

BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

215 3rd Ave SE, MINOT, ND, 58701

Pastors: Janet Hernes Mathistad & Gerald Roise

Organist: Deacon Kari Files; Intern Pastor: Dave Myers

4th Sunday after Pentecost

June 28, 2020

* Standing, for those who are able

PRELUDE

SPECIAL MUSIC: Roxy & Jeremy Meinert

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation. **C: Amen**

P: Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

Silence for Reflection

P: Reconciling God, **C: we confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts. We fail to believe that you provide enough for all. We abuse your good creation for our own benefit. We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us. We sin in thought, word, and deed. By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen**

P: Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy we have peace with God through + Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace. Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

GATHERING

* **HYMN:** “*This is My Father’s World*” Hymn 824

***GREETING**

*** PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

WORD

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 28:5-9

Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18

SECOND READING: Romans 6:12-23

SPECIAL MUSIC: Berit Meinert

*** GOSPEL: Matthew 10:40-42**

CHILDREN’S SERMON

SERMON: Pastor Janet

HYMN: “*Baptized and Set Free*” Hymn 453

*** APOSTLES’ CREED** p. 105

*** PRAYERS**

*** PEACE**

OFFERING MOMENT

Special Music

PRAYER

God of goodness and growth, **all creation is yours, and your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens. Water and word, wine and bread, these are signs of your abundant grace. Nourish us through these gifts, that we might proclaim your steadfast love in our communities and in the world, through Jesus Christ, our strength and our song. Amen**

MEAL

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

*** LORD’S PRAYER**

*** BENEDICTION**

P: Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit bless you and keep you in eternal love. **C: Amen**

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* **HYMN:** “*I’m Going on a Journey*” Hymn 446

POSTLUDE

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