

OFFERING

OFFERTORY: "We Are an Offering" ELW, #692

**HOLY COMMUNION**

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 in heaven.**

**Give us today 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.**

SONGS DURING COMMUNION:

"Holy, Holy, Holy" ELW, #473  
"Just As I Am, without One Plea" ELW, #592  
"You Are Mine" ELW, #581  
"In the Singing" ELW, #466

POST COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG: "Thine the Amen" ELW, #826

CORPORATE PRAYER:  
"Into Your hands we commit our lives. Into Your hands we commit Your church."

GO IN PEACE

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**Worship Team for today:**

**Presider:** Pastor Barb Lemke

**Pianist:** Cindy Josephson **Hymnists:** Laina Kelley-Walker & Sheila Kelley

**Reader:** Jon Lohmer **Greeter:**

**Usher:** Rich Richmond **Communion Asst.:** &

**Screen:** Travis Kleven **Video Facebook:** Ron Freund **YouTube:** Jamie Villante

# Sunday Worship Service

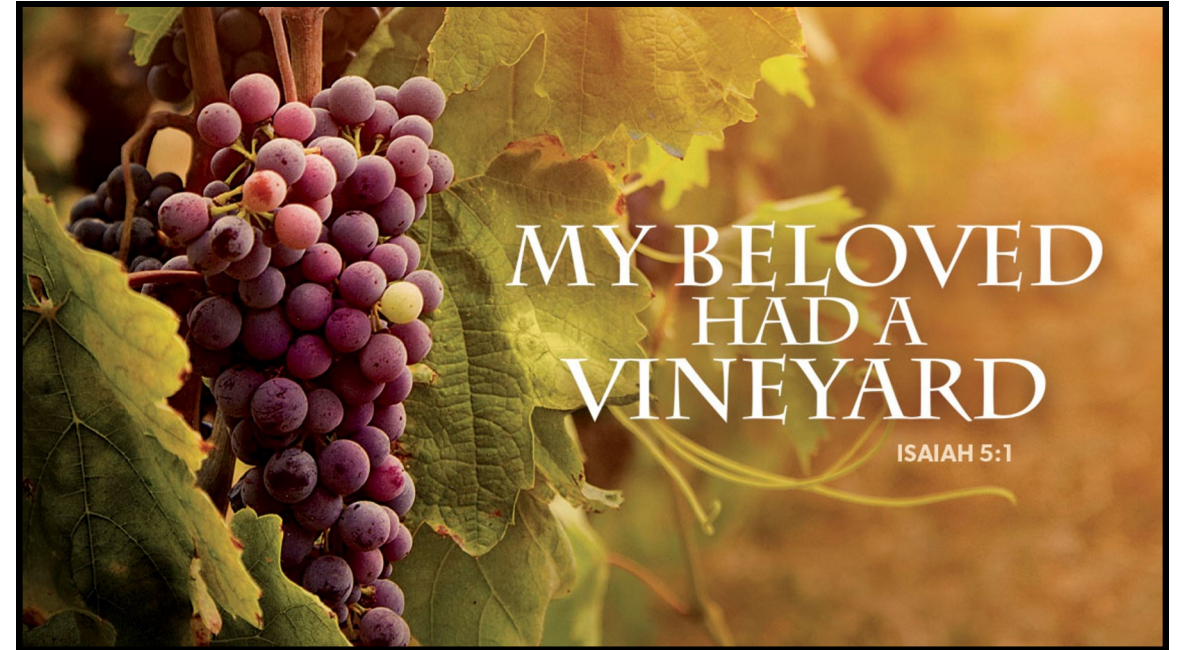


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## ***Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost***

**October 8, 2023**

**Bethel Lutheran Church**

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**SUNDAY WORSHIP**  
**October 8, 2023**  
**9:30 A.M.**

PRELUDE: Cindy Josephson

GATHERING: “Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God” WOV, #783  
“All Who Are Thirsty”

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CORPORATE PRAYER:  
“Into Your hands we commit our lives. Into Your hands we commit Your church.”

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS ELW, pp. 94–96

OPENING HYMN: “Gather Us In” ELW, #532

GREETING

KYRIE ELW, p. 184

PRAYER OF THE DAY

SPECIAL MUSIC “Rock My Soul” Choir

1<sup>ST</sup> READING: Isaiah 5:1–7

PSALM: Psalm 80:7–15

2<sup>ND</sup> READING: Philippians 3:4b–14

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ELW, p. 188

GOSPEL: Matthew 21:33–46

CHILDREN’S SERMON Kathy Harrison

HYMN: “Christ the Life of All the Living” ELW, #339

SERMON “Rejected, yet Still Amazing” 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

Ukraine our prayers are with you  
John & Casey Howshar  
Delores Rasmussen & Dan Rasmussen  
Eyes: Marvin Bohrer & Bonnie Frank  
Pat Oakes – Robert McBride – Patti Schoenfeld – Mike Lemke – Linda Faciane (Joy’s aunt)  
– Susan Riley (Lorraine Chambers’ friend) – Don Kirkegaard – Ashlyn (daughter of  
friend Wade and Lynn Hampton) – Katherine (friend of Ron and Doris Freund) – Alicia  
Jerrup (friend of Mary Katherine Smith) – Brenda (Jeff Grawe’s sister) – Cammy  
(Debbie Diedrich’s aunt)  
Ray & Cathy Maver-Johnson  
Danny Cowan  
Armonni Gonzalez (friend of Patty Garcia’s daughter)  
Bob Zenn  
Eleanore Sims  
Carol Kirkegaard  
Ev Kelley  
Al Ryberg, Sylvia Cowan’s brother  
Susan Armor – Johnnie Armor  
Sheri Johnson (Lynn Hampton’s niece)  
Twins Betty & Barb Geisler, relatives of the Cowans (car accident, severe injuries)  
Linda Washington  
Karen Orth, James Orth’s mom  
Randy (Debbie Diedrich’s uncle, triple bypass surgery recovery)  
Les Armbruster (Bob Bliss’ father-in-law, infection)  
Liz (Pat French’s daughter-in-law, recovery from skull replacement surgery)  
Barb Steinert (recovery following knee replacement surgery)  
Bob and Teilene Bliss and the family of Kitty Hughes (Teilene’s grandmother)  
The family of Myrna Ryberg (Sylvia Cowan’s sister-in-law)

**Homebound members:** Pat French – Wil Wertz – Jim and Linda Craig – Josh Carter

**Thanksgiving for Families:**

Donna Haight, Alex  
Heidi Davison, Blake Stockdale, Kiera Davison-Wilkinson  
Randy & Diann Feakes

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