

Sunday July 11, 2021



BETHESDA LUTHERAN CHURCH OF MALMO

21590 State Highway 47, Isle, MN 56342

Phone: 320-684-2123 (1-877-684-2123) Fax: 320-684-2836

E-mail address: blcmalmo@gmail.com

Church Web Site: blcmalmo.org

Pastor James Muske

320-583-5796

Parish Nurses: Darlene Christensen, RN 218-839-8193

Kathy Berland RN ANP 218-838-6181

Prayer Chain Contacts: Char Berg 320-684-2102 or Darlene Christensen 218-839-8193

Church Secretary: Mary Braun

Ministers: All Members of the Congregation

MISSION STATEMENT

We will LIVE and SERVE through FAITH

we will ACT with LOVE and KINDNESS

we will GIVE hope and SUPPORT to all.

Hearing Assistance is available during the service.

Please notify usher if you would like assistance

Sunday July 11, 2021 - Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

CALL TO WORSHIP: “Sanctuary” CCLI #24140 (on screen)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN: “All of My Life” by Dakota Road CCLI # 2327853 (on screen)
(Please Stand on the Last Verse)

CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

Amen.

Drawn to Christ and seeking God’s abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider,

help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, ✝ the bread of life, you are shown God’s mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God,

from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Please be seated

FIRST READING: Ephesians 1:1-14

¹Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God,
To the saints who are in Ephesus and are faithful in Christ Jesus:
²Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in
Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴just as he chose us in
Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in
love. ⁵He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according
to the good pleasure of his will, ⁶to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely
bestowed on us in the Beloved. ⁷In him we have redemption through his blood,
the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace ⁸that he
lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight ⁹he has made known to us the
mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, ¹⁰as
a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and
things on earth. ¹¹In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been
destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according
to his counsel and will, ¹²so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ,
might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³In him you also, when you had heard the
word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked
with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴this is the pledge of our inheritance
toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God

Please Stand

GOSPEL READING: John 14:25-27

Glory to you, O Lord

²⁵I have said these things to you while I am still with you. ²⁶But the Advocate, the
Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything,
and remind you of all that I have said to you. ²⁷Peace I leave with you; my peace I
give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be
troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: “Blessed Be Your Name” CCLI # 1755602 (on screen)

Please stand if able

APOSTLE’S CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The prayers are prepared locally for each occasion. The following examples may be adapted or used as appropriate.

Let us come before the triune God in prayer.

A brief silence.

Holy parent, you welcome your people into one family and gather all things to yourself. Bestow your grace upon your beloved church, lavish your wisdom upon us, and redeem us from our faults, that by our witness all might praise your glory. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Awesome Creator, you steadfastly tend to the smallest of seeds and the mightiest of sycamore trees. Spring up green growth from the earth, nourish the growth of fruit, grain, and other crops, and bless the work of farmers and laborers. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of the oppressed, turn the ears of those who are in power to the voices of prophets in our own day. Protect those who speak difficult truths when it is risky to do so. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of strength, you are near to those who endure difficulty. Comfort all who are survivors of violence, guard the refugee and the immigrant, and protect all those who are victims of prejudice and discrimination. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of love, we pray for this holy house and all those who worship here. We pray especially for those whose efforts behind the scenes often go unnoticed; for the custodian(s) and maintenance workers, for our office staff, and for all of our volunteers. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We thank you, God, for the saints, martyrs, and prophets who have died in the faith. We remember those in this community who have recently died (especially). United with them as God's children, assure us that we are yours forever. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace.
Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Please be seated for the passing of the offering plate.

OFFERING

Please stand as the ushers bring the offering to the altar.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of all goodness,

generations have turned to you, gathered around your table, and shared your abundant blessings. Number us among them that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance, and give thanks for your rich blessings, we may feast upon your very self and care for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant.

Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER – LED BY THE PRAISE TEAM

Invitation to Communion

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

(Communion will be handed to you, pick up your own cup - red wine; white juice)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Jesus, Bread of life,

we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. Amen.

