PRAYER OF THE DAY:

O God, the strength of those who hope in you; Be present and hear our prayers, and because in the weakness of our mortal nature we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, so that in keeping your commandments, we may please you in will and deed; through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

First Reading: Genesis 3:8-15

⁸They heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. 9But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" ¹⁰He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." 11He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" ¹²The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." ¹³Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." ¹⁴The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. ¹⁵I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel."

Psalm: Psalm 130

¹Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD.

²Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

³If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?

⁴But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.

⁵I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;

⁶my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.

⁷O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.

⁸It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:13---5:1

¹³But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, ¹⁴because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. ¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this slight

momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, ¹⁸because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. 5For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Gospel: Mark 3:20-35

²⁰and the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. ²¹When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." ²²And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." ²³And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. ²⁷But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered. 28" Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; ²⁹but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"— ³⁰ for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit." ³¹Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. ³²A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." ³³And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" ³⁴And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! ³⁵Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

THIS WEEK AT BETHANY

Today: June 9th Sunday: June 16th

3rd Sunday after Pentecost 4th Sunday after Pentecost 9:30-Worship 9:30-Worship w/ Communion

10:30-Coffee Fellowship 10:30-Communion 6:00-Bethany Prayer Group 3:00-4-H Club Mtg

Monday/Tuesday June 10-11 6:00-Bethany Prayer Group

IMD Pastors/Lay Ministers

Retreat~ Best Western Clear Lake

Tuesday: June 11th 8:30-Prayer Group 9:30-Tuesday Coffee @ BLC

Wednesday: June 12th 7:00-Council Meeting

Prayer Concerns: Bethany Lutheran Church members, nursing home residents, Iowa storm victims, those suffering any illness, Velma Woodke, Pastor John Mayer, Gina Ehlers, Pete Runneberg, Elizabeth Dunbar, Monica Isom, Don Ehlers, Lisa Anderson, Ely Kleszczelski, Bill Alexander, Eli Honer, Dorothy Sandvig, Pastor James Puotyual, Carol Schmidt, Gloria Bell, Cenon Zarzoso, Helen Dodge, Patricia Bentsen. Our youth, parents & teachers, our military & missionaries.

Lectors: Pat Boughey

Ushers: June 9th -Myra Reese & Vicki Fontenot

June 16th-Jean Swanson & Tammy Oxenreider

Acolytes: Bethany Youth

Weekly Budget Needs: \$2817.00

Faith Promise \$1210.00 Worship 30

Birthdays: June 9-Cindy Seward; 10-Bill Alexander; 15-

Jon Hawley

Anniversaries: June 14-Kelly & Dawn Gordon

An asterisk (*) indicates when to stand (as able)

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^{***}Please note that the blue CH (Celebration Hymnal) is located under the pew in front of you.

Altar Flowers: