

8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

July 23, 2023

# Welcome to Bethel! We're glad you're here!

8<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST • JULY 23<sup>RD</sup>, 2023



## All Are Welcome!

Your presence is important to us – we are not complete without you. We mean it when we say “all are welcome” – no matter where you are on your faith journey or how you identify.

We firmly believe that there is no age limit in GOD's house. Young or old, you are an essential part of our worship community.

Families with young children are encouraged to sit near the front of the sanctuary so children can see what is happening. Parents and other near-by adults can help developing readers follow along with the congregation and the printed Order of Worship. Be patient with our children as they learn to participate in the rituals of worship. Celebrate as they learn to help with various aspects of worship leadership. Small gestures can go a long way.

## Some Practical Visitor Info

If you need a restroom, you have two options. In the sanctuary building, you will find the restroom through the side door near the piano. You can also access it by going outside through the main entrance and re-entering the building near the offices by using the door located under the bell tower. The restroom will be to your left.

If you need an accessible restroom or a baby changing table, you can find that in our back building. Go through the iron gate at the rear of our patio on the left of the sanctuary. As you enter that back building the restroom is immediately to your left.

## Prayer Requests

Paper is available as you enter for you to write prayer requests on. Return the paper to an usher no later than during the Hymn of the Day. The reader will include it during the Prayers of the People. It is our hope that this will help all those in worship hear the prayers.



Wednesday, July 26<sup>th</sup> @ 4:00pm

Little Lutherans Swim Party

Ms. Lisa's Pool in Rocklin  
Dinner Provided

Sunday, July 30<sup>th</sup> @ Worship

Blessing of the Backpacks

Get a special blessing and gift as you head off to school – bring backpack or other school bag!

Sunday, July 30<sup>th</sup> @4:00pm

Congregation Pool Party

Herlockers' Pool in Rocklin  
Dinner & Drinks Provided  
Sign-up Sheet in Back of Sanctuary

Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> after Worship

God's Work Our Hands Sunday

Partnering with Lutheran Church of the Resurrection to pack lunches and collect food for several local organizations. More details soon.

Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup> @6:30pm

FREE Concert Event

Lyrical Word (Tyra Dennis & Joe Davis)  
Offering Collected for Lutheran Social Services  
Ice Cream Social to Follow  
More Details Soon

*Introduction to the day:* It is an age-old question: why is there evil in the world? In the parable of the wheat and the weeds Jesus suggests that both grow together until the harvest. With Paul, we long for the day that all creation will be set free from bondage and suffering. Having both weeds and wheat within us, we humbly place our hope in the promises of God, and from the Lord's table we go forth to bear the fruit of justice and mercy.

## **GATHERING**

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the diverse people of God.*

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### **OPENING SONG/PRELUDE**

*Today is the Day*

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*(sung by Wing & A Prayer only)*

### **WELCOME**

*The congregation is invited to stand as they are able and to face the baptismal font.*

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,  
who greets us in this and every season,  
whose word never fails,  
whose promise is sure.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God  
and of our neighbors.

Merciful God,

**we confess that we have sinned.**

**We have hurt our community.**

**We have squandered your blessings.**

**We have hoarded your bounty.**

**In the name of Jesus,**

**forgive us and grant us your mercy.**

Righteous God,

**we confess that we have sinned.**

**We have failed to be honest.**

**We have lacked the courage to speak.**

**We have spoken falsely.**

**In the name of Jesus,**

**forgive us and grant us your mercy.**

God is a cup of cold water when we thirst.

God offers boundless grace when we fail.

Claim the gift of God's mercy:

you are freed and forgiven

in the name of ✠ Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

*Please remain standing and turn to face the altar as you are able.*

**GATHERING SONG**

**VERSE**

♩ = 121

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D2



You make me want to be like You; Your ho - li - ness I will pur - sue;



I want the heart of Je - sus; Show me the mean-

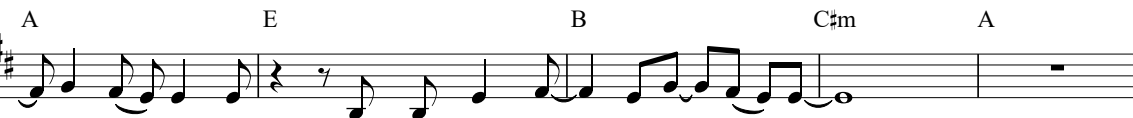


ing of Your grace; I want to give the world a taste of the love of Je -

**CHORUS**



sus. Make me salt, make me light; Let Your ho -



ly fire ig - nite; Re - veal Your glo - ry in my life;



I am not a - shamed to lift up Your ho - ly name; Make me salt,

**INSTRUMENTAL**



make me light.



