



*Bethlehem Lutheran Church—William Penn  
Founded 1860—Lutheran Church Missouri Synod*

## **SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**JULY 20, 2025**

**10:15 A.M.**



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*Sixth Sunday after Pentecost*

*July 20, 2025 – 10:15 AM*

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Divine Service: Setting III with Holy Communion

Order of Service: *Lutheran Service Book, pp 184-202*

*Pre-Service Music*



Representing God's Love  
To our Congregation,  
Community, and the World

**July Bible Verse**

I have stored up your word in my heart,  
that I might not sin against you.

*Psalms 119:11*

**Our Mission Statement**

Representing God's Love to Our Congregation, Community, and the World!



COMMUNION STATEMENT

In Light of 1 Cor. 11:23-26, Bethlehem Lutheran Church maintains the historical practice of "closed" communion in the belief that the Sacrament requires faith in Christ's words that His body and blood are truly present. Furthermore, participation in the Sacrament is a sign of our unity in the faith with all those who join us at the altar. *For that reason, we ask that those visitors desiring to commune be members in good standing of a congregation of the LCMS and speak to the pastor or an elder before the beginning of the service.* Our denial of admission to those who are members of another confession is not a judgment upon their faith but a recognition that we hold to different confessions concerning God, salvation, and the Sacrament itself. Such individuals are invited to speak with the pastor following the service.

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*Ringing of the Church Bell*

ENTRANCE HYMN

*Praise Be to Christ*

*LSB 538*



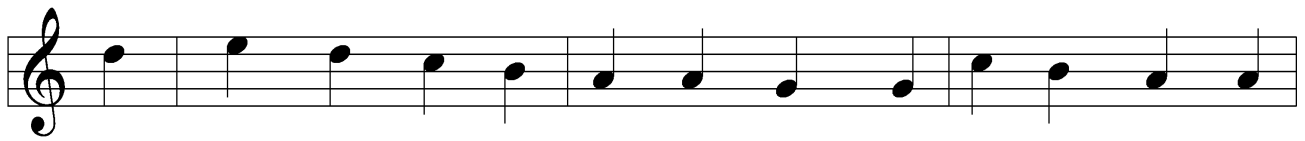
1 Praise be to Christ in whom we see The im - age of the  
2 Praise be to Him whose sov - 'reign sway And will up - holds cre -  
3 Praise be to Him who, Lord Most High, The full - ness of the



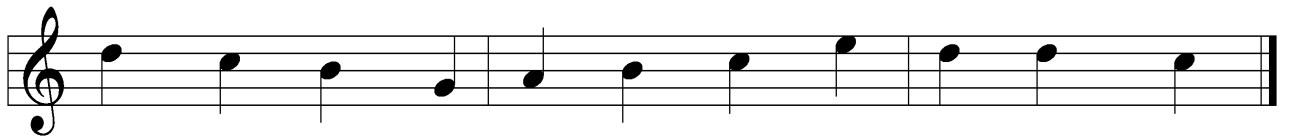
Fa - ther shown, The first-born Son re - vealed and known, The truth and  
a - tion's plan; Who is, be - fore all worlds be - gan And when our  
God-head shares; And yet our hu - man na - ture bears, Who came as



grace of de - i - ty; Through whom cre - a - tion came to birth,  
world has passed a - way: Lord of the Church, its life and head,  
man to bleed and die. And from His cross there flows our peace



Whose fin - gers set the stars in place, The un - seen pow'rs, and  
Re - demp-tion's price and source and theme, A - live, the first - born  
Who chose for us the path He trod, That so might sins and



this small earth, The fur - thest bounds of time and space.  
from the dead, To reign as all - in - all su - preme.  
sor - rows cease And all be rec - on - ciled to God.

