

BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

215 3rd Ave SE, MINOT, ND, 58701

Pastors: Janet Hernes Mathistad & Gerald Roise

Organist: Deacon Kari Files; Intern Pastor: Dave Myers

20th Sunday after Pentecost

October 18, 2020

* Standing, for those who are able

PRELUDE

SPECIAL MUSIC: Emerson Eads

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, & GENEROSITY MOMENT

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.

C: Amen

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another

Silence for Reflection

P: Faithful God, **C: have mercy on us. We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways. We pass judgment on one another before examining ourselves. We place our own needs before those of our neighbors. We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves. Make us humble, cast away our transgressions, and turn us again to life in you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

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P: God hears the cries of all who call out in need, and through his death and resurrection, Christ has made us his own. Hear the truth that God proclaims: Your sins are forgiven in the name of + Jesus Christ. Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness to do God's work in the world. Amen

GATHERING

* **HYMN:** "My Lord of Light"

Hymn 832

* **GREETING**

* **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Sovereign God, raise your throne in our hearts. Created by you, let us live in your image; created for you, let us act for your glory; redeemed by you, let us give you what is yours, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 45:1-7

Psalm 96:1-9

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

* **GOSPEL: Matthew 22:15-22**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON: Pastor Janet

HYMN: "O God of Every Nation" Hymn 713 (1,2,4)

* **APOSTLES' CREED**

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* **PRAYERS**

* **PEACE**

OFFERING MOMENT

Special Music

PRAYER

Blessed are you, **O God, maker of all things. You have set before us these gifts of your good creation. Prepare us for your heavenly banquet, nourish us with this rich food and drink, and send us forth to set tables in the midst of a suffering world, through the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

MEAL

* **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

* **LORD'S PRAYER**

* **BENEDICTION**

P: Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you and lead you into the way of truth and life. Amen

* **DISMISSAL & COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

* **HYMN: "Take My Life"**

Hymn 583 (1,2,4)

POSTLUDE

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Office hours will continue to be 9:00am – 4:00pm Monday-Friday in October unless otherwise needed.

Education (ages 3rd -5th grade) and Confirmation Classes begin this Wed the 21st at 6 pm. Access thru Door 3. Currently, there is no supper being served.

Masks are required.

Donations of disinfecting spray and wipes are appreciated. Thank you!

Tuesday, Oct 20th Mary Circle will be meeting at 9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. Access thru Door 3.



Pastor Appreciation Month!

The BLCW is inviting everyone to send a card to the Pastors in October! Due to Covid-19 we are not having an in-house celebration.

PRAYER CONCERNS: Judy Johnson, Vicki Amon, Beth Anderson, Jean Rollman, Betty Lindsey, Duane Tollefson. All Covid 19 Patients, Praying for Peace in our Country Hairdressers, Taxi & Bus Drivers, Tradesmen, Railroad Workers, Manufacturers

CAUSE OF THE MONTH: Our cause of the month for Oct is mission support for **Domestic Violence Crisis Center.**

For the immediate future, the 8:30am service will remain the same in the Sanctuary with masks required, and the 10:30am service will move into the Fellowship Room and masks are required!

DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS are available for October, November & December.

The BLCW is collecting items to donate to the students at Central Campus. They are in need of tampons, sanitary napkins, and leggings. There will be a drop box at the church. Thank you for your help!

Thank-offering will be November 15th