

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 24, 2023 – 10am

Modern Worship, ELW Setting 10



Prelude Music

Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be God, the one who forms us, † Jesus who bears the cross, the Spirit who makes our joy complete.

C: Amen.

P: Let us bow before God in humility, confessing our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Steadfast and faithful God,

C: ... you have revealed the ways of justice, yet we fail to follow you. We are overwhelmed by the world's violence and suffering. We are afraid to risk what we have for the sake of others. For the harm we have caused, known and unknown, forgive us. For the unjust demands we place on others and your creation, forgive us. For the ways we turn away from you and our neighbor, forgive us. Lead us back to you and set us on the right path; in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

P: Beloved in Christ, God's justice stretches beyond all understanding. God's compassion is beyond compare.

In Jesus, God is always making a new way for us. In † Christ, you are already and always forgiven.

C: Amen.

Gathering Song:

10,000 Reasons

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; Worship His holy name. Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship Your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning, it's time to sing Your song again. Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me. let me be singing when the evening comes.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; Worship His holy name. Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship Your holy name.

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger. Your name is great and Your heart is kind. For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing. Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; Worship His holy name. Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship Your holy name.

And on that day, when my strength is failing, the end draws near, and my time has come; Still, my soul will sing Your praise unending., ten thousand years, and then forever more.

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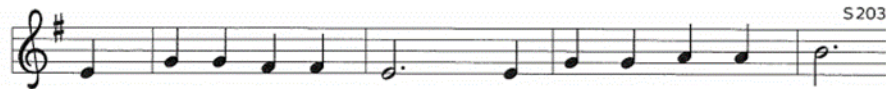
Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; Worship His holy name. Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship Your holy name, worship Your holy name, Lord, I'll worship Your holy name.

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



1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

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Prayer of the Day

A: Let us pray together,

C: **Almighty and eternal God, you show perpetual lovingkindness to us your servants. Because we cannot rely on our own abilities, grant us your merciful judgment, and train us to embody the generosity of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

First Reading: Jonah 3:10--4:11

After Jonah's short sermon in 3:4, the Ninevites all repented and God decided to spare the city. Jonah objected to this and became even more angry when God ordered a worm to destroy a plant that was providing shade. The book ends with a question that challenges any who are not ready to forgive: You, Jonah, are all worked up about a bush, but shouldn't I be concerned about a hundred and twenty thousand Ninevites?

10 When God saw what the people of Ninevah did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it. 4:1 But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. 2 He prayed to the Lord and said, "O Lord! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. 3 And now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." 4 And the Lord said, "Is it right for you to be angry?"

5 Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city. 6 The Lord God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush.

7 But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. 8 When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, "It is better for me to die than to live." 9 But God said to Jonah, "Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?" And he said, "Yes, angry enough to die." 10 Then the Lord said, "You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. 11 And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?"

L: The Word of the Lord C: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm: Psalm 145:1-8

1 I will exalt you, my God and king, and bless your name forever and ever.

2 Every day will I bless you and praise your name forever and ever.

3 Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised! There is no end to your greatness.

4 One generation shall praise your works to another and shall declare your power.

5 I will speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty and all your marvelous works.

6 They shall tell of the might of your wondrous acts, and I will recount your greatness.

7 They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; they shall sing joyfully of your righteousness.

8 The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia

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Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.

Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.

Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16

Jesus tells a parable about God's generosity, challenging the common assumption that God rewards people according to what they have earned or deserve.

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

Jesus said to the disciples: 1 "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. 2 After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. 3 When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; 4 and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. 5 When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. 6 And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' 7 They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' 8 When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' 9 When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. 10 Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. 11 And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, 12 saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' 13 But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? 14 Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. 15 Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' 16 So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Song of the Day:

All Who Love and Serve Your City

ELW #724

Recognition of Church Leaders – Council Members and Sunday School Teachers

P: The following people have volunteered to teach or have been elected by the congregation to positions of leadership. We give thanks for their willingness to serve. In baptism we are welcomed into the body of Christ and sent to share in the mission of God; we rejoice now that these sisters and brother will lead us in our common life and our mutual mission as a congregation.

