

# WORSHIP NOTES

## WE HOLD IN PRAYER

### THOSE WHO ARE SICK, INJURED AND IN NEED OF HEALING:

David Babcock, Pastor Bob Bipes, Leslee Camarata, Brenda DeLong, Don Evers, Don & Linda Flatt, Becki Fuhrman, Sharon Haugo, Trina Hilke, Greg Hojem, Eddie Hustad, Andrew Janisch, Jackie Krebsback, Edith Lampman, Rachael Look, Mary Martin, Matthew Meehan, Candice Moen, Kay Monroe, Gail Nolan, John Payton, Jim & Jane Sagraves, Dorothy Vietor

### THOSE SERVING OR DEPLOYED IN THE MILITARY:

Evan Hojem, Isabelle & Sam Rick

### TODAY'S WORSHIP ASSISTANTS:

**Piano:** Skip James

**Scripture Reader:** Sean Hanner

**Worship Support:** Susie & Jimmie Caldwell

**Bethel Quartet:** Megan Wagner-Floan, Sydney Kakuk, Obed Floan, Karl Buttermann

**Technical Assistants:** Patrick Willson, Roger Nilssen, Eli Helm, Isaac Pettey

**Shuttle Bus:** John & Maggie Andrews



SUNDAY, MAY 31, 2026

10:30 AM WORSHIP | DOWNTOWN CAMPUS

Stephanie Chukel, Preacher

Pastor Keith Ruehlow, Worship Leader

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"There are some things in life that are too good to  
keep to yourself."

—Anonymous

# WELCOME

## to Bethel Lutheran Church!

We are so glad you are with us for worship. At Bethel, our mission is to Connect, Grow, and Serve God and others. Today we hear Jesus' Great Commission—a calling to go and share the good news with the world.

As followers of Christ, we are not called to keep faith hidden away, but to live it openly through love, service, compassion, and witness. As we worship together today, may we be encouraged and empowered to share Christ's love wherever God leads us.

\*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 Prelude: Improvisation on "Lasst uns erfreuen" James

The Welcome/Announcements

\*The Confession and Forgiveness:

Leader: Let us return to our gracious and merciful God, confessing our need for forgiveness and healing.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

Leader: Tender-hearted God,

**People: We confess that we have not lived as the body of Christ in the world. We have not let our lights shine. We have resisted Your call to follow. We have failed to share Your love. Forgive us for the sake of Christ; heal us, and gather us into Your embrace; and help us work as children of the light. Amen.**

L: In the mercy of Almighty God, Jesus Christ came among us to bind up the brokenhearted, comfort those who mourn, and to reconcile all people. For the sake of that same Jesus Christ, God forgives us all our sins. May the Holy Spirit comfort and strengthen us to follow Christ in newness of life.

**P: Amen.**

**\*The Hymn: "All Creatures of Our God and King"**

\*The Responsive Reading:

L: Jesus says, "Go and make disciples of all nations."

**P: We are called to share His love.**

L: When fear keeps us silent—

**P: Christ gives us courage.**

L: When doubt holds us back—

**P: Christ reminds us He is with us always.**

L: The Gospel is meant to be shared—

**All: So the world may know God's grace and hope.**

\*The Prayer of the Day:

L: God of all people...

**P: Thank You for calling us to be Your disciples and witnesses in the world. Forgive us for the times we keep Your love bottled up or hidden away. Fill us with courage, compassion, and joy, so we may share the hope of Christ in our words and actions. Remind us that we never go alone, for You are always with us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

\*The Sharing of God's Peace:

L: The peace of the Lord be with you always...

**P: And also with you!**

The Children's Message: Stephanie Chukel

The Music Ministry: "Create in Me" J. Brahms  
The Bethel Quartet

The Old Testament Lesson: Psalm 8

L: The Word of the Lord.

**P: Thanks be to God!**

The New Testament Lesson: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

L: The Word of the Lord.

**P: Thanks be to God!**

**\*The Gospel Acclamation: "O God of Light" #507**  
(vs. 1)

\*The Gospel Lesson: Matthew 28:16-20

The Message: "Spreading the Word" Stephanie Chukel

**\*The Hymn: "You Servants of God" #825**

\*The Offering Prayer:

L: Generous God...

**Thank You for the many ways You bless and guide us.**

**Receive these gifts as signs of our gratitude and use them**

**to share Your love and good news throughout the world.**

**Help us to boldly reflect Christ in all we do. Amen.**

Giving our First and Best to God through our Offering

The Offering Music: Improvisation on "Lyons" James

\*The Great Thanksgiving:

L: The Lord is with you.

**P: The Lord is with you, too.**

L: Lift up your hearts.

**P: We lift them to the Lord.**

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

**P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

L: It is indeed right and joyful that we gather around God's table this day. Here, Jesus reminds us that His love is for all people. Through His life, death, and resurrection, Christ brings forgiveness, hope, and new life. Strengthened through this meal, we are sent into the world to share His grace and make known the good news of God's love.

\*The Words of Institution

\*The Lord's Prayer:

**ALL: 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.**

\*The Invitation to Communion:

L: This is Christ's table, where grace is freely shared and all are welcomed. Come and receive the strength, forgiveness, and hope Christ offers. Come, for all is ready.

**The Communion Hymn: "For the Beauty of the Earth" #879**

\*The Communion Blessing

\*The Prayers of God's People:

L: Sending God...

**P: Empower us to share Your love.**

\*The Closing Blessing

**\*The Closing Hymn: "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty" #413**

\*The Sending:

L: Go into the world with the Good News of Christ.

**P: We will share His love with others.**

The Postlude: Improvisation on "Nicaea" James