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# BETHESDA LUTHERAN CHURCH OF MALMO

21590 State Highway 47, Isle, MN 56342

October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025

9:00 a.m.

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## Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost



### **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.*

### **Welcome to Bethesda Lutheran Church!**

Whether you are joining us in-person or online, we're glad you're here.

We are a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) and celebrate the work we're able to do together as a denomination (to learn more about the ELCA visit [www.elca.org](http://www.elca.org)).

### **✠ GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE ✠**

**~ The assembly responds together with texts in bold print ~**

*The Friendship Notebook helps us remember that we don't worship alone.  
Please sign it, pass it on, and take a moment to connect with someone around you.*

*We welcome the joyful presence of children in worship.*

*If you need a quieter space, an unstaffed nursery is available down the hallway through the double doors to the left as you exit the sanctuary.*

### **WELCOME**

### **LIFE TOGETHER - ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Find the full list of Life Together announcements near the end of the bulletin.*

### **TEMPLE TALK – HOPE LODGE**

**Jeannine Bruesewitz**



1 My hope is built on noth-ing less than Je-sus' blood and righ-teous-ness;  
 2 Whendark-ness veils his love-ly face, I rest on his un - chang-ing grace;  
 3 His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sus - tain me in the rag - ing flood;  
 4 When he shall come with trum-pet sound, oh, may I then in him be found,



no mer-it of my own I claim, but whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.  
 in ev - 'ry high and storm - y gale my an - chor holds with-in the veil.  
 when all sup-ports are washed a-way, he then is all my hope and stay.  
 clothed in his righ-teous-ness a-lone, re - deemed to stand be - fore the throne!

*Refrain*



On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all oth - er ground is



sink - ing sand, all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

Text: Edward Mote, 1797-1874, alt.  
 Music: THE SOLID ROCK, William B. Bradbury, 1816-1868

*(Please rise in body or spirit on the last Verse)*

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
 our maker, our helper, and our keeper.

**Amen.**

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin  
 in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Merciful and loving God,  
**we are your stiff-necked people.**  
**We trample on the needy.**  
**We grumble about your grace to others.**

**We turn away from the poor.  
Have mercy on us and forgive our sins.  
Rejoice over us as ones who were lost  
and have been found.  
Amen.**

*The presiding minister leads the words of forgiveness.  
(Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful.  
Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners.  
You who were lost have been found.  
In the name of † Jesus, your sins are forgiven!)*  
The gathering responds: **Amen.**

## **GREETING**

The immeasurable grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the rich mercy and love of God, and the unity of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Benevolent, merciful God: **When we are empty, fill us. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. When we are cold in love, warm us, that with fervor we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## **CHOIR ANTHEM: "At His Name"**

### **† HEARING GOD'S WORD †**

#### **SCRIPTURE READING:**

**Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4**

*Injustice and violence in the time leading up to the Babylonian exile move this prophet to lament: How can a good and all-powerful God see evil in the world and seemingly remain indifferent? God answers by proclaiming that the righteous will live by faith.*

<sup>1</sup>The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

<sup>2</sup>O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save?

<sup>3</sup>Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise.

<sup>4</sup>So the law becomes slack, and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous; therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

<sup>2:1</sup>I will stand at my watch post and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me and what he will answer concerning my complaint.

<sup>2</sup>Then the LORD answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it.

<sup>3</sup> For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay.

<sup>4</sup> Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faithfulness.

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

### **PSALM: 37:1-9**

<sup>1</sup> Do not be provoked by evildoers; do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

<sup>2</sup> **For they shall soon wither like the grass, and like the green grass fade away.**

<sup>3</sup> Put your trust in the LORD and do good; dwell in the land and find safe pasture.

<sup>4</sup> **Take delight in the LORD, who shall give you your heart's desire.**

<sup>5</sup> Commit your way to the LORD; put your trust in the LORD, and see what God will do.

<sup>6</sup> **The LORD will make your vindication as clear as the light and the justice of your case like the noonday sun.**

<sup>7</sup> Be still before the LORD and wait patiently. Do not be provoked by the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in evil schemes.

<sup>8</sup> **Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; do not be provoked; it leads only to evil.**

<sup>9</sup> For evildoers shall be cut off, but those who hope in the LORD shall possess the land.

