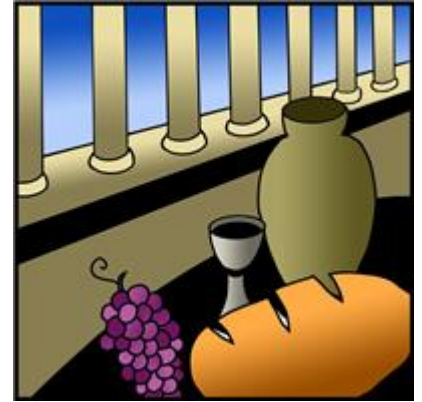


# Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

August 15, 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: Morning Has Broken** (*please see back page for music*)

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: Ever-loving God, your Son gives himself as living bread for the life of the world. Fill us with such a knowledge of his presence that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life to serve you continually, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

## First Reading: Proverbs 9:1-6

*Wisdom is portrayed as a woman who invites people to partake of her banquet. Just as ordinary food is necessary for physical life, Wisdom's food—insight and understanding—is necessary for fullness of life with God. Partaking of Wisdom's banquet is the way to life.*

<sup>1</sup>Wisdom has built her house, she has hewn her seven pillars. <sup>2</sup>She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine, she has also set her table. <sup>3</sup>She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls from the highest places in the town, <sup>4</sup>“You that are simple, turn in here!” To those without sense she says, <sup>5</sup>“Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. <sup>6</sup>Lay aside immaturity, and live, and walk in the way of insight.”

L: The Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God**

## Psalm: Psalm 34:9-14

<sup>9</sup>Fear the Lord, you saints of the Lord, for those who fear the Lord lack nothing.

<sup>10</sup>**The lions are in want and suffer hunger, but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.**

<sup>11</sup>Come, children, and listen to me; I will teach you reverence for the Lord.

<sup>12</sup>**Who among you takes pleasure in life and desires long life to enjoy prosperity?**

<sup>13</sup>Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from lying words.

<sup>14</sup>**Turn from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.**

## Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia

*Sinclair*

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

## Gospel: John 6:51-58

*In John's gospel, the feeding of the five thousand leads to extended teaching in which Jesus identifies himself as the true “bread of life.” Finally, in these verses, he makes a connection that would not be understood until after his death, in light of the church's celebration of holy communion.*

P: A reading from...

**C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

Jesus said, <sup>51</sup>“I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.” <sup>52</sup>The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying,

“How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” <sup>53</sup>So Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. <sup>54</sup>Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; <sup>55</sup>for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. <sup>56</sup>Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. <sup>57</sup>Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. <sup>58</sup>This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

## **Sermon – Pastor Paul**

**Song of the Day: By Your Hand You Feed Your People** *(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 / Sign of the Peace**

### **Offering**

### **Offering Prayer**

A: Let us pray.

C: Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.

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

### Communion Songs:

**Come to the Table** *(please see back page for music)*

**Here is Bread** *(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.**

### Sending Song: Blessed Be Your Name *(words below)*

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful, where Your streams of abundance flow blessed be Your name.

Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place, though I walk through the wilderness blessed be Your name.

Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise. When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say,

"Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name. Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name."

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me, when the world's "all as it should be" blessed be Your name.

Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering, though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your name.

Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise. When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say,

"Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name. Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name."

You give and take away, You give and take away. My heart will choose to say, "Lord, Blessed be Your name."  
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"Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name. Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name."