**BRIDGE**

41 2  
 A E D E D  
 Set me as a cit - y on a hill, a lamp on a stand;

46 A B C#m D2  
 Mold me in Your im - age, the work of Your hand.

**CHORUS**

E B C#m A  
 Make me salt, make me light; Let Your ho - ly fire ig - nite;

55 E B C#m A E  
 Re - veal Your glo - ry in my life; I am not

60 B C#m A E  
 a - shamed to lift up Your ho - ly name; Make me salt,

**ENDING**

64 B C#m A B A E  
 make me light.

70 D2 C#m A E  
 (Musical notation continues)

**GREETING** (ELW p. 138)

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**

*Kyrie*

©Kent Alleluia Liturgy

*Leader*

In peace, let us pray  
to the Lord

CONGREGATION

1  
Lord. have mer cy,  
2  
Christ have mer - cy,  
3  
Lord have mer - cy.

*Leader*

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

5 CONGREGATION

5  
Lord\_ have mer- cy,  
6  
Christ have mer - cy,  
7  
Lord have mer - cy.

*Leader*

For peace in the world,  
for the health of God's church,  
and for all unity, let us pray  
to the Lord

9 CONGREGATION

9  
Lord\_ have mer- cy,  
10  
Christ have mer - cy,  
11  
Lord have mer - cy.

*Leader*

For this holy house,  
and we who offer praise, let us pray  
to the Lord

12 CONGREGATION

12  
Lord\_ have mer cy,  
13  
Christ have mer - cy,  
14  
Lord have mer - cy.

*Leader*

Help, save, comfort and defend us,  
gracious Lord

17 CONGREGATION

17  
Lord. have mer- cy,  
18  
Christ have mer - cy,  
19  
A - - - - men

**HYMN OF PRAISE**

*This Is the Feast*

Kent Alleluia Liturgy

Music & Lyrics on next page

This is the feast of vic-tor-y  
 Feast of vic-tory for our God.  
 This is the feast of vic-tor-y  
 Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia  
 Wor- thy is the  
 Lamb who was slain  
 His blood to set us free  
 Peo-ple of God to serve the Lord  
 Serve the Lord for e-ver.  
 Po-wer, rich-es,  
 wis-dom, strength  
 Hon-or, bless-ing, glo-ry

All be-long to God on high.  
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!  
 This is the feast of vic-tor-y  
 Feast of vic-tory for our God.

This is the feast of vic-tor-y  
 Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia  
 Sing with all God's  
 ho-ly peo-ple  
 Join the hy-mn of  
 all cre-a-tion  
 Bless-ing, hon-or,  
 glo-ry, mi-ght  
 Be to God and the  
 Lamb for-ev-er  
 A-men! A-men!

This is the feast of vic-tor-y  
 Feast of vic-tory for our God.  
 For the Lamb who once was slain  
 Has be-gun his reign forev-er.  
 A - - - - - men!

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

(ELW p. 142)

Let us pray.

Faithful God, most merciful judge, you care for your children with firmness and compassion. By your Spirit nurture us who live in your kingdom, that we may be rooted in the way of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

*Please be seated*



# WORD

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

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## **FIRST READING:** Isaiah 44:6-8 (Loraine Anderson)

*There are no other gods besides God: the word of the LORD does not fail to come to pass. We can trust in God, through whom Israel—and we—are redeemed.*

*A reading from Isaiah.*

<sup>6</sup>Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel,  
and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts:  
I am the first and I am the last;  
besides me there is no god.  
<sup>7</sup>Who is like me? Let them proclaim it,  
let them declare and set it forth before me.  
Who has announced from of old the things to come?  
Let them tell us what is yet to be.  
<sup>8</sup>Do not fear, or be afraid;  
have I not told you from of old and declared it?  
You are my witnesses!  
Is there any god besides me?  
There is no other rock; I know not one.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **PSALM:** Psalm 86:11-17 (Loraine Anderson)

