Bethel Evangelical Lutheran Church Holy Trinity | June 11 & 15, 2025 Year C



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The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

GATHERING

# Welcome

## Call to Worship

Father, Son, + and Holy Spirit: Glory to you forever!
Speaker, Word, and Breath of Life: Glory to you forever!
Font of Blessing, Living Water, Flowing River: Glory to you forever!
Compassionate Mother, Beloved Child, Life-Giving Womb: Glory to you forever!
Sun, Light, and Burning Ray: Glory to you forever!
Giver, Gift, and Giving: Glory to you forever!
Lover, Beloved, and Love itself: Glory to you forever!
Rock, Cornerstone, and Temple: Glory to you forever!
Consuming Fire, Dividing Sword, Overpowering Storm: Glory to you forever!
Rainbow of Promise, Ark of Salvation, Dove of Peace: Glory to you forever!

God who was, God who is, God who is to come: Glory to you forever!

Almighty and ever-living God, you have given us grace, by our confession of faith, to acknowledge and worship your triune name in the majesty of your unity. Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your eternal glory, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

Opening Hymn Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty Cranberry 413



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

## **Baptismal Renewal**

Beloveds in Christ, through the waters of baptism we are brought into the family of God. This body of Christ is rich in Divine creativity, a community of people of many genders, races, body types and sizes, abilities and gifts, each a glimpse of God from a different angle.

#### God claims each of us with delight.

#### And we claim one another as companions in faith.

In our baptismal vows, we have promised to love and support each other, to gather and learn, and to work together to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in all its formswithin us and around us.

#### We need each other in this shared work of living the dreams of God.

Today, we remember that the love we encounter through these waters cannot be undone by anyone or anything.

### We are children of the Holy One, Siblings in the life of God.

These family ties cannot be broken. No one and nothing has the power to remove, erase, or separate us from the body of Christ.

### The full embrace of God enfolds us.

And so today, as we remember our baptism, we also remember that through this new life in Christ we are set free:

#### To love wildly.

#### To live generously.

And to claim the power God has given us To turn from everything that destroys.

Through God's grace, we are claimed as God's own and rejoice in the Good News that sets the captives free. Alleluia! Amen!

(Sun) Glory



## Prayer of the Day

The grace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.

Let us pray, Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

WORD

# First Reading Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

<sup>1</sup> Does not wisdom call,

- and does not understanding raise her voice?
- <sup>2</sup>On the heights, beside the way,
- at the crossroads she takes her stand;

<sup>3</sup> beside the gates in front of the town,

at the entrance of the portals she cries out:

- <sup>4</sup> "To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live.
- <sup>22</sup> The Lord created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago.
- <sup>23</sup> Ages ago I was set up,

at the first, before the beginning of the earth.

- <sup>24</sup> When there were no depths I was brought forth,
- when there were no springs abounding with water.
- <sup>25</sup> Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth—
- <sup>26</sup> when he had not yet made earth and fields, or the world's first bits of soil.
- <sup>27</sup> When he established the heavens, I was there, when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,
- <sup>28</sup> when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep,
- <sup>29</sup> when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth.
- <sup>30</sup> then I was beside him, like a master worker;
- and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always,

<sup>31</sup> rejoicing in his inhabited world

and delighting in the human race."

Word of God, Word of Life. Thanks be to God.

# The Word for All Ages.

# (Sun) Gospel Acclamation



### Gospel John 16:12-15

#### The Holy Gospel according to John. Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said,] <sup>12</sup> "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup> When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup> He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup> All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

#### Sermon





Text: Simon Browne, 1680-1732, alt.

Music: HERR JESU CHRIST, MEINES, German folk tune, 15th cent.

**Nicene Creed** We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven. was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,\* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead. and the life of the world to come. Amen

## Prayers of the People

Drawn into the embrace of the holy Trinity, we lift our prayers for the wholeness of the church, the world, and all creation.

A brief silence.

Abiding God, your love pours into your whole church, creating faith and bestowing hope. Fill all the baptized with these good gifts in our various callings. Gather your church in every place and expression into the unity of your Spirit. God of grace, **hear our prayer.** 

Creating God, your name is majestic in all the earth, and we are filled with awe at your creation. Renew this planet and all its wonders: springs abounding with water, earth and soil, beasts of the field, birds of the air, and fish of the sea. God of grace, **hear our prayer**.

Sovereign God, you delight in the whole human race. On this week of Juneteenth, bring an end to racial oppression and heal the wounds of racial trauma. Grant us your wisdom, so that all people, especially those in authority, work for the life and freedom of others. God of grace, **hear our prayer**.

Compassionate God, your mindful care for us is everlasting. Give peace to all who are troubled, endurance to all who suffer, deliverance to all who are afflicted, and healing to all who are sick. God of grace, **hear our prayer.** 

Living God, your glory appears in our shared life. On this Father's Day, give to all fathers and father figures gentle hearts and strong spirits, heal the wounds in our families, and comfort those for whom this day brings pain. God of grace, **hear our prayer.** 

God of mercy, ten years have passed, but the wounds of that night still cry out. We remember the slain of Mother Emanuel and grieve the hatred that desecrated their sanctuary. We confess the racism that endures in our nation and in your church. Turn our sorrow into repentance and our repentance into action. In our grief, show us the cross of Jesus Christ, your beloved, who bore the wounds of our violence, and now wears the crown of glory with all your martyrs. God of grace, **hear our prayer**.

Eternal God, your hope does not disappoint. We give you thanks for all who have died in the hope of the resurrection. Hold us in our grief, and bring us at last to fullness of life in you. God of grace, **hear our prayer**.

