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

Worship Service – 10:00
June 26, 2022

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God by Dave & Nancy Holderread in celebration of their 39th wedding anniversary.

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

PORTALS OF PRAYER April - June 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 Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Rev. Rachel Laughlin.

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 – Don Telles
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS – Mary Jakubiak, Sherry Bass-Pohl
GREETERS – Don & Linda Telles
USHERS – Ron Miller, Ralph Sergent
ALTAR GUILD – Cindy Marsh
A/V PRODUCTION – David Holderread, Jon Holderread, Kevin Meeker, Kevin Peckham, Paul Schmidt, David Westover

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

We praise you, O God, our redeemer and creator. We bless your holy name and sing your praises. You have been our companion in time of need, and with your help we begin this new week, confident that you will be at our side in times of trial and moments of rejoicing. We thank you for the gift of this community, gathered today to hear the story of your love and to learn how to love more boldly and faithfully. We know you will guide us, and for that we offer our songs of thanksgiving. We pray in Jesus' name. 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.

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-Huyser, 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, Emily Viele, 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

DEDICATION OF OUR COMMUNION CHALICE At the beginning
of worship this morning we will dedicate to God's glory and to our sacred
use the new Communion Chalice.

INSTALLATION OF NEW COUNCIL AND BOARD MEMBERS
During service today we will install all the new Council members and new
Board members. All new members should attend your monthly Board
meeting.

USHER MEETING Ralph Sergent will be having an Usher Meeting
after service today. If you are an Usher please stay and attend.

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!

PORTALS OF PRAYER Booklets for July – September are available
on the Welcome Table in the lobby.

MEMORIAL NANCY MIESNER On Tuesday June 28 we will be
having a Memorial Service for Nancy Miesner at 2:30 p.m. with
visitation at 2:00 p.m. There will be a Pie Fest and fellowship will
follow.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

In today's Gospel reading (Luke 9:51-62) Jesus implies that any attempt at authentic discipleship that leaves our priorities, comforts and routines unchallenged is futile. How will we choose to respond to the urgency of God's call?

NEXT SUNDAY IS FOOD BANK SUNDAY Feeding our community has never been more important as we live through the Covid-19 pandemic. Although physical donations of canned goods and other non-perishable items are not possible at this time, we can contribute to the Food Pantry through the BELC website. Click [HERE](#) to make your monetary contribution.

THOSE SERVING IN WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY JULY 3

GREETERS – Christina Raia and Family

LAY READER – Mary Jakubiak

USHERS – Phil Hassler, Joe Skidmore

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS – Ralph & Margaret Sergent

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

What makes authentic disciples is not visions, ecstasies, biblical mastery of chapter and verse, or spectacular success in the ministry, but a capacity for faithfulness. Buffeted by the fickle winds of failure, battered by their own unruly emotions, and bruised by rejection and ridicule, authentic disciples may have stumbled and frequently fallen, endured lapses and relapses... and wandered into a far county. Yet, they kept coming back to Jesus.”
~ Brennan Manning

ATTENDANCE AND GIVING

Worship Attendance: 87 – 58 in-person and 29 people viewed the 6/19/22 Live worship.

Income received through March 31, 2022

\$76,167.21

Expenses through March 31, 2022

\$88,452.49

*(\$12,285.49)**

THIS WEEK AT BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, June 26 10:00a **Worship – Holy Communion**
Worship (YouTube)
11:30a **Usher Meeting**

TUESDAY 8:00a Family Growth Center
 2:30p Memorial Nancy Miesner

WEDNESDAY 8:00a Family Growth Center

THURSDAY 8:00a Family Growth Center

SATURDAY 9:30a F.A.B.

SUNDAY, July 3 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

