



## LUTHERAN NIGHT at the SCRAPPERS

Our Mahoning County Lutheran Cluster has once again planned a Lutheran Night at the Scrappers! The game will be on Friday, July 31st, and it begins at 7:17pm. There is a sign-up sheet in the Nar-

thex/Gathering Space for anyone interested. Tickets are \$10 each.

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# *Lord of Life Lutheran Church*

*A Serving Community*

*God's work, our hands!*

Rev. Rebecca Zielke, Pastor

Tim L. Elder, CAGO, Director of Music

**2nd Sunday after Pentecost**

Sunday, June 7, 2026

10:15 a.m.



*Though Jesus was a devout Jew who practiced his faith, he was criticized for eating with tax collectors and sinners—the religiously nonobservant. Jesus criticizes the self-righteous and reminds us that mercy is to be at the heart of our religious practices. God continues to be made known in those on the margins of society, like Matthew the tax collector and the hemorrhaging woman. As we gather each Lord's day we receive the healing that makes us well and sends us forth to be signs of God's mercy for the world.*

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## GATHERING

### Announcements

#### Prelude

*All items in **bold** are congregational responses.*

*Please stand.*

#### Confession and Forgiveness

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, **+** one God,  
whose compassion endures forever.

C **Amen.**  
Let us confess our sin to God.

C Compassionate God,  
**we confess to you all our sins.**  
**Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.**  
**In your mercy, call us back to you.**  
**Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.**  
**Restore us to dwell in your peace.**  
**In Christ's name we pray,**  
**Amen.**

P Jesus says, "Come to me,  
All you who are weary  
and are carrying heavy burdens,  
and I will give you rest."  
In the name of God,  
Father, **+** Son, and Holy Spirit,  
your sins are forgiven.  
Rest in God's love.

C **Amen.**

Bethel Lutheran Church presents their 20th Annual

## CAR, BIKE, & TRUCK



**July 25, 2026** **SHOW** Noon to 4 p.m.  
\*Rain Date - August 1

**Registration - 10 a.m. to Noon**  
Day of event \$10.00 • Pre-registration \$8.00 • T-Shirts to the first 50 pre-registrants  
Trophies • Dash Plaques • Goody Bags

**All Cars, Bikes & Trucks Welcome!**

**Fun Activities!**  
TV Raffle • Door prizes • Basket Auction • 50/50 Raffle • Food •  
Crafters • Live DJ • Christmas in July • Visit & Photos with Santa Claus

Name _____	Amount Enclosed _____
Address _____	City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone Number _____	E-Mail _____
___ Car ___ Bike ___ Truck Year/Make/Model _____	
T-Shirt Size: Large ___ X-Large ___ XX-Large ___ XXX-Large ___	
___ Crafter (\$20) Type of Craft _____	
Signature _____	Date _____

Make checks payable to:  
**Bethel Youth Fund**

Mail Pre-Registration to:  
Beth Applegate  
425 Crestview Dr.  
Boardman, OH 44512  
(330) 758-5745  
(330) 696-4189 (cell)

Contact Information:  
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\*\*Exhibitor releases Bethel Lutheran Church from any and all injury liability, loss or damage that may occur to property, or self while on premises. Your signature on this application is an agreement to this statement.\*\*

### Confirmation Project—Emma Hall

My name is *Emma Hall* and I am an 8th grade student at Canfield Village Middle School. I enjoy performing with Easy Street Productions, especially in the show Miracle on Easy Street. I also love dancing with my friends at Inspire Dance Center. During the summer, my family and I spend time at the beach and visit Disney World. These vacations are some of my favorite memories!

However, what matters most to me is helping others. For my service project along with my sponsor *Mr. Tim*, we chose to organize a toy drive for Akron Children's Hospital. I have seen through family and friends how difficult it can be when a child is in the hospital. I know that even a small toy can bring comfort and joy during a challenging time. This project will help provide resources to brighten children's days while they are in the ER, undergoing treatments, or staying at the hospital.

It would mean so much to me if you would consider donating to this cause! Your support can help bring smiles to children facing serious health challenges and remind them that they are not alone.

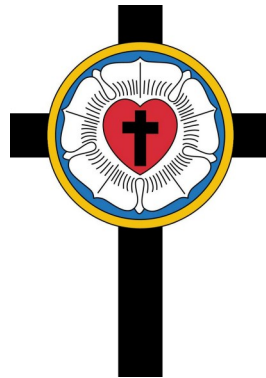
Thank you,  
Emma

**Please note:** Patients at Akron Children's are often at high risk of acquiring an infection or illness and for this reason the hospital can only accept brand new, recently store bought items with the tags or in original packaging.

**Monetary donations** can be made out to "Akron Children's Hospital". In the memo line of your check please designate the funds go to **Volunteer Services**.