### **SCRIPTURE READING**

#### **2 Timothy 1:1-14**

*This letter written to Timothy is a personal message of encouragement. In the face of hardship and persecution, Timothy is reminded that his faith is a gift of God. He is encouraged to exercise that faith with the help of the Holy Spirit.*

<sup>1</sup> Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

<sup>2</sup> To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

<sup>3</sup> I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. <sup>4</sup> Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. <sup>5</sup> I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. <sup>6</sup> For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands, <sup>7</sup> for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

<sup>8</sup> Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, in the power of God, <sup>9</sup> who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own

purpose and grace, and this grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, <sup>10</sup> but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. <sup>11</sup> For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, <sup>12</sup> and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day the deposit I have entrusted to him. <sup>13</sup> Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>14</sup> Guard the good deposit entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

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

**GOSPEL**

**Luke 17:5-10**

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

**Glory to you, O Lord**

*On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus instructs his followers about the power of faith and the duties of discipleship. He calls his disciples to adopt the attitude of servants whose actions are responses to their identity rather than works seeking reward.*

<sup>5</sup>The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” <sup>6</sup>The Lord replied, “If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you.

<sup>7</sup>“Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, ‘Come here at once and take your place at the table’?

<sup>8</sup>Would you not rather say to him, ‘Prepare supper for me; put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink’? <sup>9</sup>Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? <sup>10</sup>So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, ‘We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!’ ”

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

**SERMON**

Reverend Christina Kadelbach

**SONG OF THE DAY “Great is Thy Faithfulness”**

**ELW #733**

1 Great is thy faith-ful-ness, O God my Fa-ther; there is no  
 2 Sum-mer and win-ter and spring-time and har-vest, sun, moon, and  
 3 Par-don for sin and a peace that en-dur-eth, thine own dear

shad-ow of turn-ing with thee; thou chang-est not, thy com-  
 stars in their cours-es a-bove; join with all na-ture in  
 pres-ence to cheer and to guide; strength for to-day and bright

pas-sions they fail not; as thou hast been, thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
 man - i - fold wit - ness to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.  
 hope for to - mor - row, bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

*Refrain*

Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Morn - ing by  
 morn - ing new mer - cies I see; all I have need - ed thy  
 hand hath pro - vid - ed; great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me.

Text: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1866–1960  
 Music: FAITHFULNESS, William M. Runyan, 1870–1957  
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## ✠ SHARING AND RECEIVING THE GIFTS OF GOD ✠

### 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

*Following each petition the gathering responds:*

God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

### PEACE

May Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, fill you with love,  
 mend you with mercy, and grant you 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.*



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.*

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

Lord of the harvest, **we return to you a portion of what you have given to us.**

**Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches,**

**but on you, who richly provides for us.**

**Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*The presiding minister leads the communion liturgy.*

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.**

## 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.*

Communion Notes:

- Gluten-free wafers are available, please let your server know.
- Alcohol-free juice is located in the center of each tray (lighter in color).
- If you prefer to receive communion at your seat, please inform an usher.
- If you choose not to commune, you are warmly invited to come forward to receive a blessing.

Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them.

Come to this meal of mercy.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

## BLESSING

The God of righteousness,  
who gives justice to the oppressed,  
who gives food to the hungry,  
who sets the prisoners free,  
✠ bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

## SENDING SONG "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing" ELW #545

*YouTube Video - Tim McNabb - Lutheran Church Musician*



1 Lord, dis - miss us with your bless-ing, fill our hearts with joy and peace;  
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion for your gos - pel's joy - ful sound.  
3 Sav - ior, when your love shall call us from our strug - gling pil - grim way,



let us each, your love pos - sess-ing, tri - umph in re - deem-ing grace.  
May the fruits of your sal - va - tion in our hearts and lives a - bound.  
let no fear of death ap - pall us, glad your sum - mons to o - bey.



Oh, re - fresh us; oh, re - fresh us, trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.  
Ev - er faith - ful, ev - er faith - ful to your truth may we be found.  
May we ev - er, may we ev - er reign with you in end - less day.

Text: attr. John Fawcett, 1740–1817, sts. 1–2, alt.; Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, st. 3, alt.

Music: SICILIAN MARINERS, Sicilian, 18th cent.

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Do not lose heart.

