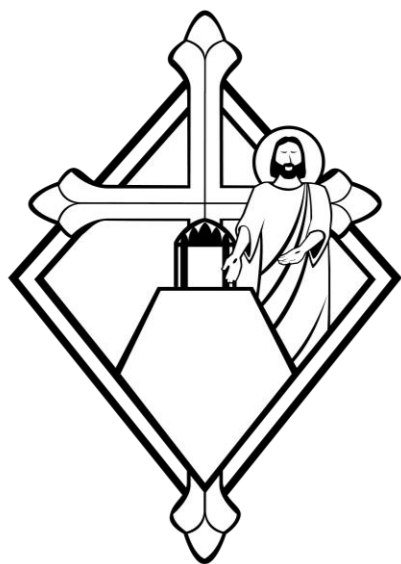

Bethany Lutheran Church
Seventeenth Sunday After Trinity
September 22, 2024



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday The Divine Service, *Rite Two*,
starting on page 60, with modifications.
*(Please follow along in the hymnal
or above the altar as announced by Pastor)*

Monday pg. 128

HYMNS

485:1-3

484

Distribution Hymns: 486, 487, 329

485:4-5

INTROIT: Righteous are You, O Lord, and upright are Your judgements. Deal with Your servant according to Your mercy. Blessed are the undefiled in the way, Who walk in the law of the Lord.

COLLECT: Lord, we beseech You, grant Your people strength to withstand the temptations of the devil, and with pure hearts and mind to follow You, the only God; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. Amen

Epistle Lesson

Therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ² with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³ eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴ There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— ⁵ one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶ one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. *Ephesians 4:1–6*

GRADUAL: Alleluia! O Lord, deal with Your servant according to Your mercy and teach me Your statutes. I am Your servant, give me understanding: that I may know Your testimonies. Alleluia!

Gospel Lesson

One Sabbath, when He went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching Him carefully. ² And behold, there was a man before Him who had dropsy. ³ And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, “Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?” ⁴ But they remained silent. Then He took him and healed him and sent him away. ⁵ And He said to them, “Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?”

And they could not reply to these things. ⁷ Now He told a parable to those who were invited, when He noticed how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, ⁸ “When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by him, ⁹ and he who invited you both will come and say to you, ‘Give your place to this person,’ and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. ¹⁰ But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher.’ Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you. ¹¹ For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.”
Luke 14:1–11 (ESV)

Prayer of the Church

In peace, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For patient faith to serve the world in the name of Christ, as those destined to share His throne, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For this congregation, its mission and its people; for the ability to do the work God has given us to do; and for the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For parents, that they would continue to devote their households to the Word of the Lord and prayer, to bring their children to Christ’s font, and faithfully to instruct them in regular attendance at the Divine Service, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For humble and wise rulers to guide the nations, that they would receive their authority with patience from the hand of God, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who are ill, suffering or in sorrow, [*especially _____,*] that they would be comforted by the Lord’s promise of constant care and mercy; and for those who mourn, that they would be comforted by His promise of reunion with Christ and their loved ones who have died in the faith, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those gathered to eat at the feast of the blessed Sacrament, that taking the lowest place in repentance and pleading His mercy alone, our hearts may be lifted up to the honor of receiving Him for the forgiveness of our sins, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

Come quickly and gather us together from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. **Amen.**

Dedication of Communion Vessels

During this morning’s service we dedicate to the Lord and place into service the new ciborium, flagon and communion cup tray that have been given to Bethany in loving memory of Jack Dearth, Karen Cunnington and Travis Walton.

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

Miserly living isn't what we have been asked to do!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAVE THE DATE

Join us outside after Sunday School

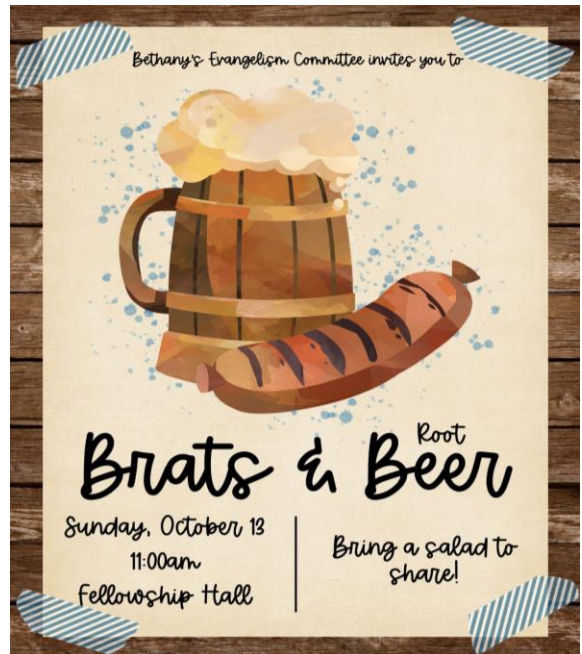
Sunday, October 13th

for

Brats and Root Beer!

Bring a salad to share –
Enter our Cookie Contest!

Signup coming soon!



CHOIR Adults and High School students interested in singing are welcomed to join the choir as it starts back up this Wednesday at 6:00pm.

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE still needs more members to add to their team. Join them and spread the love of Jesus! Please contact Ricky Pasillas after service.

YARD CARE HELP STILL NEEDED to maintain our lawn and playfield – not as often in the fall and winter months but still important! Use our Signup Genius feature to take a turn -- scan the QR code on the back of the bulletin to get started

DRIVING HELP NEEDED AT ELHS

These are exciting times at ELHS. We started this school year with 108 students. God is good! To continue to serve our growing student body, we could use some help. We are looking for individuals who might be willing to obtain their CDL license to help transport students to and from school. We could also use assistance in driving some of our athletic teams to games. Evergreen is willing to help pay for someone to go through the training to get their CDL. We will be willing to work with individuals to create a schedule that is flexible. This position will be compensated at an hourly rate. Please reach out to Principal Kyle Raymond if you are interested in finding out more information regarding this position. kraymond@elhs.org We can encourage the congregations to share the information until the positions are filled.

Kyle Raymond
Principal

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, 9/22 *Trinity 17*

9:00 am Worship w/communion
(livestreamed)
10:00 am Sunday School for all ages

MONDAY, 9/23

7:00 pm Worship w/communion

TUESDAY 9/24

1:00 pm Juanita's Bible Study

WEDNESDAY 9/25

8:25 am Chapel
6:00 pm Adult Choir Practice

THURSDAY 9/26

9:00 am Power Hour

FRIDAY 9/27

4:00 pm Sanctuary in use

SATURDAY 9/28

Sanctuary in use

SUNDAY, 9/29 *Trinity 18*

9:00 am Worship
(livestreamed)
10:00 am Sunday School for all ages

Flowers on the Altar this week are given to the glory of God by Sam & Penny Bell in celebration of their children's birthdays.

SERVING YOU TODAY

Preacher

Organist/Accompanist

Acolytes

Elder on duty this week

~Communion is offered on the 2nd and 4th Sundays & Mondays of the month~

Pastor Tony Pittenger

Mrs. Roberta Highfill

Sievers, Alas, Amiling

Mike Lorette

COPYRIGHT INFORMATION:

Artwork by Jeffrey Hendrix; lectionary icon based on the Evangelical Lutheran Hymnary symbol by Chaplain Don Moldstad.

GATHER-GROW-GO



BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH, SCHOOL & EARLY LEARNING CENTER

151 TREMONT ST, PORT ORCHARD WA 98366

www.bethanylutheranportorchard.org

<http://facebook.com/Bethany.Kitsap> 360-876-1300