



*Bethlehem Lutheran Church—William Penn  
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## **SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

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# Divine Service: Setting I with Holy Communion

Order of Service: *Lutheran Service Book*, pp 151-166

## Pre-Service Music

### June Bible Verse

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.”

*Romans 15:13*

### Our Mission Statement

Representing God’s Love to our Congregation, Community, and the World!



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.

### *Ringing of the Church Bell*

#### OPENING 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!

*Stand.*

INVOCATION

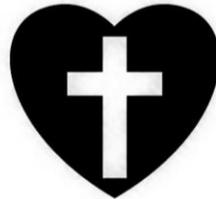
*LSB 151*

- P** In the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✝}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

CONFESSIO AND ABSOLUTION

*LSB 151*

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.  
**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**
- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.  
**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**
- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✝}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.



SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT

*Psalm 121:5–8; antiphon: vv. 1–2*

I lift up my eyes to the hills.  
**From where does my help come?**  
My help comes from the LORD,  
**who made heaven and earth.**  
The LORD is your keeper;  
**the LORD is your shade on your right hand.**  
The sun shall not strike you by day,  
**nor the moon by night.**  
The LORD will keep you from all evil;  
**he will keep your life.**  
The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in  
**from this time forth and forevermore.**  
**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.**  
I lift up my eyes to the hills.  
**From where does my help come?**  
My help comes from the LORD,  
**who made heaven and earth.**

**P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**P** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**P** 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 mer - cy.

**P** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



**C** A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE

*This Is the Feast*

*Refrain*



**C** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and  
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and  
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to  
 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*  
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*

join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*  
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*

gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

*Final Refrain*

This is the feast of vic-tory for our God.

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And al-so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

**C** Heavenly Father, during His earthly ministry Your Son Jesus healed the sick and raised the dead. By the healing medicine of the Word and Sacraments pour into our hearts such love toward You that we may live eternally; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*Sit.*

OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Lamentations 3:22–33*

- <sup>22</sup>The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases;  
his mercies never come to an end;  
<sup>23</sup>they are new every morning;  
great is your faithfulness.  
<sup>24</sup>“The LORD is my portion,” says my soul,  
“therefore I will hope in him.”  
<sup>25</sup>The LORD is good to those who wait for him,  
to the soul who seeks him.  
<sup>26</sup>It is good that one should wait quietly  
for the salvation of the LORD.  
<sup>27</sup>It is good for a man that he bear  
the yoke in his youth.  
<sup>28</sup>Let him sit alone in silence  
when it is laid on him;  
<sup>29</sup>let him put his mouth in the dust—  
there may yet be hope;  
<sup>30</sup>let him give his cheek to the one who strikes,  
and let him be filled with insults.  
<sup>31</sup>For the Lord will not  
cast off forever,  
<sup>32</sup>but, though he cause grief, he will have compassion  
according to the abundance of his steadfast love;  
<sup>33</sup>for he does not willingly afflict  
or grieve the children of men.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

<sup>1</sup>We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia, <sup>2</sup>for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. <sup>3</sup>For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own free will, <sup>4</sup>begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part in the relief of the saints— <sup>5</sup>and this, not as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then by the will of God to us. <sup>6</sup>Accordingly, we urged Titus that as he had started, so he should complete among you this act of grace. <sup>7</sup>But as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you—see that you excel in this act of grace also.

<sup>8</sup>I say this not as a command, but to prove by the earnestness of others that your love also is genuine. <sup>9</sup>For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich. . . .

<sup>13</sup>For I do not mean that others should be eased and you burdened, but that as a matter of fairness <sup>14</sup>your abundance at the present time should supply their need, so that their abundance may supply your need, that there may be fairness. <sup>15</sup>As it is written, “Whoever gathered much had nothing left over, and whoever gathered little had no lack.”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand.*

## COMMON ALLELUIA

LSB 156

**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 5:21–43

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fifth chapter.

**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>21</sup>And when Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered about him, and he was beside the sea. <sup>22</sup>Then came one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name, and seeing him, he fell at his feet <sup>23</sup>and implored him earnestly, saying, “My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well and live.” <sup>24</sup>And he went with him.