**Thanks be to God!**

*We're grateful to have worshiped with you today wherever you are, you are part of this community. Come again, and join us in service, prayer, and fellowship throughout the week.*

*Join us in the Fellowship Hall following worship for coffee, tea, treats, and conversation.*

*It's a wonderful time to connect and we're always grateful for those who help host!*

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## **LIFE TOGETHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Life Together highlights the rhythms of our shared life at Bethesda- upcoming events, ways to connect, serve, and grow in faith together. Take a look at what's happening and join in where you feel called. There's a place for you here!*

**PRAYER & CARE LIST** Teri Carlson, Darlene Meinert, Brenda Sjerven, Judy Stahl, Sherry Whipple

*As a community of faith, we are committed to holding one another in prayer and care. We invite you to pray for those listed here and offer support as you are able. To request prayers for yourself or someone else (with their permission) please contact the church office.*

**COFFEE SERVERS NEEDED** Sharing coffee and treats after worship is one of the ways we care for one another and build community. You're invited to sign up to serve by writing your name on the sheet on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall by the serving window. Not able to serve? Consider bringing treats to stock the freezer. Every contribution helps provide a warm and welcoming space for connection.

**LECTORS NEEDED** Do you enjoy reading scripture? We're looking for lectors for October & November! Sign-up sheets are located on the table in the Narthex and include the weekly readings. Your voice helps bring the Word to life in worship, thank you for considering!

**75<sup>th</sup> BIRTHDAY PARTY** There will be a 75<sup>th</sup> Birthday party for Mary Kramer Long on Saturday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, from 1-4pm, at their new house in Pease, MN. See the bulletin board for address.

**CHRISTIAN LADIES AROUND the LAKE** meeting on Thursday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, 12:30 pm, at Tulibee Tavern in Walkon. Lunch and speaker, \$15.75. Speaker will be a representative of the Mille Lacs County Sheriff's Department speaking on "Avoiding Scammers and Keeping Safe". Call Lois Johnson for reservations, 320 674-0136.

**FLU SHOT CLINIC AT BETHESDA** Aitkin County Health & Human services will provide a flu shot clinic here, tomorrow, Monday, October 6<sup>th</sup> from 1:00pm - 4:00pm. See the posting on the bulletin board for more information and instruction for pre-registration or follow the link below.

<https://aitkincountypublichealth.as.me/schedule/f1e5c91b/appointment/46696990/calendar/8941459>

**BUDGET REQUEST FORMS** are in committee chairperson's "In Boxes" to be completed by November 2, 2025, and returned to the "Stewardship In Box" in the office. All chairpersons have been emailed also.

**HOLIDAY BAZAAR** is scheduled for October 25<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 1 pm. Events include **Cookie Walk** (We are asking each family for donations of 6 dozen holiday cookies for the cookie walk), **Lefse** (Lefse making days are 8 am Monday, Oct. 20 and Tuesday, Oct. 21. Please sign up to work. Recipe and potato granules will be available in October), **Bake Sale Items** (We welcome candies, breads, pies, and all the sweetness you can dream of! There will be 'Caramel Wrapping' on Tuesday, Oct. 21 after lefse), **Crafts** (If you have some crafts you want to donate to the Bazaar,

we welcome them! Items can be dropped off anytime to be priced), **Bazaar Set-up** (Tables will be set up on Thursday, Oct. 23 at 3:30 p.m. Craft/Cookie Walk /Quilt/Bake Sale items will be set up on Friday morning at 8:30 a.m.)

**BETHESDA BAZAAR BUCKS** are a special way to support local charities through our upcoming Holiday Bazaar event. Here's how they work:

- You can purchase Bazaar Bucks in denominations of \$5, \$10, or \$20.
- These Bucks can be spent at our Holiday Bazaar, which is an annual event supporting local charitable causes.
- They're available for purchase at the church office or during Fellowship on Sundays.
- Bazaar Bucks make a thoughtful gift or a way to encourage friends and neighbors to join the festive event while supporting good causes.

It's a wonderful way to spread holiday cheer and give back to the community all at once!

We will also have a \$20 Bazaar Buck giveaway at Fellowship on Sundays prior to Bazaar. Please remember to sign up to win!

**AITKIN COUNTY CARE** is offering a 6-week class starting October 13th called Powerful Tools for Caregivers for anyone who is a caregiver. It will give participants the confidence and support to better care for a loved one and themselves. A light lunch will be served at each session. See the brochure in the narthex for more information.

