



Installation of Katrina Johns, Equipping Coordinator Sunday, November 19, 2017

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Katrina Johns

Katrina's path started in Rockford, Illinois. Her parents made sure that she and her two brothers were in church every Sunday, confirmed in the Lutheran faith, and attended Sunday school regularly. What a great foundation!

God has amazing plans for Katrina. He had some lessons she needed to learn and skills she needed to hone before she would be prepared for a ministry at Bethel. So, He guided her to St Paul, Minnesota, back to Rockford, down to Austin, Texas, up to Chicago, and down to Nashville, Tennessee. He honed her skills through retail, radio production and sports broadcasting, clerical environments, a medical clinic, and education settings.



Katrina has seen God's hand at every interchange in her life. Every crossroads, every pothole. She is very excited to see how God uses her here at Bethel.

The Role of the Equipping Coordinator

The Equipping Coordinator is a full-time ministry staff position, to which Katrina Johns has been called as a Director of Christian Education in the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. She will coach, train, equip, and encourage people in missional living and for multiplying the ministry and leadership of the gathering of believers at Bethel. A dedicated staff person for Equipping disciples allows Bethel to focus on encouraging people to be active in the ministry—not as recipients, but as participants, leaders, and servants. She will also ensure that the congregation regularly hears about how God is using people in missional living, ministry service/leadership through celebration and storytelling in the congregation.



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sundays 8:00 a.m. & 10:45 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

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.

HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord's Supper is celebrated according to the Lutheran Confessions based on the teaching Jesus gave his disciples and us that he is truly present in this meal. Confident that our sins are forgiven, we experience our oneness with him and each other as he gathers us at his table. His true body and blood, given and shed for us, we share in this meal as he invites in Matthew 26:26-28, "Take and eat; this is My Body ... This is My Blood..." Baptized Christians sharing these beliefs are invited to receive Communion. All others are invited to the altar rail for a blessing. Wine can be taken by common chalice, individual cup, or by dipping your wafer into the chalice. Please address questions to the Elders or the Pastor. ***Non-alcoholic wine is in purple-colored cups.***

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.

SERVING TODAY

Sunday 8:00 a.m.

Sunday 10:45 a.m.

<i>Elder:</i>	JJ Jones	<i>Bob Souza</i>
<i>Comm/Asst. Elder:</i>	Mike Bandman	<i>Scott Mundrick</i>
<i>Acolytes:</i>	Logan Rosenthal	<i>Lily Freehling</i>
<i>Ushers:</i>	Don Heidlauf, <i>OPEN</i>	<i>Lance Rasmussen, OPEN</i>
<i>Lay Readers:</i>		<i>Robert & Linda Piepenbrink</i>
<i>Greeters:</i>	Bill & Eileen Smith, OPEN	<i>Jeff & Mary Kay Ams,</i> <i>George Bruszer</i>
<i>Fellowship:</i>	Little, Ziegler, &	<i>Silasiri Families</i>
<i>Nov. Altar Guild:</i>	Diane Mundrick	<i>Deb Wuethrick</i>
<i>Nov. Counters:</i>	Chris Mason	<i>Diane Sanders</i>

TODAY'S FLOWERS ARE PROVIDED BY:

Craig Johnsen in memory of wife, Donna Wheeler Johnsen,
Bill and Lynda Oesterreich in memory of her father, Lester R. Gerber, and
Dave and Sue Hoffmeister in celebration of the baptism of grandson, Benjamin Neil.

THE WORD OF GOD SERVICE

This service celebrates the Word of God, using words from Paul's letters to Timothy.

Opening Hymn

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LSB 790



1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won - drous - ly
3 Praise to the Lord, who has fear - ful - ly, won - drous - ly,
4 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de -



a - tion! O my soul, praise Him, for He is your
reign - ing And, as on wings of an ea - gle, up -
made you, Health has be - stowed and, when heed - less - ly
fend you; Sure - ly His good - ness and mer - cy shall



health and sal - va - tion! Let all who hear Now to His
lift - ing, sus - tain - ing. Have you not seen All that is
fall - ing, has stayed you. What need or grief Ev - er has
dai - ly at - tend you. Pon - der a - new What the Al -



tem - ple draw near, Join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
need - ful has been Sent by His gra - cious or - dain - ing?
failed of re - lief? Wings of His mer - cy did shade you.
might - y can do As with His love He be - friends you.

- 5 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
Let the Amen
Sound from His people again;
Gladly forever adore Him!

Invocation and Greeting

P: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. 1 Tim. 1:2b

C: And also with you.

The Word of God

P: In worship, we become acquainted with the sacred writings,

C: which are able to make us wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

P: All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching,
for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness,

C: so that we may be equipped for every good work. Amen. 2 Tim. 3:15-16

Confession of Sin

P: The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance:

C: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. 1 Tim. 1:15

P: For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men:

C: Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all. 1 Tim. 2:5-6

Silence for meditation on our need for Christ's forgiveness.

Absolution (Forgiveness)

1 Tim. 2:4; 2 Tim. 1:9-10; 2 Tim. 2:21

P: God our Savior desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. He saved you and called you to a holy calling, not because of your works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave you in Christ Jesus before the ages began, and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the Gospel. You have been cleansed of your sin, set apart as holy, useful to our Lord, and ready for every good work in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: If we have died with him,

C: we will also live with him;

P: if we endure,

C: we will also reign with him;

P: if we deny him,

C: he also will deny us;

P: if we are faithless,

C: he remains faithful—

P: for he cannot deny himself.

C: Amen.

2 Tim. 2:13-14

Song of Praise

Glorify Thy Name

1. Fa - ther, we love You, we wor - ship and a - dore You,
2. Je - sus, we love You, we wor - ship and a - dore You,
3. Spir - it, we love You, we wor - ship and a - dore You,
glo - ri - fy Thy name in all the earth. Glo - ri - fy Thy
name, glo - ri - fy Thy name,
glo - ri - fy Thy name in all the earth.

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Greeting and Collect (Prayer of the Day)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Father, You are the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep. By the blood of the eternal covenant, equip us with everything good so that we may do His will, working in us that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

C: Amen.

The Charge to the Congregation Regarding the Scriptures

P: Devote yourselves to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching. Guard the deposit entrusted to you—the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Do not be ashamed of His Word, for we know whom we have believed, and we are convinced that He is able to guard His Word in us by the Holy Spirit who dwells within us.

Tim. 4:13,6:3-4,20; 2 Tim. 1:12-14

C: We have devoted ourselves to the Scriptures.

We dedicate this time now to hear from God's Word. Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 3:7–12; 4:10–17 (ESV)

⁷Then the LORD said, “I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, ⁸and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. ⁹And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. ¹⁰Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt.” ¹¹But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?” ¹²He said, “But I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain.”

¹⁰But Moses said to the LORD, “Oh, my Lord, I am not eloquent, either in the past or since you have spoken to your servant, but I am slow of speech and of tongue.” ¹¹Then the LORD said to him, “Who has made man’s mouth? Who makes him mute, or deaf, or seeing, or blind? Is it not I, the LORD? ¹²Now therefore go, and I will be with your mouth and teach you what you shall speak.” ¹³But he said, “Oh, my Lord, please send someone else.” ¹⁴Then the anger of the LORD was kindled against Moses and he said, “Is there not Aaron, your brother, the Levite? I know that he can speak well. Behold, he is coming out to meet you, and when he sees you, he will be glad in his heart. ¹⁵You shall speak to him and put the words in his mouth, and I will be with your mouth and with his mouth and will teach you both what to do. ¹⁶He shall speak for you to the people, and he shall be your mouth, and you shall be as God to him. ¹⁷And take in your hand this staff, with which you shall do the signs.”

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Epistle (New Testament Letter)

Ephesians 4:1–7, 11–16 (ESV)

¹I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— ⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. ⁷But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ’s gift.

¹¹And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, ¹²to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, ¹³until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, ¹⁴so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes.