And a great crowd followed him and thronged about him. <sup>25</sup>And there was a woman who had had a discharge of blood for twelve years, <sup>26</sup>and who had suffered much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was no better but rather grew worse. <sup>27</sup>She had heard the reports about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his garment. <sup>28</sup>For she said, “If I touch even his garments, I will be made well.” <sup>29</sup>And immediately the flow of blood dried up, and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. <sup>30</sup>And Jesus, perceiving in himself that power had gone out from him, immediately turned about in the crowd and said, “Who touched my garments?” <sup>31</sup>And his disciples said to him, “You see the crowd pressing around you, and yet you say, ‘Who touched me?’” <sup>32</sup>And he looked around to see who had done it. <sup>33</sup>But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling and fell down before him and told him the whole truth. <sup>34</sup>And he said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.”

<sup>35</sup>While he was still speaking, there came from the ruler’s house some who said, “Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?” <sup>36</sup>But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the ruler

of the synagogue, “Do not fear, only believe.”<sup>37</sup> And he allowed no one to follow him except Peter and James and John the brother of James.<sup>38</sup> They came to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and Jesus saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly.<sup>39</sup> And when he had entered, he said to them, “Why are you making a commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but sleeping.”<sup>40</sup> And they laughed at him. But he put them all outside and took the child’s father and mother and those who were with him and went in where the child was.<sup>41</sup> Taking her by the hand he said to her, “Talitha cumi,” which means, “Little girl, I say to you, arise.”<sup>42</sup> And immediately the girl got up and began walking (for she was twelve years of age), and they were immediately overcome with amazement.<sup>43</sup> And he strictly charged them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

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



**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

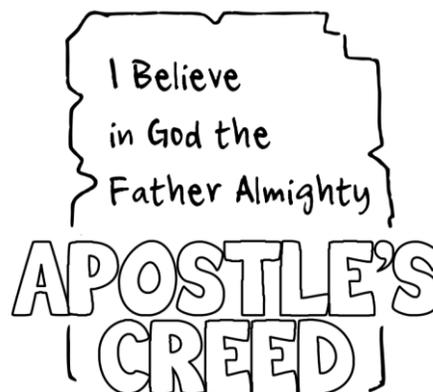
LSB 159

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life † everlasting. Amen.

*Sit.*



HYMN OF THE DAY

*Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old*

LSB 846

1 Your hand, O Lord, in days of old  
 2 Your touch then, Lord, brought life and health,  
 3 O be our great de - liv - 'er still,

Was strong to heal and save; It tri - umphed o - ver  
 Gave speech and strength and sight; And youth re - newed and  
 The Lord of life and death; Re - store and quick - en,

ills and death, O'er dark - ness and the grave.  
 fren - zy calmed Re - vealed You, Lord of light.  
 soothe and bless, With Your life - giv - ing breath.

To You they came, the blind, the mute,  
 And now, O Lord, be near, to bless,  
 To hands that work and eyes that see

The pal - sied and the lame, The lep - ers in their  
 Al - might - y as be - fore, In crowd - ed street, by  
 Give wis - dom's heal - ing pow'r That whole and sick and

mis - er - y, The sick with fe - vered frame.  
 beds of pain, As by Gen - nes - 'ret's shore.  
 weak and strong May praise You ev - er - more.

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SERMON

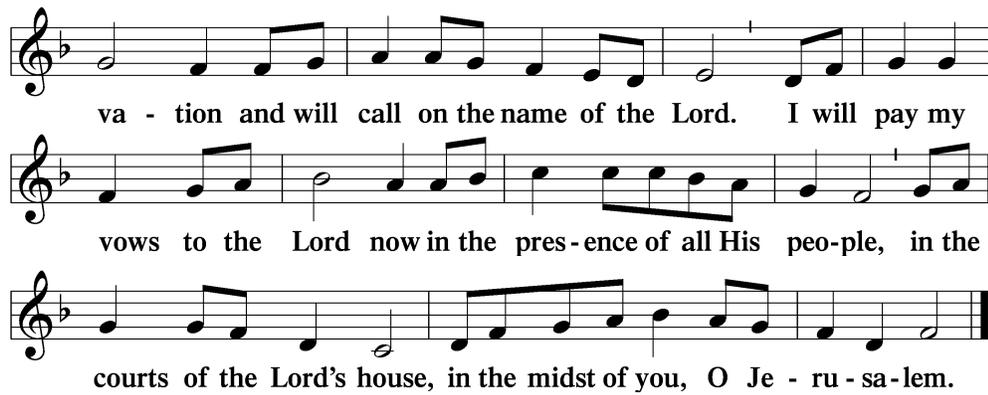
*The Lord is My Portion – Lamentations 3:22–33*

