

WELCOME TO BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

February 4, 2024

We are so glad you are here in God's house for worship.

Before worship, talk to God! (see inside cover of hymnal for pre-service prayer prompts)

During worship, let God talk to you!

After worship, talk to one another.

If You're a Visitor, let us get to know you. Scan the QR Code here:



Parents of Young Children: *We love having children in worship.* God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to completely suppress it in God's house. We know the presence of children in worship is a gift to the church! It is in the Lord's house that we learn how to listen and speak to our God with our brothers and sisters in faith. Feel free to quietly explain the parts of the service and the actions of those leading worship. Children learn how to worship by copying you. If you have a need, we have "worship bags" in the Narthex filled with items to help children and families during worship. There is a ***Nursery*** across the courtyard in the office complex, where you as a parent may take your little one needing a break. You are then able to return to church and continue your worship of the Lord.

Please place cell phones and electronic devices on mute as you join us in worship this morning. Thank you.

PRESERVICE: Two Settings of "*Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise*" Organ
~Aaron David Miller and Kristina Langlois

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN: "The People that in Darkness Sat"

LSB 412



1 The peo - ple that in dark - ness sat A glo - rious
2 To hail Thee, Sun of Righ - teous - ness, The gath - 'ring
3 To us a Child of hope is born, To us a
4 His name shall be the Prince of Peace, The Ev - er -



light have seen; The light has shined on them who long In
na - tions come; They joy as when the reap - ers bear Their
Son is giv'n, And on His shoul - der ev - er rests All
last - ing Lord, The Won - der - ful, the Coun - sel - or, The



shades of death have been, In shades of death have been.
har - vest trea - sures home, Their har - vest trea - sures home.
pow'r in earth and heav'n, All pow'r in earth and heav'n.
God by all a - dored, The God by all a - dored.

5 His righteous government and pow'r
Shall over all extend;
On judgment and on justice based,
His reign shall have no end,
His reign shall have no end.

6 Lord Jesus, reign in us, we pray,
And make us Thine alone,
Who with the Father ever art
And Holy Spirit, one,
And Holy Spirit, one.

CALL TO WORSHIP:

L: In the name of the Father and of the +Son and of the Holy Spirit.

P: Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:

L: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand before You?

P: **But with You there is forgiveness.**

L: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our

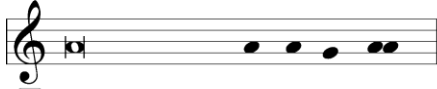
heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

P: **Almighty God, teach us true thankfulness divine, that gives as Christ gave, never counting cost, that knows no barrier of “yours” and “mine,” assured that only what’s withheld if lost; have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

L: Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Holy Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

P: **Amen.**

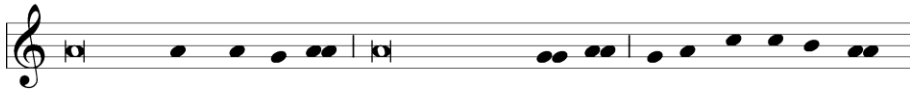
KYRIE:



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from a-bove and for our sal-va-tion let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



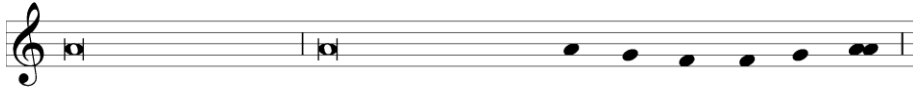
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the uni-ty of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



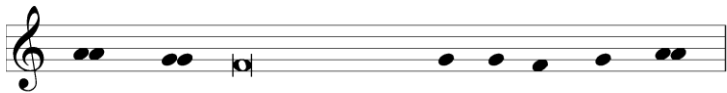
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



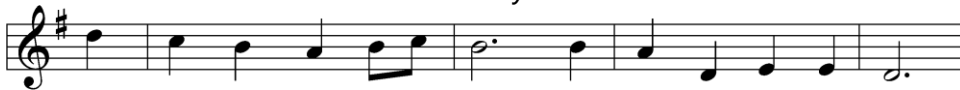
C A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE:

“We Give Thee But Thine Own”

LSB 781

~Choir only on Stanza 3



1 We give Thee but Thine own, What - e'er the gift may be;
 2 May we Thy boun - ties thus As stew - ards true re - ceive
 3 Oh, hearts are bruised and dead, And homes are bare and cold,
 4 To com - fort and to bless, To find a balm for woe,



All that we have is Thine a - lone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.
 And glad - ly, as Thou bless - est us, To Thee our first-fruits give!
 And lambs for whom the Shep-herd bled Are stray - ing from the fold.
 To tend the lone and fa - ther-less Is an - gels' work be - low.