¹⁵Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, ¹⁶from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: *Thanks be to God.*

Holy Gospel

Mark 6:7–12 (ESV)

⁷And he called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸He charged them to take nothing for their journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in their belts— ⁹but to wear sandals and not put on two tunics. ¹⁰And he said to them, “Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you depart from there. ¹¹And if any place will not receive you and they will not listen to you, when you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.” ¹²So they went out and proclaimed that people should repent.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: *Thanks be to God.*

Hymn of the Day

Hark, the Voice of Jesus Crying

LSB 826



1 Hark, the voice of Je - sus cry - ing, “Who will go and work to - day?
2 If you can - not speak like an - gels, If you can - not preach like Paul,
3 If you can - not be a watch - man, Stand - ing high on Zi - on’s wall,
4 Let none hear you i - dly say - ing, “There is noth - ing I can do,”



Fields are white and har - vests wait - ing— Who will bear the sheaves a - way?”
You can tell the love of Je - sus, You can say He died for all.
Point - ing out the path to heav - en, Of - f’ring life and peace to all,
While the mul - ti - tudes are dy - ing And the Mas - ter calls for you.



Loud and long the Mas-ter call-eth; Rich re-ward He of-fers thee.
 If you can - not rouse the wick-ed With the judg-ment's dread a-larms,
 With your prayers and with your boun-ties You can do what God com-mands;
 Take the task He gives you glad-ly, Let His work your plea-sure be;



Who will an-swer, glad-ly say-ing, "Here am I, send me, send me"?
 You can lead the lit-tle chil-dren To the Sav-ior's wait-ing arms.
 You can be like faith-ful Aar-on, Hold-ing up the proph-et's hands.
 An-swer quick-ly when He call-eth, "Here am I, send me, send me!"

Sermon

Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-16

Anthem (10:45)

"Here I Am, Lord"

Adult Choir

- Use the anthem's music and words to help you to meditate on God's Word and His truth for you today. Maintain this as meditative time.

"I, the Lord of sea and sky,
 I have heard My people cry.
 All who dwell in dark and sin,
 My hand will save.
 I, who made the stars of night,
 I will make their darkness bright.
 Who will bear My light to them?
 Whom shall I send?"

Refrain:

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
 I have heard You calling in the night.
 I will go, Lord, if You lead me.
 I will hold Your people in my heart.

"I, the Lord of snow and rain,
 I have borne My people's pain.
 I have wept for love of them.
 They turn away.
 I will break their hearts of stone,
 give them hearts for love alone.
 I will speak My word to them.
 Whom shall I send?" *Refrain*

"I, the Lord of wind and flame,
 I will tend the poor and lame.
 I will set a feast for them.
 My hand will save.
 Finest bread I will provide
 till their hearts be satisfied.
 I will give My life to them.
 Whom shall I send?" *Refrain*

Installation of Katrina Johns as Equipping Coordinator

- Explanation of the Role
- A Reading from Scripture Regarding the Ministry—
Colossians 3:12–17

¹²Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, ¹³bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. ¹⁷And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.



- **Questioning**

P: Do you believe and confess the canonical books of the Old and New Testaments to be the inspired Word of God and the only infallible rule of faith and practice?

Equipping Coordinator: *Yes, I believe and confess the Scriptures to be the true Word of God.*

P: Do you believe and confess the three Ecumenical Creeds, namely, the Apostles', the Nicene, and the Athanasian Creeds, as faithful testimonies to the truth of the Holy Scriptures, and reject all the errors which they condemn?

E: *Yes, I believe and confess the common Christian faith as expressed in the Creeds.*

P: Do you confess the Unaltered Augsburg Confession to be a true exposition of Holy Scripture and a correct exhibition of the doctrine of the Evangelical Lutheran Church? And do you confess that the Apology of the Augsburg Confession, the Small and Large Catechisms of Martin Luther, the Smalcald Articles, the Treatise on the Power and Primacy of the Pope, and the Formula of Concord—as these are contained in the Book of Concord—are also in agreement with this one scriptural faith?

