

November 9, 2025



We encourage children to feel welcome in church during worship. And we recognize that kids need to move and fidget while we share this time together. Tables and coloring pages are available to kids in both the front of the worship space and in the Commons. Parents, please feel free to let your kids move around as needed.

*(Congregation speaks the **bold print** in this program and on the screen.)*

Prelude

Claudius Cazan

Bethlehem Lutheran Choir

"We Are Called"

Welcome and Announcements

(please stand)

Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

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.

Amen.

(silence is kept for reflection)

Most merciful God,

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.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Gathering Hymn

"Christ the Life of All the Living"

ELW# 339

Greeting

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

Kyrie

In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.
 Lord, have mer - cy.

3rd time to Coda

Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer -

For the Reign of God, and for peace through - out the
 For your peo - ple here, who have come to give you

cy.

world, for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the
 praise, for the strength to live your Word, let us pray to the

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⊕ Coda

Help, save, and de - fend us, O

cy.

* *Ending for Kyrie*

God. A - men.

Hymn of Praise

Refrain

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion,

all of cre - a - tion sings for joy

to the God of life and love and

free - dom: praise and glo - ry for ev -

er - more!



Prayer of the Day



O God, our eternal redeemer, by the presence of your Spirit you renew and direct our hearts. Keep always in our mind the end of all things and the day of judgment. Inspire us for a holy life here, and bring us to the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen

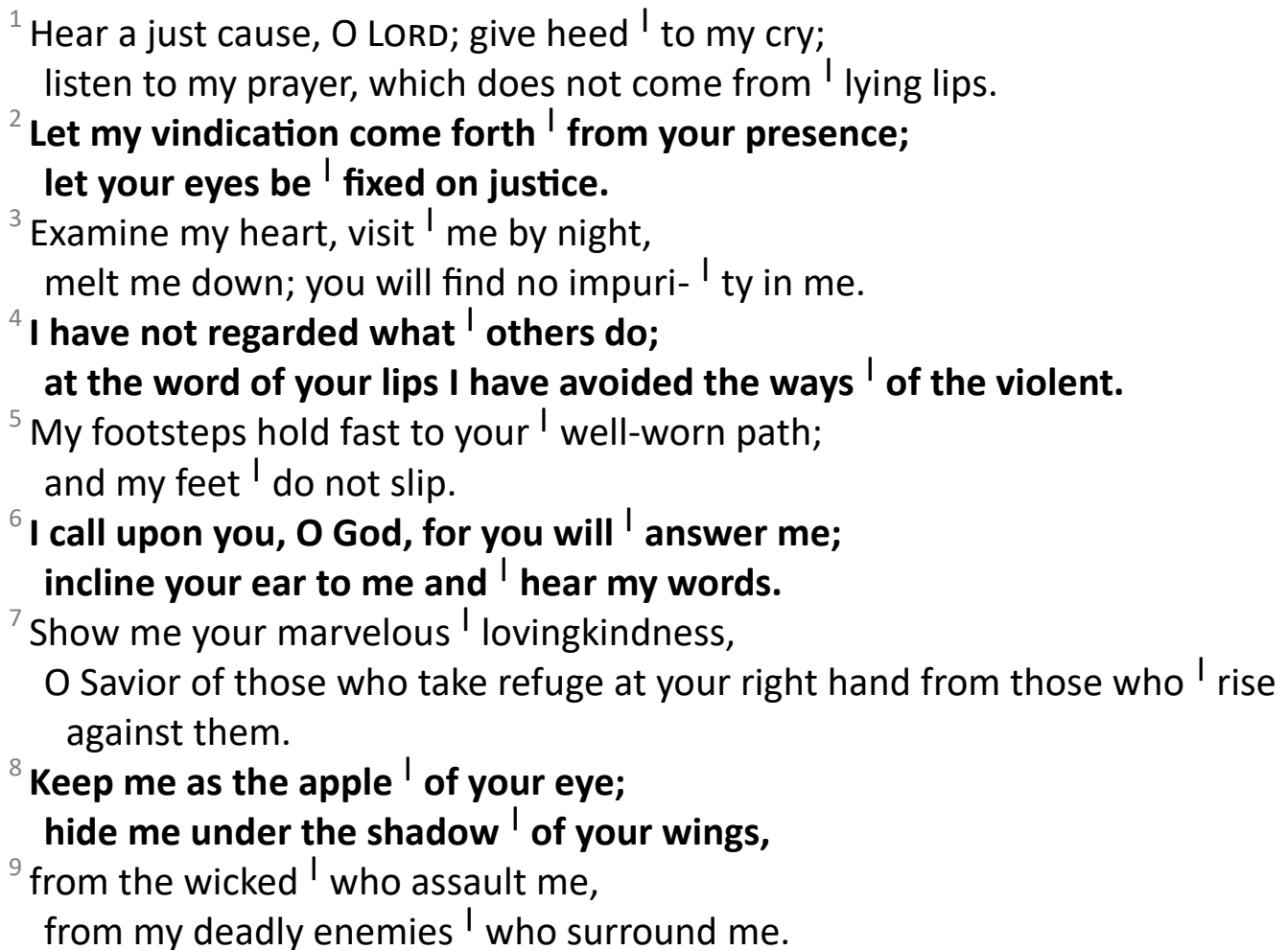
(be seated)

