

*Bethany Lutheran Church*  
*Seventh Sunday After Pentecost*  
*July 11, 2010*

Order Of Service

**The Introduction**

*To love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, strength, and mind is to reflect God's mercy in responding to one's neighbor. That mercy found its most profound expression in the "gospel that has come to you"—namely the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. That gospel mercy comes to us again today: at the font, at the altar, and from the pulpit. It is very near to you.*

**\*Congregation Stands**

**The Prelude**                      *"Allegro Con Moto"*                      Shepherd  
**The Hymn**                      *"Lead On O King Eternal"*                      LBW # 495

- 1) **Lead on, O King eternal! The day of march has come;  
Henceforth in fields of conquest your tents will be our home.  
Through days of preparation your grace has made us strong;  
And now, O King eternal, we lift our battle song.**
- 2) **Lead on, O King eternal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,  
And holiness shall whisper the sweet amen of peace;  
For not with swords loud clashing, nor roll of stirring drums,  
But deeds of love and mercy the heav'nly kingdom comes.**
- 3) **Lead on, O King eternal: we follow, not with fears,  
For gladness breaks like morning where'er your face appears.  
Your cross is lifted o'er us; we journey in its light;  
The crown awaits the conquest; lead on, O God of might!**

**Special Music**                      *"We Will Serve Him"*                      Conference Choir

**Sharing of Parish Concerns**

**\*The Confession & Forgiveness**

**P:** Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. Amen. Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

**C:** **Gracious God, have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**P:** God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**C:** **Amen.**

**\*The Hymn**                      *"This Is My Father's World"*                      LBW # 554

- 1) **This is my Father's world, and to my list'ning ears  
All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.  
This is my Father's world; I rest me in the thought  
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the wonders wrought.**
- 2) **This is my Father's world; the birds their carols raise;  
The morning light, the lily white, declare their maker's praise.  
This is my Father's world; he shines in all that's fair.  
In the rustling grass I hear him pass; he speaks to me ev'rywhere.**
- 3) **This is my Father's world; oh, let me not forget  
That, though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.  
This is my Father's world; why should my heart be sad?  
The Lord is king, let the heavens ring; God reigns, let the earth be glad!**

**\*The Greeting & Kyrie**

LBW PP. 57-58

L: Sisters and brothers, called to freedom in Christ: Grace, mercy, and peace be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

L: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

L: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

L: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

L: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

L: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: **Amen.**

**\*The Hymn Of Praise**

*"Glory To God"*

LBW PP. 58-59

L: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

C: **Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:  
We worship you, we give you thanks,  
We praise you for your glory.  
Lord, Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father.  
Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world;  
Have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
Receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,  
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
In the glory of God the Father. Amen**

**\*The Salutation & Prayer**

LBW P. 62

L: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

L: Let us pray.

**\*The Prayer Of The Day**

**All: O Lord God, your mercy delights us, and the world longs for your loving care. Hear the cries of everyone in need, and turn our hearts to love our neighbors with the love of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**Special Music**

*"Rise Up And Sing"*

Conference Choir

*"O Clap Your Hands"*

Conference Choir

**The First Lesson**

**Deuteronomy 30:9–14**

*Moses calls the people who are about to enter the promised land to renew the covenant God made with their ancestors. Through this covenant God gives life and asks for obedience. God's commandment is neither burdensome nor too far off, but dwells in the people's own hearts.*

The LORD your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the LORD will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, <sup>10</sup>when you obey the LORD your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul. <sup>11</sup>Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. <sup>12</sup>It is not in heaven, that you should say, "Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?" <sup>13</sup>Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, "Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?" <sup>14</sup>No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe.