<sup>11</sup>Teach me your way, O LORD, and I will walk in your truth;  
give me an undivided heart to revere your name.  
<sup>12</sup>**I will thank you, O Lord my God, with all my heart, and glorify your name forevermore.**  
<sup>13</sup>For great is your love toward me; you have delivered me from the pit of death.  
<sup>14</sup>**The arrogant rise up against me, O God, and a band of violent people seeks my life;  
they have not set you before their eyes.**  
<sup>15</sup>But you, O Lord, are gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger, and full of kindness and truth.  
<sup>16</sup>**Turn to me and have mercy on me;  
give your strength to your servant, and save the child of your handmaid.**  
<sup>17</sup>**Show me a sign of your favor, so that those who hate me may see it and be put to shame;  
because you, LORD, have helped me and comforted me.**

## **SECOND READING:** Romans 8:12-25 (Loraine Anderson)

*For Paul, true spirituality means that we experience the reality of the Spirit, which enables us to pray as God's children, keeps us in solidarity with creation, and gives us unseen hope that God will liberate us and creation from bondage to death and decay.*

*A reading from Romans.*

<sup>12</sup>So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—<sup>13</sup>for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. <sup>14</sup>For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. <sup>15</sup>For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we

cry, “Abba! Father!” <sup>16</sup>it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup>and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

<sup>18</sup>I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. <sup>19</sup>For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; <sup>20</sup>for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope <sup>21</sup>that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. <sup>22</sup>We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; <sup>23</sup>and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. <sup>24</sup>For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? <sup>25</sup>But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **KIDS' MESSAGE**

(Lisa Herlocker)

*The congregation is invited to stand as they are able to welcome the Gospel.*

**GOSPEL:** Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43 (Pr. Carolyn Brodt)

*Jesus tells a parable about the coexistence of good and evil in this world. God's judgment will remove all evildoers and causes of sin, but not until the end of human history.*

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>24</sup>[Jesus] put before [the crowds] another parable: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field;<sup>25</sup> but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. <sup>26</sup>So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. <sup>27</sup>And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?’ <sup>28</sup>He answered, ‘An enemy has done this.’ The slaves said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’ <sup>29</sup>But he replied, ‘No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. <sup>30</sup>Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’”

<sup>36</sup>Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” <sup>37</sup>He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; <sup>38</sup>the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, <sup>39</sup>and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. <sup>40</sup>Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. <sup>41</sup>The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, <sup>42</sup>and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. <sup>43</sup>Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!”

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated*

# SERMON (Pr. Carolyn Brodt)

*The congregation is invited to stand as they are able*

## HYMN OF THE DAY *On Eagle's Wings* (ELW 787)

Leader or All

1 You who dwell in the shel-ter of the Lord, who a-bide in this shad-ow for life,

say to the Lord: "My ref - uge, my rock in whom I trust!"

Refrain  
All

And he will raise you up on ea-gle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn,

make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.

Leader or All

2 The snare of the fowl-er will nev-er cap-ture you, and fam-ine will bring you no

fear; un - der God's wings your ref-uge, with faith-ful-ness your shield.

Leader or All

3 You need not fear the ter-ror of the night, nor the ar-row that flies by

Refrain

day; though thou-sands fall a - bout you, near you it shall not come.

Leader or All  
3

4 For to the an-gels God's giv-en a com-mand to

guard you in all of your ways; up-on their hands they will

bear you up, lest you dash your foot a-gainst a stone.

*Final refrain*  
All

And he will raise you up on ea-gle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn,

make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.

And hold you, hold you in the palm of his hand.

## CREED

Let us join with Christians throughout the world this Pentecost Season and confess our shared faith using the words of the 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.**

*Please be seated*

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION** (Loraine Anderson)

Confident that God receives our joys and concerns, let us offer our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of creation.

