



**Bethlehem Lutheran Church**  
**Third Sunday after Pentecost**  
**June 25, 2017**

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*\*All who are able, please stand.*

**Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Confession and Forgiveness**

Leader: In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen.**

Leader: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

Leader: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Most merciful God,

**All: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.**

Leader: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen**

**\*Opening Hymn "Jesus Was Sent"**

BC15

Jesus was sent to bring health to the ailing,  
Jesus was sent with good news for the poor.  
Jesus releases us all from our failing,  
Jesus increases our will to restore.

Chorus: Jesus was sent that our eyes may be open,  
So we might witness the day of the Lord.  
He will make sense of our loving and hoping;  
He will break fences and open the door.

Jesus was sent to bring wholeness and healing,  
Jesus was sent to up-set and annoy.  
Jesus releases from negative feeling,  
Jesus increases our wonder and joy. Chorus

Jesus was sent to bring life everlasting,  
Jesus was sent by the Spirit of God.  
Jesus releases us just for our asking,  
Jesus will free us and cover the Law. Chorus

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**\*Apostolic Greeting**

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

**All: And also with you.**

**\*Kyrie**

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Leader: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**All: Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**All: Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: 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.

**All: Lord, have mercy.**

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

**All: Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**All: Amen.**

**\*Hymn of Praise**

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Leader: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

**All: Lord God, heavenly King,**

**almighty God and Father,**

**we worship you,**

**we give you thanks,**

**we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ,**

**only Son of the Father,**

**Lord God, Lamb of God,**

**you take away the sin of the world:**

**have mercy on us;**

**you are seated at the right hand of the Father:**

**receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,**

**you alone are the Lord,**

**you alone are the Most High,**

**Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,**

**in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**\*Prayer of the Day**

Leader: Let us pray.

Teach us, good Lord God, to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of knowing that we do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**All: Amen.**

**First Reading:** Jeremiah 20:7-13

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**Psalm 69:7-10, 16-18**

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Leader: <sup>7</sup>It is for your sake that I have borne reproach, that shame has covered my face.

**All: <sup>8</sup>I have become a stranger to my kindred, an alien to my mother's children.**

Leader: <sup>9</sup>It is zeal for your house that has consumed me; the insults of those who insult you have fallen on me.

**All: <sup>10</sup>When I humbled my soul with fasting, they insulted me for doing so.**

Leader: <sup>16</sup>Answer me, O LORD, for your steadfast love is good; according to your abundant mercy, turn to me.

**All: <sup>17</sup>Do not hide your face from your servant, for I am in distress—make haste to answer me.**

Leader: <sup>18</sup>Draw near to me, redeem me, set me free because of my enemies.

**Second Reading:** Romans 6:1b-11

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**Children's Sermon**

**\*Gospel Acclamation** "Into My Heart"

**Into my heart, into my heart,**

**Come into my heart, Lord Jesus.**

**Come in today, come in to stay**

**Come into my heart, Lord Jesus.**

Leader: The Gospel according to Matthew the 10<sup>th</sup> chapter

**All: Glory to you, O Lord**

**\*Gospel:** Matthew 10:24-39

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Leader: The gospel of the Lord.

**All: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon**

Pastor Mark

**Hymn of the Day** "You Are the Way"

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**Holy Baptism of Lauren Marilea Pierce** ELW page 227

**Apostles' Creed** pg 105

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Leader: Let us welcome the newly baptized. ELW page 231

**All: We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share:**

**Join us in giving thanks and praise to God**

**And bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

**\*Peace**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you all.

**All: And also with you.**

**Offering**

**\*Offertory Prayer**

Leader: Let us pray. Merciful Father,

**All: We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**\*Prayers of the People**

Each petition ends: "Lord in your mercy"

**Response: "Hear our prayer"**

**\*Lord's Prayer**

**\*Benediction**

**\*Sending Hymn "O Savior, Precious Savior"** ELW 820

**\*Dismissal**

Leader: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

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**OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK AT BETHLEHEM**

|         |       |                                  |
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| Today:  | 9:30  | Worship/Baptism of Lauren Pierce |
|         | 10:30 | Fellowship                       |
|         | 11:00 | Choir practice                   |
|         | 11:30 | Up & Comers Dinner               |
| Sunday: | 9:30  | Worship/Communion                |
|         | 10:30 | Fellowship                       |
|         | 11:00 | Choir practice                   |

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**June 18<sup>th</sup>:** Attendance: 110 Offering: \$2,165.00

**Greeters:** Don & Wanda Helmkamp, Roger & Betty Kruse

**Organist:** Sue Brugman

**Reader:** Dennis McClain

*In Our Thoughts  
& Prayers*

-Ethan Batschelet, Missionary--Siloam  
Girls' School in India--Joyce Sabel  
(daughter of Roger & Betty Kruse)  
-Marge Barglof--Duane Kracht

-Family of Dan Rogness (son of Ruth Rogness)--Paulette Tuton  
-Tom Nelson (friend of Sue Brugman)--Family of Don Russell  
(Uncle of Mindy Means)--JoAnn Treinen--Family of Kathi  
Sokness (Evie Schuck's daughter and Barb Fletcher's aunt)  
-Family of Pastor Chris Nelson (Pastor of Heidi Mogush's church  
home in Minneapolis) *(Please call the church office to add  
someone to the prayer list. Requests stay on the list for one  
month unless you instruct us to do otherwise.*

**"Today we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Baptism for Lauren Marilea Pierce,** infant daughter of Mark and Lee Pierce. Lauren's sponsors are Bret Pierce and Jen Hosch. Her grandparents are Jim and Julie Christensen and Rod and Julie Pierce; Great Grandfather is Russ Christensen."