**The Second Lesson**

**Colossians 1:1–14**

*The letter to the Colossians was written to warn its readers of various false teachings. The first part of the letter is an expression of thanks for the faith, hope, and love that mark this community, including a prayer for strength and courage from Paul.*

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, <sup>2</sup>To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father. <sup>3</sup>In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>4</sup>for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, <sup>5</sup>because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope

before in the word of the truth, the gospel <sup>6</sup>that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. <sup>7</sup>This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, <sup>8</sup>and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit. <sup>9</sup>For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, <sup>10</sup>so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. <sup>11</sup>May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully <sup>12</sup>giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. <sup>13</sup>He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, <sup>14</sup>in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

**\*The Alleluia (sung)** LBW P. 62

**All: Alleluia, Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

**\*The Announcing of the Gospel (sung)**

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

**\*The Gospel** **Luke 10:25–37**

*Jesus is challenged to explain what is involved in obeying the greatest commandment. Jesus tells a parable rich in surprises: those expected to show pity display hard hearts while the lowly give and receive unexpected and lavish mercy.*

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" <sup>26</sup>He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" <sup>27</sup>He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." <sup>28</sup>And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live." <sup>29</sup>But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" <sup>30</sup>Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. <sup>31</sup>Now by chance a priest was

going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. <sup>32</sup>So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. <sup>33</sup>But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. <sup>34</sup>He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. <sup>35</sup>The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend." <sup>36</sup>Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" <sup>37</sup>He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

**\*After the Gospel (sung)** LBW P. 63

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Special Music** *"Love Lifted Me"* Conference Choir

**The Message**

**\*The Apostles' Creed** LBW P. 65

**All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 Offertory** *"Morning Song"* Harris

**\*The Offertory Response (sung)** *"Doxology"* LBW # 565

**All: 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.

**\*The Prayers**

Pastor will conclude each petition with the words, "Lord, in your mercy".  
Congregation will respond: "Hear our Prayer".

**\*The Lord's Prayer**

LBW P. 71

**All: 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**

**\*Closing Hymn**

*"How Great Thou Art"*

LBW # 532

1) **O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the works thy hand hath made,  
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,  
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;**

**Refrain: Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,  
How great thou art! How great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,  
How great thou art! How great thou art!**

2) **When through the woods and forest glades I wander,  
I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur  
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; Refrain**

3) **But when I think that God, his Son not sparing,  
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,  
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing  
He bled and died to take away my sin; Refrain**

4) **When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation,  
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration  
And there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!" Refrain**

**\*The Benediction**

P: Continue to walk in Christ Jesus. Rooted and built up in him.  
Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.  
C: **Amen.**

**Special Music**

*"Go In Love"*

Conference Choir

**\*The Dismissal**

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.  
C: **Thanks be to God.**

**THE WORSHIP HAS ENDED...OUR SERVICE BEGINS**

**WELCOME!** - the author of Psalm 84 wrote: "My heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God" (verse 2, NRSV). We welcome the Conference Choir and each of you as we share the privilege of worshiping God together. We ask everyone present to sign a pew card and place it in the offering plate and if you have a request, indicate it on the back.

**PRAYERS** - we pray for the following people, who are in need of our prayers. If you know of someone whom we should include, please let us know by way of the pew cards or by calling the church office. **Names will remain on the prayer list for one month. If you feel someone should remain longer, please call the church office.** We pray for:

<b>Betty Bolm</b>	<b>William Mulvaney</b>	<b>Chris Anderson</b>
<b>Elmer Bessonen</b>	<b>Joann Schmeling</b>	<b>Ruth Sundstrom</b>
<b>Mel Karkkainen</b>	<b>Jean Jokipi &amp; Janet Dykstra</b> (Lil Zorza's friends)	
<b>Paul Johnson</b> (Helen Cook's brother)	<b>Don Christensen</b> (father of Phil & Chrysta)	
<b>John Kroll Jr</b> (Alice & Lloyd Jensen's nephew)	<b>Kenny Patenaude</b> (brother of Jean Bourassa)	
<b>Bill Howe</b> (Bill & Lil Howe's son)	<b>Joanne Marcoe</b> (Leroy & Charlene Scheeneman's friend)	

**SERVING** - remember in prayer those serving in the military. We pray for Adam Johnsen, Jeff & Star Monson, Christopher Klingman, Brian Rahoji, Richard Peterson, Matt & Mark Witte, Jennifer Scheeneman Brooks, James Mokszycke, Leeann (Scheeneman) Peterson & Pete Peterson, Neal Palmreuter, John Greenhouse & Mary Leadbetter, Brendan Conaway, Dan Scott, Bradley Bourassa, Dan Bourassa, Emily Greenhouse and Rick Kell, who is working in Afghanistan with the Army Corps of Engineers.

