

Homebound members: Wil Wertz – Jim Craig – Josh Carter

Thanksgiving for Families:

Linda Kirkegaard Jim & Lynette Koziol Niki Kranzler, Paige Herring

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:

“What Feast of Love” ELW, #487
“You Are Mine” ELW, #581
“Lord, Be Glorified” ELW, #743
“Healer of Our Every Ill” ELW, #612

POST COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG: “How Great Thou Art” ELW, #856

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 and Sheila Kelley

Reader: Laina Kelley-Walker **Greeter:** Ev Kelley

Usher: Rich Richmond & Marv Kelley **Communion Asst.:** Kevin Malle &

Screen/Sound: Travis Kleven **Video FaceBook:** Jamie Villante **YouTube:** Tom Lenahan

Sunday Worship Service

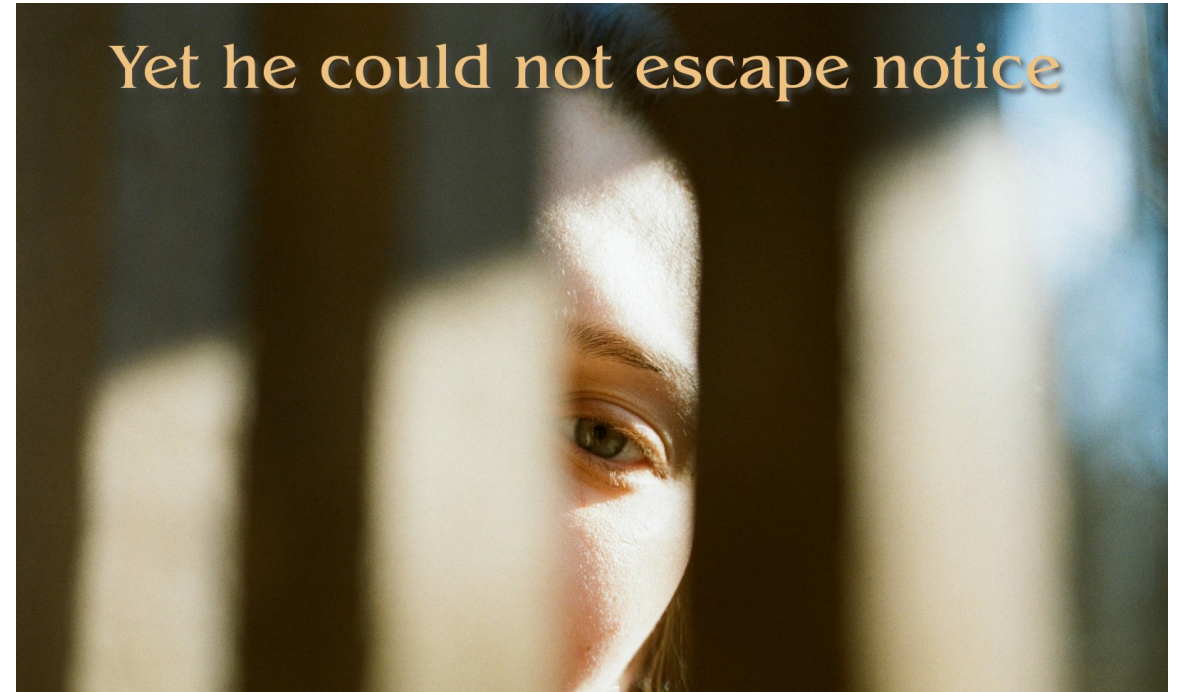


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16th Sunday after Pentecost

September 8, 2024

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SUNDAY WORSHIP
September 1, 2024
9:30 A.M.

PRELUDE: Cindy Josephson

GATHERING: “As the Deer” *see insert*
“All Who Are Thirsty” *see insert*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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OPENING HYMN: “God’s Work, Our Hands” *see insert*

GREETING

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

SPECIAL MUSIC “How Can I Keep From Singing?” Choir

1ST READING: Isaiah 35:4–7a

2ND READING: James 2:1–17

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ELW, p. 188

GOSPEL: Mark 7:24–37

CHILDREN’S SERMON Kathy Harrison

HYMN: “Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service” ELW, #712

SERMON “Whose Actions Do We Follow?” 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, Israel, and South Korea, our prayers are with you
John & Casey Howshar
Delores Rasmussen & Dan Rasmussen
Eyes: Marvin Bohrer & Bonnie Frank
Robert McBride – Patti Schoenfeld – Mike Lemke – Susan Riley (Lorraine Chambers’ friend) – Ashlyn (daughter of friend Wade and Lynn Hampton) – Alicia Jerrup (friend of Mary Katherine Smith) – Leisa Mortenson (friend of Lynn Hampton) – Gary (Andrea Newport’s brother-in-law) – Scott Petrock (Carol Einertson’s son-in-law) – Tammy Hawley (Sheila Kelly’s boss) – Trudi (Debbie Diedrich’s friend) – Donna (Debbie Diedrich’s friend) – Lilly (2 yr. old, neuroblastoma) – Linda Hardy – Andrew Carpenter (friend of Alexa Weaver) – Joe Baker (husband of Donna Haight’s sister Cathy)

