

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY:**

**Stir up, O Lord the wills of your faithful people to seek more eagerly the help you offer, that, at the last, they may enjoy the fruit of salvation; through our lord Jesus Christ.**

### **First Reading: 1 Kings 17:8-16**

<sup>8</sup>Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, <sup>9</sup>“Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you.” <sup>10</sup>So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink.” <sup>11</sup>As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.” <sup>12</sup>But she said, “As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die.” <sup>13</sup>Elijah said to her, “Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. <sup>14</sup>For thus says the LORD the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the LORD sends rain on the earth.” <sup>15</sup>She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. <sup>16</sup>The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

## **Psalm: Psalm 146**

<sup>1</sup>Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

**<sup>2</sup>I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long.**

<sup>3</sup>Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help.

**<sup>4</sup>When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish.**

<sup>5</sup>Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God,

**<sup>6</sup>who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever;**

<sup>7</sup>who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets the prisoners free;

**<sup>8</sup>the LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous.**

<sup>9</sup>The LORD watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

**<sup>10</sup>The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the LORD!**

## **Second Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28**

<sup>24</sup>For Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. <sup>25</sup>Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; <sup>26</sup>for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. <sup>27</sup>And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, <sup>28</sup>so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

### **Gospel: Mark 12:38-44**

<sup>38</sup>As he taught, he said, “Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, <sup>39</sup>and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! <sup>40</sup>They devour widows’ houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.” <sup>41</sup>He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. <sup>42</sup>A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. <sup>43</sup>Then he called his disciples and said to them, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. <sup>44</sup>For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”

## THIS WEEK AT BETHANY

**Today: November 10<sup>th</sup>**  
**25<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

9:15-Adult SS  
9:15-Youth SS  
9:30-Coffee Fellowship  
10:30-Worship w/Blessing of  
Operation Boxes  
4:00-Laurens Care Center  
6:00-Bethany Prayer Group  
**Monday: November 11<sup>th</sup>**  
7:00-Hand Bell Rehearsal

**Tuesday: November 5<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 Prayer Group  
9:30-Tuesday Coffee @ BLC

**Wednesday: November 13<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 Council Meeting  
7:00-Confirmation

**Sunday: November 17<sup>th</sup>**  
**26<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

9:15-Adult SS  
9:15-Youth SS  
9:30-Coffee Fellowship  
10:30-Worship w/Communion,  
SS Sing, Noisy Offering,  
Thank Offerings, Stewardship,  
Commitment Cards  
11:30-Potluck

**Prayer Concerns:** Bethany Lutheran Church members, nursing home residents, Iowa storm/flood victims, those suffering any illness, Don DeHaan, Ed Schmidt, Dorothy Smith, Pastor Barbara Wills, Pastor Amy Little, Bill & Darlene Belt, Janelle Mason, Warren Hawk, Linda Galbraith, Tim Burton, Desiree Welty, Roberta Baker, Pastor John Mayer, 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:** Raelyn Johnsen

**Ushers:** November 10<sup>th</sup> -Shirley Kruse & Linda Galbraith  
November 17<sup>th</sup>-Dean & Eloise Armstrong

**Acolytes:** Bethany Youth

**Weekly Budget Needs: \$2817.00**

**Faith Promise** \$1764.00      Worship 50  
Sunday School \$11.50      Adult SS 4      Youth SS 13

**Birthdays:** November 10-Dawn Jamison, Ava Runneberg

\*\*\*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 *Alleluia Sing to Jesus* **LBW 158**  
\*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: **1 Kings 17:8-16**

Psalm: **Psalm 146** *(bulletin – responsively)*

SECOND READING: **Hebrews 9:24-28**

\*ALLELUIA VERSE P.62  
\*THE HOLY GOSPEL: **Mark 12:38-44**  
\*GOSPEL RESPONSES P.63  
CHILDREN'S SERMON  
SERMON **Pastor David Klappenbach**  
HYMN *Praise and Thanksgiving* **LBW 409**  
APOSTLES' CREED P.65

### OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

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

\*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Leader: ...Lord in your mercy

**Response: Hear our prayer.**

\**THE LORD'S PRAYER* P.76

### OUR SENDING

\*BENEDICTION

\*HYMN *O Savior, Precious Savior* **LBW 514**

\*DISMISSAL

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**November 10, 2024**  
**Twenty-fifth 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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Congregationally-Focused  
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