

Sunday, June 15, 2025

The Holy Trinity



BETHESDA LUTHERAN CHURCH OF MALMO

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MISSION STATEMENT

*We will **LIVE** and **SERVE** through **FAITH***

*We will **ACT** with **LOVE** and **KINDNESS***

*We will **GIVE** hope and **SUPPORT** to all.*

*We are a community that is passionate about sharing the love of Jesus Christ,
and we provide as many opportunities as we can to help everyone grow
spiritually, and in loving service to the community and the world.*

We actively seek to lead lives that draw us into a closer relationship with God.

WELCOME ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER & CARE LIST:

COFFEE SERVERS NEEDED Please sign up so we may continue to enjoy coffee & fellowship after service. The signup sheet is on the bulletin board mounted in the Fellowship Hall next to the serving window. If you can't serve, please consider bringing treats for the freezer.

LECTORS NEEDED we are looking for volunteers to read aloud the scriptures on Sunday mornings and Wednesdays during Lent. Sign-up sheets are on the table in the Narthex and include the weekly readings.

CHRISTIAN LADIES AROUND THE LAKE Thursday, June 19th, 12:30pn at Tulibee Tavern in Walkon, Lunch & Speaker \$15.75. See poster on bulletin board in Narthex for more information.

LET'S GO FISHING Three trips are planned for Bethesda this summer.

1. June 26th at 12:30 on Rice Lake.
2. July 17th at 12:30 on Bay Lake.
3. Nature Tour on Aug 27th at 4:30 on Rice Lake.

See sign-up sheets in Narthex heading into the Fellowship Hall to sign up for these trips.

VBS HELP NEEDED As the Vacation Bible School dates of June 16-19 get closer there are ways to help prepare. Check the donation & help wanted board, in the Fellowship Hall, to see if items or help is still needed. **Please plan to stay after coffee today to take down tables and chairs.** See Joanne Stueven if you can help.

LOAVES & FISHES we will be helping out at Loaves & Fishes in Aitkin on Monday, July 7, 2025. Look for sign up sheets later this month.

<u>THIS WEEK AT Bethesda</u>			<u>June 16th, 2025 – June 22nd, 2025</u>
Monday	6/16	9-11:30am	VBS
		1:00 pm	Council Meeting
		7:00 pm	AA/Alanon

Tuesday	6/17	9-11:30am	VBS
		4:00 pm	Bell Practice
Wednesday	6/18	9-11:30am	VBS
Thursday	6/19	9-11:30am	VBS
Sunday	6/22	9:00 am	Sunday Worship in Person & live stream

OPENING HYMN: “Come All You People” **#819 ELW**
(Please rise in body or spirit on the last Verse)



U - ya - i - mo - se, ti - na - ma - te Mwa - ri;
1 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Most High;
2 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Sav - ior;
3 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Spir - it;



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u - ya - i - mo - se Zvi - no.
come now and wor - ship the Lord.
come now and wor - ship the Lord.
come now and wor - ship the Lord.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Amen.

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,

you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.

GREETING

The immeasurable grace upon grace of Christ Jesus,
the boundless mercy and unconditional love of God,
and the abiding unity of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

<h2>SCRIPTURES</h2>

SCRIPTURE READING: Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

¹ Does not wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice?

² On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand;

³ beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries out:

⁴ “To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live.

²² The LORD created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago.

²³ Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth.

²⁴ When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water.

²⁵ Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth—

²⁶ when he had not yet made earth and fields, or the world's first bits of soil.
²⁷ When he established the heavens, I was there, when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,
²⁸ when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep,
²⁹ when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth,
³⁰ then I was beside him, like a master worker; and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always,
³¹ rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race."

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God**

PSALM: Psalm 8

¹ O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!—
² **you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children; you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger.**
³ When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
⁴ **what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them, human beings that you should care for them?**
⁵ Yet you have made them little less than divine; with glory and honor you crown them.
⁶ **You have made them rule over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet:**
⁷ all flocks and cattle, even the wild beasts of the field,
⁸ **the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.**
⁹ O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

SCRIPTURE READING: Romans 5:1-5

¹ Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have obtained access to this grace in

which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³ And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

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GOSPEL: John 16:12-15

This is the story of God's unconditional love flowing down.

Glory to you, O Lord

[Jesus said,] ¹² "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³ When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵ All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

This is the story of grace upon grace that covers us. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Reverend Christina Kadelbach

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Holy Spirit, Truth Divine" #398 ELW



- 1 Ho - ly Spir - it, truth di - vine, dawn up - on this soul of mine;
- 2 Ho - ly Spir - it, love di - vine, glow with - in this heart of mine;
- 3 Ho - ly Spir - it, pow'r di - vine, for - ti - fy this will of mine;
- 4 Ho - ly Spir - it, peace di - vine, still this rest - less heart of mine;
- 5 Ho - ly Spir - it, right di - vine, king with - in my con - science reign;



breath of God and in - ward light, wake my spir - it, clear my sight.
kin - dle ev - 'ry high de - sire; purge me with your ho - ly fire.
by your will I strong - ly live, brave - ly bear, and no - bly strive.
speak to calm this toss - ing sea, stayed in your tran - quil - i - ty.
be my guide, and I shall be firm - ly bound, for - ev - er free.

