

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**Almighty and everlasting God, ruler of heaven and earth. Hear our prayer and give us your peace, now and forever; through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.**

### **FIRST READING: Genesis 9:8-17**

<sup>8</sup>Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, <sup>9</sup>“As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, <sup>10</sup>and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. <sup>11</sup>I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” <sup>12</sup>God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: <sup>13</sup>I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. <sup>14</sup>When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, <sup>15</sup>I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. <sup>16</sup>When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” <sup>17</sup>God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

### **PSALM: Psalm 136:1-9**

<sup>1</sup>O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

<sup>2</sup>**O give thanks to the God of gods, for his steadfast love endures forever.**

<sup>3</sup>O give thanks to the Lord of lords, for his steadfast love endures forever;

<sup>4</sup>**who alone does great wonders, for his steadfast love endures forever;**

<sup>5</sup>who by understanding made the heavens, for his steadfast love endures forever;

<sup>6</sup>**who spread out the earth on the waters, for his steadfast love endures forever;**

<sup>7</sup>who made the great lights, for his steadfast love endures forever;

<sup>8</sup>**the sun to rule over the day, for his steadfast love endures forever;**

<sup>9</sup>the moon and stars to rule over the night, for his steadfast love endures forever;

### **SECOND READING: Ephesians 3:14-21**

<sup>14</sup>For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, <sup>15</sup>from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. <sup>16</sup>I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, <sup>17</sup>and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. <sup>18</sup>I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, <sup>19</sup>and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be

filled with all the fullness of God. <sup>20</sup>Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, <sup>21</sup>to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

### **GOSPEL: Mark 6:45-56**

<sup>45</sup>Immediately he made his disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. <sup>46</sup>After saying farewell to them, he went up on the mountain to pray. <sup>47</sup>When evening came, the boat was out on the sea, and he was alone on the land. <sup>48</sup>When he saw that they were straining at the oars against an adverse wind, he came towards them early in the morning, walking on the sea. He intended to pass them by. <sup>49</sup>But when they saw him walking on the sea, they thought it was a ghost and cried out; <sup>50</sup>for they all saw him and were terrified. But immediately he spoke to them and said, “Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.” <sup>51</sup>Then he got into the boat with them and the wind ceased. And they were utterly astounded, <sup>52</sup>for they did not understand about the loaves, but their hearts were hardened. <sup>53</sup>When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. <sup>54</sup>When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, <sup>55</sup>and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. <sup>56</sup>And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

## THIS WEEK AT BETHANY

Today: July 28th  
10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

9:30-Worshipw

10:30-Coffee Fellowship

6:00-Bethany Prayer Group

**Tuesday: July 30<sup>th</sup>**

8:30-Prayer Group

9:30-Tuesday Coffee @ BLC

**Saturday: August 3<sup>rd</sup>**

8:00-Mens Group

Sunday: August 4<sup>th</sup>

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

9:30-Worship w/Communion

10:30-Coffee Fellowship

6:00-Bethany Prayer Group

**Prayer Concerns:** Bethany Lutheran Church members, nursing home residents, Iowa Flood victims, those suffering any illness, Desiree Welty, Roberta Baker, Velma Woodke, Pastor John Mayer, Pete Runneberg, Elizabeth Dunbar, Monica Isom, Don Ehlers, Lisa Anderson, Ely Kleszczelski, Bill Alexander, Eli Honer, Dorothy Sandvig, Cenon Zarzoso, Helen Dodge, Patricia Bentsen. Our youth, parents & teachers, our military & missionaries.

**Lectors:** Kelly Gordon

**Ushers:** July 28<sup>th</sup> -Jean Swanson & Tammy Oxenreider  
August 4<sup>th</sup> -Rich & Marilyn Ehlers

**Acolytes:** Bethany Youth

**Weekly Budget Needs: \$2817.00**

Faith Promise \$439.00      Worship 26

**Birthdays:** July 29-Elli Cazares, Raelyn Johnsen, Rhonda Shewell;  
31-Jan Hersom, 8-3, Jeanette Peterson

**Anniversaries:** 8-3-Steve & Marian Roberts,

\*\*\*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

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\*HYMN *All Creatures of Our God and King vs 1-3* LBW 527

\*GREETING P.57

\*KYRIE P.57

\*HYMN OF PRAISE P.59

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

### MEDITATION ON GOD'S WORD

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**PSALM: Psalm 136:1-9** (bulletin – responsively)

**SECOND READING: Ephesians 3:14-21**

\*ALLELUIA VERSE P.62

\***THE HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 6:45-56**

\*GOSPEL RESPONSES P.63

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

**Pastor David Klappenbach**

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

APOSTLES' CREED P.65

### OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

OFFERING/ Processional "Offertory Psalm" P.75

\*OFFERTORY P.75

\*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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Leader: ...Lord in your mercy

Response: Hear our prayer.

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

### OUR SENDING

\*BENEDICTION P.76

\*HYMN *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee* LBW 551

\*DISMISSAL



**July 28, 2024**  
**Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**

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*Congregationally-Focused*  
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