All Saints Sunday

November 6, 2022 – 10am Modern Worship, ELW Setting 3

Prelude Music

Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, \pm one God, who redeems us in Christ Jesus, whose steadfast love endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Most merciful God,

C: ... we confess that we have sinned against you and our neighbors. We have ignored voices that call for your justice. We have neglected actions that witness to your righteousness. We have spoken and acted in ways that disrupt your beloved community. We truly repent of things we have done and left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Restore our troubled spirits, so that we may live in newness, follow the way of the Spirit, and build up the body of Christ. Amen.

P: Rejoice and be glad! God hears the prayers of all who cry out, and restores us to life through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Therefore, I declare to you the forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Gathering Song:

For All the Saints (Verses 1, 2, 6 & 7)

ELW 422

Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all! C: And also with you!

Kyrie

A: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

A: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. C: Lord, have mercy.

A: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

A: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

A: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. C: Amen.



Prayer of the Day

A: Let us pray together,

C: Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Children's Message Pastor Paul

First Reading: Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

The book of Daniel was written in the second century BCE, when the Syrian king Antiochus Epiphanes was severely persecuting the Jews. Daniel's vision of the four beasts proclaims that human kings will come and go, but the kingdom will ultimately belong to God and to God's people.

1 In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: 2 I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, 3 and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another. 15 As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. 16 I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: 17 "As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. 18 But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever."

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation: Allelu Repp

Allelu! Allelu! Ev'rybody sing, "Allelu!" For the Lord has risen, it is true. Ev'rybody sing, "Allelu!" Allelu! Ev'rybody sing, "Allelu!" For the Lord has risen, it is true. Ev'rybody sing, "Allelu!"

Gospel: Luke 6:20-31

In echoes of the prophet Isaiah and Mary's song of praise, Jesus reveals surprising things about who enjoys blessing and who endures woe. He invites his disciples to shower radical love, blessing, forgiveness, generosity, and trust even on enemies and outsiders.

P: A reading from... C: Glory to You, O Lord.

20Then Jesus looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. 21"Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. 22"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. 23Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. 24"But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. 25"Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. "Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. 26"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets. 27"But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, 28bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. 29If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. 30Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. 31Do to others as you would have them do to you."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon Pastor Paul Busekist

Song of the Day:

Blest Are They

ELW 728

**Worshippers are encouraged during this song to come forward to light a candle for a loved one who has passed, placing it in one of the sand trays at the front of the sanctuary.

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of Heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the Church / Sign of the Peace

Offering

Offering Song: Zeke Clemons

Offertory:

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful



Offering Prayer

A: Let us pray.

C: Blessed are you, Maker of all things. As you have entrusted us with all that you have created, now gather our gifts, nourish us with this sacrament, and send us to those who hunger and thirst, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Words of Institution

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.

Communion (Please note: gluten-free wafers and white grape juice cups are available)

Communion Songs:

The Table Shall We Gather at the River

Tomlin, Cash, Jolley ELW 423

Final Blessing

P: The God of peace, who creates all things and calls them good, who makes us alive in Jesus, and who breathes on us the Spirit of hope, + bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Sending Song:

When the Saints Go Marching In

Oh, when the saints go marching in oh when the saints go marching in,

Oh, Lord I want to be in that number when the saints go marching in.

Oh, when the light begins to shine oh when the light begins to shine,

oh, Lord I want to be in that number when the light begins to shine.

Oh, when the trumpet sounds the call oh when the trumpet sounds the call,

oh, Lord I want to be in that number when the trumpet sounds the call.

Oh, when the saints go marching in oh when the saints go marching in,

Oh, Lord I want to be in that number when the saints go marching in.

Dismissal

A: Go in peace. Be a blessing in the world. C: Thanks be to God.

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11/6—Phil Anderson

11/6—Madison Goodwin

11/9—Suzanne Lehto

2nd Sunday Traditional Service is next week, November 13th

Building and Office Hours are: 9:00am - 2:30pm, Monday - Thursday.

<u>Pledge Sundays:</u> You should have received your pledge letter and documents in the mail. Our Pledge Sundays will be today and next Sunday, Nov. 13th. You may place your pledge envelope in the vase at the back of the sanctuary.