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**THOSE WHO SERVE**

Interim Pastor .....	Dean A. Peterson
Secretary .....	Sandy Flinn
Director of Parish Ministries .....	Jeanne Sauter
Organist .....	Don Aronson
Liturgist .....	Dr. Don Nyquist
Lector .....	Anna Burch
Sound System .....	Greg Schwalbach
Acolytes .....	Anna Burch, Erika Carne
Nursery Supervisor .....	Traci Harris
Ushers .....	Jim & Elizabeth Moberg, the Piehler family, Bill & Jeanne Sauter

*Radio Broadcast - given by LeRoy & Carol Cooper in joyful celebration of their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on July 16<sup>th</sup>.*

*Altar Flowers - in honor of their grandson, Chase Parker on his 14<sup>th</sup> birthday on July 12<sup>th</sup>, by Harold & Nina Johnson.*

*Center Vase - in loving memory of Erin Korb, who passed away one year ago on July 15<sup>th</sup>, by Gramma & Grandpa Pinar.*

**STEWARDS RECORD**

Budgeted Goal to Date .....	\$160,006
Budgeted Goal Received to Date .....	\$147,839
Attendance Last Sunday .....	122

**COME & JOIN US** - you are most welcome to join the Peterson family in the Fellowship Hall after the service this morning to help Pastor Pete celebrate the "31<sup>st</sup> anniversary of his 39<sup>th</sup> birthday."

**MINISTRIES**

MONDAY 7:00 p.m. Worship Service & Communion in Education Building

WEDNESDAY



9:00 a.m. Quilting in Fellowship Hall

THURSDAY

9:30 a.m. Crafting @ Elaine Peterson's

**CRAFTING** - the craft group will meet this Thursday and continue to work on projects for our big November holiday sale. Both Christmas and fall and Thanksgiving creations are in the "hopper." We have completed close to 150 items, and the storage shelves are filling up with new ideas. Come on along; there's always something for everyone to do. The place is Elaine Peterson's, 1645 South 16<sup>th</sup> Street - 9:30 a.m., July 15<sup>th</sup>.

**THANKS** to all of you who used your Fun Funds Card at Gordon Foods. The youth received a check this past week for \$9.64. If you would like to sign up for a Fun Funds Card to help out our youth, see Sandy in the church office.

**FLLC SCHOLARSHIP MONEY** — We have been very fortunate to receive some scholarship money to be used for Fortune Lake. Fees range from about \$260.00 to \$300.00 depending on what program you attend. If you would like to attend camp let Jeanne know so we will have an idea of how many students will be going. The scholarship money can be used for any of the programs held during the summer at Fortune Lake. The size of the scholarship will depend on the number of campers and the amount of money donated. Right now we have 8 students planning to attend camp at Fortune Lake. If you can help with a "camper" ship a lot of kids would appreciate it.

**COFFEE HOURS** will be held following the 9:30 a.m. Sunday morning services throughout the summer. Today we thank Elaine Peterson and family for serving and providing the goodies. Servers are needed to make the coffee, make or buy the goodies, and clean up the kitchen and fellowship hall afterwards. You will be reimbursed for all expenses. If you can help, please call the church office (786-6642) or indicate on a pew card. Sunday's that we need hosts for are: July 18, 25; August 1, 15, 22, 29; September 5.

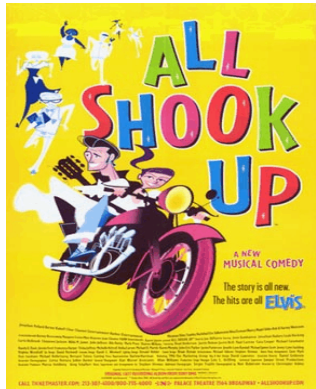
**CALLING** - we are always looking for **Sunday School teachers** to teach, team teach or be a substitute. If you have a child in either of those classes or would like to volunteer because you love kids and want them to grow in their Christianity we would love to have you aboard. If you have questions or would like to find out

more about the lessons we use please call Jeanne at 786-6642. The 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade lessons are found on line and are very well organized with enough information for the class time provided.

