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:

"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"	ELW, #611
"Healer of Our Every Ill"	ELW, #612
"How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds "	ELW, #620

POST COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG: "We Are Baptized in Christ Jesus" ELW, #451

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

GO IN PEACE

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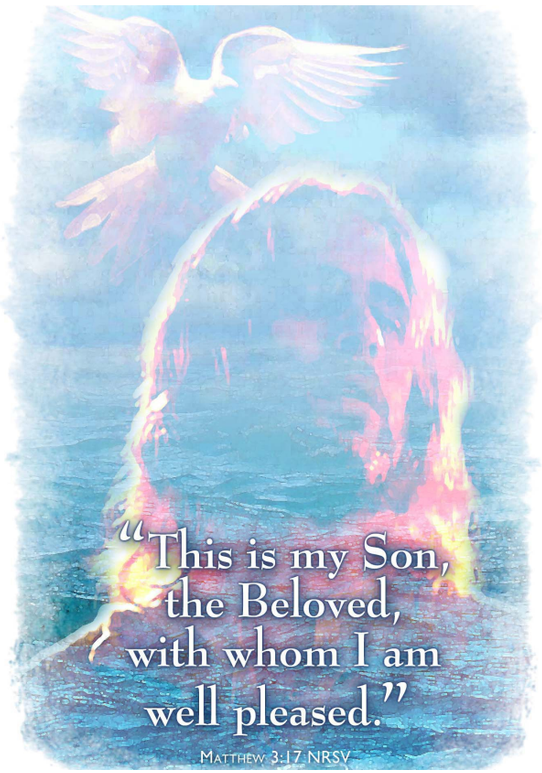
Worship Team for today:
Presider: Pastor Barb Lemke
Pianist: Cindy Josephson **Hymnists:** Laina Kelley-Walker and Sheila Kelley
Reader: Richard Richmond **Greeter:** _ **Usher:** Marv & Ev Kelley
Communion Asst.: Jon Lohmer & Sean Gordon **Screen/Sound:** Travis Kleven
Youth Offering Asst.: Kiera **Youth Communion Asst.:** Rhyan & Amon **Acolyte:** _
Video FaceBook: Ron Freund **YouTube:** Tom Lenahan

Altar Flowers were given by Bob DeLapp in honor of his wife Deloris' 75th birthday.

Sunday Worship Service



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Baptism of Our Lord Sunday

(First Sunday After Epiphany)

January 11, 2026

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SUNDAY WORSHIP
January 11, 2026
9:30 A.M.

PRELUDE: Cindy Josephson

GATHERING: "Shine, Jesus, Shine" ELW, #671

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: "Holy God, We Praise Your Name" (vv. 1, 3–4) ELW, #414

GREETING

KYRIE AND PRAISE

P For the light of Christ shining among us,
C Lord, have mercy.
P For Jesus revealed as God's beloved,
C Christ, have mercy.
P For the Spirit leading us into the world,
C Lord, have mercy.

ALL Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; ELW, #885
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

SPECIAL MUSIC "This is My Song" ELW #887 Choir
Congregation is invited to sing with Verse 3.

This is my prayer, O God of all earth's kingdoms,
your kingdom come; on earth your will be done.
O God, be lifted up till all shall serve you,
and hearts united learn to live as one.
So hear my prayer, O God of all the nations;
myself I give you; let your will be done.

1ST READING: Isaiah 42:1–9

2ND READING: Acts 10:34–43

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ELW, p. 205

GOSPEL: Matthew 3:13–17

CHILDREN'S SERMON Kathy Harrison
Children leave for Sunday School afterwards, and will return for Communion.
Feel free to "pick them up" in the Fellowship Hall if you want them sooner.

HYMN: "Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized" ELW, #304

SERMON "Bathed with the Spirit" Pastor Barb Lemke

BLESSING OF PRAYER SHAWLS

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 *see insert*
Thanksgiving for Families:
Judy Arffman Johnnie Armor, Joshua Jinell & Bernie Asmus, Donnie

OFFERING

OFFERTORY: "We Give Thee but Thine Own" (v. 1) ELW, #686

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.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Recent hospitalizations, illnesses, and concerns:

Debbie Diedrich's mother *(knee replacement recovery)*
Harold Wilming *(Vicki Florer's brother-in-law, brain injury)*
Daughtry Family *(Pr. Barb's friends in IA, husband has ALS)*
Keith Springer and wife Kim *(Pr. Mike Lemke's friends, ALS, hospice)*
Rev. Mike Lemke *(hip replacement recovery at home)*
Randy Feakes *(fall injuries recovery)*
Cecelia Morrissey *(Debbie Diedrich's friend, breast cancer)*

For the families who have lost loved ones:

The family of Cammy Gaylord *(Debbie Diedrich's godmother)*

For our homebound members and friends:

Wil Wertz – Jim Craig – Josh Carter – Cathy McConchie

For those diagnosed with cancer:

Patti Schoenfeld
Susan Riley *(Lorraine Chambers' friend)*
Ashlyn *(daughter of friend Wade and Lynn Hampton)*
Alicia Michaels *(Mary Katherine Smith's friend)*
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 *(Alexa Weaver's friend)*
Rodney Steggs & his mother Rita Johnson *(Hamptons' friends)*
Peggy Russell *(Eddie & Pat Garcia's friend)*
Linda Kirkegaard
Wendy *(Kim Evancho's friend)*
Connie Lovell *(Deloris DeLapp's friend)*
Bob Bliss
Patrick Stephenson
Pastor Steve Ruechel
Marv Kelley
Mike S. *(Gypsie's friend)*
Summer Stephens *(Doris Freund's niece)*
Heather & Heidi Mortenson *(Lynn Hampton's friends)*
Karen Ryberg *(Sylvia Cowan's niece)*
Ruth *(Joni Dammen's friend & roommate)*

For those dealing with ongoing concerns:

John & Casey Howshar
Delores Rasmussen & Dan Rasmussen
Eyes: Marvin Bohrer & Bonnie Frank
Ray Johnson
Danny Cowan
Kaylee (*friend of Hamptons)*
Bill Schmidt *(kidney health)*
Gerald Kelley, *Carol Smith's significant other (Alzheimer's)*
Sylvia Cowan *(leg and heart health)*
Frank Ruhs (*Ev Kelley's brother, heart health)*
Caroline Hailey-Kesler (*Linda Hailey's granddaughter rare kidney disease)*
Scott Crosby *(recovery from infection)*
Cheryl Gednalske *(leg infection)*
Donna Arntson (*Lynn Hampton's sister-in-law, stroke)*
Matthew Zenn (*Bob's grandson, heart health)*
Craig Mortenson (*Lynn Hampton's friend, health)*
Pastor Barb *(health recovery)*
Mary Sellinger (health) and Michael (her son, stroke recovery)
Paige Petrock *(Carol Einertson's granddaughter, CIDP)*
Carol Einertson *(heart & kidney health)*
Lisa Pruitt (*Andrea French's friend, congestive heart failure)*
Stephanie & Bret's premature baby Michael *(Joy's friend)*
Laura Thompson *(foot surgery recovery)*
Ron McBroom *(Dana's husband, heart surgery)*
Gypsy *(esophagus health)* and the Hendricks *(friends)*
Ralph Westadt *(ankle surgery recovery)*

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

"The Chosen" Bible Study – We have multiple options for "The Chosen" Bible Study groups that meet:
-Sundays after church,
-Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom
-Thursdays at 1 p.m. at the church .
We would love to have you join us..

Choir – Choir rehearsals in January will be on the 11th and 25th, meeting at 8:15 a.m. We will also sing in Church those Sundays.

Annual Reports – Please submit your committee/ministry's report to the church office by January 15.

20Congregational Meeting – *Sunday, January 25, after worship* Please plan to attend church in person and stay after worship as we will meet to discuss important issues as well as vote on the 2026 budget and elect the SLT for the year ahead.

Cards for Ministry – We are collecting CLEAN greeting cards of any kind (except holiday) WITH envelopes for New Beginnings Women's Prison Ministry. Please place them in the labeled bucket on the table in the entryway.

This Week at Bethel
January 11–18, 2026

Sun	8:15 a.m.	Choir Practice
	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	11 a.m.	Bible Study
	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)*
Fri	6:00 p.m.	Tongans
Sat	9:00 a.m.	Prayer Shawl Group *(in-person)*
	4:00 p.m.	Sisters' Fellowship Int'l.
Sun	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	11 a.m.	Bible Study
	11 a.m.	SLT Meeting
	12 p.m.	Mila's Students' Concert #1
	3 p.m.	Tongans

The Lord blesses his people with peace.
Psalm 29:11

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