#### **Items that cannot be accepted include:**

- \* Beads, magnetic items, pencil sharpeners or other sharp items
- \* Items containing latex, glitter, sand or feathers
- \* Handmade crafts, bracelets, jewelry etc.
- \* Candy or food related items
- \* Items depicting violence, political or religious messages
- \* Fidget spinners, VHS or cassette tapes



**Thank you!**

**Donations accepted until June 28th.**

### **Gathering Hymn**

### **How Firm a Foundation**

ELW 796

#### **Greeting**

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C **And also with you.**

#### **Glory to God**

*Refrain*

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, the high - est, and  
peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

1 Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,  
we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you

*Refrain*

for your glo - ry. Glo - ry to God in the high -  
est, the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the  
right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

*Refrain*

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, the high - est, and  
peace to God's peo - ple on earth. 3 For you a -


lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,  
 you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the  
 Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.  
 A - men. A - men. A - men. A - men.  
*Final refrain*  
 Glo - ry to God in the high - est, the high - est, and peace to God's  
 peo - ple on earth. Glo - ry to God in the high -  
 est, the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

**Prayer of the Day**

P O God, you are source and life and the ground of our being. By the power of your Spirit bring healing to this wounded world and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
 C Amen


*Please be seated*

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## Altar Flowers


The Altar Flowers this weekend are given to the Glory of God, and in honor of **Brandon Schroth**, who is celebrating his birthday on June 6th by **Alta Johnson**,



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Saturday, July 4th

Due to the 4th of July holiday falling on a Saturday, there will be no Saturday worship on July 4th.



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The  
**CHOSEN**

**Wednesday Bible Study for May/June**  
**On TV Sries The Chosen**

This is an eight-week study using The Chosen, to see Jesus' life in a more personal and relatable way. As Christians, it's important we understand how He's portrayed and compare it with Scripture.

And for those who find reading difficult or less engaging, this can be a meaningful way to experience the story of Jesus and grow in faith together.

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## Daily Scripture Readings for June 8 through June 13

Mon 6/8	Tues 6/9	Wed 6/10	Thurs 6/11	Fri 6/12	Sat 6/13
Psalm 40: 1-8	Psalm 40; 1-8	Psalm 40: 1-8	Psalm 100	Psalm 100	Psalm 100
Leviticus 15:25-31; 22:1-9	Hosea 8:11-14 10:1-2	Hosea 14:1-9	Exodus 4:18-23	Exodus 4:27-31	Exodus 6:28-7:13
2 Corinthians 6:14-7:2	Hebrews 13:1-16	Matthew 12:1-8	Hebrews 3:1-6	Acts 7:35-43	Mark 7:1-13

## Serving in Worship in June

	06/01	06/08	06/15	06/22	06/29
<b>Greeter/ Usher</b>	Bob Soles	Jeff Dombroski	Phyllis Ruse	Gabe West	Zack West
<b>Lector</b>	Judy McCartney	Pastor Mark Williams	Norma Thomas	Diana Williams	Larry Cohol
<b>Counters</b>	Tom Drotleff	Tom Drotleff	Tom Drotleff	Tom Drotleff	Tom Drotleff
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Diana Williams	Diana Williams	Diana Williams	Norma Thomas	Norma Thom- as
<b>Crucifer</b>	Art Thomas	Chris Eash	Larry Cohol	Art Thomas	Chris Eash
<b>Acolyte</b>					

## WORD

### First Reading

Hosea 5: 15-6:6

*Because the people have trusted in military powers and not God, God decides to withdraw from the scene until Israel acknowledges its guilt and seeks God's face. The response of the people does not acknowledge this guilt and is as fickle as fog or dew burned away quickly by the sun. God desires loyalty rather than words or meaningless deeds.*

<sup>15</sup> I will return again to my place  
until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face.  
In their distress they will beg my favor:

<sup>6:1</sup> "Come, let us return to the LORD,  
for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us;  
he has struck down, and he will bind us up.

<sup>2</sup> After two days he will revive us;  
on the third day he will raise us up,  
that we may live before him.

<sup>3</sup> Let us know, let us press on to know the LORD;  
his appearing is as sure as the dawn;  
he will come to us like the showers,  
like the spring rains that water the earth."

<sup>4</sup> What shall I do with you, O Ephraim?  
What shall I do with you, O Judah?  
Your love is like a morning cloud,  
like the dew that goes away early.

<sup>5</sup> Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets;  
I have killed them by the words of my mouth,  
and my judgment goes forth as the light.

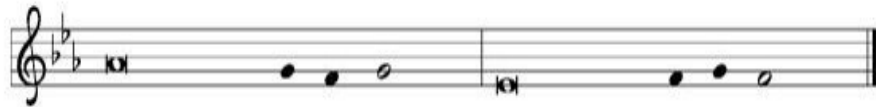
<sup>6</sup> For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice,  
the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

L Word of God, word of life.  
C **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 50: 7-15**



Call up-on me in the day of trou-ble, says your God.



<sup>7</sup>“Listen, my people, and I will speak: Israel, I will bear wit-<sup>1</sup>ness against you; for I am <sup>1</sup>God, your God.

