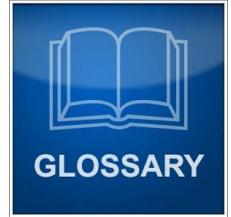


# The Bethel Mission Glossary

Summer 2016 Sermon Series



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➔ moving toward life that is truly life



**Thursday, August 11, and Sunday, August 14, 2016**

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## ***SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE***

Thursdays 6:30 p.m. & Sundays 9:00 a.m.

Holy Communion: 1st, 3rd, 5th Sunday of the month

Becky Lanzito & Karen Leicht - Organists, Ann Souza - Music Director,  
Mandi Stilson – Choir/New Music Accompanist

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### ***WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS***

We are pleased you chose to be with us in worship today, and pray the Lord blesses you as he has blessed us with your presence. Our goal is to help people find the right place for them to hear God's word and serve His mission. We'd love to support you in that spiritual journey. Please take a moment to complete an attendance card and place it in the Offering plate or give to an usher. This card will help us connect with you.

### ***NURSERY***

We have two rooms available for your use. When the service is in the sanctuary, the nursery is down the hall just past the restrooms. If the service is held in the gym, the nursery is in the youth room at the far end of the gym.

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### ***SERVING TODAY***

#### ***Thursday 6:30 p.m.***

***Elder:*** Bob Souza  
***Comm/Asst. Elder:*** John Kozlik  
***Acolytes:*** Alyssa Buttler, Jay Souza  
***Ushers:*** Scott Mundrick,  
Diane Mundrick  
***Lay Readers:*** Diane Mundrick  
***Greeters:*** Fleming Family, Gifford Family  
  
***August Altar Guild:*** Margie Tatgenhorst  
***August Counters:*** Morrie Cook

#### ***Sunday 9:00 a.m.***

***Paul DeLassus***  
***Jack Warneke***  
***Kelly Kruse, Ellie Maag***  
***Morrie Cook, John Schultz,***  
***Dave Hoffmeister***  
***Clint & Samantha McDonald***  
***Chelsi & Nichole Todd,***  
***Irene Karlovics***  
***Dawn Werfelmann***  
***Carol Cook***

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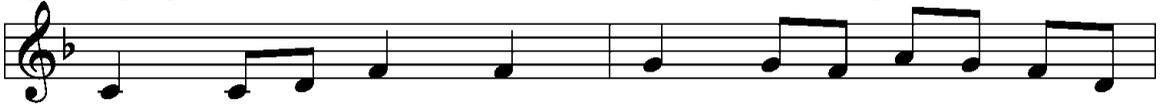
The Gifford Family in celebration of Jaclyn & Jen's birthday and the Kazarian, Rasmussen and Souza families in memory of Mark Souza.

# NEHEMIAH SERVICE

Worship in a traditional order that uses portions of the book of Nehemiah.

## Opening Hymn *Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings*

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1 Gra - cious God, You send great bless - ings  
2 By Your Word You formed cre - a - tion  
3 In His earth - ly life, our Sav - ior  
4 Heav'n - ly Fa - ther, may our car - ing



New each morn - ing all our days. For Your mer - cies  
Filled with crea - tures large and small; As we tend that  
Knew the care of faith - ful friends; May our deeds of  
Bear the im - print of Your grace; With the Son and



nev - er end - ing, For Your love we of - fer praise.  
end - less trea - sure May our care en - cir - cle all.  
ded - i - ca - tion Of - fer love that nev - er ends.  
Ho - ly Spir - it, Praise be Yours in ev - 'ry place!

*Refrain*



Lord, we pray that we, Your peo - ple Who Your gifts un - num - bered claim,



Through the shar - ing of Your bless - ings May bring glo - ry to Your name.

***Invocation (Based on selections from Nehemiah 8)***

P: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

P: All the people gathered into the square. And they told Ezra the scribe,

**C: Bring the Book of the Law of Moses,  
Bring the Word of the Lord to us.**

P: And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, and as he opened it all the people stood. Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, **C: Amen, Amen.**

P: They lifted up their hands.

They bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord. This day is holy to our Lord.

**C: The joy of the Lord is our strength. Amen.**

***Confession and Absolution (Based on selections from Nehemiah 1)***

P: O Lord God of heaven, the great and awesome God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love Him and keep His commandments,

**C: let Your ear be attentive and Your eyes open, to hear the prayer of Your servants that we now pray before You day and night, confessing the sins we have committed against You. We have acted very corruptly against You and have not kept the commandments, the statutes, and the rules that You commanded.**

P: Lord, remember the word that You gave to Your servant Moses, "If you are unfaithful, I will scatter you among the peoples."

