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**Evangelical Lutheran
Church in America**
God's work. Our hands.

Worship Service – 10:00
July 10, 2022

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

Holy God, I often come to worship either distracted or with my own agenda for what I hope to offer and receive. Stop me, God. Erase my agenda. Create within me an openness to understand how you want me to live. Give me an eagerness to give you what you want from me, and an eagerness to serve your purposes today and every day. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen..

WELCOME

We count it a privilege to receive guests into our worship service. The ministry of Bethlehem Lutheran Church exists to bring glory to God and to serve you. We hope you sense that Jesus is at the heart of all we do.

If you are a guest, and would like more information about our ministries, please send Pastor John a message at pastorjohnburow@gmail.com or call the church office at 482-3225.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Bethlehem Lutheran is a praying church; this is one of our Marks of Discipleship. For prayers that you would like included in Sunday worship, please visit www.bethlutheran.org or click [HERE](#) for a direct link to send a prayer request to Pastor Matt.

Include an address if you'd like the person named in your request notified of the prayer offered on their behalf.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God.

TAKING FAITH HOME Find a copy on Facebook in the BELC Worship Group (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/belcworship/>).

PORTALS OF PRAYER July - September booklets are available on the Welcome Table in the lobby. If you would like a copy, call the church office at 482-3225, and we will send you one.

PRAYER PARTNERS Each Sunday we pray for a congregation in the North/West Lower Michigan Synod to offer our support and to emphasize the ministry that we share. This week we pray for St. Paul Lutheran Church in Reed City Michigan, Rev. Kara Shaw.

ONLINE GIVING Did you know that you can contribute via our website and not create an account? Clicking on the online giving link and filling out the donation form is all you need to do to make an online contribution. If you would like to create an account, go to the 'Printables' page on the BELC website for instructions.

THOSE WHO SERVE IN OUR WORSHIP

ORGANIST & HANDBELL DIRECTOR – James Schippers

CHOIR DIRECTOR – Sue Nelson

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP DIRECTOR – Laurey Wyble

ASSISTING MINISTER – Nancy Holderread

LAY READER – Ron Miller

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS – Christina Raia, Kris Burow

GREETERS – Lois & Don Cairns

USHERS – Joann Dyer, Susan Mahoney

ALTAR GUILD – Kris & John Burow

A/V PRODUCTION – David Holderread, Jon Holderread, Kevin Meeker, Kevin Peckham, Paul Schmidt, David Westover

Our Thoughts &
Prayers
are with...



REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS and with your cards and visits:
Shelby Waters in The Willows at Okemos
John Nelson in Grandhaven Living Center-Senior Care in Lansing
Rhoda Hunter in Prestige Way on Keller Road in Holt
Pat Lebsack in The Willows, East Lansing

Those at home: *Mary Ann Allen, John Bartel, Virginia Bauman
Tosha Brisbo, Lois Cairns, Crystal Collins, Gina DeWitt, Doug Griffin
Emma Hicks, Marilyn Bass-Huysen, Nancy Jackson, Carole Kienke
Marilyn Kostrzewski, Michael Mahoney, Linda McClellan
Yvonne Nelson, Andrea Norman, Tharin Palmer, Carol Roush
Connie Scott, Audrey Skidmore, Betty VanConant
Cheryl VanPatten, Matthew White*

*If you know of a member you would like us to include on this list or
remove from this list, please call the church office.*

SEMINARY STUDENT Jason Mills, from BELC, has graduated from
Gettysburg Theological Seminary. Please keep him in your prayers.

MISSION PARTNERS Pray for the people and ministry at Pine Ridge
Reservation in South Dakota. Pray for the Baker Neighborhood Partners
and our LPD Community Police Officer.

