

Jeremy & Unique Carter, Melodi and Suki

OFFERING

OFFERTORY: "Come and Find the Quiet Centre" (v. 1) *see insert*

### 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

POST COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG: "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" ELW, #742

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:** Jon Lohmer **Greeter:** **Usher:** Rich Richmond & Marvin Kelley

**Communion Asst.:** Jon Lohmer & **Screen/Sound:** Travis Kleven

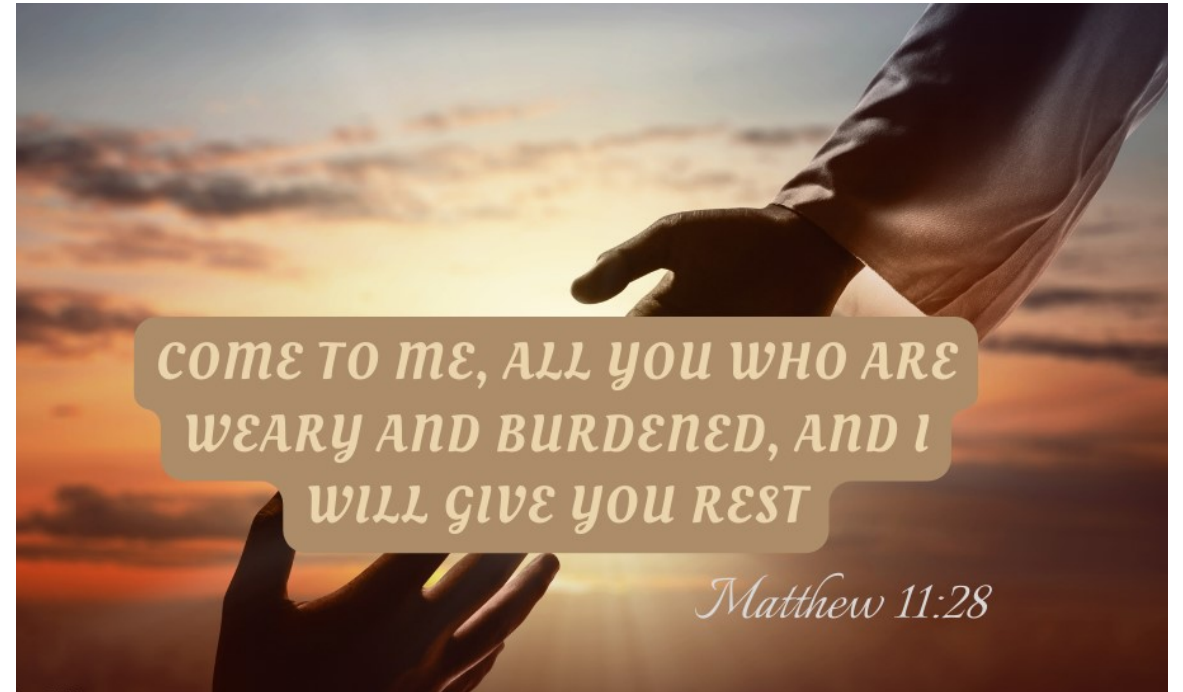
**Video FaceBook & YouTube:** Debbie Diedrich



Altar Flowers were given by Carol Kirkegaard in memory of her late husband, Leslie H., on the occasion of his birthday (March 12).



# Sunday Worship Service



*COME TO ME, ALL YOU WHO ARE  
WEARY AND BURDENED, AND I  
WILL GIVE YOU REST*

*Matthew 11:28*

Image: Church Art Online

## ***1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent***

**March 9, 2025**

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## SUNDAY WORSHIP

March 9, 2025

9:30 A.M.

PRELUDE: Cindy Josephson

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN: “Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus” (chorus only, 3 times) *see insert*

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS ELW, pp. 94–96

OPENING HYMN: “Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling” ELW, #608

GREETING

PRAYER OF THE DAY

SPECIAL MUSIC “I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say” Choir

PSALM: Psalm 145:8–14

1<sup>ST</sup> READING: Philippians 4:4–7

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ELW, p. 189 (Lent)

GOSPEL: Matthew 11:28–30

CHILDREN’S SERMON Kathy Harrison

HYMN: “Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross” (vv. 1, 2, Chorus) ELW, #335

SERMON “The Right Tempo ” 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

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) – Gary (Andrea Newport’s brother-in-law) – Scott Petrock (Carol Einertson’s son-in-law) – Tammy Hawley (Sheila Kelly’s boss) – Linda Hardy – Andrew Carpenter (friend of Alexa Weaver) – Joe Baker (husband of Cathy) – Rodney Steggs and his mother Rita Johnson (friends of Hamptons) – Peggy Russell (friend of Eddie & Pat Garcia) – Linda Kirkegaard – Wendy (Kim Evancho’s friend) – Sara Teller (Kim Evancho’s friend) – Connie Lovell (Deloris DeLapp’s friend) – Lola Wertz – Bob Bliss