**C: But Lord also remember that You promised: "If you return to Me, even though you are outcasts, I will gather you and bring you to the place that I have chosen, to make My Name dwell there."**

P: God has indeed heard your prayers and remembers His promise to gather you again to Himself, so that you may dwell with Him for eternity. By His Holy Spirit, you are the Lord's servants and His people, whom God has redeemed by His great power and by His strong hand, by the death and resurrection of His Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ. Your sins are forgiven in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen! Thanks be to God!**

***Prayer of the Day***

P: Let us pray. Almighty God our Father, your generous goodness comes to us new every day. By the work of your Spirit lead us to acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your benefits, serve you in willing obedience, and share your generosity with others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

**Readings Song****Micah 6:8**

He has shown thee, O man, what is  
 good, and what the Lord re - quires of thee; He has  
 But to do just - ly, and to love mer - cy,  
 and to walk hum - bly with thy God.

**Psalm Reading****Psalm 95:1-7a (ESV)**

- <sup>1</sup>Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;  
 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!  
<sup>2</sup>Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;  
 let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!  
<sup>3</sup>For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.  
<sup>4</sup>In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.  
<sup>5</sup>The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.  
<sup>6</sup>Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!  
<sup>7</sup>For he is our God,  
 and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.      **C: Thanks be to God.**

**Epistle (New Testament Letter)****Romans 5:1-10 (ESV)**

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>2</sup>Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup>and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

<sup>6</sup>For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup>For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—<sup>8</sup>but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. <sup>9</sup>Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. <sup>10</sup>For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### ***Holy Gospel***

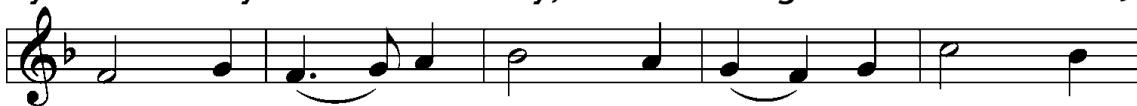
### ***Matthew 19:30—20:16 (ESV)***

[And Jesus said]: <sup>30</sup>“But many who are first will be last, and the last first.

<sup>1</sup>“For the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. <sup>2</sup>After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. <sup>3</sup>And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, <sup>4</sup>and to them he said, ‘You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.’ <sup>5</sup>So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. <sup>6</sup>And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, ‘Why do you stand here idle all day?’ <sup>7</sup>They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You go into the vineyard too.’ <sup>8</sup>And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, ‘Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.’ <sup>9</sup>And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. <sup>10</sup>Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. <sup>11</sup>And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, <sup>12</sup>saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ <sup>13</sup>But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? <sup>14</sup>Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. <sup>15</sup>Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?’ <sup>16</sup>So the last will be first, and the first last.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**



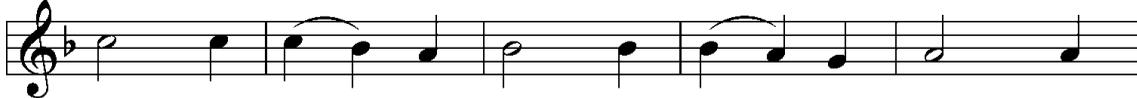
1 Lord of glo - ry, You have bought us With Your  
 2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give You Glad - ly,  
 3 Won - drous hon - or You have giv - en To our  
 4 Lord of glo - ry, You have bought us With Your



life - blood as the price, Nev - er grudg - ing for the  
 free - ly of Your own. With the sun - shine of Your  
 hum - blest char - i - ty In Your own mys - te - rious  
 life - blood as the price, Nev - er grudg - ing for the



lost ones That tre - men - dous sac - ri - fice;  
 good - ness Melt our thank - less hearts of stone  
 sen - tence, "You have done it all to Me."  
 lost ones That tre - men - dous sac - ri - fice.



And with that have free - ly giv - en Bless - ings  
 Till our cold and self - ish na - tures, Warmed by  
 Can it be, O gra - cious Mas - ter, That You  
 Give us faith to trust You bold - ly, Hope, to



count - less as the sand To the un - thank - ful  
 You, at length be - lieve That more hap - py  
 deign for alms to sue, Say - ing by Your  
 stay our souls on You; But, oh, best of



and the e - vil With Your own un - spar - ing hand.  
 and more bless - ed 'Tis to give than to re - ceive.  
 poor and need - y, "Give as I have giv'n to you?"  
 all Your grac - es, With Your love our love re - new.

## **Sermon**

### **Offering & Prayer Requests**

In addition to the prayer requests already received, Pastor will pause here to see if there are additional requests. Prayers can be thanksgivings, joy, requests for yourself, or requests for others.

### **Offering Preface (Based on selections from Nehemiah 9)**

*Spoken as the Offerings are brought forward to the altar*

P: You are the Lord, You alone.

**C: You have made heaven, even the highest heavens,  
the earth and all that is on it, the seas and all that is in them;  
and You preserve all of them; and the multitudes of heaven worship You.**

P: You saw the affliction of our fathers in Egypt and heard their cry at the Red Sea, and performed signs and wonders against Pharaoh and all his servants and all the people of his land, for You knew that they acted arrogantly against our fathers.