O God, you call your church to announce the gospel of reconciliation and truth both near and far. Guide your church as it seeks your wisdom and shares it, trusting your Spirit bearing witness among us. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

You brought forth all creation and called it good. Direct policymakers to protect lands and seas. Bring rain to sun-parched fields and protect areas impacted by natural disasters (*especially*). Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

You desire peace among nations and peoples. Guard our neighborhoods from hatred, watch over police officers and firefighters, and teach us to advocate for those who live in fear. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

You are gracious and merciful, comforting those who suffer any affliction (*especially*). Sustain your people living with HIV/ AIDS, provide shelter for all who are unhoused, and release any who are unjustly imprisoned. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

You name each of us as your children. Guide our hospitality ministry to welcome all, our education ministry to equip us for faithful living, and our social ministry to enact the gospel in our community. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

You send faithful people to proclaim freedom from bondage and to renew your church. Encourage us by the witness of the faithful departed, so that we live into that same hope. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

*Prayer requests provided by congregation members to be added here by reader.*

Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, in the name of the one who reconciled all creation to himself, Jesus Christ our Savior.

**Amen.**

### **PEACE (ELW p. 143)**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

## **MEAL**

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

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## **OFFERING**

We acknowledge that all we have is a gift from God and in gratefulness we return to God a portion of the time, finances, and gifts that God has given us. Thank you so much for your continued support.

*The congregation is invited to stand for the song as offerings are brought to altar.*

## OFFERING SONG

*Let the Vineyards be Fruitful*

(ELW 184)



Let the vine - yards be  
fruit - ful O Lord;  
Fill to the brim our cup of bless - ing.  
Ga - ther a har - vest from the  
seeds that were sown, That  
we may be fed with the  
bread of life. Ga - ther the  
hopes and dreams of all;



U - nite them with the prayers we  
off - er. Grace our ta - ble  
with your pre - sence O Lord  
And give us a taste of the  
feast to come.



## OFFERING PRAYER

God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer, in the harmonious world of your creation, the plants and animals, the seas and stars were whole and well in your praise.

When sin had scarred the world, you sent your Son to heal our ills and to form us again into one.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his acts of healing, his body given up, and his victory over death, we await that day when all the peoples of the earth will come to the river to enjoy the tree of life.

Send your Spirit upon us and this meal: as grains scattered on the hillside become one bread, so let your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth, that all may be fed with the Bread of life, your Son. Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

**Amen**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us using the language of our hearts. **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**

All people are called to Christ's table.  
Come, eat what is good.

*All are welcome to join in our communion celebration.  
Please have a seat and follow the directions of Pastor Carolyn and the usher.*

## **COMMUNION** (ELW p. 146)

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

We thank you, generous God,  
for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table.  
Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world,  
through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen**

*The congregation is invited to stand as they are able*

# SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

## BLESSING

The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed ✝ bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age.

Amen.

## SENDING SONG

*Who You Say I Am* ©Fielding/Morgan

### VERSE

♩ = 58 G5 Em D G5



1. Who am I that the high - est King would wel - come me.  
2. Free at last, He has ran - somed me, His grace runs deep.


5 Em D C Em D C



I was lost but He brought me in. Oh, His love for me. Oh, His love for me. Who the  
While I was a slave to sin, Je - sus died for me. Yes, He died for me.

### CHORUS 1 & 2

G D Em D C G



Son sets free, oh is free in - deed. I'm a child of God, yes I am.


18 1 2 G D Em D



In my Fa - ther's house there's a place for me. I'm a child of

### BRIDGE

25 C G Em D/F# G



God, yes I am. I am cho - sen, not for - sak - en. I am who You say I am.



31 C Em D/F# G C C 1, 3, 4 2, 5

You are for me, not a - gainst me. I am who You say I am. I am (Oh) I

**CHORUS 2**

37 Em D/F# C G D *Last time to Coda*  $\text{\textcircled{C}}$

am who You say I am. Who the Son sets free, oh is free in - deed. I'm a  
Fa - ther's house there's a place for me. I'm a

43 Em D C 1, 2 G 3 G

child of God, yes I am. In my am.  
child of God, yes I am.