BLESSING

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ✝ be upon you now and forever.

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: “As You Go On Your Way” (on screen)

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Visitors! It has been great having you join us for worship! Please come again.

THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK

Music: Praise Team

Greeters: Char Berg & Sylvia Tapelt

Ushers: 8:30am 10:00am Barry & Donna Ansell

Hospitality: Chuck & Elsa Carlson, Lee & Barb Forrester

Thank you for your service!

Response to God’s Word Last Week

Attendance: Sunday, July 4, 2021: In Person: 8:30 am 30

10:30 am 10

Online: 8

THIS WEEK AT Bethesda**July 12, 2021 – July 18, 2021**

Monday	7/12	9:00 am	Women's Devotion
		11:30 am	Pinochle
		7:00 pm	AA/Alanon
Tuesday	7/13	9:00 am	Quilters
		5:30 pm	Choir Practice
Wednesday	7/14	9:00 am	Women's Bible Study
Thursday	7/15	8:00 am	ROMEOS
Saturday	7/17	7:30-11 am	Veggie Stand
Sunday	7/18	8:30 am	Worship
		10:00 am	Worship

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER & CARE LIST: Marylyn Hass passed away on Wednesday, Roy Gosselin passed away on Friday & Elsa Carlson was hospitalized.

ATTENDANCE REGISTRY Please sign and pass the attendance registry which you will find in the pew. This information is gathered for annual reports to the Synod.

SIMPLY GIVING make your offering easy and automatic. Pick up a Simply Giving form from the Narthex and have your offering electronically transferred. Never forget your offering envelope at home and never have to write a check again.



JOIN the CHOIR it's CHEAPER THAN THERAPY! New members are welcome and encouraged to join Bethesda's Adult Choir. Practice has begun on Tuesday nights at 5:30 pm. Anyone interested in singing with the choir can just come to practice. Everyone is welcome!

WOMEN'S DEVOTIONS Bible knowledge not required. Women's Devotions and Bible study meets the second Monday of the month at 9:00 in Fellowship Hall using the ELCA Gather magazine. The discussion is always relevant for our daily life and walk with God. Come check it out on July 12.

WELCA MEETING There will be a WELCA meeting on Wednesday, July 21st at 10:00am to discuss the possibility of having a Beef & Corn Feed this year. All women of the church are welcome!

ANNOUNCEMENTS (continued)

VBS We have an online version of VBS information for you to share at home with your little ones. The program is on our website:

<http://blcmalmo.org/2021/06/25/2021-at-home-vbs/>

along with a link from our Facebook page: *Facebook.com/BLCMalmo/*

OR you can pick up packets with worksheets and a CD of music in the office today. One worksheet packet per child and one CD per family.



CLIMB ABOARD FOR....
BIBLE ADVENTURES - CRAFTS
GAMES - MUSIC - SNACKS

ROCKY RAILWAY
JESSE POWERS PULLS US THROUGH

Monday, August 9th - Thursday, August 12th
All kids ages 4 - Entering 6th grade
are welcome to attend!!
(5th & 6th graders will be doing a service learning project.)

Departure Time: 6:00 pm
Return Time: 8:00 pm
DAILY!!

Now accepting
crew members,
call Kim Jones
at 218.380.3636

Watch FLC Facebook pages and
www.flc-aitkin.com for additional
information!!

ALSO, If your family is interested in attending VBS at First Lutheran in Aitkin they have extended an invitation that all are welcome! The dates are

Monday, August 9th – Thursday August 12th from 6:00pm – 8:00pm. Below is an email you can send out to your congregation with all our info!

Registration is online. Book your trip today for Rocky Railway VBS!! Invite your friends and family to join us!! <https://forms.gle/LiwTpVup2fzzE23D6>
Click the link to register!!!

THANK YOU! Thank you for your kind words and cards sent during my brother's illness and passing. A Church Family is a good thing. – Jenny Schuett.