

# Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Scott Thompson, Pastor  
Marshall Jones, Director of Music

2nd Sunday of Epiphany, January 16, 2022



Children are always welcome in the sanctuary during worship.  
Please ensure they stay with their parents at all times.

# Today's Worship

## Prelude

"The Only Son from Heaven"

Dietrich Buxtehude

*Please reflect on the words of the hymn ELW#309 or at*

<https://hymnary.org/hymn/ELW2006/309>

## THE GATHERING

*(please stand)*

### Confession and Forgiveness

Presider: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name.

**All: Amen.**

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

*(silence for reflection)*

Presider: Most merciful God,

**All: we confess that we have sinned against you and your beloved children. We have turned our faces away from your glory when it did not appear as we expected. We have rejected your word when it made us confront ourselves. We have failed to show hospitality to those you called us to welcome. Accept our repentance for the things we have done and the things we have left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe in the glory of your Son born among us, and reflect your love for all creation. Amen.**

Presider: Rejoice in this good news:

In Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven. You are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of Christ, and inheritors of eternal life. Live as freed and forgiven children of God.

**All: Amen.**

**Gathering Hymn**

"Now the Feast and Celebration"

ELW#167

**Greeting**

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

**Hymn of Praise**

*Refrain* S 169

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and

hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and



join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to



God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.



*Final refrain*  
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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## Prayer of the Day

Presider: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Presider: Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**All: Amen**

*(be seated)*

## WORD

### First Reading

### Isaiah 62:1-5

- <sup>1</sup>For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,  
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,  
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,  
and her salvation like a burning torch.
- <sup>2</sup>The nations shall see your vindication,  
and all the kings your glory;  
and you shall be called by a new name  
that the mouth of the LORD will give.
- <sup>3</sup>You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD,  
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.
- <sup>4</sup>You shall no more be termed Forsaken,  
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate;  
but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her,  
and your land Married;  
for the LORD delights in you,  
and your land shall be married.
- <sup>5</sup>For as a young man marries a young woman,  
so shall your builder marry you,  
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,  
so shall your God rejoice over you.

Reader: Word of God. Word of Life.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 36:5-10

*Refrain*

How pre - cious is your un - fail - ing love, O  
 God: the chil - dren of earth shall find ref - uge be -  
 neath the shad - ow of your wings.

*Tone*

G A7/E D/F# Em Am7 D

Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens,  
 and your faithfulness to the clouds.

**Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep;  
 you save humankind and animals, O Lord.**

How priceless is your love, O God!

All people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

**They feast upon the abundance of your house;**

**you give them drink from the river of your delights. R**

For with you is the well of life,

and in your light we see light.

**Continue your loving kindness to those who know you,**

**and your favor to those who are true of heart.**

Let not the foot of the proud come near me,

nor the hand of the wicked push me aside. R

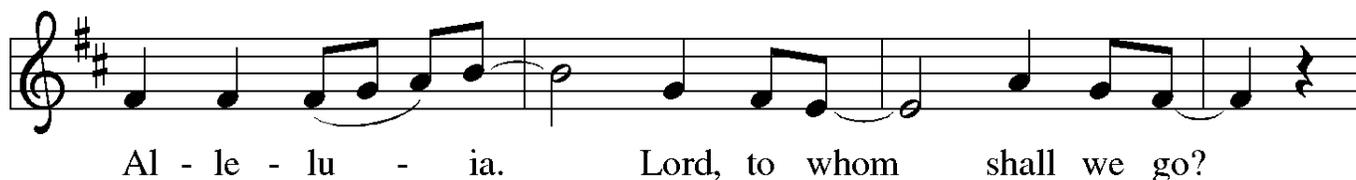
**Second Reading****1 Corinthians 12:1-11**

<sup>1</sup>Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. <sup>2</sup>You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. <sup>3</sup>Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says “Let Jesus be cursed!” and no one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit.

<sup>4</sup>Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; <sup>5</sup>and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; <sup>6</sup>and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. <sup>7</sup>To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. <sup>8</sup>To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, <sup>9</sup>to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, <sup>10</sup>to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. <sup>11</sup>All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

Reader: Word of God. Word of Life.

All: **Thanks be to God.**



**Gospel Reading****John 2:1-11**

Presider: The Gospel according to John, the 2nd chapter.

**All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>2</sup>Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. <sup>3</sup>When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." <sup>4</sup>And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." <sup>5</sup>His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." <sup>6</sup>Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup>Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. <sup>8</sup>He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. <sup>9</sup>When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup>and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." <sup>11</sup>Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord

**All: Praise to you, O Christ**

**Children's Sermon****Sermon****Hymn of the Day**

"Jesus Come, for We Invite You"

ELW#312

*( please stand)*

## The Apostle's Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
and born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## The Prayers

Assistant: The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that God has made.

