

Worship Notes

WE HOLD IN PRAYER

THOSE WHO ARE SICK, INJURED AND IN NEED OF HEALING:
David Babcock, Pastor Bob Bipes, Leslee Camarata, Cillia Dressen, Don Evers, Don & Linda Flatt, Merry Heilmann, Trina Hilke, Greg Hojem, Ed Hustad, Andrew Janisch, Jennifer Kapaun, Jackie Krebsback, Edith Lampman, Nan Lopatka, Mary Martin, Kay Monroe, Terri Pomeroy, Dorothy Vietor

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

TODAY'S WORSHIP ASSISTANTS:
Greeters: Bonnie & Sid Stand
Worship Support: Ron & Sheila Johnson, June Boyer, Susan & Ryan Erickson
Hospitality: Karen Evers
Technical Assistants: Roger Nilsson, Larry Quam, Sean Hanner

IN SYMPATHY:
We offer our sympathies and prayers of comfort and strength to John Haugo, family and friends on the death his wife, Sharon. God bless and comfort these friends with the promise of Christ: *"Blessed are those who mourn for they shall be comforted."*



SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2026
9:00 AM WORSHIP | HIGHLANDS CAMPUS

Pastor Keith Ruehlow, Preacher
Mary Gerzmehle, 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.

WAYS TO GIVE

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

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New Song Band	
Vocals: Katie Possehl Calla Jenkinson	Drums: Nancy Long
Piano & Vocals: Craig Koehnen	Guitar/Vocals: Paul Gavic Bass: Mike Brueske

"...God is constantly entering new territory and breaking boundaries.
This God is in the unsettling business of meeting outsiders and
granting them not just a crumb, but a place at the table."

—Carla Works



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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 a persistent mother helps us discover just how far God's mercy reaches, and who has a place at His table. As we worship, may God open our hearts to receive His mercy, and open our eyes to see that there is always room for one more.

*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 As You Are”
David Crowder, Matt Maher & Ben Glover
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The Welcome/Announcements

The Children’s Message: Pastor Keith Ruehlow

***The Opening Song: “Everybody Come to the House of the Lord”**
Robin Cain & Phil Kadidlo
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*The Responsive Reading:
Leader: God's mercy reaches farther than we imagine.
People: His grace is enough for all.
L: When the world creates boundaries...
P: God's love reaches beyond them.
L: When others are treated as outsiders...
P: Christ invites them to His table.
L: There is room in God's Kingdom.
All: There is mercy enough for all God's children.

*The Prayer:
L: Merciful God...
P: Your love reaches beyond the human boundaries. Open our hearts to those we too easily overlook or consider outsiders. Give us persistent faith to seek Your mercy, and generous hearts to share it with others. May our lives reveal that Your table is wide, and Your grace is enough for all. Through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.
—Please be seated

*The Gospel Reading: Matthew 15:21–28

The Message: "Mercy Enough" Pastor Keith Ruehlow

The Song: “Lovely Needy People”
Gary Rand & Lenora Rand
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*The Offering Prayer:
L: Generous God...
P: You have given us more grace and mercy than we could ever deserve. Receive these gifts, and use them to extend Your love beyond these walls. May what we offer help make room at the table for those longing to experience Your hope and mercy. Through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.

Giving our First and Best to God through our Offering

*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: This is Christ's table. There is room here for the weary, the searching, the hopeful, and the hurting. Come and receive the mercy, forgiveness, and grace of Jesus. There is room for you here. Come, for all is ready.

The Song: “The Table”
Wayne Jolley, Chris Tomlin, & Ed Cash
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The Communion Blessing

The Prayer

*The Closing Blessing

***The Closing Song: “All The People Said Amen”**
Matt Maher, Trevor Morgan & Paul Moak
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*The Sending:
L: Go in peace, knowing there is mercy enough.
P: We will share God's mercy with all.
L: Go and make room for those the world calls outsiders.
P: We will welcome others, as Christ welcomes us. Thanks be to God.