

10th Sunday after Pentecost

***Indicates that all who are able are invited to stand.**
Bold type invites the people to respond.
PH by hymns denotes the large hymnal &
STF is the blue soft sided hymnal.

We Gather to Worship God

Prelude

Lighting the Candles and Ringing of the Bell

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship:

One: God is great and greatly to be praised;
All: **There is no end to God's greatness.**
One: God's kingdom is an everlasting kingdom;
All: **God's dominion endures throughout all ages.**

*Morning Prayer

*Hymn	<i>Morning Has Broken</i>	Ph-469
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Thanksgiving for Baptism

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Generous God, you freely offer us all we need. You offer us the bread of life, so we may never be hungry again. You offer us living water, so we will never thirst. But we scoff at your gifts, wasting our money, time, and energy on things that do not satisfy. Forgive us and call to us again, reminding us of your gifts of new life that are ours if we would only accept them. *(Pause for a few moments of silent reflection and personal confession.)*
...through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Incline your ear, listen: God makes an everlasting covenant with us. **God forgives us, renews us, refreshes us, and leads us onward. Thanks be to God!**

Since we have received the peace of Christ, let us share that peace with one another. The peace Christ be with you all! **And also with you.**

One: Hear a just cause, O LORD; give heed to my cry; listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.

All: Let my vindication come forth from your presence; let your eyes be fixed on justice.

One: Examine my heart, visit me by night, melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.

All: I have not regarded what others do; at the word of your lips I have avoided the ways of the violent.

One: My footsteps hold fast to your well-worn path; and my feet do not slip.

All: I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me; incline your ear to me and hear my words.

One: Show me your marvelous lovingkindness, O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand from those who rise against them.

All: But at my vindication I shall see your face; when I awake, I shall be satisfied, beholding your likeness.

Reading ends: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's worship leaders: Pastor Tom Buresh;
LeAnn Popenhagen, Lay Leader; and Sue Updegraff,
Musician.

Pastor Kleppe would welcome visiting you in your home
or at a coffee shop in town. Her contact information is
563-380-8187 or lori.kleppe@gmail.com

Beverages are available in the narthex and may be
enjoyed during worship. You are invited to help
yourself. Children's "Busy Bags" are also found in the
narthex.

Welcome to Worship at Bethel Presbyterian Church!

- The order of service is found in your bulletin and
projected on the screen.
- An * shows the time when the congregation stands. If
it is more comfortable to remain seated, please do so.
- Restrooms are found on each level of the church. An
usher will help you find your way. Fully accessible
restrooms are located in the basement.
- A nursery room is available but we welcome hearing
the sound of small children.
- Communion is offered on most first Sundays of the
month. All are welcome to receive the elements of the
meal. If helpful, servers may come to you in the pew.
- We are so glad you are worshiping with us this
morning. If your schedule allows, please join us for a
time of fellowship following the service.

THIS WEEK AT BETHEL

Today, August 2

10:00 a.m. – Morning Worship

Fellowship following

Thursday, August 6

10:00 a.m. Synod School Debriefing

Next Sunday, August 9

10:00 a.m. – Morning Worship w/the Lord's Supper
Fellowship following

Members and friends of Bethel who seek healing and
wholeness in their lives are kept in prayer during
worship.

Today we are remembering – Cathy Bemiss, Teri
Brockway, Don Durscher, Sarah Updegraff Murray, Kirk
Bruso, Rose Marie Knight (Julie Larson's mom), Baby
McCoy, and Ken Popenhagen.

Stoney Brook – Kate Ewing, Kathy Meyer

Good Samaritan Center – Peggi Pape

Eastern Star Decorah – Doyle Gorden

Maple Crest – Tex Heyer

Copper Creek – Sandy Schnor

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**Welcome to worship at
Bethel Presbyterian Church,
where everyone is welcome.**

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