Gather all our prayers in your mercy, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

#### Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

MEAL

## (Sun) Offering

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Let us pray, Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

#### **Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.** 

Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three! Before all that is, you were God. Outside all we know, you are God. After all is finished, you will be God. Archangels sound the trumpets, angels teach us their song, saints pull us into your presence. And this is our song:



Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three! You beyond the galaxies, you under the oceans, you inside the leaves, you pouring down rain, you opening the flowers, you feeding the insects, you giving us your image, you carrying us through the waters, you holding us in the night; your smile on Sarah and Abraham, your hand with Moses and Miriam, your words through Deborah and Isaiah; you lived as Jesus among us, healing, teaching, dying, rising, inviting us all to your feast.

In the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Holy God, we beg for your Spirit: Enliven this bread, awaken this body, pour us out for each other. Transfigure our minds, ignite your church, nourish the life of the earth. Make us, while many, united, make us, though broken, whole, make us, despite death, alive.

And so we cry, Come, Holy Spirit: **Come, Holy Spirit!** And so the church shouts, Come, Holy Spirit:

### Come, Holy Spirit! And so the earth pleads, Come, Holy Spirit: Come, Holy Spirit!

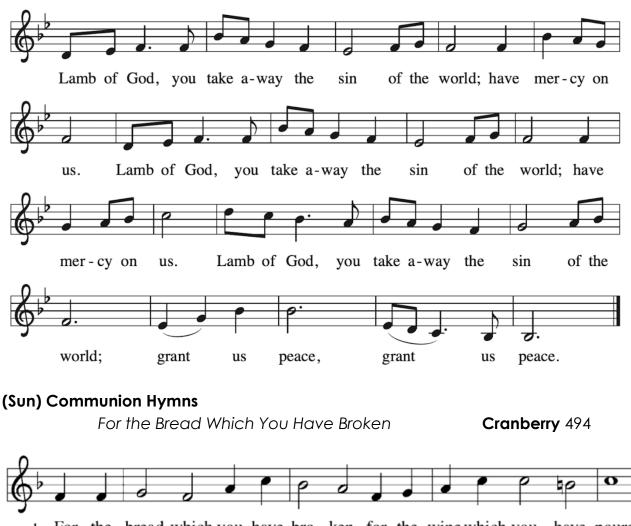
You, Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three, our Life, our Mercy, our Might, our Table, our Food, our Server, our Rainbow, our Ark, our Dove, our Sovereign, our Water, our Wine, our Light, our Treasure, our Tree, our Way, our Truth, our Life. You, Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three! Praise now, praise tomorrow, praise forever. And so we cry, Amen, amen: **Amen, amen!** 

#### Lord's Prayer

Guide us all through the promise of Jesus, your light, who teaches us to pray:

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.

(Sun) Lamb of God



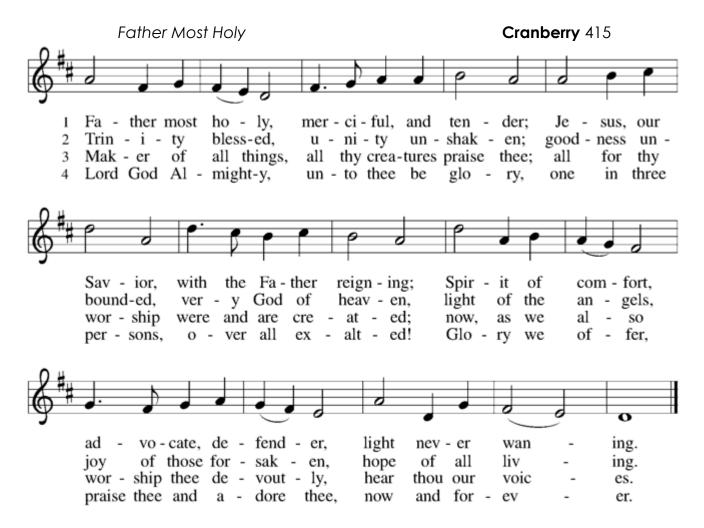
For the bread which you have bro - ken, for the wine which you have poured,
 By this prom - ise that you love us, by your gift of peace re - stored,
 With the saints who now a - dore you, seat-ed at the heav'n - ly board,
 In your ser - vice, Lord, de - fend us; in our hearts keep watch and ward;



for the words which you have spo - ken, now we give you thanks, O Lord. by your call to heav'n a - bove us, hal - low all our lives, O Lord. may the church still wait - ing for you keep love's tie un - bro - ken, Lord. in the world to which you send us let your king-dom come, O Lord.

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God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

SENDING

## Announcements

#### Benediction

The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit + bless you and give you peace. Amen.



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Dismissal Go in peace. Live by the Spirit. Thanks be to God.

## Funding for Mission & Budget

Monthly Receipts through 6/10/25:	\$ 9,450.20
Monthly Budget Expenses:	\$20,033.00
YTD Receipts through 5/31/25:	\$ 99,971.00

## The Bethel Weekly

<u>Summer Midweek Worship:</u> Continue on Wednesdays at 6:30pm in the lounge. Please see the sign-up sheet in the hallway to volunteer at these services.

**FMSC- Rockers Game:** is today at 1:00pm. Please see the flyer in the hallway for more information.

<u>Prayer List Update:</u> The 'Remember in Prayer' list has been updated. Please let the office know if there is anyone to add to the prayer list.

Last Sunday Supper: will be June 29th at 5:00pm at Hagemeister Park.

Handbags for Hope: In conjunction with the Resurrection Food Pantry, we are asking all the ladies to bring in any unwanted purses. Donations are also needed of travel size hygiene items such as toothbrushes, shampoo, lip balm, etc. to fill the purses prior to distribution. Suggestions can be found on the front of the bin in the lounge.

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