First Reading

Job 19:23-27a

- ²³ “O that my words were written down!
O that they were inscribed in a book!
- ²⁴ O that with an iron pen and with lead
they were engraved on a rock forever!
- ²⁵ For I know that my Redeemer lives,
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;
- ²⁶ and after my skin has been thus destroyed,
then in my flesh I shall see God,
- ^{27a} whom I shall see on my side,
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.”

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.



Second Reading

2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

¹ As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, ² not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. ³ Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. ⁴ He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. ⁵ Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

¹³ But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. ¹⁴ For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵ So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

¹⁶ Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, ¹⁷ comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

(please stand)

Gospel Acclamation

Congregation:

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we
go? You have the words of e - ter - nal
life. Al - le - lu - ia! *Repeat optional*

Gospel Reading

Luke 20:27-38

The Gospel according to Luke, the 20th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁷ Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to [Jesus] ²⁸ and asked him a question, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. ²⁹ Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; ³⁰ then the second ³¹ and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. ³² Finally the woman also died. ³³ In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her."

³⁴ Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; ³⁵ but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. ³⁶ Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. ³⁷ And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. ³⁸ Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive."

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ

Children's Sermon

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

"In Thee is Gladness"

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(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

Gathered with one voice, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

Hear us, O God,
Your mercy is great.

The prayers conclude:

We offer these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your grace and unyielding love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

Sharing of the Peace

Greet one another with a word of welcome and peace.

(be seated)

Offering

Thank you for your offerings today. As Christ comes to us in the bread and cup of the holy table, we present ourselves through our own sacrifice of generosity to love and serve our neighborhood and the whole world. You can also give online at www.bethluth.org/give as a one time donation or as a recurring gift. Use this code to access the giving site.



(please stand)

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al - so with
 you. Lift up your hearts. We
 lift them to the Lord. Let us give
 thanks to the Lord our God. It is
 right to give God thanks and praise.

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Sanctus

Congregation:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and

might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your

glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Bless - ed is the

One who comes in your name. Ho - san - na in the

high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

Words of Institution

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)

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world:
 you break the chains of ha - tred and fear:
 you are the way of jus - tice and peace:
 you are the way of mer - cy and love:
 mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us.
 Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace,
 grant us peace, grant us peace.

Distribution of Holy Communion

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

Communion Hymns

"Blessed Assurance"

ELW# 638

"How Great Thou Art"

ELW# 856

(please stand)

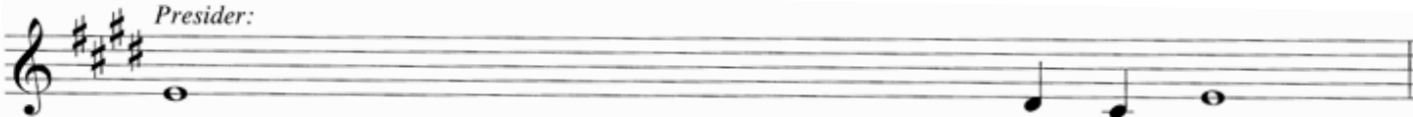
Communion Blessing

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

Amen.

The Benediction

Presider:



May God bless us and keep us.
 May God's face shine on us and be gracious to us.
 May God look on us with favor and + give us peace.

Congregation:



A - men.

Sending Hymn

"I Know that My Redeemer Lives"

ELW# 619 v. 1-4, 8

Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Claudius Cazan

Let's talk about the mission of our church!

Do you know Bethlehem's Mission Statement? Can you recite it? I'm guessing not. It's on the front page of this newsletter if you want a reminder. But what if we tried to say the same thing using fewer words. What if we could have a short statement that expressed our mission as a church in a way that each of us could rattle off at a moment's notice. I think that would help us share with others how much we love this church and what God is doing through us. So come to a couple of gatherings - after church **TODAY** and the 23rd from 10:30-11:30 am. We'll rediscover our Mission Statement together and find a way to make it short and memorable - but just as meaningful!