Council Members:

Cindy Monroe, President

Paul Wiemerslage, Vice-President

Jana Rockne, Secretary

Gary Ancinec, Treasurer

Jim Monroe, Financial Secretary

Jim Hinds, Christian Care Giving

Tina Dohm, Y2A and Christian Ed

Maureen Bauer, Personnel

Scott Farley, Stewardship

Denice Bossardet, Worship Music

Pr. Paul Busekist

Sunday School Teachers:

Nancy Ammann

Tina Dohm

Paul Wiemerslage

Erin Word

P: *A reading from First Corinthians:* There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. (1 Corinthians 12:4-7)

P: You have been entrusted to positions of leadership in this congregation.

You are to see the words and deeds of this household of faith bear witness to God, who gathers us into one together with the whole church.

You are to see to involve all members of this congregation in worship, learning, witness, service, and support, so that the mission of Christ is carried out in this congregation, in the wider church, in this community, and in the whole world.

You are to be faithful in your specific area of serving, that the Spirit who empowers you may be glorified.

You are to be examples of faith active in love, fostering peace, harmony, and mutual understanding in this congregation.

P: On behalf of your sisters and brothers in Christ, I ask you:

Will you accept and faithfully carry the duties of the position to which you have been called?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

P: People of God, I ask you:

Will you support these, your leaders, and will you share in the mutual ministry that Christ has given to all who are baptized?

C: We will, and we ask God to help us.

P: I now declare you are officers / teachers of this congregation. Almighty God bless you, and direct your days and deeds in peace, that you may be faithful servants of Christ.

C: Amen.

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 *(Let us give one another a sign of peace according to your comfort level.)*

Offering / Offering Song:

Zeke Clemons

Offertory:

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that
we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of
all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble
with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

Offering Prayer

A: Let us pray.

C: God of power, God of plenty, all things belong to you. We bring your gifts to the table, that all might be fed. Form us into the body of your Beloved, 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:

Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup
There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

ELW #492

ELW #588

Final Blessing

P: The God of glory, † Jesus Christ, name above all names, and the Spirit who lives in you, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Sending Song:

The Lord Now Sends Us Forth (Sung Twice)

ELW #538

Dismissal

A: Go in peace. God is at work in you.

C: Thanks be to God.



Bethlehem *September 24, 2023*
LUTHERAN CHURCH

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

9/28—Tom Woodworth

9/28—Aleah Graf

9/29—Bella Gaston

9/29—Austin Leatherman

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9/30—Jan Schmidt

10/1—Bob Rogers

Worship Servants for September 24

Assisting Minister—Sherri Helman

Lector—Dave Peppler

Musicians: David Husser, Zeke Clemons, Phil & Denice Bossardet, Pr Paul

Today's altar flowers are donated by: *John & Judi Block in Celebration of Jonathan Block*

A/V—Barbara Oster and Acker Family

Hospitality—Gary and Kathy Ancinec

Cookies—Volunteer

Welcome Table—Kathie Bair

Bell Ringer—Tim Goebel

Altar Guild—Patty Leibenguth and Erin Word

Tech Support—Julia Acker

Counters—Betty Rutila and Jim Monroe

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

IMPORTANT NOTICE: We often find the front door and/or the kitchen door unlocked when there is no one in the building. Please be sure that the doors are locked when you leave.

Please Note:

Barbara Oster/Administrative Assistant works 9:00am-2:30pm on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday

Phil Anderson/Bookkeeper works 8:30am-12:30pm on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Alanna Steffunick/Ministry Coordinator works 9:00am-2:30pm – in the office on Tuesday and Thursday and from home on Wednesday

Offerings: 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.

The October issue of the STAR is now available. 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>.

The October/November/December Christ In Our Home is now available. Please take a copy for yourself and also for friends and family.

