

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, our defender, storms rage about us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver you sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us all from unbelief; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

FIRST READING: Job 38:1-11

38 Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind:
2 ‘Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? 3 Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me. 4 ‘Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. 5 Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? 6 On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone 7 when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy? 8 ‘Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb?— 9 when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band, 10 and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors, 11 and said, “Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped”?’

PSALM: Psalm 124

1 If it had not been the LORD who was on our side—let Israel now say—

2 **if it had not been the LORD who was on our side, when our enemies attacked us,**

3 then they would have swallowed us up alive, when their anger was kindled against us;

4 **then the flood would have swept us away, the torrent would have gone over us;**

5 then over us would have gone the raging waters.

6 **Blessed be the LORD, who has not given us as prey to their teeth.**

7 We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowlers; the snare is broken, and we have escaped.

8 **Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.**

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

6 As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. 2 For he says, ‘At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you.’ See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! 3 We are putting no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, 4 but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, 5 beatings, imprisonments, riots, labours, sleepless nights, hunger; 6 by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, 7 truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; 8 in honour and dishonour, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; 9 as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; 10 as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet

possessing everything. 11 We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. 12 There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. 13 In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

GOSPEL: Mark 4:35-41

35 On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, ‘Let us go across to the other side.’ 36 And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. 37 A great gale arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. 38 But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, ‘Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?’ 39 He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, ‘Peace! Be still!’ Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. 40 He said to them, ‘Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?’ 41 And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, ‘Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?’

THIS WEEK AT BETHANY

Today: June 23rd

5th Sunday after Pentecost

9:30-Worship

10:30-Coffee Fellowship

4:00-Laurens Care Center Svc

6:00-Bethany Prayer Group

Tuesday: June 25th

8:30-Prayer Group

9:30-Tuesday Coffee @ BLC

Thursday: June 27th

2:30-5:30-Blood Drive @ UMC

Sunday: June 30th

6th Sunday after Pentecost

9:30-Worship

10:30-Coffee Fellowship

6:00-Bethany Prayer Group

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: Rich Ehlers

Ushers: June 23rd Myles & Shirley Pedersen

June 30th -Tom & Rhonda Shewell

Acolytes: Bethany Youth

Weekly Budget Needs: \$2817.00

Faith Promise: (6/9 & 6/16) \$2285.00 Worship 6/9-28 & 6/16 30

Special Offering \$315.00

Birthdays: June 24 James Hodgell; June 27-Liz

Klappenbach;

Anniversaries: June 24-John & Dawn Jamison; June 27-Jim & Kelly Van Sickle

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

Altar Flowers:

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

ORDER OF THE SERVICE

PRELUDE/ RINGING OF THE BELL /

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP OF PRAYER & MEDITATION

*CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS P.56

*HYMN *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* **LBW 543**

*GREETING P.57

*KYRIE P.57

*HYMN OF PRAISE P.59

*PRAYER OF THE DAY *(bulletin-in unison)*

MEDITATION ON GOD'S WORD

FIRST READING: Job 38:1-11

PSALM: Psalm 124 *(bulletin – responsively)*

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

*ALLELUIA VERSE P.62

***THE HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 4:35-41**

*GOSPEL RESPONSES P.63

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

HYMN *Eternal Father, Strong to Save* **LBW 467**

APOSTLES' CREED P.65

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

OFFERING/ Processional **"Offertory Psalm"** P.75

*OFFERTORY P.75

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Leader: ...Lord in your mercy

Response: Hear our prayer.

***THE LORD'S PRAYER** **CH 631**

OUR SENDING

*BENEDICTION P.76

*HYMN *Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me* **LBW 333**

*DISMISSAL

.....



June 23, 2024
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

**WORSHIP, LOVE, ACCEPT
TOGETHER IN CHRIST'S NAME**

213 S. Harrison, PO Box 151

Laurens, IA 50554

Ph. 712-841-2181

Email: bethanyalc@gmail.com

Pastor David Klappenbach

Cell 419-603-8350 Home 712-841-2532

Shirley McKiernan, Organist

Website: www.bethanylutheran-laurens.org

To our visitors! Welcome to our Sunday Service. We are happy to have you sharing in our worship service and ask for the opportunity to meet you. We invite you to complete the visitor card in front of you and give to an usher. Please come again!

We are a
Christ-Centered
Mission-Driven
Traditionally-Grounded
Congationally-Focused
Church