

The Song:

"2020"

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*The Offering Prayer:

God of abundant goodness...

You have opened Your heart to us and shared Your wisdom with us. Now You call on us to carry on Your ministry to bring people to faith, and to cultivate servant hearts. May we use our time, talents, and treasures to make the world a better place. Amen.

Giving our First and Best to God through our Offering

*The Offering Song:

"The Servant Song"

Richard Gillard

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Brother let me be your servant Let me be as Christ to you Let you be my servant too

When we sing to God in heaven We shall find such harmony Pray that I might have the grace to Born of all we've known together Of Christ's love and agony

We are pilgrims on a journey We are brothers on the road We are here to help each other Walk the mile and bear the load Brother let me be your servant Let me be as Christ to you Pray that I might have the grace to Let you be my servant too

weeping When you laugh I'll laugh with you I will share your joy and sorrow Till we've seen this journey

*The Great Thanksgiving:

I will weep when you are

The Lord is with you.

P: The Lord is with you, too.

L: Lift up your hearts.

P: We lift them to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God!

It is good, to give our thanks and praise!

L: It is good and right for us to gather together to share Holy Communion. Through this meal, we receive forgiveness of sins, and are united in love to our brothers and sisters in Christ. We receive this meal with humility and hope.

*The Lord's Prayer:

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 table is ready. Come and receive this holy gift!

^{*}Breaking the Bread/Sharing the Wine

^{*}The Invitation to Communion:

^{*}The Communion Blessing

*The Prayers of God's People:

L: Lord in Your mercy...

P: Hear our prayer.

*The Closing Blessing

*Closing Song:

"Better Than Life"

Cindy Cruse-Ratcliff and Israel Houghton
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Your love is everlasting It's an everlasting love Your mercy is as new As every rising of the sun

Fairest of ten thousand
Of ten thousand You are fair
And nothing in this world
Could ever measure or compare

And Your loving kindness Loving kindness Is better than life To Your loving kindness Loving kindness Is better than life

Your grace is all-sufficient It's an all-sufficient grace Your power and Your glory Are forever on display All your ways are just Oh Lord You're just in all Your ways And I will lift my hands Oh Lord With gratitude and praise

And Your loving kindness Loving kindness Is better than life Chorus

(Chorus)

Jesus, Your loving kindness Is better than life itself (Repeat)

Oh, it's better
Oh, better than life
Oh, so much better
Jesus, Your loving kindness
Is better than life

Chorus (2X)

*The Sending:

L: Go in humility to see the needs of the world...

P: Lord, help us to show the sacrificial love to others that You first showed to us!

"There is no power greater than sacrificial love. It can destroy the strongest of enemies, pierce the darkest of nights, and heal the most damaged of hearts."

-Quinn Loftis

WE HOLD IN PRAYER

THOSE WHO ARE SICK, INJURED AND IN NEED OF HEALING:

Carol Amdahl, Roger Becker, Jason Benson, Jeff Bowers, Edna Bowman, Jackie DeBauche, Lee Felter, Patrick Gibbons, Oscar Grothaus, Jane Hanson, Jerry Hedtke, Patti Heideman, Dave Hendrickson, Jan Johnson, Jerry Johnson, Joe Kinney, Ruth Lewis, Laura Lindahl, Penny Moran, Gail Nolan, Duane Peterson, Terri Pomeroy, Jerry Shurb, Paul Vandersteen, Bob Wall, Eli Wiggs.

THOSE SERVING OR DEPLOYED IN THE MILITARY:

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

TECHNICAL ASSISTANTS: Tom Prestin, MaryKate Fenstermaker, Larry Quam, Vicki Datt

WORSHIP SUPPORT: The Carrier Family

Thanks to **Kari Jo Fore** for leading Bethel Highlands Preschool for the past 14 years! Blessings in your future endeavors!

IN SYMPATHY

We offer our sympathies and prayers of comfort and strength to **Sherry Giese**, and family and friends, in the death of her husband **Herb.** May God comfort these friends with the promise of Christ, "Blessed are those who mourn for they shall be comforted".

The New Song Band

Vocalists: Craig Koehnen Katie Possehl

Tracey Jenkinson
Paul Gavic

Piano/Keys: Craig Koehnen

Bass: Will Suit
Drums: Steve Jerlow

Guitar: Paul Gavic Sam Chapman

Bethel's Mission to Connect, Grow, and Serve, Continues...

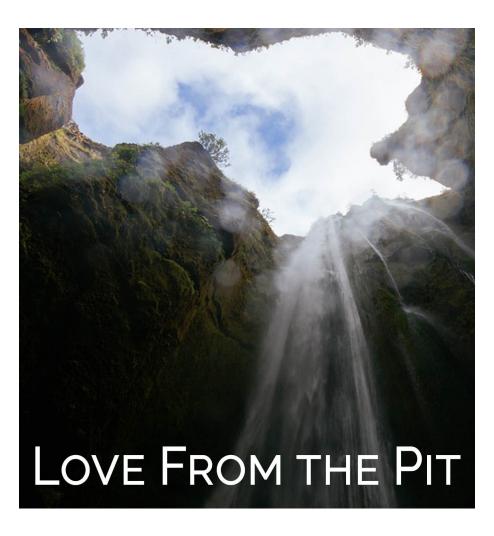
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