DON'T MISS OUT... COME JOIN IN!!!! **Adult Education has started** and we are getting ourselves organized for a great year. We will begin by looking at each Sunday's lessons and as the year ensues... we may want to try other resources... we are open to options! You are an important part of the plan... you are an important part of the Body of Christ! Please come and see; join in the learning and sharing! We hope you will consider making this a priority!! Sunday morning from 9:15 to 9:45 in the Youth Room! See you there!! All are welcome!!! Sherri Helman

Sunday School - every Sunday at 9:15am

The next Third Thursday service will be a Holden Evening Prayer service on October 19th at 7:00pm. The service will be livestreamed.

Looking for a link to last month's full Council minutes? 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

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)
- Bulletin/Verbal Announcements: Tuesday of the week sent to admin@bethlehemtc.org (Bulletin/Worship Folder is prepared on Tuesday and printed on Thursday morning.) (Please note Bulletin or Announcement in subject line)
- Screen Announcements/Weekly BLC Emails: Tuesday of the week sent to alanna.steffunick@bethlehemtc.org

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.

Norm Fred has helped a previously homeless couple for a few years. They are proud people and do not like to be given charity but they will accept help in the form of donated cans that they can recycle for money. Please bring in your recyclables in for them. **Leave them by the garage.** These are nice people. There, but for the Grace of our God, go we.

Counters are needed! Jim Monroe is looking for offering counters for the calendar year of 2024. Counters will be assigned for a month at a time. Depending on the number of volunteers, it could only be a couple of times per year. To volunteer, please contact Jim at 231-941-0788 or by email at xcski@chartermi.net

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH ART & CRAFT SHOW - SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2023 9:00am to 3:00pm

Featuring over 40 local artists and crafters with original, handmade goods! Please sign up in the Narthex hallway to volunteer for our fundraiser. Your help would be greatly appreciated. “Many hands make work light”.

New member orientation: The next gathering for new members will be **Sunday Oct 8 immediately after the service.** This meeting will last a little over an hour. If most can attend new members will be accepted the following Sunday during the service.

Directory photography sessions. Please stop by our table and make your appointment today after the service. Online scheduling will be available beginning on Monday. Photo dates will September 27th, 28th, 29th from 2pm - 8:30pm, and September 30th from 10am - 4pm. Each family photographed receives a complimentary 8x10 portrait and a directory! You can schedule your appointment online at: www.ucdir.com. Click on the appointment scheduling login on the right side, enter **mi1773** in the Church Code field and enter **photos** in the Church Password field. Follow the prompts to schedule your family's appointment time. If you have 6 or more in your family, please use 2 consecutive time slots. The online scheduling option is only available Monday - Friday. Appointments fill up quickly, so schedule as soon as possible to secure your preferred date and time. Questions? Please contact Kathy Ancinec (989) 906-2764 or Christine Hubert (231) 357-7722.

Spotlight on Zeke: So many of us enjoy Zeke's talents with religious music, but did you know that he plays other kinds of music at various locations in the Traverse City area? Here is a list of his engagements in the next month that are close to TC:

Wed 9/27—Park Place, Minerva's Happy Hour at 4:00

Fri 9/29—Brady's Bar at 6:30

Wed 10/4—Park Place, Minerva's Happy Hour at 4:00

Sat 10/7—Hotel Indigo at 6:00

Wed 10/11—Park Place, Minerva's Happy Hour at 4:00

Wed 10/18—Park Place, Minerva's Happy Hour at 4:00

Fri 10/20—Hotel Indigo at 6:00

Wed 10/25—Park Place, Minerva's Happy Hour at 4:00

BLC Book Club resumes: The TC library has upgraded their book club bag selection so there are more choices!!! For Sept 26 the book *Demon Copperhead* by Barbara Kingsolver. This has turned out to be a very popular book so all of the books from the club bag have been taken. You will need to obtain your own copy of this book if you have not already taken one. This book is a Pulitzer Prize winner and has been on the "Best seller" list for weeks. Please try to join in person in the office conference room at 5:30 that Tues. If you need us to include you via ZOOM, please contact Cindy at cmonroe@chartermi.net so a connection can be established.

