Welcome
to Bethel Lutheran Church!

Welcome to Bethel Lutheran Church! We're so glad you've joined us as we gather to Connect, Grow, and Serve God and others. It's easy to become discouraged when we look at the challenges facing our world. But today we're reminded that God hasn't stopped working. Through acts of kindness, generosity, and service, God's love continues to make a difference. As we worship, may we be encouraged by what God is already doing and strengthened to be part of that work.

*You are invited to stand, as you are able.

All who believe in Jesus as Lord and Savior are welcome and encouraged to join us for communion, regardless of church membership or denomination.

The Gathering Music: "Come, Now is the Time to Worship"
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Welcome/Announcements

The Children's Message: Pastor Keith Ruehlow

The Opening Song: "Crown Him with Many Crowns"
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*Today's Responsive Reading:
Leader: We look for Christ in places of power.
People: Yet He meets us among the least of these.
L: We look for Him in places of greatness.
P: Yet He comes to us in our neighbor who is in need.
L: When we feed the hungry and welcome the stranger…
P: we meet Christ among us.
L: When we care for the sick and remember the forgotten…
P: we serve Christ our King.
L: Open our eyes, Lord.
All: Help us recognize You in the people around us.

*The Prayer:
L: Christ our King…
P: You surprise us by meeting us in the lives of those who are hungry, hurting, forgotten, and in need. Open our eyes to recognize Your presence in our neighbors, and give us compassionate hearts ready to serve. Teach us to follow Your example of humility and love so that our lives may reflect Your Kingdom in the world. In Your holy name we pray. Amen.

The Gospel Reading: Matthew 25:31–46

The Message: "Surprise!" Pastor Keith Ruehlow

***The Song: "We Are Called"**
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*The Offering Prayer:
L: Generous God…
P: You have blessed us with gifts to share, and neighbors to love. Receive these offerings and use them to feed the hungry, welcome the stranger, care for the hurting, and bring hope to those in need. Open our eyes to recognize Christ in those we serve. Through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.

*The Breaking of the Bread/Sharing of the Wine

*The Lord's Prayer:
**All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name.
Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth,
as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

*The Invitation to Communion:
L: Come to the table of Christ our King, who meets us with mercy and grace. Here we are fed so that we may go and feed others, welcomed so that we may welcome others, and loved so that we may love others. Come, for Christ is present and all is ready.

The Song: "You Are My King (Amazing Love)"
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*The Communion Blessing

*The Prayer

*The Closing Blessing

***The Closing Song: "Shine Jesus Shine"**
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*The Sending:
L: Go in peace, looking for Christ in the people around you.
P: We will see Him in the least of these.
L: Feed the hungry, welcome the stranger, care for the hurting, and love your neighbor.
P: We will serve Christ our King. Thanks be to God.

WORSHIP NOTES

New Song Band

Vocals: Calla Jenkinson
Piano & Vocals: Tracey Jenkinson
Drums: Nancy Long
Guitar & Vocals: Paul Gavic
Bass: Mike Brueske

"We cannot do this alone, which Matthew has indeed taught us –'where two or three are gathered' is God's promise to us and Immanuel is God's very being among us. God's reign is here."

— Karoline Lewis, Working Preacher, November 19, 2017

WE HOLD IN PRAYER

THOSE WHO ARE SICK, INJURED AND IN NEED OF HEALING:
Pastor Bob Bipes, Leslee Camarata, Don Evers, Don & Linda Flatt, Trina Hilke, Greg Hojem, Ed Hustad, Don Jorgenson, Jennifer Kapaun, Jackie Krebsback, John Macleod, Mary Martin, Kay Monroe, Rick Mosholder, Eric Sigmond, Jon & Sharon Sippel, Diane Sonnenberg, Jerry Peterson, Dorothy Vietor, Herb Walsburg

THOSE SERVING OR DEPLOYED IN THE MILITARY:
Evan Hojem, Isabelle & Sam Rick

TODAY'S WORSHIP ASSISTANTS:
Greeters: Darlene & Rick Gangl
Worship Support: Bill Swanson, Sheila & Ron Johnson, Char Trende, Pastor Bob Bipes, Vince Holden, Lyla Alters, Bella Glancy, Jiliyan Jacobs
Hospitality: Karen Evers
Technical Assistants: Patrick Willson, Roger Nilsson, Vicki Datt

IN SYMPATHY:
We offer our sympathies and prayers of comfort and strength to Jenny Olson, family and friends, on the death of her sister, Mary Elizabeth Lingo. God bless and comfort these friends with the promise of Christ: *"Blessed are those who mourn for they shall be comforted."*

WAYS TO GIVE

To Bethel's Mission:
Connect, Grow, and Serve

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then follow the prompts

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Visit bethelhudson.org click on
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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2026
9:00 AM WORSHIP | HIGHLANDS CAMPUS

Pastor Keith Ruehlow, Preacher
Pastor Hillary Toulson, Worship Leader

Bethel service's are livestreamed on Bethel's website, Bethel's YouTube page, and are broadcast on River Channel 15, Wednesday at 7:00pm & 9:00pm and Thursday at 7:00am.

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