Ray Johnson

Danny Cowan

Carol Kirkegaard, family in California

Linda Washington (stroke)

Kaylee, friend of Hamptons

Catherine McConchie (stroke recovery)

Susan Armor (pneumonia recovery, healing of broken legs, kidney health)

Bill Schmidt (kidney health)

Gerald Kelley, Carol Smith’s significant other (Alzheimer’s)

Brayden, friend of Debbie Diedrich (brainstem blastoma)

McKay, Debbie Diedrich’s nephew (seizures)

Sylvia Cowan (leg and heart health)

Frank Ruhs, Ev Kelley’s brother, (heart health)

Joshua Stack, boyfriend of Kevin’s niece Haley (mental health)

Jeremy, Scott Crosby’s friend (heart surgery)

Caroline Hailey-Kesler, Linda Hailey’s granddaughter (rare kidney disease)

Judy Jensen, Tanya Lenahan’s mother (broken hip and wrist)

Scott Crosby (recovery from infection)

Cheryl Gednalske (leg infection)

Kim Evancho (surgery)

Patsy Lohmer (knee replacement recovery)

Ted Smith, Mary Katherine’s father (physical rehab, moving into long-term care)

Laura Thompson (foot surgery recovery)

Harold Tapey, Deloris Delapp’s cousin (heart attack recovery)

The family of Keith Bass, Willi Sanow’s brother-in-law

Deloris Delapp and the family of Ken Tapey, her cousin

**Homebound members:** Wil Wertz – Jim Craig – Josh Carter

**Thanksgiving for Families:**

Joni Dammen, Khaleb

Bob & Deloris DeLapp

# Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

CHORUS:

Turn your eyes upon Jesus,  
Look full in His wonderful face;  
And the things of earth  
will grow strangely dim  
In the light of His glory and grace.

Words and Music: Helen H. Lemmel  
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# Come and Find the Quiet Centre

VERSE 1

Come and find the quiet centre in the  
crowded life we lead.  
Find the room for hope to enter,  
find the frame where we are freed;  
Clear the chaos and the clutter,  
clear our eyes, that we can see  
all the things that really matter,  
be at peace, and simply be.

Words: Shirley Erena Murray  
Music: John L. Bell

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## 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

**Choir** – Choir rehearsals are at 8 a.m. most Sundays in March as we prepare for the Lent and Easter seasons. *Please join us in the fun in making beautiful music together!*

**“The Chosen” Bible Study** – Our “The Chosen” Bible Study groups meet on:  
-Sundays after church,  
-Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom,  
-Wednesdays at 6 p.m. via Zoom (*not during Lent*), and  
-Thursdays at 1 p.m. at the church.  
We would love to have you join us.

**Worship Helpers Needed** – Please see sign-up sheets outside the entry to the sanctuary. We are especially in need of greeters, ushers, and communion assistants.

**Missions for March**– We are collecting canned and boxed food and monetary donations for Interfaith of Aurora as February, March, and April’s Missions focus. Please mark your checks as Missions in the note field.

## This Week at Bethel March 9–16, 2025

<b>Sun</b>	8 a.m.	Choir Practice
	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	11 a.m.	Sunday School/Bible Study
	3:00 p.m.	Tongans
<b>Mon</b>	6:00 p.m.	TOPS
	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class
<b>Tue</b>	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study ( <i>Zoom</i> )
<b>Wed</b>	6:00 p.m.	Soup Supper
	7:00 p.m.	Lenten Wednesday service
<b>Thu</b>	11:00 a.m.	Prayer Team
	1:00 p.m.	Bible Study ( <i>in-person</i> )
<b>Fri</b>	6:00 p.m.	Tongans
<b>Sat</b>	9:00 a.m.	Quilt Boxing
	~9:00 a.m.	Prayer Shawl Group ( <i>in-person</i> )
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	11 a.m.	SLT Meeting
	3:00 p.m.	Tongans



*Join us on Wednesdays in Lent  
meal at 6 p.m., worship at 7 p.m.*

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slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.  
<sup>9</sup>The LORD is good to all,  
and his compassion is over all that he has made.  
<sup>10</sup>All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,  
and all your faithful shall bless you.  
<sup>11</sup>They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom,  
and tell of your power,  
<sup>12</sup>to make known to all people your mighty deeds,  
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.  
<sup>13</sup>Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,  
and your dominion endures throughout all generations.  
The LORD is faithful in all his words,  
and gracious in all his deeds.  
<sup>14</sup>The LORD upholds all who are falling,  
and raises up all who are bowed down.

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