### Dismissal

A: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

# Morning Has Broken

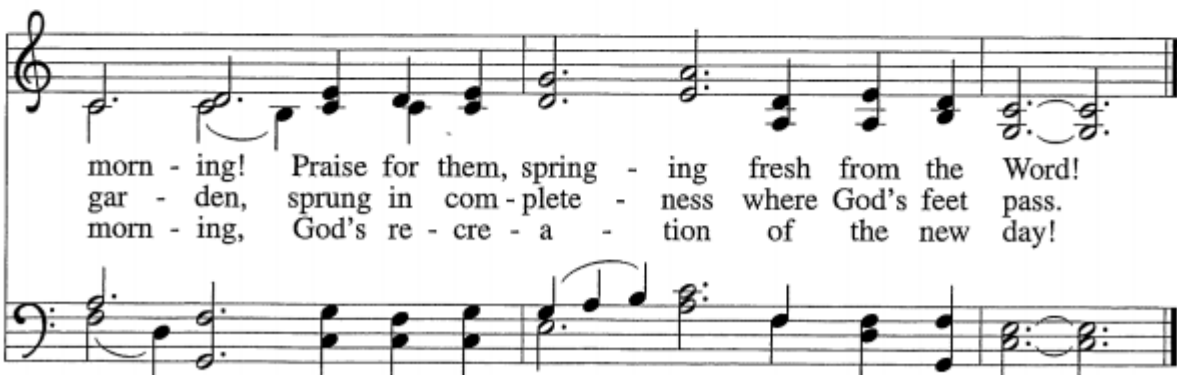
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1 Morn - ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing; black-bird has  
 2 Sweet the rain's new fall, sun - lit from heav - en, like the first  
 3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing, born of the



spo - ken like the first bird. Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the  
 dew - fall on the first grass. Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet  
 one light E - den saw play! Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - 'ry



morn - ing! Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!  
 gar - den, sprung in com - plete - ness where God's feet pass.  
 morn - ing, God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

Text: Eleanor Farjeon, 1881-1965

Music: Gaelic tune; arr. hymnal version

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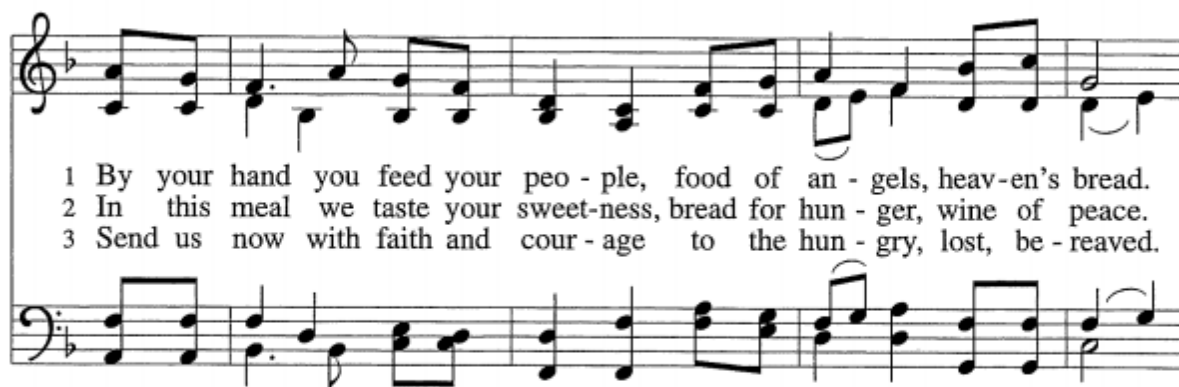
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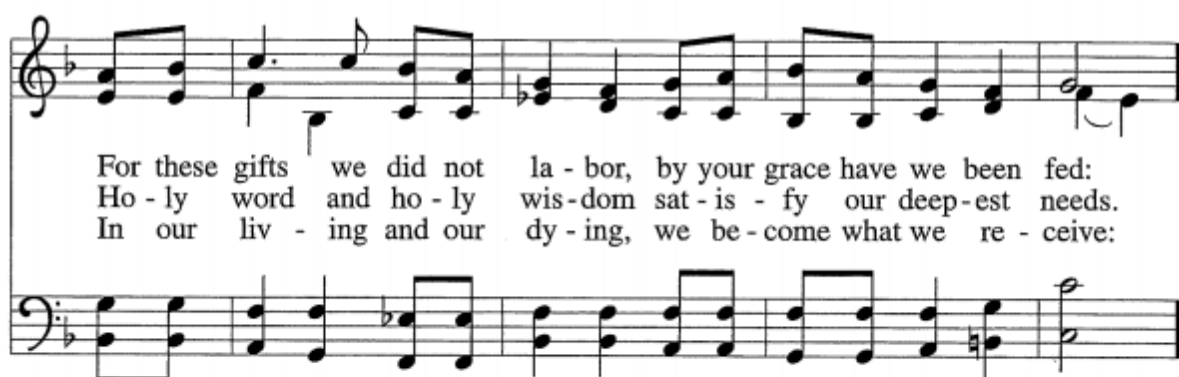
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# By Your Hand You Feed Your People