**PURCHASING** - a display of "Fair Trade Coffees, Cocoa & Teas" is located in the Narthex and in the Church Office - if you are buying one of these products in the narthex, please place your money in an envelope that is provided and place the envelope in the box by the display. If purchasing in the Office, pay Sandy.  
\*FYI – The Breakfast Blend Decaf is called Organic Decaf.

**MINNEAPOLIS! October 6-8, 2010** - Join your Bethany friends on a 3 day getaway to the fabulous Twin Cities! On this tour you will see, experience and hear the stories as only a local guide can tell! Historical sites, landscape wonders, lovely parks, awesome skyscrapers, Victorian mansions, Cathedrals, churches, the beautiful downtown of both Minneapolis and St. Paul and more!

A fabulous dinner show featuring the Broadway hit, "*All Shook Up!*" *Features these classic Elvis tunes: All Shook Up, Burnin' Love, Heartbreak Hotel, Love Me Tender, Don't Be Cruel, Jailhouse Rock, Teddy Bear, C'mon Everybody, It's Now or Never and Blue Suede Shoes.*



You will have free time to visit The Mall of America or enjoy the pool and exercise room at the hotel. The mall has everything imaginable – rides, restaurants, entertainment as well as shopping from "A to Z"!

A fall cruise color tour with lunch on the St. Croix River! Two nights at the all new Country Inn & Suites, (walkable or shuttle to the mall) a delicious breakfast is included. Deluxe motorcoach from ESCANABA, MI and points enroute. Meals Included — 2 breakfasts,

1 lunch and 1 dinner.

**FUN! FUN! FUN!** Sign up soon with a \$75.00 deposit. Call Passageways travel (789-0800) to join your Bethany friends and their friends on this great Fall getaway!

**RADIO BROADCASTS** - the cost of broadcasting the 10:45 a.m. worship service on Sunday mornings is \$85.00. Available Sundays in 2010 are: August 1; September 5. Two people may sponsor the same Sunday at \$42.50 each. Dates for 2011 are: January 2, 16, 23, 30; February 6, 13, 27; March 6, 13, 27; April 3, 10, 17, 24; May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; June 5, 12; July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; August 14, 28; September 4, 11, 18; October 2, 16, 23, 30; November 6, 20, 27; December 4, 11, 18.

**GREAT AMERICA** — All students and their friends entering 6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade this fall are invited to go on the bus trip to Great America on Tuesday, August 3. Get your \$50.00 deposit in to the church office a.s.a.p. as we are limited to 45 seats. Because of the gas situation the total cost of the trip not yet been determined. The cost does includes a sausage or egg McMuffin, \$10.00 for lunch and pizza on the way home. Give your "McMuffin" order when you make your deposit. We will leave early and return home between 10:00 and 11:00 p.m. More information will be given to you as we get closer to our departure time. July 30<sup>th</sup> is the deadline to sign up.

**MIDSUMMER MUSIC** - join the Gravelles for "*A Little Midsummer Night Music*" on Friday, July 23 at 7 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church - 819 First Ave South. The vocal recital features pieces by Mozart, Bernstein, Vivaldi, Brahms, and more. A free will offering will be collected for the Alliance Against Violence & Abuse. A light reception will follow.

## TEE OFF...9th Annual Bishop's Golf Scramble Fundraiser

for Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp  
Monday, September 13, 2010  
Oak Crest Golf Course Norway, MI

- Registration begins at 8 a.m. (CST)
- Shotgun start at 9 a.m. (CST)
- \$60 per person includes 18-holes, cart and lunch
  - Lunch with prizes will follow
- Deadline is September 1, 2010

*Make checks payable to NGLS and mail to:  
First Evangelical Lutheran Church - 1210 S Stephenson Ave.  
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(More information available on the Synod website)*