

FISHERMAN'S PICNIC WORSHIP

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

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9:30 AM - HARBOR PARK - AUGUST 2, 2026



Belonging to Christ, Sharing Christ on the North Shore & Beyond!

INTRODUCTION

In today's first reading God invites all who are hungry or thirsty to receive food and drink without cost. Jesus feeds the hungry multitude and reveals the abundance of God. At the eucharistic table we remember all who are hungry or poor in our world today. As we share the bread of life, we are sent forth to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry.

PRELUDE *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* Average Worship Band

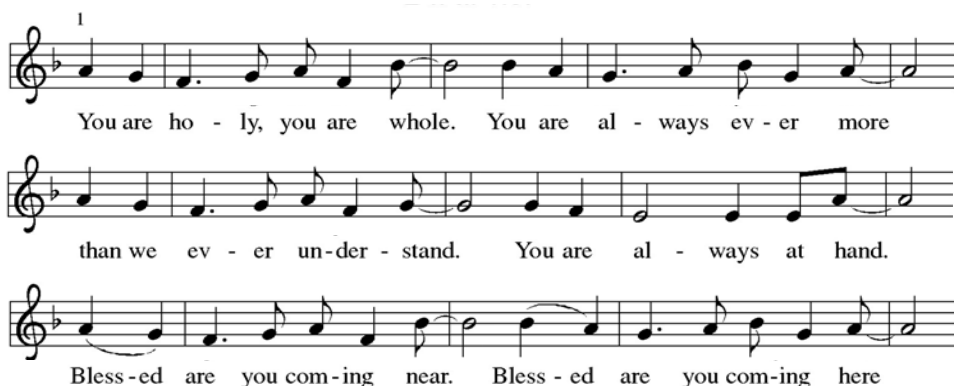
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Have mercy, O God, **against you, you alone, we have sinned. In your compassion, cleanse us from our sin and take away our guilt. Create in us a new heart and give us a steadfast spirit. Do not cast us away, but fill us with your Holy Spirit and restore your joy within us. Amen.**

Blessed be God who crowns us with mercy and love. **Blessed be God forever.**

GATHERING SONG: *You Are Holy*



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to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.

²
You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,
you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!
Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!
Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

Text: Per Harling, b. 1945

Music: DU AR HELIG, Per Harling

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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

God Welcomes All

God wel - comes all, strang - ers and friends;
God's love is strong and it nev - er ends.

Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949

Music: AMEN THEMBA, South African traditional; transe. and arr. John L. Bell.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Glorious God, **your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

GOSPEL

Matthew 14:13-21

¹³ Now when Jesus heard [about the beheading of John the Baptist,] he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴ When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. ¹⁵ When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." ¹⁶ Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." ¹⁷ They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." ¹⁸ And he said, "Bring them here to me." ¹⁹ Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and blessed and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰ And all ate and were filled, and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. ²¹ And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S TIME

Jess Christenson

SERMON

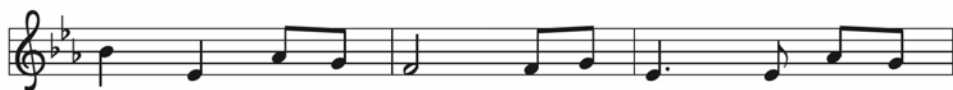
Pastor Calvin Konop

HYMN OF THE DAY

Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken



1	Loaves	were	bro -	ken,	words	were	spo -	ken	by	the
2	Loaves	were	bro -	ken,	words	were	spo -	ken	in	a
3	Loaves	are	bro -	ken,	words	are	spo -	ken,	as	in
4	By	the	loaves	you	break	and	give	us,	send	us



Gal -	i -	le -	an	shore.	Je -	sus,	Bread	of	life	from
qui -	et	room	one	night.	In	the	bread	and	wine	you
faith	we	gath -	er	here.	Je -	sus	speaks	a -	cross	the
in	your	name	to	share	bread	for	which	the	mil -	lions

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heav - en, was their food for - ev - er - more.
gave them, Christ, you came as Light from Light.
a - ges: "I am with you; do not fear!"
hun - ger, words that tell your love and care.

Refrain
By your bod - y bro - ken for us, by your
wine of life out - poured, Je - sus, feed a - gain your
peo - ple. Be our Host, our Life, our Lord.

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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 INTERCESSION

Response: God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

SHARING THE PEACE

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

OFFERING *May the Circle Be Unbroken* Average Worship Band

Chorus:

**May the circle be unbroken
By and by, by and by?
Is a better home awaiting
In the sky, in the sky?**

OFFERING PRAYER

God of goodness and growth, **all creation is yours, and your faithfulness is sure. Word and water, wine and bread: these are signs of your abundant grace. Receive the gifts we bring, and nourish us to proclaim your abiding love in our communities and in the world, through Jesus Christ, our strength and our song. 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE 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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready. All are welcome!

