**Worship Saturday, August 21 at 6:30 P.M.**

**Sunday, August 22, 2021 at 9:00 A.M.**

**“The Generous Life: Impact”**

**Hymnists: Ron & Doris Freund**

**Gathering: “Shout to the Lord” ELW, # 821**

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord, there is none like you.

All of my days I want to praise the wonders of your mighty love.

My comfort, my shelter, tower of refuge and strength;

Let ev’ry breath, all that I am never cease to worship you.

Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing power and majesty, praise to the King.

Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of your name.

I sing for joy at the work of your hands; forever I’ll love you, forever I’ll stand.

Nothing compares to the promise I have in you.

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###### **“Come into the Holy of Holies”**

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###### Lifting holy hands to the King of kings, Worship Jesus.

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**Welcome & Announcements:**

**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: “Gather Us In” ELW,532**

1. Here in this place the new light is streaming, now is the darkness vanished away;

See in this space our fears and our dreamings brought

Here to you in the light of this day.

Gather us in, the lost and forsaken gather us in, the blind and the lame; call us now and we shall awaken,

We shall arise at the sound of our name.

2. We are the young, our lives are a mystery, we are the old who

Yearn for your face; we have been sung throughout all of history, called to be light,

To the whole human race, gather us in, the rich and the haughty, gather us in, the proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so lowly,

Give us the courage to enter the song.

3. Here we will take the wine and the water, here we will take the

Bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daughters, call us

A new to be salt for the earth, give us to drink the wine of

Compassion, give us to eat the bread that is you; nourish us well, and teach us to fashion lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

4. Not in the dark of buildings confining, not in some heaven, light years away

Here in this place the new light is shining,

Now is the kingdom, and now is the day. Gather us in hold us forever, gather us in and make us your own; gather us in, all peoples together, fire of love

In our flesh and our bone.

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**Greeting:**

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

**C:** **And also with you.**

**Prayer of the Day**

**1st Reading: Acts 2:42-46**

**Gospel:** **Luke 10:25-37**

**Hymn of the Day:** **“God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending” ELW, # 678**

(Tune: “Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service” ELW, # 712)

1. God, whose giving knows no ending, from your rich and endless store: nature’s wonder, Jesus’ wisdom, costly cross, graves shattered door, gifted by you, we turn to you, offering up ourselves in praise; thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.

2. Skills and time are ours for pressing toward the goals of Christ, your Son:

All at peace in health and freedom, races joined, the church made one. Now

Direct our daily labor, lest we strive for self alone;

Born with talents, make us servants fit to answer at your throne.

3. Treasure, too, you have entrusted, gain through powers your grace conferred;

ours to use for home and kindred, and to spread the gospel word.

Open wide our hands in sharing, as we heed Christ’s ageless call, healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving you by loving all.

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**Sermon: “The Generous Life: IMPACT ” 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:**

**Please remember in Prayer:**

Bethel’s shut-ins – Peace, health, comfort, & community

Those suffering due to ongoing violence throughout our world and country, bring calm& compassion

Delores Rasmussen – Comfort and peace

Ruth Matthews

George & Sally Odernheimer – Healing and strength

Bob Moots - Continued healing and strength

Katherine Byrnes hip surgery recovery and healing (August 9)

Amy Loomer, Carol Einertson’s granddaughter with child and has blood clots

Bob French, Pat’s son healing from surgery on his arm

Susan Armor upcoming surgery

Thanks giving she is doing well: Michelle ,mom with two girls/ Ovarian Cancer

Pastor Mike Lemke

Carol Kirkegaard

Dave Beadle’s granddaughter, Nerimia Castillo, (cancer)

Norma Breiding’s stepmom, Patricia Hennig, Healing

Ryan Kelley fell from ladder, healing

Karsten, Pat French’s grandson, following a fall

Al & Myrna Ryberg, Sylvia’s brother and sister-in-law

Sabrina, 15 year old, organ’s shutting down

Marcia, Ron Freund’s sister, acute myeloid leukemia – 2-4 weeks chemo

Our Block Party/ Gods loving hands would be seen through the workers

**Thanksgiving for Bethel Members:**

Lillian Warner

Norma & Rick Breiding

Susan Brown

**Communion:**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

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

P: Let us Give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**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.

**Benediction**

**Closing Song: “We Are Called” ELW, # 720**

1. Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!

We are called to be the light for the Kingdom,

to live in the freedom of the city of God.

**CHORUS:**

**We are called to act with justice, we are called to love tenderly; we are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God.**

2. Come open your heart! Show your mercy to all those in fear! We are called to be hope for the hopeless so hatred and blindness will be no more.

**CHORUS:**

3. Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when all will be one!

God will reign, and we’ll walk with each other as

Sisters and brothers united in love.

**CHORUS:**

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P: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord! **C: Thanks be to God!**

**Worship Team for today**

**Presider: Pastor Barb Lemke **

**Pianist:** Mila Khmeleva

**Hymnists**: Ron & Doris Freund

**Screen:** Travis Kleven

Video Livestreaming on FaceBook – Jamie Villante

Video YouTube – Tom Lenahan