*Stand.*

OFFERTORY

LSB 159

What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all His ben - e - fits to  
 me? I will of - fer the sac - ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing and will  
 call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal -



va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
vows to the Lord now in the pres - ence of all His peo - ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

OFFERING PRAYER

*Sit.*

OFFERING

*Stand.*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

*from the Lutheran Service Book, page 160*

PREFACE

*LSB 160*

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them to the Lord.

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



**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**P** It is truly good, 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, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. 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

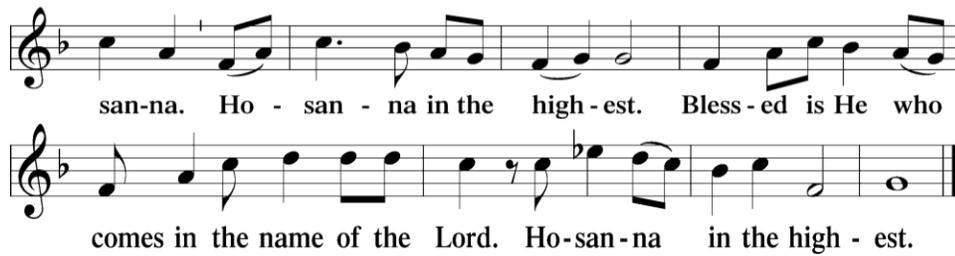
*LSB 161*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

LSB 161

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

LSB 162

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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 162

**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 163

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



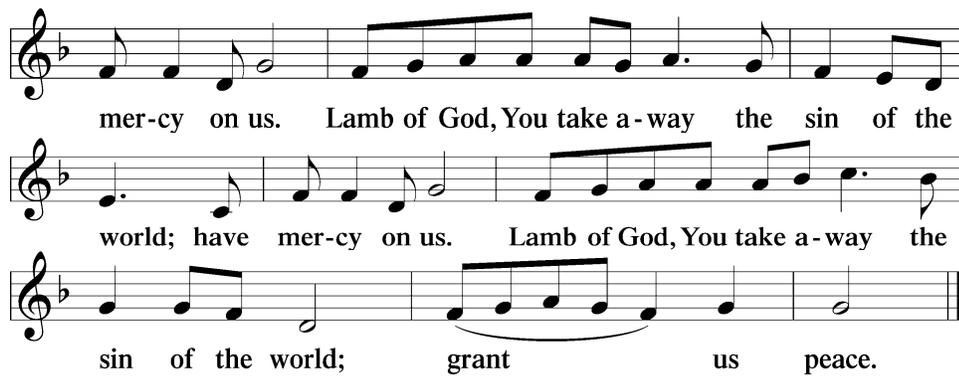
**C** A - men.

AGNUS DEI

LSB 163



**C** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Sit.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

*O Lord, We Praise Thee*

LSB 617



1 O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and a-dore Thee,  
2 Thy ho-ly bod-y in-to death was giv-en,  
3 May God be-stow on us His grace and fa-vor

In thanks-giv-ing bow be-fore Thee. Thou with Thy  
Life to win for us in heav-en. No great-er  
That we fol-low Christ our Sav-ior And live to-  
bod-y and Thy blood didst nour-ish Our weak souls that  
love than this to Thee could bind us; May this feast there-  
gether here in love and u-nion Nor de-spise this  
they may flour-ish: O Lord, have mer-cy!  
of re-mind us! O Lord, have mer-cy!  
blest Com-mu-nion! O Lord, have mer-cy!

May Thy bod-y, Lord, born of Mar-y, That our  
Lord, Thy kind-ness did so con-strain Thee That Thy  
Let not Thy good Spir-it for-sake us; Grant that  
sins and sor-rows did car-ry, And Thy blood for us plead  
blood should bless and sus-tain me. All our debt Thou hast paid;  
heav'n-ly-mind-ed He make us; Give Thy Church, Lord, to see  
In all tri-al, fear, and need: O Lord, have mer-cy!  
Peace with God once more is made: O Lord, have mer-cy!  
Days of peace and u-ni-ty: O Lord, have mer-cy!