Bethlehem Lutheran Church believes in the real presence of Christ in Holy Communion, and we practice eucharistic hospitality. All persons, whether visiting or a member, are welcomed to Communion.

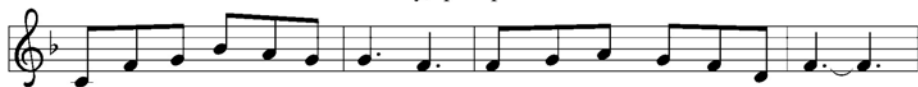
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COMMUNION MUSIC

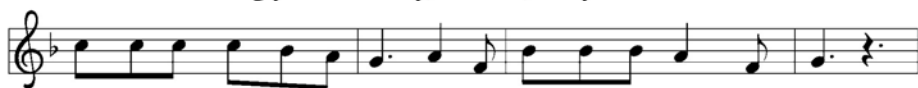
Come to the Table



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



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



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



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

Text: Claire Cloninger, b. 1942

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Music: COME TO THE TABLE, Martin J. Nystrom, b. 1956

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Come to the Water of Life



1	All who are thirst - y	for mer - cy,	all who are thirst - y	for
2	All who are thirst - y	for heal - ing,	all who are thirst - y	for
3	All who are thirst - y	for beau - ty,	all who are thirst - y	for
4	All who are thirst - y	for jus - tice,	all who are thirst - y	for



love;	all who are thirst - y	for love,	for mer - cy,
touch;	all who are thirst - y	for touch,	for heal - ing,
truth;	all who are thirst - y	for truth,	for beau - ty,
peace;	all who are thirst - y	for peace,	for jus - tice,



come:	come to the	Wa - ter of	life.
come:	come to the	Wa - ter of	life.
come:	come to the	Wa - ter of	life.
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Text: Ray Makeever, b. 1943

Music: WATER OF LIFE, Ray Makeever

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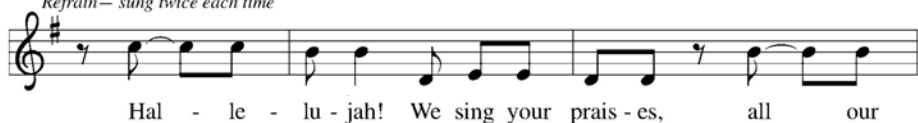
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We thank you, O God, **that you have strengthened our hearts through this feast of life and salvation. Shine the light of Christ on our path, that we may do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you, now and forever. Amen.**

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN *Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises*

Refrain— sung twice each time



Repeat stanza, then sing refrain



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DISMISSAL

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news! **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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Thank you for worshipping with Bethlehem today. Our regular services are held in our sanctuary at 10:00am Sundays. We welcome all persons.

YOUTH UPCOMING EVENTS:

OWL Night Lock-in: All youth going into 6-12th grades are invited to attend. Starts Sat. Aug. 22 at 8 pm; ends after church on Sun. Aug. 23.



VBS Water Day: Aug. 28, 1:00 to 2:30 pm. Open to all students incoming K-5th grades. Students arrive in clothes & shoes that can get wet. We will be playing water games outside, no swimming involved.

This Week at Bethlehem:

Sun Aug 2 **9:30 AM Worship Service**
At Harbor Park

Tues Aug 4 8:30 AM Staff Meeting

Wed Aug 5 12:30 PM Text Study

Thur Aug 6 8:00 AM Men's Bible
Study

9:00 AM Quilting

4:30 PM Swing Band

Practice sanctuary

Fri Aug 7 - - - - - Clarity Hearing
Appts in library

Sun Aug 9 10:00 AM Worship Service

We pray for healing for these members & friends: Danny, Alexander, Bonnie, Denise Murray, Linda Zenk, Stacey Johnson, Lynn Schulte, Clayton & Nancy Koss, Lois Johnson, Butch & Rhonda Schulte, Luke Gulstrand, Sarah Coe, Phyllis Olson, Paulina Backstrom, Shae Lindholm, Char Anderson, Stacey Schulte, Hank Ferland, Margaret Dahl, Katrina Crouse, Karen Shannon, Tom Christiansen and Al Fuller.

Our sincere sympathies to Marilyn Ranum and family. Paul, her husband, passed away this week. They were long time members of Bethlehem and this community. She would appreciate a card or phone call to help her in this difficult time. 608.786.2466. 960 W. City Hwy 16. #107, West Salem, WI 54669.

Sunday Morning Volunteers

We are always looking for more help with ushers, communion servers, greeters and lectors on Sunday mornings. If you would like to learn more about any of these volunteer positions, ask Pastor Calvin. Getting more info does not sign you up to help.

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