

***OFFERING PRAYER**

Liberating God, You break the bonds of injustice and let the oppressed go free. Receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all Your works of merciful power, and shape us as people of Your justice and freedom. You we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Savior, Amen.

COMMUNION

LBW p. 89

**Word's of Institution, *Lord's Prayer, Distribution*

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN

LBW # 235

"Break Now the Bread of Life"

***COMMUNION BLESSING**

Now may the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Holy One, we thank You for the healing that springs forth abundantly from this table. Renew our strength to do justice, love kindness, and journey humbly with You. Amen.

***BLESSING**

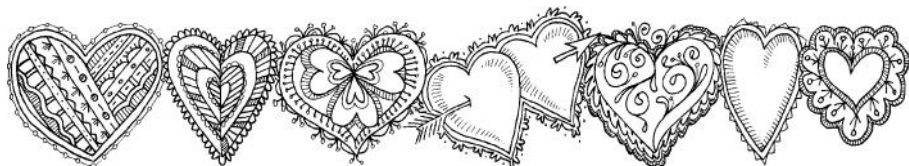
The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. **Amen.**

***DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

***SENDING HYMN**

"I Saw The Light" v.1,2



*Welcome to
Worship at Bethel*

*Sunday, February 12, 2023
Sixth Sunday after Epiphany*

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*"A Family in Christ;
Moved by His Spirit;
Sharing His Love."*

**: Please stand if you are able.
LBW: Lutheran Book of Worship (green)
WOV: With One Voice (blue)*

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TEMPLE TALK Sally McIntyre
"Go the Extra Mile" for WNALC Mission Banks

*INVOCATION
"We Gather"

*GATHERING HYMN WOV # 649
"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS LBW p.77

*HYMN OF MERCY WOV # 798
"Bless the Lord, O My Soul"

*PRAYER OF THE DAY: **Lord God, mercifully receive the prayers of Your people. Help us to see and understand the things we ought to do, and give us grace and power to do them; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

FIRST LESSON Pew Bible page 185
Deuteronomy 30:15-20

PSALM Pew Bible page 555
Psalm 119:1-8

Happy are those whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the LORD.

Happy are those who keep his decrees,
who seek him with their whole heart,

who also do no wrong,
but walk in his ways.

You have commanded your precepts to be kept diligently.

O that my ways may be steadfast in keeping your statutes!

Then I shall not be put to shame,
having my eyes fixed on all your commandments.

I will praise you with an upright heart,
when I learn your righteous ordinances.

I will observe your statutes;
do not utterly forsake me.

SECOND LESSON Pew Bible page 1039
1 Corinthians 3:1-9

*GOSPEL VERSE
"Hallelu, Hallelu"

*GOSPEL Pew Bible page 880
Matthew 5:21-37

The Gospel of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON HYMN WOV # 651
"Shine, Jesus, Shine"

SERMON
Rev. Mark Kindem

*APOSTLES' CREED LBW p. 85
I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
Lord in your mercy....**hear our prayer**

*SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING
"His Eye Is On The Sparrow"