Our Care Giving Committee has put up a "Communitas" Board on the wall of our Coat Room! This "BOARD" is needed and helpful for ALL of us! Following is a suggestion of some things YOU and our YOUTH can do to "interact" with the board and other members of our congregation. The purpose of our "Auxilium Communitas" BOARD (Latin for "Community/Congregation Assistance") is to SHARE our gifts, talents, or skills to others that might be in NEED of something like: Gardening, Organizing, Painting, Raking leaves, Shoveling, Household tasks, Carpentry, Manicures, Pedicures, Companionship, Care giving, etc. - This list is Endless! You never know when YOU will be in need of some extra help personally, in your home or yard - let's make this "reciprocal" - All ages are Welcome to Help Service our Congregation!

XYZ Potluck: Join us for good food, laughter and fellowship on Friday, October 13th at 12 Noon. While predominately geared toward seniors, we welcome any adult who would like to attend. After lunch, we will have a program Hali McRoberts of Northern Health Care Management. NHCM's mission is to walk with people and assist them to live their most independent life possible while ensuring choice, dignity, and quality of life. We serve elderly and disabled persons and their caregivers, and also offer assistance with navigating Medicare and Medicaid.

BUGs for Christmas: "BUG" otherwise known as the Bethlehem Ukulele Group may be playing during the Christmas season. Details are still being arranged. Could you attend class right after the Sunday service on the last Sunday of Nov. and first 2 Sundays of Dec? The group could play on Dec 17 and/or Christmas eve. Please check your schedule and let Denice Bossardet know as soon as you can. Even if you could not play this summer you can still join this fun group. Denice's contact info: 231-499-7523 or denice.bossardet@gmail.com

Welcome, Bicyclists! We are happy to have hosted Pastor Robin Lovett-Owen from Christ Lutheran Church (ELCA) in Nashville, Tennessee and 12 of her biking friends! They finished up a race from Muskegon yesterday and stayed in our humble church "lodging." Blessings to you all as you rest, recuperate and head back home!

Bark (I mean, MARK!) your calendars, friends. **"Blessing of the Animals" is BACK - October 8th at 2:15pm** on the west lawn of Bethlehem. Feel free to bring your dog, cat, turtle or other pet to be blessed with a little music and a message of love and thankfulness to God for how they bring goodness to our lives each day!

Copies of the Living Lutheran magazine can be picked up at the welcome table on Sunday mornings or from the Shooting STAR box below the outside mailbox.

Are you looking for the Caring Table for your donations? It has been moved inside the coat room to the right. Also, the area for the Oleson and Family Fair receipts is in the lower cabinets below the mailboxes (under the A-B-Cs...). The cabinet door is marked with the receptacle inside.

Coffee and Cookies: You are welcome to stay after the Sunday 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!

Name tags: Your name tags are in your mailboxes. Please retrieve them so you can proudly wear them on Sunday mornings. We often have visitors and with so many recent new members it helps them if they can see a friendly face and attach a name to it.

Adult Bible Study: meets on Wednesdays from 9:30-11:30am, with a study of the Gospel of John.

The Zoom Bible Study: meets on Wednesdays from 1:30-3:00pm, with a study the Book of Isaiah. Contact Pr Paul or Barbara Oster if you are interested in attending.

Food Pantry: HELP!!! Please take some time and buy some extra staple items when you go shopping. The shelves in the pantry are labeled. You can place your items right in the cupboard or you can bring them inside church and leave them on the CARE table in the coat room.

A big thank you to all who turned in Olesons' receipts. We just received a check from them for \$304.88. Last year received \$651.20. Let's see if we can do even better this year! Please continue to drop off your receipts at Bethlehem. Please note they do not expire. Thank you!