*After each portion of the prayers:*

Assistant: God of grace,

**All: Hear our prayer.**

*The prayers conclude:*

Assistant- Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

**All: Amen.**

## MEAL

### Offering

“Schmucke Dich”

Johannes Brahms

Your offerings are important to the ongoing mission of Bethlehem and it’s mission partners. Please share your offering in the plates at the back of the sanctuary. Or, you can mail your offering to 603 S. Main St. Kalispell, MT 59901 or give online at <https://bethluth.org/give> . Thank you!

*(please stand)*

### Offertory Prayer

Assistant: Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe. You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light.

**All: Amen**

## The Great Thanksgiving

Presider: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

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

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

**All: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

## Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow - er and might,  
 heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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## 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

*(be seated)*

## Distribution of Holy Communion

*All are welcome at the table of Christ. Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available.*

### Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have

mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -

way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

## Communion Hymns

“Hallelujah”

Below

“Take My Life, That I May Be”

ELW#583

“The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing”

ELW#531



Hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah,



hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah!

*(please stand)*

## Communion Blessing

Presider: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

All: Amen.

## Post-Communion Prayer

Assistant: Let us pray.

We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ.

All: Amen.

## The Benediction

Presider: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen.**

## Sending Hymn

"Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"

ELW#310

## Dismissal

Assistant: Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

"Lord, You Give the Great Commission" arr. Michael Burkhardt  
*Please reflect on the words of the hymn ELW#579 or at*  
<https://hymnary.org/hymn/ELW2006/579>

## Announcements

### **Tree of Sharing**

Thank you so much to our Bethlehem family for your generosity this Christmas through your donation of paper products and cash for the Flathead Warming Center. \$630 in cash was given which was used to purchase 63 \$10 gift cards to Flathead Industries. These gift cards can be used to purchase clothes, shoes, coats, etc. Your gifts will make a difference for many people and we thank you for your caring and compassion.

The Fellowship Committee

### **Christmas Cow**

We want to extend a big thank you to all who generously donated to our Christmas Cow fundraiser. In total, our congregation donated \$3665.50 to the ELCA Good Gifts program which provides resources to those in need. Great job BLC!! Your generosity is very appreciated.

## **Serious Juju**

Serious JuJu is having a volunteer information meeting Sunday January 23 at 2:30 pm where we will provide an update on Serious JuJu, answer questions, tour the new skate park and discuss volunteer opportunities. Serious JuJu is located at the Gateway Community Center in Kalispell next to the food bank.

We appreciate your support.

## **Mission Partner Focus**

This month we highlight our Mission Partner, Immanuel Lutheran Communities. Since it's beginning as the Lutheran Home in 1957, Bethlehem has played a major role in support and development of Immanuel. Today Immanuel serves as a premier housing and medical resource for seniors in the Flathead Valley and beyond. And the Immanuel Foundation is just the newest way in which God is calling us to share in ministry with Immanuel. In January, Bethlehem commits to prayer for the residents, staff and families of Immanuel even as we give thanks to God for the opportunity to share financially with this vital partner.

## **Anniversary Celebration and Faith Renewal**

Sunday, February 13, 2022 we will be holding an Anniversary Celebration and Faith Renewal event. Look back at 127 years of Bethlehem history. Celebrate the day with a meal and some fun!! "Together we are bolder, braver, and stronger!"

## **Help Us Feed Our Neighbors– Zoom Meeting**

Join us as we discuss options for coordinating with partners like Feeding the Flathead and the Warming Center, frequency of events, and gathering additional volunteers. Sharing our bread had always been an important part of Bethlehem's ministry. God is continuing to call us to help our neighbors have the food they need. All are welcome to join this important work! Use the QR code to join the meeting on January 19th at 7:00pm.



# Adult Education / Spirituality Retreat

*Faith, Families, and the Future of the Church in a Secular Age*

**May 1-3, 2022 (Sun - Tues)**

**Cost: \$225/person (entire event)**

*Monday only: \$175*

Non-refundable \$75 deposit due by April 18<sup>th</sup> 2022

**This retreat is for all adults: Pastors, LPA's, Lay people, youth workers!**

Join us for this special retreat with Dr. Andrew Root, professor of youth and family ministry at Luther Seminary, will be our presenter. Expect insightful sessions such as "Why are People Leaving the Church? Mis-Diagnosing Our Challenges in a Secular Age," "Ministry Inside the Imminent Frame: The Task of Speaking of God in a Secular Age," "Families, the Good Life, the Need for a Story," and "Why We're All So Exhausted: The Church in a Time of Crisis." and time for fun and relaxation at camp, too - quiet time, reading time, worship, hikes, pottery, and great food.



## About the Retreat Leader!

Andrew writes and researches in areas of theology, ministry, culture and younger generations. Some of his most recent books include *The Congregation in a Secular Age* (Baker, 2022), *The End of Youth Ministry?* (Baker, 2020), and *Exploding Stars, Dead Dinosaurs, and Zombies: Youth Ministry in the Age of Science* (Fortress Press, 2018), and many more.