THOSE WHO SERVE Please pray for those who are on active duty in
the United States Military Services:

Chris Browne – U.S. Air Force (Member of the Kern family)
Tyler Barnes – U.S. Marines (Candy & Cloyd Barnes' nephew)
Andrew Devine – U.S. Nat'l Guard (Margo Devine's nephew)
Darian Doan – U.S. Army (Marv & Laura Halbakken's nephew)
Carson Kosloski – U.S. Marines (Jeff Kosloski's great nephew)
Joshua Kosloski – U.S. Army (Laura Halbakken's cousin)
Rusty Landry – U.S. Air Nat'l Guard (Don & Audrey Olson's grandson)
Christopher Morgan – U.S. Marines (friend of The Darling family)
Ben Painter – U.S. Air Force (Laura Halbakken's cousin)
Ryan Schiffner – U.S. Air Force (Rick & Jean Peckham's nephew)

PARISH NOTES

TODAY IS MISSION SUNDAY Gifts received in a special mission
offering will be given to the Lutheran Lakota Shared Ministry at the Pine
Ridge Retreat Center in South Dakota. Please give electronically by
clicking on the "Online Giving" link on our website or mail your
contribution to the church or by clicking here:
(www.tinyurl.com/BELCGiving).

LUKE OUTLINED ON YOUTUBE Since most of our Sunday Gospel
readings through November will be from Luke, it is worthwhile to
invest 16-18 minutes on a delightful, clear overview. Just go to
YouTube and search "Overview: Luke 1-9." Part two will follow or can
be viewed another time.

BISHOPS MESSAGE Bishop Elizabeth Eaton has issued a pastoral
message on the Supreme Court's ruling on Roe v Wade. She
summarizes the ELCA's position on this contentious and difficult issue.
You can read it by entering "Bishop Eaton on Roe v Wade" in your
search engine.

SIGN UP FOR SUNDAY SNACKS On the table in the Narthex is a
sign-up sheet for those wishing to provide after service snacks throughout
the summer.

WORSHIP FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS The 2022 Flower Chart is
posted in the Lobby. If you would like to sponsor Altar Flowers for a
Sunday, sign your name on that date with notes for the bulletin
announcement. Please sign up at least one month in advance of the date
requested. The arrangements are \$35 and may be taken home after the
Sunday worship service. Thank you to all who sponsor Altar Flowers!

STEWARDSHIP PONDERING

In Jesus' story of the compassionate outsider, we learn that the proper question is not, "Who is my neighbor?" but "what are my opportunities to act with compassion and generosity?" May God give us hearts of compassion and eyes to see how we might respond to a "neighbor" in need.

THOSE SERVING IN WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY JULY 10

GREETERS – Kelly Carpenter, Carol Kinney

LAY READER – Mel White

USHERS – Don Cairns, Tim Stanley

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS – Dorothy Martin, Mary Jakubiak

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

“On the parable of the Good Samaritan: "I imagine that the first question the priest and Levite asked was: 'If I stop to help this man, what will happen to me?' But by the very nature of his concern, the good Samaritan reversed the question: 'If I do not stop to help this man, what will happen to him?'” ~ Martin Luther King Jr

“On the one hand we are called to play the good Samaritan on life's roadside; but that will be only an initial act. One day we must come to see that the whole Jericho Road must be transformed so that men and women will not be constantly beaten and robbed as they make their journey on life's highway. True compassion is more than flinging a coin to a beggar; it is not haphazard and superficial. It comes to see that an edifice which produces beggars needs restructuring.” ~ Martin Luther King Jr