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, weekly emails and on our Facebook Events Page! If there is something you'd like featured or included in any of these, please reach out to alanna.steffunick@bethlehemtc.org If you are not getting the weekly emails for any reason, please contact Alanna.

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

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 of the calendar.

Sunday, September 24

9:15am—Sunday School
9:15am—Adult Education (YR)
10:00am—Worship Service (S)
12:30pm—Confirmation Class (Offsite)

Monday, September 25

3:00pm—Chair Yoga (FH)

Tuesday, September 26

Bulletin articles due today

9:00am—Property Work Group
9:00am—LWR Quilters (FH)
5:30pm—Book/Supper Club

Wednesday, September 27

9:30am—Adult Bible Study
11:30am—Music Rehearsal (S)
1:00pm—Johnson SG (Offsite)
1:30pm—Zoom Bible Study
2:00pm—Directory Photos

Thursday, September 28

2:00pm—Directory Photos
5:30pm—ACA
7:00pm—Choir Rehearsal (S)

Friday, September 29

2:00pm—Directory Photos
7:00pm—All Star DE (FH)

Saturday, September 30

10:00am—Directory Photos

Sunday, October 1

9:15am—Sunday School
9:15am—Adult Education (YR)
10:00am—Worship Service (S)
11:15am—Worship and Music (CR)
2:30pm—Memorial Gathering (FH)

From the Inside Out

Discovering a Deeper, More Transformative Life with God

Through the joint efforts of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Christ Church and facilitator Jo Panter, President of TST, a program on Christian spiritual formation, *Inside Out*, is being offered. This experiential offering is intended for those who are interested in revisiting their faith from the point of view of six big questions. For those trained in discipleship and who have practiced following Jesus for many years, this may be a helpful refresher. For those new to the idea of Christian spiritual formation based on the life and model of Jesus, this will be an exciting introduction. You need not be a member of either church to participate. Anyone hungry for a deeper life with God is encouraged to come. Six sessions will explore six big ideas.

What Is Spiritual Formation?

What Is My Picture of God?

What Is My Picture of Myself?

What Is My Picture of the Gospel?

How Do People Change?

How Do I Follow Jesus?

COST: There is no participation fee except for the expectation of attending all six sessions. All resources will be provided free of charge.

FORMAT: The program will be a combination of a teaching video*, small group discussions, weekly recommendations for reflection, and handouts.

SCHEDULE AND LOCATIONS:

CHRIST CHURCH: CONSECUTIVE WEDNESDAYS FROM 6-7:30PM, BEGINNING OCTOBER 11TH. **Registration: Call 231-392-9687 before Monday, October 9th**


BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN: CONSECUTIVE THURSDAYS AFTERNOONS FROM 1-2:30pm, BEGINNING OCTOBER 12TH. **Registration: Call 231-645-5796 or 231-947-9880 before Monday, October 9th**

**Carolyn Arends will be the primary video presenter. She is the Education Director for Renovare and leader of the Renovare Institutes. Renovare is an ecumenical Christian nonprofit that models, resources, and advocates fullness of life with God experienced by Grace, through the spiritual practices of Jesus and the historical Church.*

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EXTRA YEARS OF ZEST

Join us for a potluck lunch, followed by a program or presentation.

Friday, Oct. 13th
12pm noon



Hali McRoberts - BRS, CHW



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Celebrate forty years of music and dance with us!

Saturday, October 14th

*No partner or
dance experience
needed!*

Potluck Dinner 5:30pm
Beginner Dance Workshop 7pm
Dances 7:30 - 10:30pm

*dances called
by
Pat Reoser*

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LOCATION:
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MOVIE NIGHT

Friday
October 20th
6:30 pm

FREE ADMISSION




HOTDOGS,
POPCORN, DRINKS,
AND BALLOONS FOR
EVERYONE!

All Ages Welcome!

Art & Craft Show

 **November 4th, 2023**
9am - 3pm 

Featuring dozens of
local artists and crafters
with original,
handmade goods!

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