

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 11, 2021 – 10am

Modern Worship, ELW Setting 4



Prelude Music/Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

C: Amen.

P: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: God, our provider,

C: ... help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

P: Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, ☩ the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

C: Amen.

Gathering Song: Hear the Call of the Kingdom

Hear the call of the kingdom, lift your eyes to the King;
Let His song rise within you as a fragrant offering
of how God, rich in mercy, came in Christ to redeem all who trust in His unfailing grace.

Hear the call of the kingdom, to be children of light
with the mercy of heaven the humility of Christ;
Walking justly before Him, loving all that is right, that the life of Christ may shine through us.

King of heaven, we will answer the call. We will follow, bringing hope to the world,
filled with passion, filled with power to proclaim salvation in Jesus' name.

Hear the call of the kingdom, to reach out to the lost
with the Father's compassion in the wonder of the cross,
bringing peace and forgiveness, and a hope yet to come: let the nations put their trust in Him

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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: O God, from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Children's Message

First Reading: Amos 7:7-15

Amos is not the kind of prophet attached to temples or royal courts. Rather, he is an ordinary farmer from Judah (the southern kingdom) called by God to speak to Israel (the northern kingdom). God's word of judgment through Amos conflicts with the king's court prophet Amaziah, whom Amos encounters at Bethel.

⁷This is what the Lord God showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. ⁸And the Lord said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; ⁹the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword." ¹⁰Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. ¹¹For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.' " ¹²And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; ¹³but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom." ¹⁴Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, ¹⁵and the Lord took me from following the flock, and the Lord said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.' "

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia

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Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia.
Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel: Mark 6:14-29

As Jesus and his disciples begin to attract attention, Mark recalls the story of John the Baptist's martyrdom. Like John, Jesus and his disciples will also suffer at the hands of those opposed to the gospel of salvation.

P: A reading from...

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁴King Herod heard of the disciples' preaching, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." ¹⁵But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." ¹⁶But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised." ¹⁷For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. ¹⁸For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." ¹⁹And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, ²⁰for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. ²¹But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. ²²When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." ²³And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." ²⁴She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." ²⁵Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." ²⁶The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. ²⁷Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, ²⁸brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. ²⁹When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon – Pastor Paul

Song of the Day: Listen, God is Calling (*please see back page for music*)

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 (Response: “Hear our prayer”) / Sign of the Peace

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

Communion Songs:

One Bread, One Body *(please see back page for music)*

Holy God, We Praise Your Name *(please see back page for music)*

Final Blessing

P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ☩ be upon you now and forever.
C: Amen

Dismissal

A: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.
C: Thanks be to God.

Sending Song: The New Song We Sing

You are the God Who reconciles the wayward heart through Christ.
The old has gone, the new has come; we are reconciled by love, we are reconciled by love.

You are the God Who reconciles the wayward heart through Christ.
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And this is the new song we sing to the King of heaven. This is the new song we bring after all you’ve given.
And we stand before You redeemed as Your children. This is the new song we sing.

We who were once so far away are brought near by Your blood.
The barrier has been destroyed; by Your grace we freely come, by Your grace we freely come.

And this is the new song we sing to the King of heaven. This is the new song we bring after all you’ve given.
And we stand before You redeemed as Your children. This is the new song we sing.

And we live in You. We live for You. We live to You, our King.
We stand in You. We stand for You. We stand as Your redeemed.

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Listen, God Is Calling

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Refrain
Leader All

Ne - no, ne - no la - ke Mu - ngu la - ku - i - ta we - we,
Lis - ten, lis - ten, God is call - ing, through the Word in - vit - ing,

ne - no la wo - ko - vu, te - na je - ma. ma.
of - fer - ing for - give - ness, com - fort, and joy. joy.