EPISTLE: *Galatians 2:17-20*

If we, the same people who are searching for God's approval in Christ, are still sinners, does that mean that Christ encourages us to sin? That's unthinkable! If I rebuild something that I've torn down, I admit that I was wrong to tear it down. When I tried to obey the laws in the Scriptures, those laws killed me. As a result, I live in a relationship with God. I have been crucified with Christ. I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live I live by believing in God's Son, Who loved me and took the punishment for my sins.– GW®

CHILDREN'S SERMON

MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

"If Ye Love Me"
~Thomas Tallis

Bethany Choir

GOSPEL: *Mark 1:29-39*

After they left the synagogue, they went directly to the house of Simon and Andrew. James and John went with them. Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever. The first thing they did was to tell Jesus about her. Jesus went to her, took her hand, and helped her get up. The fever went away, and she prepared a meal for them.

In the evening, when the sun had set, people brought to Him everyone who was sick and those possessed by demons. The whole city had gathered at His door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases and forced many demons out of people. However, He would not allow the demons to speak. After all, they knew who He was.

In the morning, long before sunrise, Jesus went to a place where He could be alone to pray. Simon and his friends searched for Him. When they found Him, they told Him, "Everyone is looking for You."

Jesus said to them, "Let's go somewhere else, to the small towns that are nearby. I have to spread the Good News in them also. This is why I have come."

So He went to spread the Good News in the synagogues all over Galilee, and He forced demons out of people.— GW®

SERMON HYMN: “Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”

LSB 711



1 Sav - ior, like a shep - herd lead us; Much we
 2 We are Yours; in love be - friend us, Be the
 3 You have prom - ised to re - ceive us, Poor and
 4 Ear - ly let us seek Your fa - vor, Ear - ly



need Your ten - der care. In Your pleas - ant pas - tures
 guard - ian of our way; Keep Your flock, from sin de -
 sin - ful though we be; You have mer - cy to re -
 let us do Your will; Bless - ed Lord and on - ly



feed us, For our use Your fold pre - pare.
 fend us, Seek us when we go a - stray.
 lieve us, Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.
 Sav - ior, With Your love our spir - its fill.



Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, You have
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, Hear us
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, Ear - ly
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, You have



bought us; we are Yours. Bless - ed Je - sus,
 chil - dren when we pray. Bless - ed Je - sus,
 let us turn to You. Bless - ed Je - sus,
 loved us, love us still. Bless - ed Je - sus,



bless - ed Je - sus, You have bought us; we are Yours.
 bless - ed Je - sus, Hear us chil - dren when we pray.
 bless - ed Je - sus, Ear - ly let us turn to You.
 bless - ed Je - sus, You have loved us, love us still.

MESSAGE: "Cup Runneth Over: You have His_____."

HYMN OF THE DAY: "On My Heart Imprint Your Image"

LSB 422



On my heart im - print Your im - age, Bless - ed Je - sus, King of grace,



That life's rich-es, cares, and plea-sures Nev - er may Your work e-rase;



Let the clear in - scrip-tion be: Je - sus, cru - ci - fied for me,



Is my life, my hope's foun - da - tion, And my glo - ry and sal - va - tion!

NICENE CREED: (**catholic means the universal Christian Church*)

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy *catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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CONSECRATION OF THE GIFTS:

L: Lord, we pray that we,

P: **Your people who Your gifts unnumbered claim, through the sharing of Your blessings may bring glory to Your name. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

PROPER:

L: It is truly good, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:

L: It is right to give You thanks and praise, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayer; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

P: **Amen.**

L: Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and Teach us to Pray:

LORD'S PRAYER:

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
Give us this day 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.
+ Service of the Sacrament +

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Bethany in the joyful confession that our Lord gives us His very Body and Blood for the forgiveness of sins in this sacrament. God intends this gift for His children who recognize their sin, trust in Christ as their Savior, desire to live for Him alone and join in this joyful confession.

To help you prepare for communion, we invite you to take a few moments in quiet prayer. You can find prayer prompts on the front page of the burgundy hymnal for both before and after the reception of Holy Communion. Or simply pray: *Dear Lord Jesus, at Your gracious invitation, You invite me to come to You; to eat and drink your holy body and blood as You Yourself have promised to give in this sacrament of Your altar. Forgive me of my sin, through this Your meal of Forgiveness. Let me experience the fullness of Your love, through this Your meal of love. Strengthen my faith, through this meal of Yours that calls for and bestows faith. Empower me to live for You, through this Your meal that promises life everlasting and equips me for daily living as one who has received You and Your gifts.*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*For those communing, who so desire, the center cups in each tray are **alcohol free**. The wafers on the stand next to the pillar pulpit side (when kneeling for communion) or on the stand in front of the baptismal font (when processing for communion) are **gluten free**.*