APOSTLES' 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

Drawn into the embrace of the holy Trinity, we lift our prayers for the wholeness of the church, the world, and all creation.

A brief silence.

Abiding God, your love pours into your whole church, creating faith and bestowing hope. Fill all the baptized with these good gifts in our various callings. Gather your church in every place and expression into the unity of your Spirit. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Creating God, your name is majestic in all the earth, and we are filled with awe at your creation. Renew this planet and all its wonders: springs abounding with water, earth and soil, beasts of the field, birds of the air, and fish of the sea. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Sovereign God, you delight in the whole human race. On this week of Juneteenth, bring an end to racial oppression and heal the wounds of racial trauma. Grant us your wisdom, so that all people, especially those in authority, work for the life and freedom of others. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Compassionate God, your mindful care for us is everlasting. Give peace to all who are troubled, endurance to all who suffer, deliverance to all who are afflicted, and healing to all who are sick (*especially*). God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Living God, your glory appears in our shared life. On this Father's Day, give to all fathers and father figures gentle hearts and strong spirits, heal the wounds in our families, and comfort those for whom this day brings pain. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered either aloud or in your hearts.

Eternal God, your hope does not disappoint. We give you thanks for all who have died in the hope of the resurrection (*especially the Emanuel Nine, martyrs*). Hold us in our grief, and bring us at last to fullness of life in you. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Gather all our prayers in your mercy, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

PEACE

May Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, fill you with unconditional love, mend you with mercy, and grant you perfect peace. **And also with you.**

We are changed by Christ's peace and now we have the holy opportunity to extend that peace to others. Share a sign of Christ's peace with others.

The gathering is seated.

OFFERING

Giving is an act of worship our response to God's goodness and grace. Your gifts support the ministry of Bethesda Lutheran Church and extend God's love into the world. During this time the table is set. For the healing of this world, let us give our tithes and offerings. We invite you to give as you are able.

Ways to Give:

- Place your offering in the plate as it is passed by the ushers.
- Give electronically through Vanco Services. Forms available in the Narthex.
- Use the giving app by scanning the QR code.



- Recurring or one-time online options

<https://app.autobooks.co/pay/bethesda-lutheran-church-of-malmo>

Thank you for your faithful and generous support.

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

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Creator God,

in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

The presiding minister leads the Words of Institution.

The assembly responds together:

This is the mystery of our faith

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The presiding minister offers a prayer over the gifts, inviting the Holy Spirit to bless the bread, the wine, and those who gather.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Holy Communion is a gift of grace, where we receive the presence of Jesus in bread and wine, and are reminded that we are deeply loved.

All who hunger for mercy and hope are welcome at this feast.

Jesus is the host, and the invitation is wide.

The kingdom of God is set before you.

Eat and rejoice.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Mothering God,

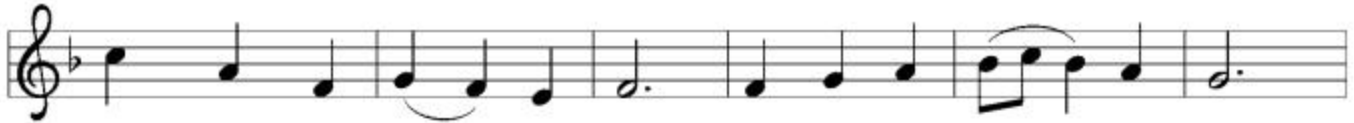
you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. Amen.

BLESSING

The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit ☩ bless you and give you peace.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN: “Come Thou Almighty King” #408 ELW



1 Come, thou al - might - y King, help us thy name to sing;
2 Come, thou in - car - nate Word, mer - ci - ful, might - y Lord;
3 Come, ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred wit - ness bear
4 To thee, great One in Three, e - ter - nal prais - es be



help us to praise; Fa - ther all - glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic -
our prayer at - tend. Come and thy peo - ple bless, and give thy
in this glad hour! Thou who al - might - y art, rule now in
hence ev - er - more! Thy sov - 'reign maj - es - ty may we in



to - ri - ous, come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.
word suc - cess, and let thy righ - teous - ness on us de - scend.
ev - 'ry heart, nev - er from us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r.
glo - ry see, and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

Thanks be to God!

*We're so glad you joined us for worship today
whether in person or online.*

THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK

Ushers: Gary & Brenda Sjerven

Greeters: Larry & Carol Pantsari

Lector: Merrily Jones

Hospitality: Kat & Bob Carlson

Response to God's Word Last Week

Sunday, June 8, 2025: In Person: 9:00am 82 Online: 22