Leader All

Ye - su a - li - se - ma, Mka - hu - bi - ri.
1 Je - sus gave his man - date: share the good news
2 Let none be for - got - ten through - out the world.
3 Help us to be faith - ful, stand - ing stead - fast,

Leader All *Refrain*

Ne - no la - ke Mu - ngu la wo - ko - vu.
that he came to save us and set us free.
In the tri - une name of God go and bap - tize.
walk - ing in your pre - cepts, led by your Word.

One Bread, One Body

Refrain



One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all; one cup of



bless-ing which we bless, and we, though man-y



through-out the earth, we are one bod - y in this one Lord.



1	Gen - tile	or Jew,	ser - vant	or free,
2	Man - y	the gifts,	man - y	the works,
3	Grain for	the fields,	scat-tered	and grown,



Refrain

wom - an	or man,	no	more.
one in	the Lord	of	all.
gath-ered	to one	for	all.

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ONE BREAD, ONE BODY

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Holy God, We Praise Your Name

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1 Ho - ly God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we
 2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn an - gel choirs a -
 3 Lo, the ap - os - tol - ic train join your sa - cred
 4 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it,

bow be - fore you. All on earth your scep - ter claim,
 above are rais - ing; cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim,
 name to hal - low; proph - ets swell the glad re - frain,
 three we name you, though in es - sence on - ly one;

all in heav'n a - bove a - dore you. In - fi - nite your
 in un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing, fill the heav'ns with
 and the white - robed mar - tyrs fol - low; and from morn to
 un - di - vid - ed God we claim you and, a - dor - ing,

vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is your reign.
 sweet ac - cord: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!"
 set of sun through the church the song goes on.
 bend the knee while we own the mys - ter - y.



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

7/11—Jane Passmore
7/15—Connie Christopherson
7/15—Connie Barrow
7/17—Martin Graf

7/15—Dick Gray
7/15—Connie Barrow
7/16—Ryan Freye

Bethlehem has discontinued the sign-in process for contact tracing. Masks will continue to be optional for vaccinated persons, but required for non-vaccinated persons.

Please note that the new Building and Office Hours are: 9:00am – 2:30pm, Monday – Thursday.

Please consider signing up for Altar Flowers for a Sunday service. 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 Administration 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.

Today's altar flowers are donated by: *the Congregation in thanks for all of God's blessings.*

"Zoom Book Study" is taking a summer break and will start up again in the Fall. Look for details then to join the group.

The BLC book club will meet via ZOOM at 5:30 on Tues, July 27. We will be discussing *The Only Woman in the Room* by Marie Benedict. If you are not already on the list and want to be added to the group for July just send your email to Cindy Monroe at cmonroe@chartermi.net.

The July issue of the STAR is ready! 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>.

The outdoor **"Shooting STAR Dispenser"** at BLC is **now full** with several paper publications, including the July STAR and the current week's worship folder/bulletin. If you would like a copy of a DVD, please contact the church and one will be produced for you.

Drive My Way, the driver's ed school using Bethlehem's facility is in need of experienced driver's ed teachers. If you are experienced or know someone who is experienced, please contact Mark or Ashley Ingraham, the Father/Daughter Team; Drive My Way Driver Education; (231)492-6612. Time and pay are negotiable.

Christ in Our Home Devotionals are available for July/August/September. Special Note: Pr Ruth Overdier is the writer for the daily devotions from July 11-20. They can be picked up at the name tag table on Sunday mornings, from the STAR box below the outside mailbox, or during parking lot communion. The newest *Living Lutheran* magazine is also available in the same locations.

A big thank you to all who turned in their Olesons receipts to Bethlehem. We just received a check from them for \$255.62. Please continue to turn in your receipts to church.

Calling all Knitters!! There is an overabundance of yarn skeins in the bin under the mailboxes in the narthex. PLEASE feel free to grab some to make hats, mittens, prayer shawls, etc.! The yarn is sorted according to kind, so you can be sure to find something appropriate for whatever project you have in mind. Questions? Call Betty R. (947-1013)

Our blog is undergoing a revamp and will be named "Paths of Hope": Be on the lookout soon for more detailed information.