**READING THE BIBLE** Have you ever closed the Bible and thought, "what did I just read?" Maybe you've tried to read through the Bible but quit when it felt confusing or impersonal. Consider dipping your toe in the pool by reading through the New Testament with Pastor Christina beginning October 1. Email [BLCBibleRead@gmail.com](mailto:BLCBibleRead@gmail.com) if you are interested or want more information. The following are meeting dates for the BLC Bible Read of the New Testament. They are optional group discussions led primarily by Pastor. In person will happen the first Monday of each month from 3-4 pm on October 6, November 3, December 1, 2025. Virtual events will happen on the third Monday of each month from 7-8 pm on October 20, November 17, December 15, 2025. Email [BLCBibleRead@gmail.com](mailto:BLCBibleRead@gmail.com) if you are interested or want more information.

**PARKING NOTICE** To those using our lot as a carpool meet-up spot: please park along the outer edge near the pollinator sanctuary. This helps keep the lot clear in case emergency access is needed for a medical helicopter landing.

**NAME TAGS HELP US CONNECT** Wearing a name tag is a simple and meaningful way to help us learn each other's names and grow in community. Please remember to wear your reusable name tag each Sunday. Guest name tags are available near the guest book by the main entrance doors.

**PASTORAL CARE** We care about you! If you are hospitalized, going through a difficult time, or in need of support, please don't hesitate to reach out. Contact Pastor Christina or one of our parish nurses, Darlene or Kathy- we're here for you.

**WELCOME GIFTS** As a small gesture of hospitality, we offer a Bethesda mug to guests who join us for worship. If you're visiting today, we're glad you're here please take one as our gift to you!

## RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD LAST WEEK

Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025:

In Person:  50  Online:  21

## THIS WEEK AT BETHESDA

### Monday, October 6<sup>th</sup>

9:00 am Crafters  
11:30 am Pinochle  
1-4 pm Flu Shot Clinic  
3-4 pm New Testament Bible Read (in person)  
7:00 pm AA/Alanon

### Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>

9:00 am Chair Yoga  
4:00 pm Bell Practice  
5:30 pm Choir Practice  
6:30 pm Praise Team Practice

### Wednesday, October 8<sup>th</sup>

9:00 am Women's Bible Study

### Thursday, October 9<sup>th</sup>

8:00 am ROMEOs (Retired Old Men Eating Out)  
9:15 am Chair Yoga

### Sunday, October 12<sup>th</sup>

9:00 am Worship in Person and live stream

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**Music Specialist & Sound Technician:** Jim Christensen

**Choir Director:** Teri Carlson

**Hand Bell Choir Director:** Donna Myhre

**October Altar Care:** Elsa Carlson and Barb Forrester

### Serving this week, October 5<sup>th</sup>:

**Music:** Adult Choir

**Ushers:** Julie Swaggert / Dennis Hennessy

**Greeters:** Sherry Whipple & Winnie Zahradka

**Lector:** Mary Vukelich

**Hospitality:** Carol & Larry Pantsari

**Those serving on October 12<sup>th</sup>:**

**Ushers:** Lee & Barb Forrester

**Greeters:** Bob & Kat Carlson

**Lector:** Merrily Jones

**Hospitality:**

# BETHESDA PATHFINDERS

*Faith-Based Hiking Group | Growing  
Together in Spirit and Strength*



**Mission:**

To grow spiritually, physically, and socially while embracing the beauty of God's creation.

**Who we are:**

Bethesda Pathfinders is a community of nature lovers united by faith, adventure, and fellowship. Whether you're a seasoned trekker or just beginning your journey, our group welcomes all who seek connection — with God, with nature, and with one another.

**What we plan to do:**

- Explore off-the-beaten paths and hidden gems in God's great outdoors
- Foster meaningful friendships and spiritual growth through shared experiences
- Promote physical fitness and mental well-being through regular hikes and nature walks
- Discover scenic trails and moments of awe that remind us of divine wonder

**Join Us:**

We will use the "GroupMe" app to communicate with the group to organize hikes, walks, etc. Find the app or scan the QR code and set up your free account. GroupMe is similar to text messages, but it will only be with this group. Anyone can then send a message to the group to suggest an activity. Example: "Judie is looking to hike at Kelly's Garden at Clear Lake on Friday at 9 am. Anyone interested, meet at Kelly's." People can then respond that they will meet up ... it's not necessary to say you're not coming. It's a great tool to communicate within this group. Please share this with your friends and neighbors that may want to join us!

***"Step into nature. Step into community. Step into purpose."***