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*Stand.*

INVOCATION

*LSB 184*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

CONFESSON AND ABSOLUTION

*LSB 184*

**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** who made heaven and earth.

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

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Introit

*Psalm 119:57–60, 64; antiphon: v. 105*

Your word is a lamp to my feet  
**and a light to my path.**

The LORD is my portion;

**I promise to keep your words.**

I entreat your favor with all my heart;

**be gracious to me according to your promise.**

When I think on my ways,

**I turn my feet to your testimonies;**

I hasten and do not delay

**to keep your commandments.**

The earth, O LORD, is full of your steadfast love;

**teach me your statutes!**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son**

**and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning,**


**is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Your word is a lamp to my feet


**and a light to my path.**

GLORIA PATRI

LSB 186




**C** Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;




as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

KYRIE

LSB 186



**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -




on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

HYMN OF PRAISE

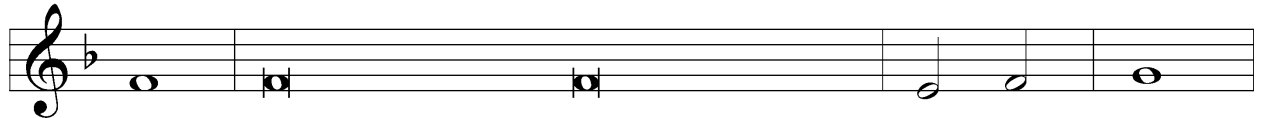
*Gloria in Excelsis*

LSB 187

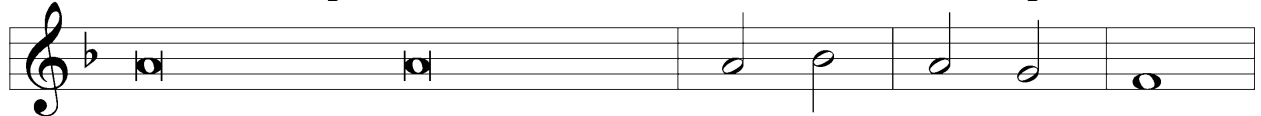
**P** Glory be to God on High,




**C** and on earth peace, good - will toward



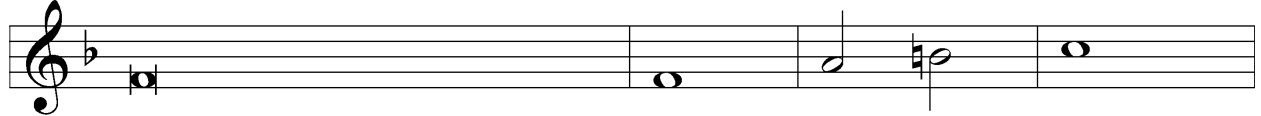
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



