

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, Gracious Lord, pour out your Holy Spirit upon your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all enemies, and bestow on the Church your saving peace; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

FIRST READING: Revelation 14:6-7

⁶Then I saw another angel flying in midheaven, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who live on the earth—to every nation and tribe and language and people. ⁷He said in a loud voice, “Fear God and give him glory, for the hour of his judgment has come; and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water.”

PSALM: Psalm 46

¹God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

²**Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;**

³though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

⁴**There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.**

⁵God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns.

⁶**The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.**

⁷The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

⁸**Come, behold the works of the LORD; see what desolations he has brought on the earth.**

⁹He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.

¹⁰**“Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth.”**

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SECOND READING: Romans 3:19-28

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For “no human being will be justified in his sight” by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin. ²¹But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴they are now justified by his grace as

a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus. ²⁷Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

GOSPEL: John 8:31-36

³¹Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” ³³They answered him, “We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, ‘You will be made free’?” ³⁴Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.



THIS WEEK AT BETHANY

Today: October 27th Reformation Sunday 22nd Sunday after Pentecost	Sunday: November 3rd All Saints Sunday 21st Sunday after Pentecost
9:15-Adult SS	9:15-Adult SS
9:30-Youth SS	9:30-Youth SS
9:30- Coffee Fellowship	9:30- Coffee Fellowship
10:30-Worship/w Communion/	10:30-Worship w/Communion
6:00-Bethany Prayer Group	A Litany of Remembrance
Monday: October 28th	6:00-Bethany Prayer Group
7:00-Hand Bell Rehearsal	
Tuesday: October 29th	
8:30-Prayer Group	
9:30-Morning Coffee @ BLC	
Thursday: October 30th	
7:00-Confirmation	
Saturday: November 2nd	
8:00-Mens Group	
9:00-Women of Bethany Mtg	
12:00AM-DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS	

Prayer Concerns: Bethany Lutheran Church members, nursing home residents, Iowa storm/flood victims, those suffering any illness, Ed Schmidt, Dorothy Smith, Pastor Barbara Wills, Pastor Amy Little, John Hawley, Bill & Darlene Belt, Janelle Mason, Warren Hawk, Linda Galbraith, Tim Burton, Desiree Welty, Roberta Baker, Pastor John Mayer, 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: Tom Anderson
Ushers: October 27th -Rich & Marilyn Ehlers
 November 3rd -Tom & Elaine Anderson
Acolytes: Bethany Youth
Weekly Budget Needs: \$2817.00
Faith Promise \$854.00 Worship 44
 Sunday School \$ 13.00 Adult SS 5 Youth SS 11
 Thank Offering \$ 100.00

Birthdays: : October 28-Steve Roberts; 29-AnthonyGordon
Anniversaries: 11-2-Dean & Eloise Armstrong

*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)

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October 27, 2024
Reformation Sunday
Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

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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!

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