

UPCOMING EVENTS AT BETHLEHEM

TODAY, October 18—First Communion Sunday

8:45 am —drive in worship with communion

10:30 am — in-person and live-streamed service streamed live on our Facebook page bethlehem.brainerd

MONDAY, October 19

5:00 pm—Creation Care Team meeting online

WEDNESDAY, October 21

5:30 pm—Worship Team rehearsal

6:20 pm—drive in worship with communion

7:00 pm—Catechism; bring a mask, pen, and bible; you will be outside if possible

7:00 pm—High School Youth Group; bring a mask; you will be outside if possible

THURSDAY, October 22

10:00 am—LSS PTSD groups

4:00 pm—Decorate parking lot

5:30 pm—Board of Stewardship and Properties meeting outside in BELC parking lot

6:30 pm—Smart Team meeting online via Zoom

SUNDAY, October 25—Reformation Sunday and Confirmation

8:45 am—drive-in worship with communion

9:30 am—Sunday School families may begin entering building; Sunday School runs from 9:45—10:15 am in Fellowship Hall; masks will be worn

10:30 am —live-streamed service on our Facebook page bethlehem.brainerd (no in-person today due to confirmation)

Please keep these people in your prayers:

New:

Sympathy: the family of Roy Cheney; Antje Olson on the death of her husband; Gudrun Johnson and family on the death of her son Fred;

Ongoing: Rachel Carlson; for all affected by COVID; Stacy Sjoberg; Odin Sjoberg; Deloris Ebinger; Michael Zickuhr; ; youth in Pine River accident; victims of domestic violence; all residents and staff of assisted living and nursing home facilities; Mike Stanek and family on future deployment; Nancy Walsh; Shari Hanson; Kevin Goedker; for peace in our world; Bob Morris; the unemployed; healthcare workers; Yvonne Doust; for protection from Corona Virus; Aldene Gosse; Bobbie Sayles; all dealing with addiction; all affected by mental health issues; all caregivers; everyone dealing with cancer

Service: Zac Myhre deployed to South Korea; Danny Smith deployed to Kuwait

If you check into the hospital, please call the Church Office at 829-3330 or let the Chaplain know you are from Bethlehem Lutheran Church so we can pray for you.

Have a Prayer Request? You are invited to call Deloris Ebinger at 829-2333 or the Church Office at 829-3330 or email office@belcnet.net to have your request put on the Prayer Chain. Please note that we keep people on the prayer list for 3 weeks. If someone needs extended prayers, please let the office know.



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TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



October 18, 2020



Immediate Needs

Want to help our community partners?
Here are some of their needs:

Mid Minnesota Women's Center
*hats, mittens, and gloves for adults
and children
*reams of paper

Salvation Army
*food and gas cards

Please drop off donations at the
organizations.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!
CHRISTMAS SERVICE

WE ARE LOOKING FOR PEOPLE OF ALL AGES TO PRERECORD SPEAKING PARTS FOR A CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE. YOU WOULD VIDEO RECORD YOURSELF READING AND SEND IT TO PR. SARAH BY THE BEGINNING OF NOVEMBER.

Contact Pr. Sarah by October 15 if you would like to participate.
pastorsarah@belcnet.net

REMEMBERING LOVED ONES

All Saints Day

November 1

WE WILL REMEMBER LOVED ONES WHO HAVE DIED THIS PAST YEAR AT SERVICES ON ALL SAINTS DAY ON NOVEMBER 1.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR LOVED ONE'S NAME READ DURING THE SERVICE, PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE BY OCTOBER 25.
OFFICE@BELCNET.NET OR
829-3330

HELP NEEDED

The Board of Worship and Music is getting a jump on things by decorating some trees in our parking lot for Christmas Eve. Meet in the parking lot at 4:00 pm on Thursday, October 22 if you'd like help. Contact the office at 829-3330 or office@belcnet.net for more information.

MAY THE PEACE OF GOD,
WHICH SURPASSES ALL UNDERSTANDING,
KEEP OUR HEARTS AND MINDS
IN CHRIST JESUS.

PHILIPPIANS 4:7



Sundays at 8:45 am

10/18: Janis and Jim Peterson, Ben Reimers

10/25: Becky and Dave Meyer, Janis and Jim Peterson

Sundays at 10:30 am

10/18: Mike and Wendy Gindorff, Carla and Scott Stall

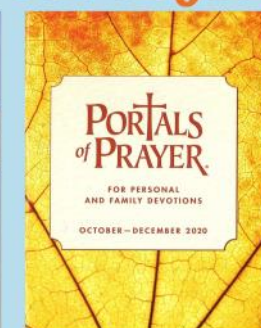
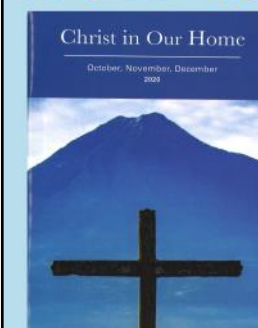
10/25: Sue Skinner, Mike and Wendy Gindorff, Greg Anderson

Wednesdays at 6:20 pm

10/21: Pam Stock and Al Gardner

10/28: Jackie Nornes

NEED A NEW COPY OF
Christ in Our Home
or **Portals of Prayer?**



Stop by the office
between 8:30 am and
12:00 pm on weekdays to
pick one up.

The Lord's Prayer

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.

SENDING

Blessing

P. Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. God, the creator, Jesus, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit, the comforter, bless you and keep you in eternal love. **C. Amen.**

Sending *Go, My Children, with My Blessing* verse 1ELW Hymn #543

**“Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.
In my love’s baptismal river I have made you mine forever.
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.”**

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Doxology ELW Hymn #884

**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. Amen.**

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Dismissal

P. Go in peace. Christ is with you.
C. Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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Special thanks to Jerry, Jon and Todd for running sound, Turner for livestreaming on Facebook, Scott for uploading the video to our website, and our ushers. Thank you Kayli Skinner for the musical offering. Please continue to mail in your weekly offerings, go to our website at www.belcnet.net and give online, or sign up for direct deposit.

Thank you to all who have already done so. Please continue to give generously as you are able.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

P. (Pastor) C. (Congregation)

**We continue to work on issues during the live-streamed service.
Thank you for your patience.**

Prelude

GATHERING

Confession and Forgiveness

P. Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **C. Amen.**

P. God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C. Amen.**

P. Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Pause for reflection and self-examination

P. Most merciful God,

C. we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P. in the mercy of almighty God....and of the Holy Spirit. **C. Amen.**

Gathering Hymn *God is Here!* verse 1ELW Hymn #526

**God is here! As we your people meet to offer praise and prayer,
may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share.
Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts
wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.**

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Greeting

P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C. And also with you.**

