**Worship at Bethel 3-7-21**

**Music: Piano: Mila Khmeleva**

**Hymnists: Joy Faciane & Patsy Lohmer**

Gathering Music: “**Change My Heart, O God” ELW, # 801**

Change my heart, O God, make it ever true. Change my heart, O God, may I be like You. You are the Potter; I am the clay. Mold me and make me; this is what I pray.

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**“Lord, Be Glorified” ELW, # 744**

1. In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified;

In my life, Lord, be glorified today.

2. In our song, Lord

3. In your church, Lord,

4. In your world, Lord,

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**Welcome & Announcements – Pastor Barb**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

P: 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.

**Amen.**

P: Most merciful God,

**C: 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.**

P: 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.

**Amen.**

**Opening Song:**  **“In the Cross of Christ I Glory” ELW, # 324**

### **Verse 1**

In the cross of Christ I glory, tow'ring o'er the wrecks of time.  
All the light of sacred story gathers round its head sublime.

### **Verse 2**

When the woes of life o'ertake me, hopes deceive and fears annoy,  
Never shall the cross forsake me; lo, it glows with peace and joy.

### **Verse 4**

Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure, by the cross are sanctified;  
Peace is there that knows no measure, joys that through all time abide.

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**Opening Prayer**

1 Corinthians 1:18-25

Gospel: John 2:13-22

**Song– “The Heart Of Worship”**

Verse 1

When the music fades, all is stripped away, and I simply come;

Longing just to bring something that's of worth that will bless Your heart.

**Chorus**

**I'll bring You more than a song, for a song in itself is not what You have required. You search much deeper within through the way things appear;**

**You're looking into my heart.**

**I'm coming back to the heart of worship, and it's all about You, all about You Jesus. I'm sorry Lord for the thing I've made it,**

**when it's all about You, all about You Jesus.**

Verse 2

King of endless worth, no one could express, how much You deserve.

Though I'm weak and poor all I have is Yours, ev'ry single breath

**Chorus**

**I'll bring You more than a song, for a song in itself is not what You have required. You search much deeper within through the way things appear;**

**You're looking into my heart.**

**I'm coming back to the heart of worship, and it's all about You, all about You Jesus. I'm sorry Lord for the thing I've made it,**

**when it's all about You, all about You Jesus.**

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Sermon **“What Jesus Desires” Pastor Barb Lemke**

**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.**

**Prayers of the Church**

**Holy Communion – Words of Institution**

**Lord’s Prayer**

**Benediction**

**Closing Song: “We Are an Offering” ELW, # 692**

We life our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you:

We are an offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering.

All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering, we are an offering.

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P: Go in Peace, serve the Lord!

**C: Thanks be to God!**