THANK OFFERING SUNDAY COMING UP: Thank Offering Sunday is being held on November 13th. This is the Sunday when most positions of the worship service are handled by women. A special offering will be taken during that service which will be used to support women's ministries churchwide. Thank Offering jars are available in the Narthex; special envelopes will also be provided on November 13th. Please come and join us

<u>Thank you everyone for coming to our Farewell Reception</u> and for your overwhelming support, kindness and generosity! We did not expect it and we appreciate you all so much. God has filled this place with some very special people who we will miss very much. Please keep in touch! The Slabaugh Family

Giving Statements Available: Your individual giving statements will be available in your mailbox in the Narthex beginning Sunday October 23, 2022. The statement covers giving from January 1st through September 30, 2022. Please pick them up at your convenience. To save on postage, I will mail out the ones not picked up by the end of November 2022. Thank you for your generous support for the programs and ministries of your church. We are all blessed by your faithful giving. Your Bookkeeper

Refresh Committee Update: We have received some questions regarding funding of the Refresh Project in connection with the Church Budget. The Refresh Committee has not used any money from the 2022 Church Budget. When we had our meetings with the Congregation earlier this year, we had planned on asking for some funding from the Sustaining Endowment Fund and a match from Asset Replacement. This did not occur. Based on the current economic climate we felt it was not appropriate to ask for these funds. Currently, all money being used for the Refresh Project is money we received from the generous donations of members of the Congregation. If there are any other questions, please feel free to contact me. Thanks, Chuck Ardingo

COVID: Please note that masks are required for unvaccinated persons in worship and highly encouraged for those who are vaccinated.

<u>Today's altar flowers are donated by:</u> Kate Holtfreter in Honor of All the Saints.

<u>Offerings:</u> The offering plates are now passed during the service. The vase in the back of the Sanctuary is still available for those who prefer not to touch the offering plate.

Third Thursday: The next Third Thursday service will be a Jazz Vespers service on November 17th at 7:00pm. The service will be livestreamed.

XYZ Potluck: Join us for good food, laughter and fellowship on <u>Friday, November 11th at 12 Noon.</u> For now, it will be mainly fellowship, but we plan to eventually add a program. While predominately geared toward seniors, we welcome any adult who would like to attend.

CLEAN UP IN THE SANCTUARY: We are planning another cleanup day. We will be doing this on Sunday, November 13th immediately after church. This time we will be doing a deep cleaning in the sanctuary, including washing the windows, vacuuming the floor, with spot cleaning the carpet stains. We will be dusting the altar and sweeping and cleaning the floor of the altar. We will also be cleaning the 2 main bathrooms and the bathroom by the sacristy. We need volunteers to do all of these chores. There will be snacks and water provided. And remember many hands make light work. If we have several people, it shouldn't take more than about an hour to do all of this. This will give us a fresh clean church for the upcoming Holidays. Blessings to you all

<u>The November issue of the STAR is now available.</u> For current issues of the Star, feel free to check online at www.bethlehemtc.org < About Us > "The Online Bethlehem Star" or type this URL to get these directly: http://www.bethlehemtc.org/the-bethlehem-star-newsletter.

<u>Looking for a link to last month's full Council minutes?</u> Type this address/url into your web browser to get the latest approved minutes from Council: bethlehemtc.org/Council-Minutes

OR you may call the office to request a copy.

Prayer Requests:

- Prayer Chain: Please contact Jan Stretlien at jstretlien@gmail.com or 231-947-3265
- Prayers read from the altar: Please call Administrative Assistant in the church office 231-947-9880

Celebrate a new child in your life with a rose on the baptismal font! Cost \$10.00 per rose. Contact Barbara Oster at beo6475@yahoo.com or 231.668.7038.

The newest Living Lutheran magazine and the October/November/December Christ in Our Home can be picked up at the welcome table on Sunday mornings or from the Shooting STAR box below the outside mailbox.

Special Book Announcement: Calling all true mystery lovers... we have our own mini-mystery right here at Bethlehem. <u>One of the copies of our most recent book club selection, Isadore's Secret has not been returned.</u> The library is giving us extra time to attempt to locate it. If you happened to carry it home or saw it in some nook and cranny at church please let the office know.

<u>Coffee and Cookies:</u> You are welcome to stay after the service for coffee, cookies and conversation. This will be done as many Sundays as there are volunteers to make the coffee and/or bring cookies, etc. There is a sign-up sheet available near the cookies. There are open dates, so please sign up!