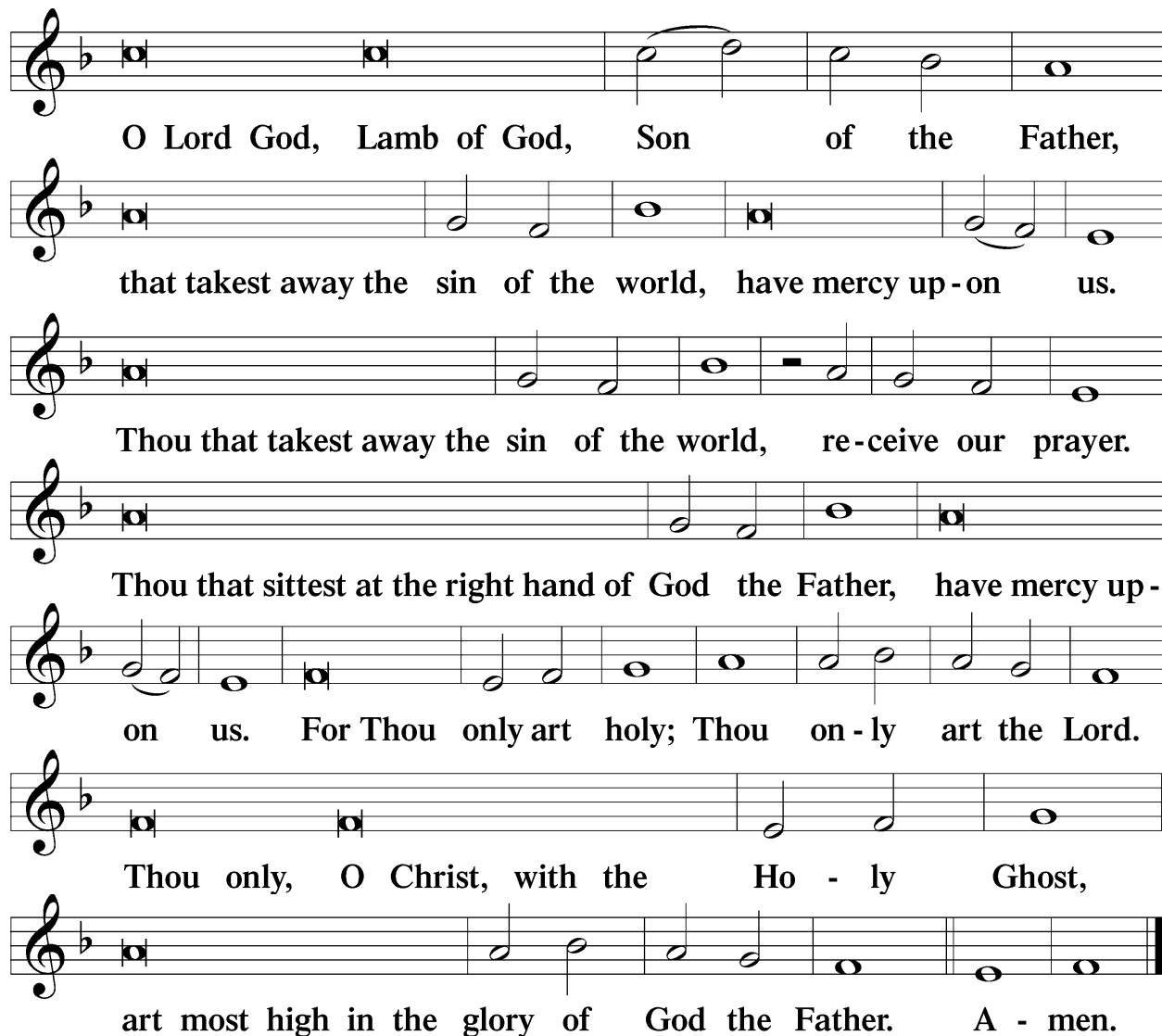
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
 that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.  
 Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.  
 Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-  
 on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.  
 Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Ghost,  
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Let us pray.

**C** O Lord, grant us the Spirit to hear Your Word and know the one thing needful that by Your Word and Spirit we may live according to Your will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*Sit.*

<sup>1</sup> The LORD appeared to [Abraham] by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the door of his tent in the heat of the day. <sup>2</sup>He lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, three men were standing in front of him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent door to meet them and bowed himself to the earth <sup>3</sup>and said, “O Lord, if I have found favor in your sight, do not pass by your servant. <sup>4</sup>Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree, <sup>5</sup>while I bring a morsel of bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant.” So they said, “Do as you have said.” <sup>6</sup>And Abraham went quickly into the tent to Sarah and said, “Quick! Three seahs of fine flour! Knead it, and make cakes.” <sup>7</sup>And Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to a young man, who prepared it quickly. <sup>8</sup>Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them. And he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

<sup>9</sup>They said to him, “Where is Sarah your wife?” And he said, “She is in the tent.” <sup>10</sup>The LORD said, “I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife shall have a son.” And Sarah was listening at the tent door behind him. <sup>11</sup>Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in years. The way of women had ceased to be with Sarah. <sup>12</sup>So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, “After I am worn out, and my lord is old, shall I have pleasure?” <sup>13</sup>The LORD said to Abraham, “Why did Sarah laugh and say, ‘Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?’ <sup>14</sup>Is anything too hard for the LORD? At the appointed time I will return to you about this time next year, and Sarah shall have a son.”

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

<sup>21</sup>You, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, <sup>22</sup>he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him, <sup>23</sup>if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.

