

## **BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

*Vibrantly open to the spirit, Bethel Lutheran Church serves God and its neighbors by joyfully living and sharing the Good News.*

Sunday, August 13, 2017

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Tenth Sunday after Pentecost (Setting 8)

Jan Smith, Organist

### **GATHERING**

Prelude

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness (p. 94)

Gathering Hymn "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" ELW # 632

Kyrie and Cantic of Praise (p. 184-186)

Rejoicing in God's grace, we sing our Cantic of Praise.

**Glory to God in the highest...**

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray, **O God our defender, storms rage around and within us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us in the faith of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

### **WORD**

Scripture Reading Romans 10:5-15

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Message "What does it mean to believe in something?"

Gospel Acclamation (p. 188) **Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?...**

The holy gospel according to Matthew the fourteenth chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel Reading Matthew 14:22-33

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon "Self Care is Recharging: Keep Your Faith Strong"

Hymn of the Day "We Walk by Faith" ELW # 635

Apostles Creed (p. 105)

Prayers of Intercession Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Peace The peace of Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

## Offering

We now enter into a time of offering where we joyously share in God's abundance.

Offering Hymn      "Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring" ELW # 691

Doxology      **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heav'nly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

## Offertory Prayer

**Merciful, God, you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Thanksgiving for the Word (p. 220)

O God of justice and love, we give thanks to you that you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, awaken us to the needs of others, and at the end bring all the world to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever. **Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer (p. 221)

## SENDING

## Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn      "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing" ELW # 545

Dismissal      Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve. **Thanks be to God!**

## Postlude