**C: And You made a name for Yourself for all generations.**

P: And You divided the sea before them, so that they went through the midst of the sea on dry land, and You threw Pharaoh's army into the depths like a stone into mighty waters.

**C: By a pillar of cloud You led them in the day,  
and by a pillar of fire in the night.**

P: You are the Lord, You alone. We remember Your graciousness and blessings to Your people throughout all generations.

**C: You have kept Your promise, for You are righteous. Amen.**

### **Offertory Prayer**

P: Gracious God, your love for us is revealed in the gifts of Jesus and the Holy Spirit. You call us to make these gifts evident in our lives. Receive and bless this offering as a symbol of our thanksgiving and as a sign of our commitment to be prophetic witnesses of your love and mercy. In the Name of Jesus, we pray.

**C: Amen.**

### **Prayers**

## ***The Lord's Prayer***

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**All: 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.**

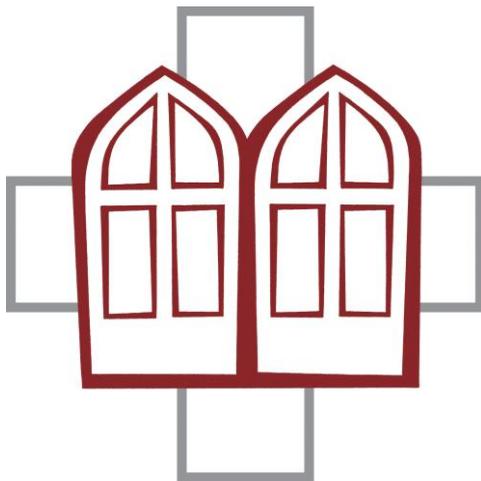
## ***Benedicamus Domino ("Let us bless, the Lord") & Benediction (Blessing)***

P: Rise up and bless the Lord your God **(Based on Nehemiah 9:5 & Psalm 126:3,6)**  
from everlasting to everlasting.

**C: Blessed be Your glorious name, O Lord;  
Your Name is exalted above all blessing and praise.**

P: The Lord has done great things for us;  
Those who come before the Lord weeping  
shall now go with shouts of joy,  
because of the Lord's great mercy, love, and strength.  
In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**



**Closing Hymn**

**Lord of All Hopefulness**

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1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,  
2 Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,  
3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,  
4 Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,



Whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy:  
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:  
Your hands swift to wel - come, Your arms to em - brace:  
Whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm:



Be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray,  
Be there at our la - bors, and give us, we pray,  
Be there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray,  
Be there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray,



Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.  
Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.  
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.  
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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**Announcements**



## Rally Sunday is September 11

We are planning a fun day for all. Our theme for the year is *1 Peter 4:10*, Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. Our Mission projects will be centered around this theme. We look forward to serving others with our gifts.

### ***Opportunity to Serve***

We would like to have 2 preschool classes and a Kindergarten class. We are still in need of 2 more teachers to be able to do this. If you are interested or have questions please see:

**Carla Thompson** ([carlajothompson@gmail.com](mailto:carlajothompson@gmail.com))

**Lynn Barkley** ([maggielynnb@gmail.com](mailto:maggielynnb@gmail.com))

**Diane Sanders** ([dsanders7@hotmail.com](mailto:dsanders7@hotmail.com))

If your child is turning 3 by November 30 and is potty trained, they are welcome to attend Sunday School starting in September. We would like you to think about helping us in the preschool class with your child. This is a great way to show your children that you value Sunday School and it becomes more enjoyable for all.



## Bethel's Annual Church Picnic

Sunday, August 21 ~ 11:30 a.m.

Hastings Lake Forest Preserve—Lake Villa—Shelter A

Mark your calendar, clear your schedules, bring the whole family out and enjoy a few hours with our Bethel family. We will continue celebrating our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary with the picnic. There will be games and activities for all ages (maybe even some that would have been played 50 years ago!). The grill will be filled with hamburgers, brats and hot dogs. Cups, plates, napkins, utensils, and drinks will be provided. A sign up sheet will be posted in the back of church on which you can choose to bring side dishes or dessert.

“White Elephant” gifts will be needed for game prizes. Please search your attic or closet for the perfect item that can be used as a prize. A “white elephant” treasure is defined as a gently used item you can bear to part with! They can be wrapped (newspaper or brown bag works well) or unwrapped when put in the box which will be provided by the Hub.

Hastings Lake Forest Preserve is located at 21155 W. Gelden Road in Lake Villa. From church take Grand Ave. west 3.9 miles. Turn right on Rt. 45. Go 2.8 miles, turn left on Grass Lake Road continue to Gelden Road, turn left. Turn left onto Butler Lane which is the entrance to the Forest Preserve. Follow signs to Shelter A.

There are nice restrooms located in the shelter. A playground is nearby. There are picnic tables for eating, but if you are more comfortable sitting in a lawn chair, you can bring one.

Please sign up in the back of church or call the church office.

**Looking forward to seeing you August 21!**



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