<sup>24</sup>Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ’s afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church, <sup>25</sup>of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, <sup>26</sup>the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints. <sup>27</sup>To them God chose to

make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. <sup>28</sup>Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. <sup>29</sup>For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand.*

ALLELUIA

*LSB 190*



**C** Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

*Luke 10:38–42*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the tenth chapters.



**C** Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>38</sup>Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. <sup>39</sup>And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. <sup>40</sup>But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." <sup>41</sup>But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, <sup>42</sup>but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.



**☩ I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

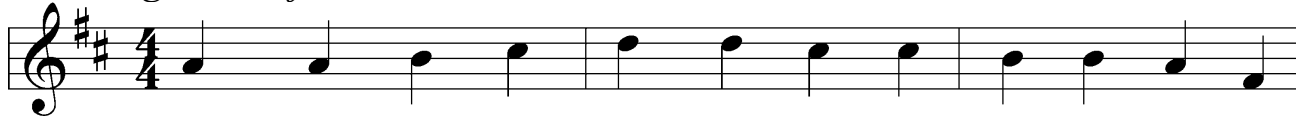
**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the  
dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life T of the world to come. Amen.**

HYMN OF THE DAY

*One Thing's Needful*

LSB 536



1 One thing's need - ful; Lord, this trea - sure Teach me high - ly  
 2 How were Mar - y's thoughts de - vot - ed Her e - ter - nal  
 3 Wis - dom's high - est, no - blest trea - sure, Je - sus, is re -  
 4 Noth - ing have I, Christ, to of - fer, You a - lone, my  
 5 There - fore You a - lone, my Sav - ior, Shall be all in



to re - gard. All else, though it first give plea - sure,  
 joy to find As in - tent each word she not - ed,  
 vealed in You. Let me find in You my plea - sure,  
 high - est good. Noth - ing have I, Lord, to prof - fer  
 all to me; Search my heart and my be - hav - ior,



Is a yoke that press - es hard! Be - neath it the  
 At her Sav - ior's feet re - clined! How kin - dled her  
 And my way - ward will sub - due, Hu - mil - i - ty  
 But Your crim - son - col - ored blood. Your death on the  
 Root out all hy - poc - ri - sy. Through all my life's



heart is still fret - ting and striv - ing, No true, last - ing hap - pi - ness  
 heart, how de - vot was its feel - ing, While hear - ing the les - sons that  
 there and sim - plic - i - ty reign - ing, In paths of true wis - dom my  
 cross has death whol - ly de - feat - ed And there - by my righ - teous - ness  
 pil - grim - age, guard and up - hold me, In lov - ing for - give - ness, O



ev - er de - riv - ing. This one thing is need - ful; all oth - ers are  
 Christ was re - veal - ing! All earth - ly con - cerns she for - got for her  
 steps ev - er train - ing. If I learn from Je - sus this knowl - edge di -  
 ful - ly com - plet - ed; Sal - va - tion's white rai - ments I there did ob -  
 Je - sus, en - fold me. This one thing is need - ful; all oth - ers are



vain— I count all but loss that I Christ may ob - tain!  
 Lord And found her con - tent - ment in hear - ing His Word.  
 vine, The bless - ing of heav - en - ly wis - dom is mine.  
 tain, And in them in glo - ry with You I shall reign.  
 vain— I count all but loss that I Christ may ob - tain!

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SERMON

*The One Thing Necessary – Luke 10:38 - 42*

*Stand.*

OFFERTORY

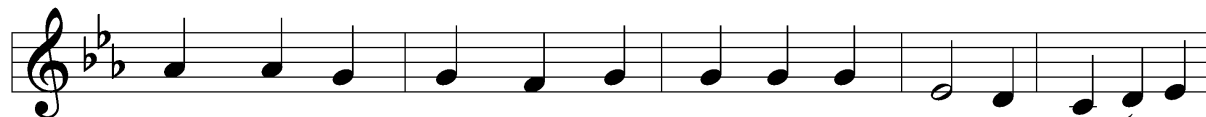
LSB 192



**☐** Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -



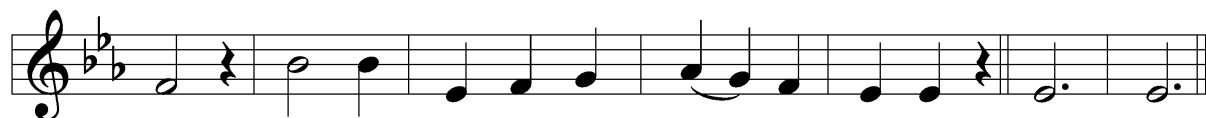
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -



way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it



from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -



tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

OFFERING PRAYER

*Sit.*

OFFERING

*Stand.*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

# SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

## PREFACE

LSB 194

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.



**C** It is meet and right so to do.

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## SANCTUS

LSB 195



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



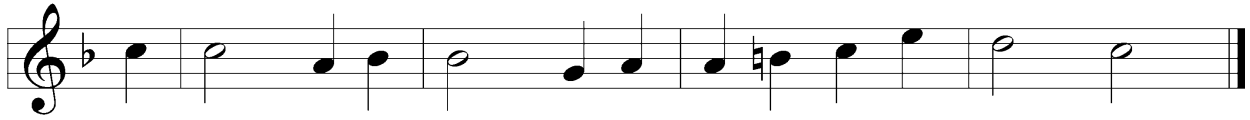
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*LSB 196*

**C** 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.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

*LSB 197*

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✠}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✠}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI

*LSB 197*

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.



**C** A - men.

AGNUS DEI

LSB 198

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

*Sit.*

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

<i>Triune God, Be Thou Our Stay</i>	LSB 505
<i>Glory Be to God the Father</i>	LSB 506
<i>Father Most Holy</i>	LSB 504
<i>O Blessed Spring</i>	LSB 595

*Stand.*

NUNC DIMITTIS

LSB 199

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace accord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy

peo-ple Is - ra-el. Glo - ry be to the Father and  
to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A-men.

THANKSGIVING

*LSB 200*

**P** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

**C** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

**P** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS

*LSB 201*

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Bless we the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

*Sit.*

### CLOSING HYMN

*Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me*

LSB 683



1 Je - sus, Thy bound - less love to me No thought can reach, no  
2 O grant that noth - ing in my soul May dwell, but Thy pure  
3 This love un - wea - ried I pur - sue And daunt - less - ly to  
4 In suf - f'ring be Thy love my peace, In weak - ness be Thy



tongue de - clare; U - nite my thank - ful heart to Thee,  
love a - lone; Oh, may Thy love pos - sess me whole,  
Thee as - pire. Oh, may Thy love my hope re - new,  
love my pow'r; And when the storms of life shall cease,



And reign with - out a ri - val there! Thine whol - ly, Thine a -  
My joy, my trea - sure, and my crown! All cold - ness from my  
Burn in my soul like heav'n - ly fire! And day and night, be  
O Je - sus, in that fi - nal hour, Be Thou my rod and



lone I am; Be Thou a - lone my con - stant flame.  
heart re - move; My ev - 'ry act, word, thought be love.  
all my care To guard this sa - cred trea - sure there.  
staff and guide, And draw me safe - ly to Thy side!





## POSTLUDE

*Welcome to Bethlehem Lutheran Church, where we worship in the name of the crucified and risen Lamb of God, Jesus Christ our Lord.*



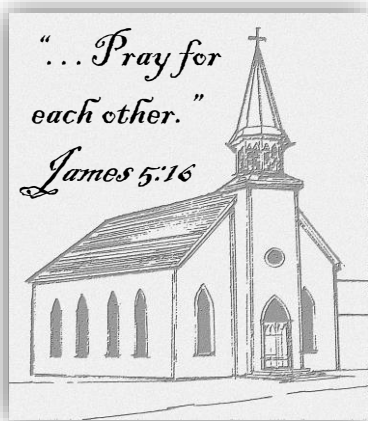
**Congregation:** for Tom Hayden's recovery after surgery and continued healing; for Adeline Platt's health; for health and healing for Lathel Norris; for Milton Schwartz, Blake Powers, Edith Erwin, and Deloris Griffin; for our shut-in members: Renee