E: *Yes, I make these Confessions my own because they express the truth of the Word of God.*

P: Do you solemnly promise faithfully to serve God's people in your office in accordance with Holy Scripture and with these Confessions?

E: *I promise, with the help of God.*

P: Will you, trusting in God's care, seek to grow in love for those you serve, strive for excellence in your skills, and adorn the Gospel of Jesus Christ with a godly life?

E: *I will, with the help of God.*

- **Congregational Assent**

P: Brothers and sisters in Christ, you have heard the confession and solemn promise of Katrina Johns who has been called to the office of Equipping Coordinator in the Church. I ask you now, in the presence of God: Will you receive her, show her fitting love and honor, and support her by your gifts and fervent prayer? If so, then answer: We will, with the help of God.

C: ***We will, with the help of God.***

P: The almighty and most merciful God strengthen and assist you always in this.

- **Commissioning and Installation**

P: Are you ready and willing to assume this office and work?

E: *I am.*

P: Katrina Johns, having been certified by the Synod as a Director of Christian Education, and having been called by this congregation, I commission you to the office of Equipping Coordinator and install you at Bethel Lutheran Church in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: ***Amen.***

- **Prayer**

- **Blessing**

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.



Offertory

LSB 871 st. 3; tune: Haslemere

Sung as our Offerings are brought forward to the Altar

HASLEMERE

Songs and Tunes for Education, 1861
harmonized by **MARTIN SHAW, 1931**

In unison, simply



Lord, I will to - day On Your love re - ly; Let no ev-il thought Cloud the clear blue sky.
Joy-ful and cont-ent With life's simp-ler things, Know-ing all I need From Your kind-ness springs.

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Prayers of the Church

The Lord's Supper: What We Believe

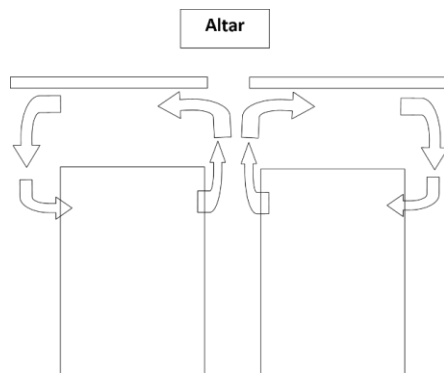
All Christians who are baptized and have been instructed are invited to receive Communion with us if you believe as we do—that the bread is the body of Christ, and the wine is the blood of Christ, truly present for us for the forgiveness of our sins.

If this is a new teaching to you, or if this is different than you believe, we ask that you wait to commune until we've had a further chance to talk. We invite those who are not communing to come to the rail, cross your arms, and receive a blessing from the Lord.



Communion Distribution

- Pastor distributes the bread, and the Elders distribute the wine—with individual cups or common cup. The individual trays also contain alcohol-removed wine in the center of each tray in the purple cups.
- Each side will be ushered from the center aisle to the communion rail, row by row, starting with the front.
- Go to the rail on your side of the sanctuary, filling in starting with the outside wall towards the center.
- Once you have received the elements, you may remain at the rail for prayer and leave at your own pace.
- Return to your seat using the outside aisle.
- Use the distribution time to prepare yourself for communion, sing the hymns as prayers to God, and maintain this as meditative time.



Preparation for the Lord's Supper

P: The Lord was revealed in the flesh,

C: *declared-righteous by the Spirit,*

P: seen by messengers,

C: *proclaimed among the nations,*

P: believed in the world,

C: *taken up in glory.*

1 Tim. 3:14

P: He who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords,
who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light,
whom no one has ever seen or can see.

To him be honor and eternal dominion.

1 Tim. 6:15-16

C: *Amen.*

P: The Lord be with your spirit and grace be with you.