**Scholarships are available!** CEU credits available through Northern Rockies Institute of Theology (NRIT).  
Retreat begins with dinner at 6:15pm on Sunday (check-in is from 5-6pm) and ends with lunch on Tuesday.

## 2022 REGISTRATION

Adult Education/Spirituality Retreat // May 1-3, 2022

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ // Will be attending: \_\_\_\_\_ Full Retreat (Sun.-Tues.) OR \_\_\_\_\_ Mon. Only

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

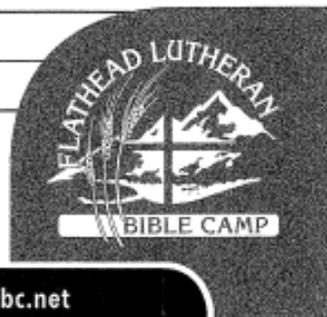
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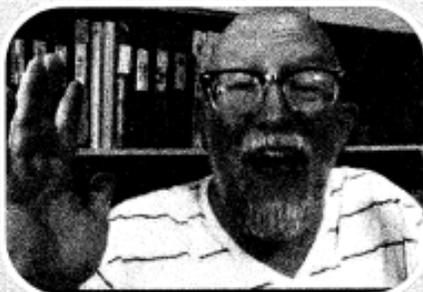
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Registration & non-refundable \$75 deposit due by April 18<sup>th</sup> 2022.

Register **ONLINE** or send your registration to: FLBC 603 S Main St., Kalispell, MT 59901 or [office@flbc.net](mailto:office@flbc.net)

A list of what to bring and a schedule will be sent to you prior to the retreat.





Dr. Lyle Griner serves as the National Peer Ministry Director. With 16 years of experience in dynamic congregational work, Lyle works with and trains people of all ages across the country to become relational leaders.

## YOUTH WORKER'S RETREAT: *Peer Ministry Leadership Training*

**WITH DR. LYLE GRINER**  
**April 1-2, 2022 (Friday - Saturday)**

**Cost: \$100/person (entire event)**

*Saturday only: \$85*

Non-refundable \$75 deposit due by March 18<sup>th</sup> 2022

Peer ministry is about the practical life skill that empowers us to become Good Samaritan leaders who care for every neighbor, every day, everywhere in every relationship. Peer Ministry is about loving, because God first loved us! 1 John 4:19 This retreat is for adults and youth (Jr high and up) Bring a group from your congregation, scout troop, or come on your own!

We are blessed to welcome Dr. Lyle Grinner who will guide this retreat along with our FLBC staff who will be leading worship, hikes, crafts, games and more!

*"This training makes ministry fun, approachable, understandable and, most importantly, doable." -Emma, HS youth*

Retreat begins with Friday Dinner (6:15pm) and ends at 3pm on Saturday (3 meals, snacks, program and lodging all included!!). Contact our office to inquire about extending your stay at camp for time additional time for rest and renewal.

**Scholarships are available!** CEU credits available through Northern Rockies Institute of Theology (NRIT).

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Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Prayer Concerns: Illness/surgery:**

Louise Gullick, Billy Byrd, Dale Shawhan, McKenna Couch, Nic Devine, Gordon Gregory, Patty Loyer, and Marty Aronson.

**Grief:** Family of Wilson Higgs. Family of Marion Jones.

**A Special Thank You To Our Assisting Ministers:**

**Welcome Hosts:**

**Astg. Minister/ Reader:** Patsy Cloud

**Cantor:**

**Communion Assistants:**

**Video Tech:**

**Coffee Servers:** Linda and John Erfle

**This Week at Bethlehem**

**SUNDAY**

9:00am

10:20am

5:00pm

**01/16**

Worship / Sunday School

Confirmation

High School Youth Group

**MONDAY**

6:30pm

**01/17**

Mixture

**WEDNESDAY**

6:45am

10:00am

10:30am

5:30pm

7:00pm

**01/19**

Men's Breakfast and Bible Study, FH

Staff Meeting

Spinners and Weavers, FH

HS Youth Group

Choir

**THURSDAY**

9:00am

9:00am

**01/20**

Knitters, FR

Quilters, FH

**SUNDAY**

9:00am

10:20am

**01/23**

Worship / Sunday School

Adult Bible Study

# Jesus Turns Water Into Wine

"Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now." John 2:10 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on John 2:1-11 (NIV).



X W T N N A J A R S X Y V S K  
 U E K G A L I L E E K L E U D  
 H D L A S T M O I F A L S K Z  
 W D B E S T P U W N P N E M D  
 C I H G L O R Y A I G G R V M  
 H N C C S M Y C C I L L V T A  
 G G Z W A X I S S T Q F A L S  
 P M G I V V I R M M I A N F T  
 L H O W E D H H A A J I T I E  
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wedding  
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bridegroom  
servants  
signs

last  
filled  
master  
jars

Cana  
glory  
water  
miraculous