<u>Name tags:</u> Your name tags are back in your mailboxes. Please walk a little farther and retrieve them so you can proudly wear them on Sunday mornings. We often have visitors and it helps them if they can see a friendly face and attach a name to it.

Choir announcement: Come add some music into your life! Future rehearsals are Thurs Nov 10 and Tues Dec 6 and 13 at 7:00. The choir is excited with its new Advent and Christmas music. We would love to have more singers!! Contact Tony Bero at bero.tony@gmail.com or 942-1162 so he can have music ready for you.

<u>Adult Bible Study</u> gets together on Wednesdays from 9:00am-11:00am. It is a casual discussion of the Gospel of Mark. Bring your bibles and come, share, learn and grow with us.

<u>The Zoom Bible Study</u> meets on Wednesdays from 1:30pm—3:00pm. We will discuss the Book of Revelation from the Book of Faith. If you are interested, please contact either Pr Paul or Barbara Oster.

You are welcome to attend adult education on Sundays from 9:15am-9:45am in the Youth Room. Discussion will be about the Lessons/Gospel for the day.

Bethlehem's entire congregation now has the opportunity to join the youth in our brand new Intergenerational Events. These are fun opportunities to gather in fellowship with Bethlehem's youth to connect and become a supportive and strong Christian influence. Please contact the church office for more information.

24 hr food pantry closing for the winter: The outdoor pantry will be closing for the winter after the craft show on Nov 6. If you or someone you know needs some extra food please take some before it closes. There will be extra food set out on the day of the show. Before April anyone in need can contact the office to arrange a pick-up from the indoor storage. If you find a deal too good to refuse from Nov to Apr the teal bin will be available below the table by the mailboxes for placing your goodies.

<u>BLC Book Club:</u> The BLC book club's Nov meeting is on the 22th at 5:30 via ZOOM. The book selection is *The Story of Arthur Truluv* by Elizabeth Berg and can be found in the book club tub by the church's front doors. If you are not on the email list and want to be involved send your information to cmonroe@chartermi.net.

LAUNDRY BASKET PROJECT UPDATE: The laundry basket project is ongoing. Please drop off any cleaning items in the Narthex. Families who visit the baby pantry have been most appreciative. Blessings to you all!

Due Dates for STAR/Bulletin/Screen Announcements:

- **STAR:** The third Friday of the month sent to admin@bethlehemtc.org (Please note STAR in subject line)
- <u>Bulletin/Verbal Announcements:</u> Tuesday of the week sent to admin@bethlehemtc.org (Bulletin/Worship Folder is prepared on Wednesday and printed on Thursday morning.) (Please note Bulletin or Announcement in subject line)
- <u>Screen Announcements/Weekly BLC Emails:</u> Tuesday of the week sent to admin@bethlehemtc.org (Please note Screen Announcements or Weekly BLC Emails in subject line)

<u>Monthly STAR:</u> Thanks to all of you who have said that you will read the STAR on line or pick it up at church. Those of you who come to church, be thinking if there is any member close in your neighborhood that you could deliver their copy to them. If you have recently decided to read on line or pick-up at church please call the office and let them know.



Advent meals are back for 2022! We will be trying Thursday nights this Fall for Advent. The meals are put on by the Fellowship Committee and volunteers. We could really use more volunteers! Is this something that you would be willing to help with, in any capacity that works for you? Do you like to:

- *Plan meals
- *Shop for food
- *Prepare food
- *Set up tables and chairs

- *Serve food
- *Clear tables and put away tables and chairs
- *Wash dishes
- *Clean up the kitchen after the meal

You don't have to volunteer for ALL of that! If you are able to do just one thing, you are a help and a blessing to everyone who attends and enjoys the Advent Services, including yourself! If this is something you would like to do, or if you have any questions, please contact Laura Hahn at dandlhahn@gmail.com, or 929-1339. Thank you!