Brinkmann, Mildred Holle, Lathel Norris, Dorine Selman, James Schoenemann, Elvera Schroeder, and others who are unable to come to church

**Community:** may our loving Father bring comfort and peace to all those who were affected by the floods; may our Lord continue to deliver to us favorable weather; for Brenham Pregnancy Center and those whose lives they touch; Faith Mission; families and individuals cared for by Child Protective Services

**World:** for all those suffering through war, may God watch over and protect His children, and by His Holy Spirit, may they all come to know Christ as their Savior and thus enjoy eternity with Him, for those who have been led astray into false belief; for those facing crisis pregnancies, that they would find the strength to choose life for their unborn child; for the leaders of the nations, that they would make godly decisions for their people and countries

## Bethlehem at Prayer



Prayer is a vital part of our life together in Christ. To that end, *Bethlehem at Prayer* is a means to encourage more intentional prayer for one another. This is an opportunity for us to support one another in faith, lifting up each household by name before our gracious God. While members can always request prayers at any time, this effort ensures that every family at Bethlehem is prayed for regularly. We invite you to join us in encouragement and intercession, praying for our brothers and sisters in Christ each week.

*Please remember these families in your prayers this week:*

- Searle – Sandra
- Siemsglusz – Kathleen
- Straker – Jim, Cheryl
- Thornton – Rosemary
- Van Eman – Lynn
- Watson – Sherry, Dan, Montana, Daniel

*May the Lord bless and strengthen them in faith and life.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### This Week's Schedule

**July 20 – July 27**

<b>Today:</b>	<b><i>Sixth Sunday after Pentecost</i></b>		
	<b>9:00 AM</b>	Sunday School & Adult Bible Class	
	<b>10:15 AM</b>	Divine Worship	
	Acolyte:	Taylor Nowicki	
	Ushers:	Billy Ashorn	Blane Ashorn
		Brian Ashorn	Westin Ashorn
<b>Wednesday:</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	Life with God—New Member Class	
	<b>7:30 PM</b>	Voters Meeting	
<b>Next Sunday:</b>	<b><i>Seventh Sunday after Pentecost</i></b>		
	<b>9:00 AM</b>	Sunday School & Adult Bible Class	
	<b>10:15 AM</b>	Divine Worship	
	Acolyte:	Michael Hinze	
	Ushers:	Jason Ashorn	Melvin Ashorn
		Kaisen Ashorn	Daryl Dahmann

**Serving in July: Elder – Brad Molitor / Trustee – Doyle Dahmann**

*If you have a question or thought concerning spiritual care or the church property, please contact the appropriate elder or trustee.*



*The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God by  
Laramie Kettler.*

## Life with God—New Member Class continues this Wednesday



Our adult information class covers the most important teachings of the Bible as they are believed, taught, and confessed here at Bethlehem, designed for anyone considering membership, new members, or any member of the congregation who would like a thorough review of basic Biblical doctrine. Mark your calendar to join us **Wednesdays from 6:00 to 7:30pm**. Classes are weekly 10-12 sessions.

### Supporting Families Affected by the Hill Country Floods



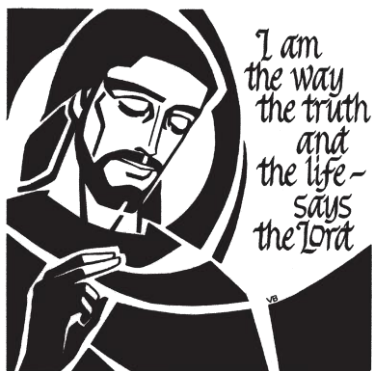
We are continually reminded of the deep brokenness that sin has wrought upon our world. The tragedies and disasters we witnessed during the recent floods in the Hill Country are a stark reminder that creation itself groans under the weight of sin. Yet, even as we bear witness to suffering and loss, we stand firm in the hope given to us by our Lord Jesus Christ. Through His death and resurrection, Christ has conquered sin, death, and the devil. Though we face hardship in this life, the final victory is already won; our hope is secure in Him. We invite our church family to support those impacted by the recent floods in the Hill Country. *If you feel led to help, please consider donating to the district's disaster relief efforts.* You may do so by following this link: <https://txlcms.org/donate/>.