ATTENDANCE

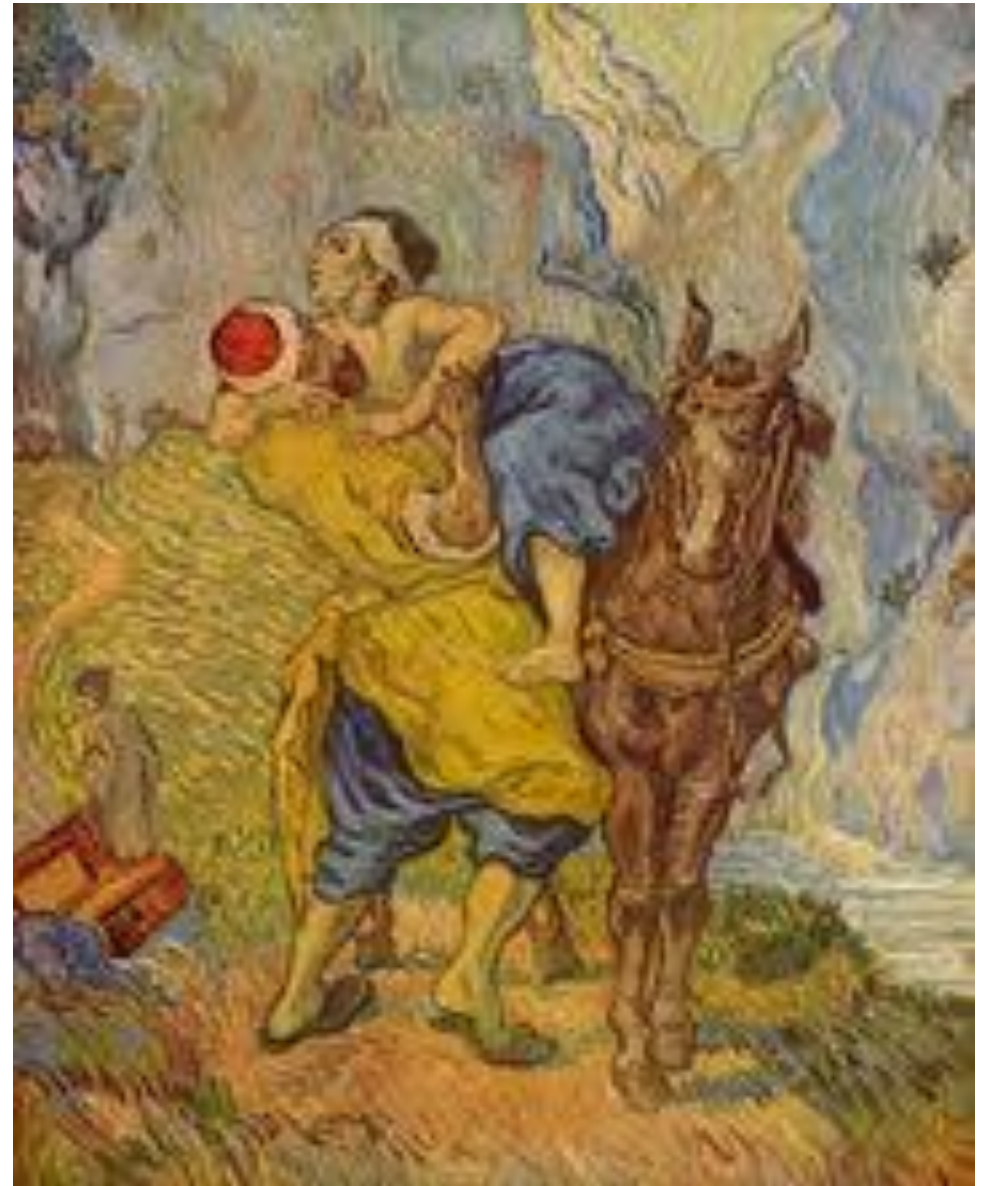
Worship Attendance: 88 – 52 in-person and 36 people viewed the 7/3/22 Live worship.

MICHIGAN PARKINSON FOUNDATION FUNDRAISING

WALK In lieu of funeral services, Marv Cole's life will be honored by his family during the Michigan Parkinson Foundation's fundraising walk on September 17th in Lansing at the MSU Campus Auditorium Building at 542 Auditorium Road in East Lansing. Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. and the walk begins at 10:30 a.m.

THIS WEEK AT BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, July 10	10:00a	Worship – Holy Communion
		Worship (YouTube)
MONDAY	6:30p	Board Stewardship & Finance
TUESDAY	8:00a	Family Growth Center
	5:00p	Board of Outreach
WEDNESDAY	8:00a	Family Growth Center
	6:30p	Board of Buildings & Grounds
THURSDAY	8:00a	Family Growth Center
FRIDAY		Newsletter deadline
SUNDAY, July 17	10:00a	Worship – Holy Communion
		Worship (YouTube)



MARKS OF DISCIPLESHIP

Jesus expects me to...

PRAY fervently

WORSHIP faithfully

ENCOURAGE one another

READ the Scriptures daily

GIVE freely of the gifts I have received from God

INVITE others to know Him

SERVE all people

*...and where I fall short of his expectations,
Jesus always offers me his love and forgiveness!*

POWER GIFTS