2 Tim. 4:22

C: *And also with you.*

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.*

Words of Institution

Pax Domini (The Peace of the Lord)

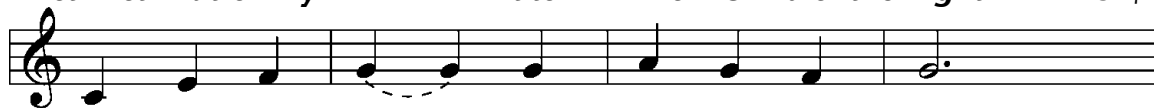
P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: *And also with you.*

(We greet one another in peace saying "God's peace" or "The Lord be with you.")

First Distribution Hymn ***I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light***

LSB 411



1 I want to walk as a child of the light.
2 I want to see the bright-ness of God.
3 I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ.



I want to fol - low Je - sus.
I want to look at Je - sus.
I want to be with Je - sus.



God set the stars to give light to the world.
Clear Sun of Righ - teous - ness, shine on my path,
When we have run with pa - tience the race,



The star of my life way is Je - sus.
And show me the way to the Fa - ther.
We shall know the joy of Je - sus.



Refrain

In Him there is no dark - ness at all.



The night and the day are both a - like.



The Lamb is the light of the cit - y of God.



Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

Second Distribution Hymn**Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise**

LSB 680



1 Thine the a - men Thine the praise Al - le -
2 Thine the life e - ter - nal - ly Thine the
3 Thine the tru - ly Thine the yes Thine the
4 Thine the king - dom Thine the prize Thine the
5 Thine the glo - ry in the night No more



lu - ias an - gels raise Thine the ev - er - last - ing head
prom - ise let there be Thine the vi - sion Thine the tree
ta - ble we the guest Thine the mer - cy all from Thee
won - der full sur - prise Thine the ban - quet then the praise
dy - ing on - ly light Thine the riv - er Thine the tree



Thine the break - ing of the bread Thine the glo - ry Thine the
All the earth on bend - ed knee Gone the nail - ing gone the
Thine the glo - ry yet to be Then the ring - ing and the
Then the jus - tice of Thy ways Thine the glo - ry Thine the
Then the Lamb e - ter - nal - ly Then the ho - ly ho - ly



sto - ry Thine the har - vest then the cup Thine the
rail - ing Gone the plead - ing gone the cry Gone the
sing - ing Then the end of all the war Thine the
sto - ry Then the wel - come to the least Then the
ho - ly Cel - e - bra - tion ju - bi - lee Thine the



vine - yard then the cup is lift - ed up lift - ed up.
sigh - ing gone the dy - ing what was loss lift - ed high.
liv - ing Thine the lov - ing ev - er - more ev - er - more.
won - der all in - creas - ing at Thy feast at Thy feast.
splen - dor Thine the bright - ness on - ly Thee on - ly Thee.

Common Dismissal

P: Now may this true body and true blood of our Lord....

C: **Amen.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P: Father, You have strengthened us by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, through His body and blood shared with us in the holy meal. May what we have received from You enable us to share Your grace with others. May we endure all suffering in this world without swerving from the faith. And when we depart from Your Word, grant us repentance leading to a knowledge of the truth so that we may receive the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.

C: **Amen.**

2 Tim. 2:1-2, 1 Tim. 6:21, 2 Tim. 2:10, 2:25

Benediction

P: There is stored up for you the crown of righteousness,
which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to you on the Last Day,
and not only to you but also to all who have longed for his appearing.
The Lord will rescue you from every evil deed and bring you safely into his
heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever in the Name of the
Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

