**PRAYER OF THE DAY:**

**Almighty God, you sent your only Son as the Word of Life for our eyes to see and our ears to hear. Help us to believe with joy what the Scriptures proclaim, through your Son, Jesus Christ.**

**First Reading: Isaiah 6:1-13**

6In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. 2Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. 3And one called to another and said: “Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.” 4The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke.5And I said: “Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!” 6Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. 7The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: “Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.” 8Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I; send me!”9And he said, “Go and say to this people: ‘Keep listening, but do not comprehend; keep looking, but do not understand.’ 10Make the mind of this people dull, and stop their ears, and shut their eyes, so that they may not look with their eyes, and listen with their ears, and comprehend with their minds, and turn and be healed.” 11Then I said, “How long, O Lord?” And he said: “Until cities lie waste without inhabitant, and houses without people, and the land is utterly desolate; 12until the Lord sends everyone far away, and vast is the emptiness in the midst of the land. 13Even if a tenth part remain in it, it will be burned again, like a terebinth or an oak whose stump remains standing when it is felled.” The holy seed is its stump.

**Psalm: Psalm 138**

1I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise;

**2I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness; for you have exalted your name and your word above everything.**

3On the day I called, you answered me, you increased my strength of soul.

**4All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord, for they have heard the words of your mouth.**

5They shall sing of the ways of the Lord, for great is the glory of the Lord.

**6For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly; but the haughty he perceives from far away.**

7Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies; you stretch out your hand, and your right hand delivers me.

**8The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever. Do not forsake the work of your hands.**

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 14:12b-20**

12So with yourselves; since you are eager for spiritual gifts, strive to excel in them for building up the church. 13Therefore, one who speaks in a tongue should pray for the power to interpret. 14For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays but my mind is unproductive.15What should I do then? I will pray with the spirit, but I will pray with the mind also; I will sing praise with the spirit, but I will sing praise with the mind also. 16Otherwise, if you say a blessing with the spirit, how can anyone in the position of an outsider say the “Amen” to your thanksgiving, since the outsider does not know what you are saying? 17For you may give thanks well enough, but the other person is not built up. 18I thank God that I speak in tongues more than all of you; 19nevertheless, in church I would rather speak five words with my mind, in order to instruct others also, than ten thousand words in a tongue. 20Brothers and sisters, do not be children in your thinking; rather, be infants in evil, but in thinking be adults.

**Gospel: Luke 5:1-11**

5Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, 2he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. 3He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. 4When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.” 5Simon answered, “Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.” 6When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. 7So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. 8But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus’ knees, saying, “Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!” 9For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; 10and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.” 11When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

**THIS WEEK AT BETHANY**

**Today: February 9th  Sunday: February 16th**

**Fifth Sunday after Epiphany Sixth Sunday after Epiphany**

9:15-Adult SS 9:15-Adult SS

9:15-Youth SS 9:15-Youth SS

9:30-Coffee Fellowship 9:30-Coffee Fellowship

10:30-Worship w/Communion 10:30-Worship w/Communion

Council Installation SS Sing

6:00-Bethany Prayer Group 11:30 Potluck

**Monday: February 10th** 4:00-4H Club Mtg

4:00-W?M Mtg 4:00-Laurens Care Center Svc

7:00-Hand Bell rehearsal 6:00-Bethany Prayer Group

**Tuesday: February 11th**

8:30-Prayer Group

9:30-Tuesday Coffee @ BLC

**Wednesday: February 12th**

7:00-Confirmation

7:00-Council Mtg

**Prayer Concerns:** Bethany Lutheran Church members, nursing home residents, storm/flood/fire victims, those suffering any illness, Cenon Zarzoso, John Wills, Tami Hawk, Don DeHaan, Dorothy Smith, Janelle Mason, Linda Galbraith, Tim Burton, Desiree Welty, Roberta Baker, Pastor John Mayer, Elizabeth Dunbar, Monica Isom, Don Ehlers, Bill Alexander, Eli Honer, Dorothy Sandvig, Pastor James Puotyual, Gloria Bell, Helen Dodge, Patricia Bentsen.  Our youth, parents & teachers, our military & missionaries.

**Lectors:** Marilyn Ehlers

**Ushers:** February 9th -Tom & Rhonda Shewell

 February 16th -Jean Swanson & Tammy Oxenreider

**Acolytes:** Bethany Youth

**Weekly Budget Needs: $2817.00**

Faith Promise $4049.00 Worship 29

Sunday School $9.00 Adult SS 0 Youth SS 8

***Birthday:*** February 13- Kelly Gordon

**\*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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**February 9, 2025**

**Fifth Sunday after Epiphany**

 **WORSHIP, LOVE, ACCEPT**

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