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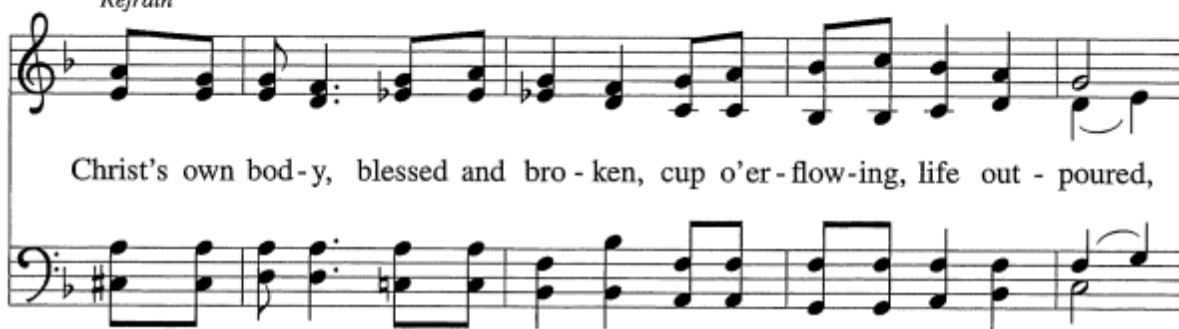


1 By your hand you feed your peo - ple, food of an - gels, heav-en's bread.  
 2 In this meal we taste your sweet-ness, bread for hun - ger, wine of peace.  
 3 Send us now with faith and cour - age to the hun - gry, lost, be - reaved.

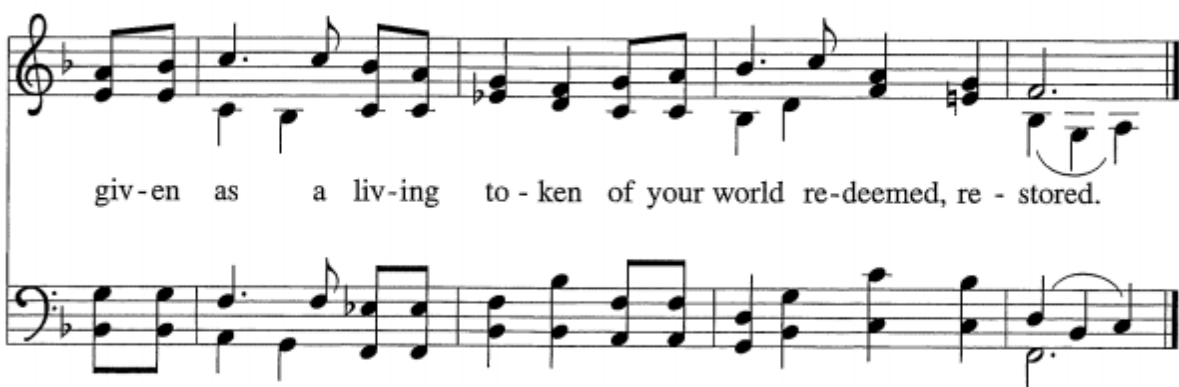


For these gifts we did not la - bor, by your grace have we been fed:  
 Ho - ly word and ho - ly wis - dom sat - is - fy our deep - est needs.  
 In our liv - ing and our dy - ing, we be - come what we re - ceive:

## Refrain



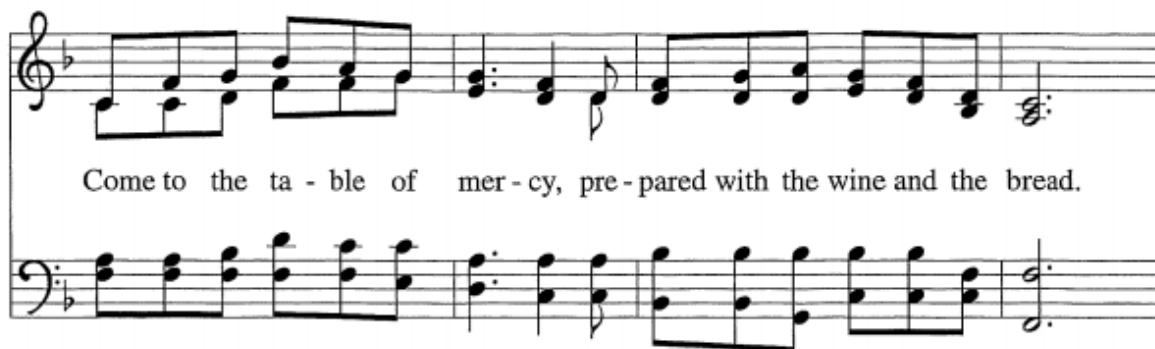
Christ's own bod - y, blessed and bro - ken, cup o'er - flow - ing, life out - poured,



giv - en as a liv - ing to - ken of your world re - deemed, re - stored.

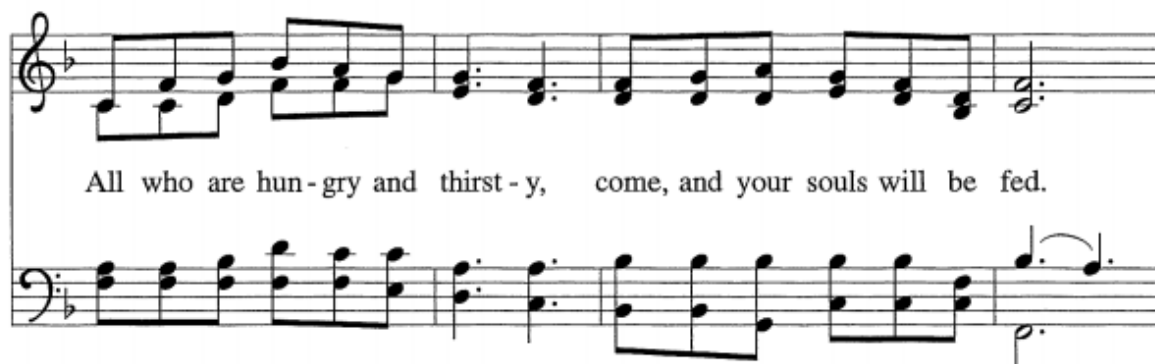
# Come to the Table

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Come to the ta - ble of mer - cy, pre - pared with the wine and the bread.

The first system of music features a treble and bass staff in B-flat major. The treble staff has a melody of eighth and quarter notes, while the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment of chords and moving lines.



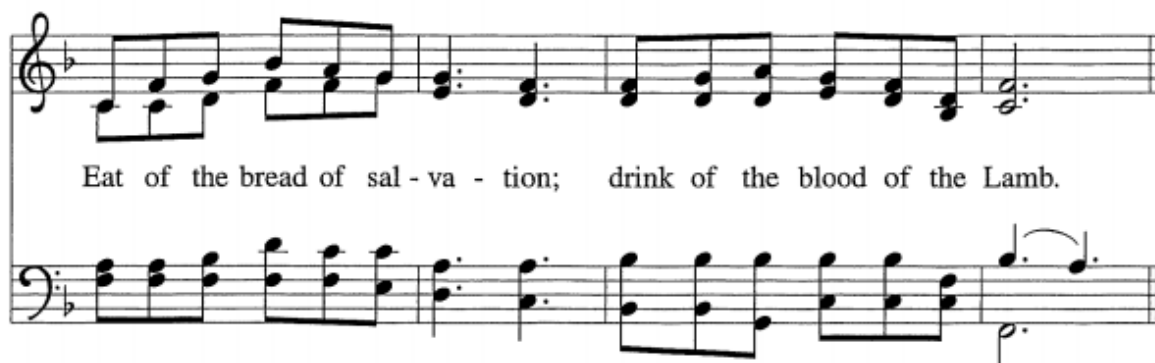
All who are hun - gry and thirst - y, come, and your souls will be fed.