**Up & Comers Dinner** will be celebrated today at 11:30am.

We are still in need of **\$100** for our parsonage remodel. A donation for the parsonage repair please! It is to be used for parsonage.



**We are having two celebrations in July of Milestone birthdays.** Please join them during fellowship to wish them each a happy birthday. On July 2<sup>nd</sup> Hazel Christenson will be celebrating her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday during fellowship. On July 9<sup>th</sup> LaVonne Schuknecht will be celebrating her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday during fellowship.

**Rod Quanbeck, director at Okoboji camp,** says they are looking for a summer person in maintenance, and a fulltime, year round position. People can call the camp if they are interested. Or, they can e-mail Rod at [rodq@okoboji.org](mailto:rodq@okoboji.org)



**\*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 into hell.  
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.**

**\*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.**

***You Are the Way (ELW 758)***

1 You are the way; to you alone  
from sin and death we flee;  
all those who search for God, you find  
and by your grace set free.

2 You are the truth; your word alone  
true wisdom can impart;  
you only can inform the mind  
and purify the heart.

3 You are the life; the rending tomb  
proclaims your conqu'ring arm;  
and those who put their trust in you  
not death nor hell shall harm.

4 You are the way, the truth, the life;  
grant us that way to know,  
that truth to keep, that life to win,  
whose joys eternal flow.

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***O Savior, Precious Savior (ELW 820)***

1 O Savior, precious Savior,  
whom yet unseen we love;  
O name of might and favor,  
all other names above:  
we worship thee; we bless thee;  
to thee alone we sing;  
we praise thee and confess thee,  
our holy Lord and King.

2 O bringer of salvation,  
who wondrously hast wrought,  
thyself the revelation  
of love beyond our thought:  
we worship thee; we bless thee;  
to thee alone we sing;  
we praise thee and confess thee,  
our gracious Lord and King.

3 In thee all fullness dwelleth,  
all grace and pow'r divine;  
the glory that excelleth,  
O Son of God, is thine.  
We worship thee; we bless thee;  
to thee alone we sing;  
we praise thee and confess thee,  
our glorious Lord and King.

4 Oh, grant the consummation  
of this our song above,  
in endless adoration  
and everlasting love;  
then shall we praise and bless thee  
where perfect praises ring,  
and evermore confess thee,  
our Savior and our King!

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***Jeremiah 20:7-13***

<sup>7</sup>O LORD, you have enticed me,  
and I was enticed;  
you have overpowered me,  
and you have prevailed.  
I have become a laughingstock all day long;  
everyone mocks me.  
<sup>8</sup>For whenever I speak, I must cry out,  
I must shout, "Violence and destruction!"  
For the word of the LORD has become for me  
a reproach and derision all day long.  
<sup>9</sup>If I say, "I will not mention him,  
or speak any more in his name,"  
then within me there is something like a burning fire  
shut up in my bones;  
I am weary with holding it in,  
and I cannot.  
<sup>10</sup>For I hear many whispering:  
"Terror is all around!  
Denounce him! Let us denounce him!"  
All my close friends  
are watching for me to stumble.  
"Perhaps he can be enticed,  
and we can prevail against him,  
and take our revenge on him."  
<sup>11</sup>But the LORD is with me like a dread warrior;  
therefore my persecutors will stumble,  
and they will not prevail.  
They will be greatly shamed,  
for they will not succeed.  
Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten.  
<sup>12</sup>O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous,  
you see the heart and the mind;  
let me see your retribution upon them,  
for to you I have committed my cause.  
<sup>13</sup>Sing to the LORD;  
praise the LORD!  
For he has delivered the life of the needy  
from the hands of evildoers.

### ***Romans 6:1b-11***

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup>By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? <sup>3</sup>Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup>Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. <sup>5</sup>For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. <sup>6</sup>We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. <sup>7</sup>For whoever has died is freed from sin. <sup>8</sup>But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup>We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. <sup>10</sup>The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. <sup>11</sup>So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

### ***Matthew 10:24-39***

<sup>24</sup>“A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; <sup>25</sup>it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! <sup>26</sup>“So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. <sup>27</sup>What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. <sup>28</sup>Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. <sup>29</sup>Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. <sup>30</sup>And even the hairs of your head are all counted. <sup>31</sup>So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. <sup>32</sup>“Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; <sup>33</sup>but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. <sup>34</sup>“Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

<sup>35</sup>For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;

<sup>36</sup>and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household.

<sup>37</sup>Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; <sup>38</sup>and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. <sup>39</sup>Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.