<u>Hoop's Pet Food Pantry:</u> This is the only pet food pantry in NW lower Michigan. They primarily provide dry food, wet food, treats, cat litter and toys for mostly dogs and cats but they will support any type of pet to the best of their ability. Please visit them at the Square Deal Country Store, 900 Woodmere Ave, TC from 1100am – 2:00pm on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of every month with your donations <u>OR you may leave donations in the tub on our "donations" table next to the mailboxes. The volunteers have expressed their appreciation when receiving our donations. Please note that they are anticipating an increased need over the winter,</u>



Bethlehem Week at Safe Harbor Coming in February - Yes, Bethlehem Lutheran will be joining with Northern Lakes Community Church (a Presbyterian congregation) to provide a week of evening meals again this winter. We will be serving from February 4 through February 10. Bethlehem will take Saturday February 4, Sunday February 5, and Tuesday February 7. "Five

Loaves; Two Fish" of Leland is taking February 6- and all Mondays throughout the winter! Northern Lakes will handle the 8, 9, and 10 February. We are coordinating menus as we can to assure variety. Here are a couple other updates:

-I already have the Tina Dohm group committed to February 4th with a lasagna dinner, the Cindy Monroe group signed up for February 5th with a chicken and rice dinner, and the B.J. and Tom Christensen group planning a ham dinner on February 7th. Come January we will have sheets to sign-up to assist in a number of ways outside of the kitchen with guest interaction and providing breakfast and other items. Reach me at any time at 631-0040. You may have also seen that Safe Harbor is going to be open days on the weekends. Safe Harbor will be looking for volunteers to assist the professional staff with supervision on Saturdays and Sundays during the day. Those shifts will be from 8AM to 1PM and 1PM to 6PM. If you have never volunteered at Safe Harbor before, this could be a good place to start. I can assist you in signing up for one of these opportunities.

Look forward to a regular great response from Bethlehem members. More to come.

Mark your calendars! Thank you.

Tom Rockne Bethlehem Safe Harbor Coordinator M.231.631.0040

Have something important going on at Bethlehem that you'd like others to know about? Maybe a Small Group? A Club Event? Feature it on the Screen Announcements and on our Facebook Events Page! If there is something you'd like featured or included for either Screen Announcements or Facebook Events please reach out to admin@bethlehemtc.org.

A big thank you to all who have turned in Oleson's receipts. We just received a check from them for \$186.58 for a grand total of \$651.20 for the year 2022. Please continue to drop off your Oleson's receipts at Bethlehem!!! Thank you so much!!!

Please consider signing up for Altar Flowers for a Sunday service. There are plenty of dates available for the rest of the year. You may use the sign-up poster in the Narthex by signing on the date you request. Then fill out a pink slip with the necessary information and place it and a check for \$40 (payable to Bethlehem Lutheran Church or BLC) in the offering plate on Sunday morning (Preferable) or during the week, in the Administrative Assistant's mailbox near the church office entrance. You may select either "in honor" or "in memory" or "to celebrate". If someone has already signed on the date you would like, feel free to add your name – we welcome more than one on a Sunday.

Bethlehem sends weekly emails directly to your inbox with important announcements and information! If you are not getting them for any reason or if you have something you'd like to have added please reach out to admin@bethlehemtc.org



The church calendar is below. Please be sure to notify the office (admin@bethlehemtc.org or 231.947.9880) to be sure that your group is on the calendar.

CALENDAR Sunday, November 6 All Saints Sunday CHARGE @ Great Wolf Lodge

10:00am—Worship Service (S) 6:00pm—All Star DE (FH)

Tuesday, November 8

Bulletin articles due today

9:00am—LWR Quilters (FH)

9:00am—Property Work Group

10:00am—Staff Meeting (CR)

12:00pm—Sarah Circle (FH)

1:00pm—Friendship Bible Study (GS)

6:00pm—Executive Committee (CR)

6:00pm—Y2A/Christian Ed Meeting (YR)

Wednesday, November 9

9:00am—Adult Bible Study

11:30am—Music Rehearsal (S)

1:30pm—Zoom Bible Study

Thursday, November 10

9:00am—Baby Pantry Setup (FH)

10:00am—Baby Pantry (FH)

1:00pm—Rebecca Anna Circle (GS)

5:30pm—ACOA (FH)

7:00pm—Choir Rehearsal (S)

Friday, November 11

12:00pm—XYZ Potluck (FH)

6:00pm—Faith & Family (FH)

Saturday, November 12

10:00am—Visitation

11:00am—Jim Leibenguth Funeral (S)

12:00pm—Funeral Luncheon (FH)

Sunday, November 13

Thank Offering Sunday

10:00am—Traditional Worship Service (S)

11:15am—Sanctuary Cleanup (S)