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The treble staff melody includes a half note followed by a quarter note. The bass staff accompaniment features a steady eighth-note pattern.



Come at the Lord's in - vi - ta - tion; re - ceive from his nail - scarred hand.

The third system of music maintains the same key and tempo. The treble staff melody consists of eighth and quarter notes. The bass staff accompaniment uses chords and moving lines to support the melody.



Eat of the bread of sal - va - tion; drink of the blood of the Lamb.

The fourth system concludes the piece. The treble staff melody ends with a half note. The bass staff accompaniment features a steady eighth-note pattern.

Text: Claire Cloninger, b. 1942

Music: Martin J. Nystrom, b. 1956

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COME TO THE TABLE

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1 Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us, he is with us.  
 2 Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us, he is with us.  
 3 Here we are, joined in one, Christ is with us, he is with us.



Break the bread, taste the wine, Christ is with us here.  
 Know his grace, find his peace, feast on Je - sus here.  
 We'll pro - claim till he comes Je - sus cru - ci - fied.



*Refrain*

In this bread there is heal - ing, in this cup is life for - ev - er.



In this mo - ment, by the Spir - it, Christ is with us here.

Text: Graham Kendrick, b. 1950

Music: Graham Kendrick

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HERE IS BREAD

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*August 15, 2021*

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

8/17—Brita Williams  
8/21—Jennifer Anderson

8/20—Quenten Branch  
8/22—Cindy Peterson

**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.*

**Today's Rose on the baptismal font is:** *in celebration of Caleb Scott Slabaugh.*

**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.

**Someone left a lace tablecloth on Barbara Oster's desk in the church office.** Would that person please call her at the church office – 947-9880 as she does not know what she is to do with it.

**The BLC book club will meet via ZOOM at 5:30 on Aug24.** We will be discussing *Anxious People* by Fredrik Backman which is currently a bestselling book. If you are not already on the list and want to be added to the group for August just send your email to Cindy Monroe at cmonroe@chartermi.net.

**BLC's Art & Craft Show has returned for 2021.** Mark your calendar for Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>. The show will feature 50 local & original handcrafted artists and crafters.

**The August issue of the STAR is ready!** Feel free to check online at [www.bethlehemtc.org](http://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 August 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.** 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.

**Love Thy Neighbor Grand Traverse Region (1109 E. front St.) is having a Fundraising Picnic on Wednesday, August 18 from 4 - 7 pm.** Come and enjoy good food (\$10/meal with no contact pickup drive through available) and great music (bring your own chair).

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

**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.

**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](mailto: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 Our Team for the Jesus Love Theme - ♡♡♡ Set your own time. Be Creative. Call Kathi Ivany for more information. 231 313 1647

**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](mailto:annie.slabaugh@bethlehemtc.org).**

**The church calendar has returned below.** Please be sure to notify the office ([admin@bethlehemtc.org](mailto:admin@bethlehemtc.org) or 231-947-9880) to be sure that your group is on the calendar.

**CALENDAR**

**Monday, August 16**

9:00am—Drive My Way (FH)

**Tuesday, August 17**

9:00am—Property Work Group

9:00am—Drive My Way (FH)

10:00am—Staff Meeting (YR)

6:00pm—Council

7:00pm—Lautner SG (Offsite)

**Wednesday, August 18**

**Bulletin articles due**

9:00am—Drive My Way (FH)

**Thursday, August 19**

9:00am—Drive My Way (FH)

5:30pm—ACOA (LL)