Ray Johnson Danny Cowan
Bob and Margaret Zenn Carol Kirkegaard
Al Ryberg, Sylvia Cowan’s brother Linda Washington (stroke)
Dan Dunn, friend of Hamptons Kaylee, friend of Hamptons
Carol Smith
Virginia Miller, Marv Kelley’s sister (growth on shoulder)
Sydney, Vicki Florer’s granddaughter (heart transplant recovery)
Breanna, friend of Kim Gednalske Evancho
Susan Armor (healing of broken legs)
Matthew Zenn, Bob and Margaret Zenn’s 22-year-old grandson (heart issues)
Teresa Linkem, Judy Arffman’s sister (pneumonia)
Larry Septrick (health) Catherine McConchie (stroke recovery)
Glenis and Pat, Delores Rasmussen’s sisters (health)
Dana Neumann, former member (recovery from stroke)
Cindy and Randy Peters (heart issues)
Vaselissa, friend of Laura and Vern Thompson’s granddaughter, (car accident)
Elise Weaver (surgery recovery) Ron Freund (broken ankle)
Joyce Wilming, Vicki Florer’s sister (recovery from heart attack and bronchitis)
Brooke Anna Harris, friend of Weaver family (upcoming surgery and recovery)
Dorothy, Dee Dee Pargman’s mother (mild stroke recovery)
Vern Thompson (trouble breathing) Bill Schmidt (kidney health)
Aurella Garcia (health) Sylvia Cowan (health)
Teilene and Bob Bliss and all the family of her stepfather Les
The family of Jerry Satterfield, ex-father-in-law of Kevin Malle’s sister

Welcome!

We welcome all who gather for worship on this day and pray God's blessing on our time together!

Guests are invited to record their visit by signing the Guest Book located at the entrance to the worship space. All worshippers are invited to sign the red attendance folder in the pew and pass it on to their neighbor to sign.

Upcoming Events

God's Work. Our Hands. Sunday – Sept. 8
We will have a ministry fair after church today, along with filling food bags and tying quilts. Please stay and help!

Fall Clean Up – Sept. 8–14 Please see the bulletin board in Welcome Center to sign-up to help with clean up around the church leading up to the big cleaning day on Sat., Sept. 14 to finish off the week. Lunch will be served at the conclusion.

BBQ Cookoff – Sept. 21, 5:30 p.m. See sign-up in Narthex and plan to join us

Missions for September – We are collecting canned and boxed food, as well as monetary donations for Aurora Interfaith Food Drive as this month's Missions focus. Please place food in the red bucket in the narthex; please mark your checks as Missions so your gift is credited to this food drive.

Choir – Choir rehearsals are every Sunday at 8:15 a.m. The choir will sing the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month. The choir is also preparing for their Christmas Cantata, which will be on Dec. 8. **Come join us!**

"The Chosen" Bible Study – We would love to have you join us on either Sundays

This Week at Bethel September 8–15, 2024

Sun 8:15 a.m. Choir Practice
9:30 a.m. Worship
11:00 a.m. God's Work. Our Hands.
3:00 p.m. Tongans

Mon 6:00 p.m. TOPS

Tue 6:30 p.m. Bible Study (Zoom)

Wed

Thu 11:00 a.m. Prayer Team
1:00 p.m. Bible Study (in-person)
6:00 p.m. Music & Worship Meeting (Zoom)

Fri 6:00 p.m. Tongans

Sat 9:00 a.m. Cleaning Day with lunch to follow

Sun 8:15 a.m. Choir Practice
9:30 a.m. Worship
11 a.m. Sunday School/Bible Study
11 a.m. SLT Meeting
3:00 p.m. Tongans

(11 a.m. at church), Tuesdays (6:30 p.m. on Zoom), or Thursdays (1 p.m. at church)

Directory – HELP! Please confirm your contact information with the Office Secretary ASAP so a new directory can be published with accurate data. Please leave a written note on the desk in the office or email church@BethelAurora.org. **If you are willing to help call members to verify their information, please let the office know.**

Worship Helpers Needed – Please see sign-up sheets outside the entry to the sanctuary. We especially need communion assistants and greeters please.

As the Deer

As the deer pants for the water,
so my soul longs after you.
You alone are my heart's desire
and I long to worship you.

REFRAIN:

**You alone are my strength, my shield,
To You alone may my spirit yield;
You alone are my heart's desire,
And I long to worship you.**

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God's Work, Our Hands

VERSE 1

God's work, our hands: working together,
building a future, repairing the world,
raising up homes, planting new gardens,
feeding the hungry and shelt'ring the cold.
Bless, God, our hands as we work in your name,
sharing the good news of your gospel.

VERSE 2

God's work, our feet: trav'ling together,
following Jesus to places unknown,
walking as friends, marching for freedom,
running the race with God's future the goal.
Bless, God, our feet as we follow your way,
sharing the good news of your gospel.

All Who Are Thirsty

VERSE

All who are thirsty,
All who are weak come to the fountain.
Dip your heart in the stream of life.
Let the pain and the sorrow be wash'd away
In the waves of his mercy,
As deep cries out to deep
We sing

CHORUS 1:

Come Lord Jesus Come. (4x)

CHORUS 2:

Holy Spirit come. (4x)

INTERLUDE:

As deep cries out to deep,
as deep cries out to deep.
We sing

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VERSE 3

God's work, our voice: singing together,
praising, proclaiming to all who will hear,
praying for peace, shouting for justice,
claiming God's love for the lost and the least.
Bless, God, our voice as we speak in your name,
sharing the good news of your gospel.

VERSE 4

God is at work in and around us:
seedlings are sprouting and bread's on the rise!
Washed and set free, humbled and honored,
gifted by grace, we respond in God's love.
Bless, God, our lives as we answer your call,
sharing the good news of your gospel.

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