Food on the 4th Sunday

On a table in the Commons you will find blue bags which you can take home and/or to the store to fill with food during the month and return to the church on the 4th Sunday of the month and we will take the donated food to the food bank. If you would rather donate money, you will also find "Food on the Fourth Sunday" envelopes on the table to put your donations in and you can place them in the offering plates or take to the church office. Thank you for the unending support you show to our community. **Together we are making a big difference!**



Flathead Warming Center- "Warm and Safe Season"

Please help as you are able to provide a meal at the Warming Center. Sign up sheets are on the table in The Commons. Thank you. For questions, please contact Sherry Korthase at 770-639-6621.



Brewed Theology

Wanna grab a cup of coffee – or a beer – and spend a little time talking about some topics regarding faith and culture? Do you have questions about why things in the world are happening the way they are? Do you want to talk about relevant matters, but don't know where to start? Did I mention a cup of coffee or a beer?

In November:

Topic: Don't Be a Jerk

- 11/13, 1pm @ Wheat Montana
- 11/20, 6pm @ Branigans



Greening of the Church

It's that time of year again to decorate our church for the Christmas Season. We will meet on Saturday, **November 29th** at 9:30 and there will be coffee and cookies and probably some Christmas carols playing! Please bring a ladder if you have a tall one and we also need people to "fluff" the greenery and redo some bows so there is a job for everyone! The Fellowship Committee thanks you so much for your help each year. See you on the 29th!



Calling All Bakers!

The Fellowship Committee would like to invite anyone who would like to bring coffee cakes or quick breads (please no cookies or cakes) for after-worship fellowship to feel welcome to do so. If this is something you would be interested in from time to time, please contact Peggy Agenes-Janzer or Linda Erfle by the Saturday afternoon of the week you will be bringing a treat so they have time to alter the doughnut order for Sunday if needed. We thank you for your generosity and we look forward to enjoying your delicious creations!



Food Bank Needs for November

Thank you for reaching out and wanting to help the food bank! I appreciate your heart for helping the less fortunate in our community.

Here is what we need:

- Chicken Broth
- Gravy Packets
- Yams
- Evaporated Milk
- Cream of Mushroom Soup
- Cranberries (Can)
- Green Beans
- French Fried Onions
- Olives
- Jello
- Hot Chocolate or Cyder Packets
- Stuffing
- Turkeys

Shelf Stable Items – soups

Feel free to reach out with any questions!



Jesus and the Sadducees

And they can no longer die; for they are like the angels. They are God's children, since they are children of the resurrection. Luke 20:36 (NIV)

Based on Luke 20:27-38



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MOSES
ISAAC
WIFE

ABRAHAM
JACOB
WOMAN

MARRY
RISE
DEAD

ALIVE
SEVEN
CHILDREN

BROTHER
ANGELS
WIDOW



Prayer Concerns: Illness/surgery:

Celeste Hauser, Erika Hauser, Devinian, Elise, Raymond Geisel,
Steve Seilhymer, Karen & Marshall Mathison, Jill Black, and Carol Vajen.

A Special Thank You To Our Assisting Ministers:

<u>Assisting Mnstr/Reader:</u>	Bev Taylor
<u>Cantor:</u>	Solveig Munson
<u>Greeters:</u>	Vickie Cunningham, Delores Lynch
<u>Communion Setup:</u>	Karen Fisher
<u>Communion Asst:</u>	Chuck McCoy, Lynette Lorenzen
<u>Usher:</u>	Sherry Korthase, Terry Brosten
<u>Power Point:</u>	Gavin & Reilly Peterson

This Week at Bethlehem

SUNDAY

9:00am **11/09**
10:30am Worship / Sunday School
10:30am Bell Choir
10:30am Mission Statement Conversation, FH

MONDAY

10:00am **11/10**
6:00pm Respite Care, FH
6:00pm Feeding the Flathead, FH

TUESDAY

9:30pm **11/11**
5:30pm Dorcas Ruth, FH
5:30pm Council, FH

WEDNESDAY

6:45am **11/12**
10:00am Men's Breakfast and Bible Study, FH
10:00am Staff Meeting
10:00am Respite Care, FH
10:30am Weavers, CM
7:00pm Choir Practice

THURSDAY

9:00am **11/13**
9:00am Quilters, FH
9:00am Knitters, FR
1:00pm Brewed Theology, Wheat Montana
5:30pm Flathead Valley Community Orchestra, FH

SUNDAY

9:00am **11/16**
10:30am Worship / Sunday School
10:30am Bell Choir
10:30am Adult Bible Study, FH



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