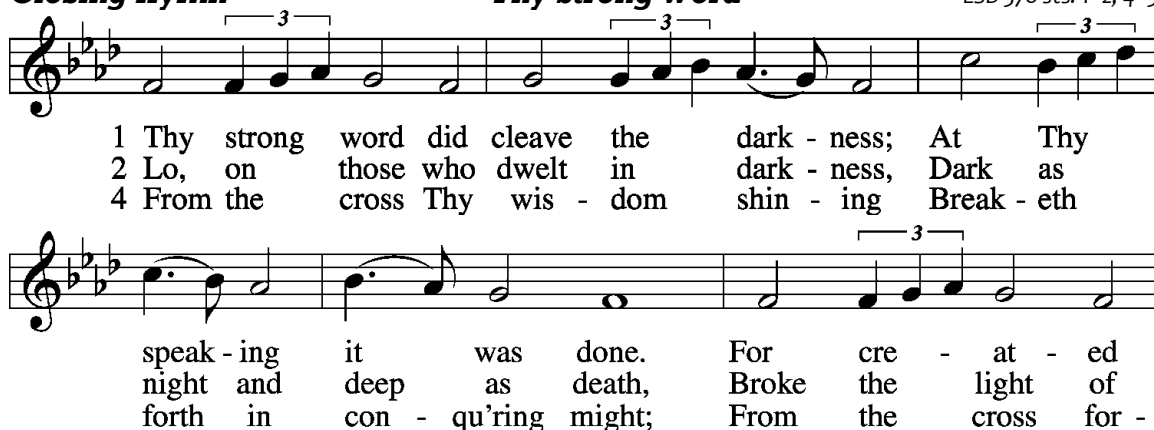
2 Tim. 4:8,18

C: **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Thy Strong Word

LSB 578 sts. 1-2, 4-5



1 Thy strong word did cleave the dark - ness; At Thy
2 Lo, on those who dwelt in dark - ness, Dark as
4 From the cross Thy wis - dom shin - ing Break - eth

speak - ing it was done. For cre - at - ed
night and deep as death, Broke the light of
forth in con - qu'ring might; From the cross for -



light we thank Thee, While Thine or - dered sea - sons run.
Thy sal - va - tion, Breathed Thine own life - breath - ing breath.
ev - er beam - eth All Thy bright re - deem - ing light.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to



Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!

- 5 Give us lips to sing Thy glory,
Tongues Thy mercy to proclaim,
Throats that shout the hope that fills us,
Mouths to speak Thy holy name.
Alleluia, alleluia!
May the light which Thou dost send
Fill our songs with alleluias,
Alleluias without end!

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Announcements

Join Us for Thanksgiving Eve !

Wednesday, November 22, 6:30PM

*"Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his
steadfast love endures forever!"*

Psalms 107:1



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Lutheran Background Course

Wednesdays @ 7:30PM

November 29, December 6, 13, & 20

*Class will begin about 15 minutes
after the Advent Midweek Worship (6:30) ends*
Led by Pastor Squires

*As someone who has visited Bethel, been curious about what we believe, have been thinking of joining the congregation, or just feel like you need a refresher, we invite you to this session to explore what it is that we teach about Jesus Christ. Using a study guide based on **Martin Luther's Small Catechism (a book of questions and answers)**, we'll engage in lively discussion as we explore topics like the Apostles' Creed, the Ten Commandments, Baptism, and Lord's Supper. Meanwhile, you'll also have a chance to ask your questions, the things you've wondered about God, Jesus, the Bible, Lutherans, or Bethel.*

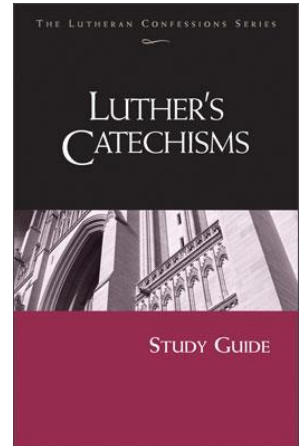
Participating in this course does not necessarily mean you're ready to be a member of Bethel. Rather, it is one way to examine what we teach as you look for a spiritual home. If, after the course, you desire to become a member, you can set up a further conversation with Pastor Squires to make that happen. If you decide that Bethel is not the place for you spiritually, it is our prayer that we can encourage and help you find a place to hear God's Word and serve Him and the world.

*To sign up for this course, please reply to this email and confirm your interest no later than Sunday, November 26, **to help us make sure we've got study guides for everyone.** If you're not sure and want more information, please send along your questions to Pastor.*

God bless!

*Register for the course:
Call or email Karen Leicht (Disciple Care Coordinator) in the church office
847-244-9647 or karen@bethelgurnee.org*

*Questions? Pastor Squires –
pastor@bethelgurnee.org – 224-419-5519 (cell)*



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