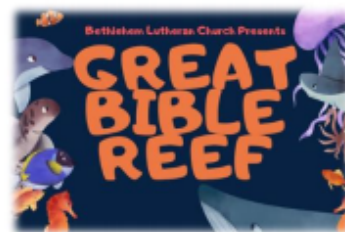
Bethlehem sends weekly emails directly to your inbox with important announcements and information! If you are not getting them for any reason or if you have something you'd like to have added please reach out to Annie at annie.slabaugh@bethlehemtc.org.

Due to Living Water Ministries closing their camp for this summer Bethlehem is teaming up with Advent Lutheran Church and Immanuel Lutheran Church for a very special camp outing, Thursday August 26th - Sunday August 29th! We are hoping to get a group of youth together grades 6th grade and up (families are also invited!), and we will be having fun activities such as hiking, swimming, bonfires, worship and fellowship! Price is \$20 per person for overnight camping (whether one night or three) and \$10 per person for the weekend for people participating without camping. Please mail checks or cash to Advent Lutheran Church (PO Box 249, Lake Ann, MI 49650). Space is limited so youth registration deadline is July 1st while adults and family is August 1st. Please see today's special insert for registration info. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Pastor Paul!

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 Annie at annie.slabaugh@bethlehemtc.org.

FUN Ministry ! Recycle Altar Flowers! Meet People! New Faces and New Places! This Ministry will Help BLC grow! This Ministry promotes Caring and Compassion ! Come Join OurTeam for the Jesus Love Theme - ♡♡♡ Set your own time . Be Creative . Call Kathi Ivany for more information. 231 313 1647

We had a great time last weekend at our One Day VBS: Great Bible Reef! We saw some old faces and quite a few new faces as we dove deep into God's word. A special shout out to the individuals below who went above and beyond to make this VBS happen--from finding volunteers months ago to being at VBS the day of--we appreciate you and couldn't have done it without any of you!



Laura Acker
Nancy Ammann
Chuck Ardingo
Chris Ardingo
Pastor Paul Busekist
Zeke Clemons
Property Committee
Sarah Denton
Meghan Denton
Tina Dohm
Linda Gokey
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Rena Wells
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Zion Lutheran Church in Cadillac

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Although we weren't sure what to expect this year we had an awesome turnout for the Parking Lot Fundraiser this year! We earned a total \$714.50 which will go toward the 2022 National Youth Gathering and other Youth Events!

A very special thank you to the following Youth and Adults who braved the heat and helped us out on Sunday:

Mat Branch  
Quenten Branch  
Landen Branch  
Zach Chaussee  
Cynthia Cuba  
Tina Dohm  
Makena Dohm

Lincoln Dohm  
Christine Mann-Mungor  
Owen Mungor  
Lillian Mungor  
Shannon Nemeth  
Trent Slabaugh  
Rena Wells

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The church calendar has returned 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, July 11

3:00pm—Annie Slabaugh Baby Shower

Monday, July 12

9:00am—Drive My Way (FH)

11:30am—Drive My Way (FH)

5:00pm—Finance Committee (Zoom)

Tuesday, July 13

9:00am—Drive My Way (FH)

9:00am—Property Work Group

10:00am—Staff Meeting (Youth Room)

11:30am—Drive My Way (FH)

1:00pm—Ruth Circle (FH)

Tuesday, July 13 (cont)

4:30pm—Executive Committee (CR)

Wednesday, July 14

9:00am—Drive My Way (FH)

11:30am—Drive My Way (FH)

7:00pm—Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Thursday, July 15

9:00am—Drive My Way (FH)

10:00am—Baby Pantry (FH)

5:30pm—ACOA (LL)

Saturday, July 17

11:00—McCallum Burial (Memorial Garden)