**INSTRUMENTAL**

Em D/F# G C C *D.S. al Coda*

I am

54 C  $\text{\textcircled{C}}$  *Coda*

Yes, I

**CHORUS 2**

55 Em D/F# C G D

am who You say I am. Who the Son sets free, oh is free in -  
Fa - ther's house there's a place for

61 Em D C 1 G 2 G

deed. I'm a child of God, yes I am. In my am. —  
me. I'm a child of God, yes I

*Please be seated.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*After **brief announcements** related to the ministry of Bethel are shared from the podium **microphone**, the congregation is invited to stand and face the font.*

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the harvest.  
**Thanks be to God and we will.**



## Finance Update

To meet our 2023 Operating Expenses each month, Bethel needs **\$6968**

### Giving in July

7/2 = \$2140

7/9 = \$2098

7/16 = \$1017

7/23 = \$

7/30 = \$

Total for Month = **\$5255**

**TOTAL for June = \$4,188**

Thanks for your ongoing support of  
Bethel's Ministries!



### Consider Online Giving

Sign up for Online Giving at our website, [bethelroseville.org](http://bethelroseville.org)

If you prefer to give by traditional check, please mail it into the church office at 1050 Douglas Blvd., Roseville CA 95678 or drop it into the basket during worship.

Use the QR code below to access e-giving from your phone



## "Noisy Offering!"

Encouraging the participation of our youngest members in worship is important to us. When they help collect the offering each week, they may be confused when folks don't drop something in the basket. So, please consider dropping a little spare change into the basket when it comes your way as a "noisy offering." With advice from Servant Team and congregation input, this "noisy offering" will be donated to a local charity.

The total collected from January through June was \$156.50. Let Pastor Carolyn know where you think we should donate it. ☺

## Today's Worship Team

**Usher:** Mike & Loraine Anderson

**Reader:** Loraine Anderson

**Sound:** Rick Mendonsa/ Vince Neill

**Zoom:** Jeff Dodge/Scott Larson

**Altar Guild:** Loraine Anderson

**Kids Message:** Lisa Herlocker

**Musician:** Wing and a Prayer

## Next Week's Worship Team

**Usher:** Jeff & Lan Dodge

**Reader:** Jeff Dodge

**Sound:** Rick Mendonsa/ Vince Neill

**Zoom:** Jeff Dodge/Scott Larson

**Altar Guild:** Loraine Anderson

**Kids Message:** Pr. Carolyn Brodt

**Musician:** Audrey Gale



July 1 - Linda Dunn

July 6 - Sofie Svenman

July 7 - Bob Swanson

July 20 - Terri Larson

*Blessings to all of our July Birthdays.  
Please let us know if we've accidentally left  
anyone off this list!*

### Contact Pastor Carolyn

Contact Pr. Carolyn first to double-check her office hours. She is available Tuesday - Thursday most weeks.

[pastor@bethelroseville.org](mailto:pastor@bethelroseville.org)  
916-781-3333 (office)

## Upcoming Scripture Readings

Next Sunday, July 30<sup>th</sup>

9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

- 1 Kings 3:5-12
- Psalm 119:129-136
- Romans 8:26-39
- Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

# Welcome to Bethel Lutheran Church

*Following the example set by Jesus Christ and being mindful of our Lutheran heritage of acceptance through God's grace, we welcome all to God's table. We invite all who are seeking God's love and grace to join us in worship and fellowship. We welcome all because God welcomes all, knowing that God's love is all-inclusive and stronger than any pressure to conform to the labels this world gives us.*

*We commit to providing a safe and welcoming place for people of any age, ethnic or national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, or relationship status. We welcome and love all no matter their socio-economic circumstances, outward appearance, immigration status, political affiliation, or anything that could seemingly divide us. The nature and extent of one's addictions, physical and mental health, or criminal history have no bearing on our commitment to welcome all.*

*We affirm today, tomorrow, and for all of our days, that we will intentionally strive to live as people of faith, people of compassion, people of love, and people of grace.  
We invite you to come as you are to Meet, Pray, & Love together.*

In the Season of Pentecost, we celebrate that the Holy Spirit abides in and among us.

We give thanks that God speaks to each of us, no matter our origins, language, or life path. Filled with the Spirit, we go out from worship to share God's love and grace among the vulnerable of our world.

No matter where you are on your faith journey, we invite you to explore with us.  
Welcome.

**Worship Gathering at 9:00am each Sunday  
Sunday School for All Ages at 10:15am (Sept - May)**



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*Bethel is located on the original and ancestral homelands of the Nisenan people, and we give thanks for their presence here since time immemorial. We also wish to recognize and honor our Indigenous siblings who have and continue to call this land their home.*

