

BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH
215 3rd Ave SE, MINOT, ND, 58701

Pastors: Janet Hernes Mathistad & Gerald Roise
Organist: Deacon Kari Files; Intern Pastor: Dave Myers

Baptism of Our Lord **January 10, 2021**

* Standing, for those who are able

PRELUDE

SPECIAL MUSIC: Boyd Hanson

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, whose voice is upon the waters, whose mercy is poured out upon all people, whose goodness cascades over all creation. **C: Amen**

P: Let us confess our sin trusting in the abundant grace of God.

Silence for Reflection

P: Holy God **C: you search us and know us. You are acquainted with all our ways. We confess that our hearts are burdened by sin, our own sins and the broken systems that bind us. We turn inward, failing to follow your outward way of love. We distrust those who are not like us. We exploit the earth and its resources and fail to consider generations to come. Forgive us, gracious God, for all we done and left undone. Even before the words are on our tongues, you know them; receive them in your divine mercy. Amen**

P: How vast is God's grace! Through the power and promise of + Christ Jesus, our sins are washed away, and we are claimed as God's own beloved. Indeed, we are forgiven. In the wake of God's forgiveness, we are called to be the beloved community living out Christ's justice and the Spirit's reconciling peace. **C: Amen**

GATHERING

* **HYMN:** "*Christ, When for Us You...*" Hymn 304

***GREETING**

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Holy God, creator of light and giver of goodness, your voice moves over the waters. Immerse us in your grace, and transform us by your Spirit, that we may follow after your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

WORD

FIRST READING: Genesis 1:1-5

Psalm 29

SECOND READING: Acts 19:1-7

*** GOSPEL: Mark 1:4-11**

CHILDREN'S TIME

MORNING MESSAGE: Pastor Intern Dave (8:30) Pastor Janet (10:30)

HYMN: "*Down Galilees' Slow..*" Hymn 916

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*** PRAYERS**

*** PEACE**

OFFERING MOMENT

Special Music

PRAYER

O God, receive these gifts as you receive us: like a mother receives her child, with arms open wide. Nourish us anew in your tender care and empower us in faithful service to tend to others with this same love, through Jesus Christ, our saving grace. Amen

MEAL

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

*** LORD'S PRAYER**

*** BENEDICTION & DISMISSAL**

P: God the creator strengthen you; Jesus the beloved fill you; and the Holy Spirit the comforter + keep you in peace. **C: Amen**

* **HYMN:** "*Baptized and Set..*" Hymn 453

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POSTLUDE

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Due to covid-19, we are NOT taking any magazines!

PRAYER CONCERNS: Vicki Amon, Betty Lindsey, Duane Tollefson, Merrill Chilson, April Davenport, Barry Bourquin. All Covid 19 Patients, Praying for Peace in our Country, Surgeons, Nurses, CNA's, Anesthesiologists.

CAUSE OF THE MONTH: Our cause of the month is mission support for **Central African Republic Village Education Project (Our Companion Synod)**. Please use the global mission envelope in your offering box to support this cause.

BETHANY'S WEBSITE: bethanylutheranminot.org

BETHANY'S STREAMING: bethanylutheran.tv

DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS are available for January, February & March



While at worship please ask one of the Pastors for your 2021 offering envelopes, if you have not picked them up already. Also, if you give online, you will still have a box. Thank you!

The Annual Meeting is tentatively set for January 31st. More details to come. All annual reports are due by 4:00pm on January 11th.