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1 Re - joice, my heart, be glad and sing, A  
 2 He is your trea - sure, He your joy, Your  
 3 Why spend the day in blank de - spair, In  
 4 Did not His love and truth and pow'r Guard



cheer - ful trust main - tain; For God, the source of  
 life and light and Lord, Your coun - sel - or when  
 rest - less thought the night? On your Cre - a - tor  
 ev - 'ry child - hood day? And did He not in



ev - 'ry - thing, Your por - tion shall re - main.  
 doubts an - noy, Your shield and great re - ward.  
 cast your care; He makes your bur - dens light.  
 threat - 'ning hour Turn dread - ed ills a - way?

5 He only will with patience chide,  
 His rod falls gently down;  
 And all your sins He casts aside  
 In ocean depths to drown.

6 His wisdom never plans in vain  
 Nor falters nor mistakes.  
 All that His counsels may ordain  
 A blessèd ending makes.

7 Upon your lips, then, lay your hand,  
 And trust His guiding love;  
 Then like a rock your peace shall stand  
 Here and in heav'n above.

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1 O Je - sus, bless - ed Lord, to Thee My heart - felt  
 2 Break forth, my soul, for joy and say: What wealth is



thanks for - ev - er be, Who hast so lov - ing -  
 come to me this day! My Sav - ior dwells with -



ly be - stowed On me Thy bod - y and Thy blood.  
 in my heart: How blessed am I! How good Thou art!

Text: Thomas Hansen Kingo, 1634–1703; tr. Arthur J. Mason, 1851–1928. Tune: Trente quatre Pseaumes de David, 1551, Geneva, ed. Louis  
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1 Lord, take my hand and lead me Up - on life's way;  
 2 Lord, when the tem - pest ra - ges, I need not fear,  
 3 Lord, when the shad - ows length - en And night has come,



Di - rect, pro - tect, and feed me From day to day.  
 For You, the Rock of A - ges, Are al - ways near.  
 I know that You will strength - en My steps toward home.



With - out Your grace and fa - vor I go a - stray;  
 Close by Your side a - bid - ing, I fear no foe,  
 Then noth - ing can im - pede me, O bless - ed Friend;



So take my hand, O Sav - ior, And lead the way.  
 For when Your hand is guid - ing, In peace I go.  
 So take my hand and lead me Un - to the end.

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Stand.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

*Thank the Lord*

LSB 164



**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re - calls His prom - is - es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, since You have called Your Church to witness that in Christ You have reconciled us unto Yourself, grant that by Your Holy Spirit we may proclaim the Good News of Your salvation that all who hear may receive the gift of salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

**C** Amen.

BENEDICTION

LSB 166

**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.

*Sit.*

CLOSING HYMN

*In Thee Is Gladness*

LSB 818

1 In Thee is glad - ness A - mid all sad - ness, Je - sus,  
 2 Since He is ours, We fear no pow - ers, Not of  
 sun - shine of my heart. By Thee are giv - en The gifts of  
 earth nor sin nor death. He sees and bless - es In worst dis -  
 heav - en, Thou the true Re - deem - er art. Our souls Thou  
 tress - es; He can change them with a breath. Where - fore the  
 wak - est, Our bonds Thou break - est; Who trusts Thee sure - ly Has built se -  
 sto - ry Tell of His glo - ry With hearts and voic - es; All heav'n re -  
 cure - ly; He stands for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia! Our hearts are  
 joic - es In Him for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia! We shout for  
 pin - ing To see Thy shin - ing, Dy - ing or liv - ing  
 glad - ness, Tri - umph o'er sad - ness, Love Him and praise Him  
 To Thee are cleav - ing; Naught can us sev - er: Al - le - lu - ia!  
 And still shall raise Him Glad hymns for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia!