In our 9:30 a.m. service we will practice the Easter tradition of continuous communion. We will not kneel at the altar, rather we will join the procession of saints and come forward and remain standing as we receive the bread and wine. After receiving the elements, you are invited to return to your seat and continue in meditation, prayer and song.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS: "Your Table I Approach"

LSB 628



1 Your ta - ble I ap - proach; Dear Sav - ior, hear my prayer.
2 Lord, I con - fess my sins And mourn their wretch - ed bands;
3 Your bod - y and Your blood, Once slain and shed for me,
5 O grant, most bless - ed Lord, That earth and hell com - bined
6 Oh, may I nev - er fail To thank You day and night



Let not an un - re - pen - tant heart Prove hurt - ful to me there.
 A con - trite heart is sure to find For - give - ness at Your hands.
 Are tak - en at Your ta - ble, Lord, In blest re - al - i - ty.
 May not a - bout this sac - ra - ment Raise doubt with - in my mind.
 For Your true bod - y and true blood, O God, my peace and light.

“Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun”

LSB 868



1 A - wake, my soul, and with the sun Thy dai - ly
 2 In con - ver - sa - tion be sin - cere, Thy con - science
 3 All praise to Thee, who safe hast kept And hast re -
 5 Di - rect, con - trol, sug - gest this day All I de -
 Δ 6 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise Him, all



stage of du - ty run; Shake off dull sloth and
 as the noon - day clear; Think how the all - see - ing
 freshed me while I slept; Grant, Lord, when I from
 sign or do or say That all my pow'rs with
 crea - tures here be - low; Praise Him a - bove, ye



joy - ful rise To pay thy morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
 God thy ways And all thy se - cret thoughts sur - veys.
 death shall wake, I may of end - less light par - take.
 all their might In Thy sole glo - ry may u - nite.
 heav'n - ly host: Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION:

L: In Christ, you are who God desires you to be. In Christ, you are where God desires you to be. Surely goodness and mercy will pursue you all the days of your life, for you are the beloved of God in Jesus Christ. In Him our giving and generous Father fills our cup of blessing until it overflows. Go in that peace and promise.

P: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"

LSB 394



1 Songs of thank - ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to Thee we raise,
2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, Proph - et, Priest, and King su - preme;
3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole Pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;
5 Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Pres - ent in Thy ho - ly Word—



Man - i - fest - ed by the star To the sa - ges from a - far,
And at Ca - na wed - ding guest In Thy God - head man - i - fest;
Man - i - fest in val - iant fight, Quell - ing all the dev - il's might;
Grace to im - i - tate Thee now And be pure, as pure art Thou;



Branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem In Thy birth at Beth - le - hem:
Man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, Chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;
Man - i - fest in gra - cious will, Ev - er bring - ing good from ill;
That we might be - come like Thee At Thy great e - piph - a - ny



An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
And may praise Thee, ev - er blest, God in man made man - i - fest.

POSTLUDE:

"Epilogue"
~Healey Willan

Organ

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SERVING GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:

Acolyte 9:30... Reenie Long

Liturgist... Pastor Kyle Blake

Lector 8:00... Claude Potter

Organist... Robert Bottoms

Director of Music & Worship Arts... Noah Freeman

Crucifer 9:30... Timothy O'Conner

Preacher... Pastor Kevin Kritzer

Lector 9:30... Vance Frederick

Accompanist... Kevin Bowers

Children's Sermon... Kayleigh Lopez

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LENTEN WORSHIP SERVICES

ASH WEDNESDAY Worship Services

February 14 - Ash Wednesday - "From the Ashes" - John 11:25-26

Wednesday, February 14 at 12:00 pm at **Holy Cross**

Wednesday, February 14 at 6:30 pm at **Bethany Lutheran**

Wednesday Lenten Worship Services

Wednesdays at 12:00 pm at **Holy Cross**

Wednesdays at 6:30 pm at **Bethany Lutheran**

February 21 - "Temptation & Worship" - Matthew 4:1-11

February 28 - "Humility & Serving" - John 13:1-11

March 6 - "Submission & Purity" - James 4:8

March 13 - "Confession & Forgiveness" - Joel 2:12-13

March 20 - "Sacrifice & Security" - Hebrew 9:11-14

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SERVICES:

PALM SUNDAY Worship Services

Sunday, March 24 at 8:00 and 9:30 am at **Bethany Lutheran**

Sunday, March 24 at 11:00 am at **Holy Cross**

MAUNDY THURSDAY Worship Service

Thursday, March 28 at 6:30 pm at **Bethany Lutheran**

GOOD FRIDAY Worship Services

Friday, March 29 at 12:00 pm at **Holy Cross**

Friday, March 29 at 6:30 pm at **Bethany Lutheran**

EASTER FESTIVAL Worship Services

Sunday, March 31 at 8:00 and 9:30 am at **Bethany Lutheran**

Sunday, March 31 at 11:00 am at **Holy Cross**