Rest assured, 100% of your donation will go directly to helping victims in need. For families or individuals in need of financial assistance due to the floods, a request form is available here: <https://txlcms.org/congregations/disaster-relief/>. If you know someone in need please don't hesitate to reach out—our community stands with them during this challenging time.

The ladies of LWML invite you to help **collect supplies for Disaster Relief Response kits!** We are donating **Flood Buckets** and **Health Care Kits** along with *Bibles, Portals of Prayer, and other devotional materials*. Please place all donated items **in the box in the Parish Hall by July 31<sup>st</sup>**.



## Sunday School Corner



This summer, your students will explore biblical accounts that teach the biblical truths found in the Means of Grace: God's Word and the Sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion. In the Sunday School lesson today, "Ananias Baptizes Saul," students learned how God helps them live as His children. Your conversation about the lesson could include, "Why was Ananias concerned about going to see Saul? Why is it sometimes difficult for you to talk with others about your faith in Jesus?" Also, parents, you can

join Pastor Krieg in the adult Sunday School class. See you next week!

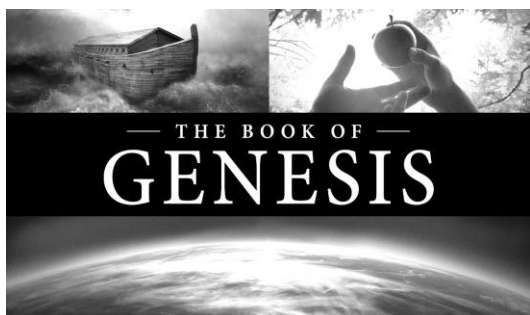
## High School Lesson

The high school youth have begun a new study focused on the Word of God. This study will help the kids gain a better understanding of the accuracy and reliability of the text we use today as the inspired Word of God. Over the next nine lessons the students will focus on the following:

- Jesus Christ: The Center of the Bible
- The Holy Scriptures – God's Word
- The Canon – God Preserves His True Word
- Understanding God's Word
- Figurative Language – The Richness of Scripture
- Bringing the Good News of Salvation in a Magnificent Way
- Recognizing False Teaching
- Bible Translations

Today, our high school class studied the lesson, *Understanding God's Word*. This lesson focuses on how God gave us the Bible to be read and used. The Holy Spirit works in our hearts so that we may understand its message and apply it to our lives.

## Adult Sunday School Lesson



Genesis lays the foundation for all the events and doctrines of Holy Scripture. Studying its characters and events will prepare you for a much broader understanding of God's ways with humankind. Throughout Genesis, Moses emphasizes that these records apply not simply to Israel but to all nations and families of the earth. See in the patriarchs'

weaknesses, struggles, and joys a mirror of families today. The Lord, through promise and faith, makes all the difference for the patriarchs, and He will likewise bless and lead you. So join us as we continue our study of the book of Genesis. If you could not attend today, please join us next Sunday during the Adult Bible Study hour before church, starting at 9 a.m. Now is the time to commit yourself to a deeper and more meaningful understanding of God’s Word and your relationship with Him. I hope to see you all next Sunday as we continue our studies.



Online Giving

You may give tithes and offerings online by clicking the “Give” tab on our website (<https://www.bethlehemwmpenn.org/>), or just scan the QR code to the left.

**Last Week at Bethlehem**

DATE	SERVICE	ATTENDANCE	GIFTS IN RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL
July 13	Sunday School	14	\$40.50
	Youth Bible Class	5	
	Adult Bible Class	25	
July 13	Worship Service	122	General Fund: \$3,714.02