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POSTLUDE

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



**Congregation:** thanksgiving for answered prayers for Jim Straker, who is cancer-free; prayers for Becky Brown and her family as they mourn the loss of their father, Charles Graf; for a successful surgery and healing for Tom Hayden; for all those who will be traveling this summer, may God bring them safely to and from their destinations; for

Blake Powers, Edith Erwin, and Deloris Griffin; for our shut-in members: Renee Brinkmann, Mildred Holle, Lathel Norris, James Schoenemann, Roger & Elvera Schroeder, and others who are unable to come to church

**Community:** may our Lord continue to deliver to us favorable weather; 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 in the war in Israel, 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 an 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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**This Week's Schedule**

**June 30 – July 7**

**Today:** *Sixth Sunday after Pentecost*  
**9:00 AM** Sunday School, Adult Bible Class  
**10:15 AM** Divine Worship: Setting I with Holy Communion  
 Acolyte: Kaisen Ashorn  
 Greeter: Grace Kankel  
 Ushers: Stanley Haferkamp Ben Holtkamp  
 Craig Kankel Caleb Kettler

**Tuesday:** **7:00 PM** LWML Social  
**7:30 PM** LWML Meeting

**Next Sunday:** *Seventh Sunday after Pentecost*  
**9:00 AM** Sunday School, Adult Bible Class  
**10:15 AM** Divine Worship: Setting I with Holy Communion  
 Acolyte: Lyla Kettler  
 Greeter: Laramie Kettler  
 Ushers: Clinton Kettler Henry Kettler  
 Matt Kettler Michael Kettler  
**11:30 AM** *Higher Things Meeting*

**Serving in June: Elder** – Clinton Kettler / **Trustee** – Kevin Harrington

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

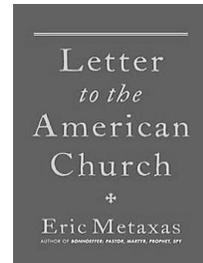


*The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God by Grace Kankel.*



Please note that next Sunday, July 7, there is a meeting after church for all who are going to the *Higher Things* conference. We look forward to seeing you then!

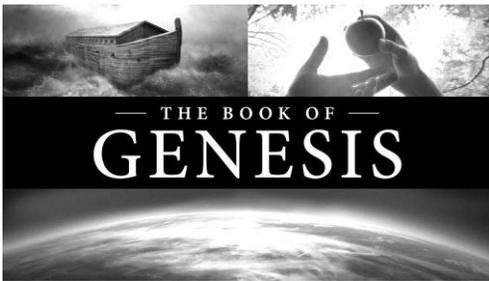
The weekly **Women's Bible Study** will be on break until our next book, Eric Metaxas's *Letter to the American Churches*, which will **begin on Thursday, July 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.**



### *Sunday School Corner*

Parents, throughout the summer Sunday School, students will be exploring the connections between biblical characters and modern-day vocations. Today in Sunday School, students explored “Jacob’s Death and Burial.” Jacob requested burial in Canaan, rather than in Egypt, because Canaan was the land to which God had promised to send the One through whom all the families of the earth would be blessed—Jesus. To reinforce this lesson for your kids, as a family, discuss, “How was Jacob’s body prepared for burial? What kinds of workers help families prepare for burials today?” And don't miss out on next week’s exciting lesson, “David, the Shepherd Boy.” Also, parents, you can join Pastor Krieg in the adult Sunday School class. See you next week!

### *New 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 begin 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.



### *Life Thoughts from Lutherans for Life*

“Silence.” “Dust.” “Strikes.” “Insults.” “Grief.” Lamentations knows right where it hurts. And this Word of the Lord gives us a God who comforts just how each needs: “steadfast love,” “mercies,”

“faithfulness,” “salvation,” “compassion,” and “abundance.” Let us diagnose abortion by naming it sinful, so that we may directly dispense the healing that the hearts it has broken long for. For more information, please visit <https://lutheransforlife.org/>.



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**Last Week at Bethlehem**

SERVICE	ATTENDANCE	GIFTS IN RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL
06-23 Sunday School	8	\$93.00
06-23 Youth Bible Class	2	
06-23 Adult Bible Class	21	
06-23 Sunday Worship Service	95	General Fund: \$2,765.00 Fred Schwartz, Jr. Memorial: \$95.00 Scott Hemann Memorial: \$245.00 Floris Whittaker Memorial: \$230.00 Foundation leveling: \$1,600.00 VBS: \$100.00