<sup>8</sup>**I do not accuse you because <sup>1</sup>of your sacrifices; your burnt offerings are al-<sup>1</sup>ways before me.**

<sup>9</sup>I will not accept a calf<sup>1</sup> from your stalls, nor goats<sup>1</sup> from your pens;

<sup>10</sup>**for all the wild animals of the for-<sup>1</sup>est are mine, the cattle on a<sup>1</sup> thousand hills. R**

<sup>11</sup>I know every bird<sup>1</sup> of the mountains, and the creatures of the<sup>1</sup> fields are mine.

<sup>12</sup>**If I were hungry, I<sup>1</sup> would not tell you, for the whole world is mine and all<sup>1</sup> that is in it.**

<sup>13</sup>Do you think I eat the<sup>1</sup> flesh of bulls, or drink the<sup>1</sup> blood of goats?

<sup>14</sup>Offer to God a sacrifice<sup>1</sup> of thanksgiving and make good your vows to<sup>1</sup> the Most High.

<sup>15</sup>Call upon me in the<sup>1</sup> day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall<sup>1</sup> honor me. **R**

*Please be seated*

**Communion**

*Follow the usher’s direction to come forward to receive the bread from the Pastor and take a glass of wine from the tray. Dispose of the cup in the basket provided on the railing and return to your seat by the side aisle.*

**Communion Distribution**      **There is a Balm in Gilead**      **ELW 614**

P      The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C      **Amen.**

**Prayer after Communion**

P      Let us pray,  
Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.

C      **Amen.**

**Sending Hymn**      **Will You Come and Follow Me**      **ELW 798**

**Blessing**

P      Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, ✝ one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

C      **Amen.**

**Dismissal**

P      Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

C      **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

## Lord's Prayer

- P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.
- C **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.**

## Invitation to Communion

- P Heaven has come near. Come, share in the feast!

*This invitation is extended to all who receive Communion in any Christian denomination. All are welcome!*

## Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

## Second Reading

Romans 4: 13-25

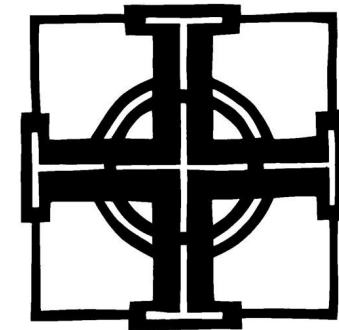
*Paul presents Abraham as a living model of right relationships. For Abraham and for us, a right relationship with God involves trusting that God's promises will be fulfilled because God makes the dead alive and calls into existence what otherwise does not exist.*

<sup>13</sup> The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup> For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup> For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law, neither is there transgression.

<sup>16</sup> For this reason the promise depends on faith, in order that it may rest on grace, so that it may be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (who is the father of all of us, <sup>17</sup> as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations"), in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. <sup>18</sup> Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So shall your descendants be." <sup>19</sup> He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), and the barrenness of Sarah's womb. <sup>20</sup> No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, <sup>21</sup> being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. <sup>22</sup> Therefore "it was reckoned to him as righteousness." <sup>23</sup> Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone <sup>24</sup> but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, <sup>25</sup> who was handed over for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

- L Word of God, word of life,  
C **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand*



## Gospel Acclamation



Al-le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Gospel

**Matthew 9: 9-13; 18-26**

**P** The holy gospel according to Matthew.

**C** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Jesus demonstrates God's mercy and power, accepting the unacceptable and curing the incurable. Even the dead receive new life.*

<sup>9</sup> As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax-collection station, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.

<sup>10</sup> And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with Jesus and his disciples. <sup>11</sup> When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" <sup>12</sup> But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. <sup>13</sup> Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous but sinners."

## Eucharistic Prayer

**P** Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent us to Jesus, you Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks: broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all glory and honor, now and forever.

**C** **Amen**



## Preface

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, ...  
...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## Holy, Holy,

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -  
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



<sup>18</sup> While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live."<sup>19</sup> And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. <sup>20</sup> Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from a flow of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak,<sup>21</sup> for she was saying to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well."<sup>22</sup> Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And the woman was made well from that moment. <sup>23</sup> When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion,<sup>24</sup> he said, "Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. <sup>25</sup> But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. <sup>26</sup> And the report of this spread through all of that district.

P The gospel of the Lord.  
C Praise to you, O Christ.

*Please be seated.*

## Children's Message

## Sermon

*Please stand.*

## Hymn of the Day

We Come to You for Healing, Lord

ELW 617

## Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen**

## Prayers of Intercession

P Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.

*A brief silence.*

C God of mercy, you call us to a life filled with acts of mercy. Ground us in following Christ, that we might extend the mercy we receive. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

P God of creation, all you have made is yours (*local landmarks and bodies of water may be named*). Revive lands in need of healing and make us wise stewards of all you have given us to tend. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

P God of the nations, you promise to deliver those who call on you. Bring an end to conflict, bigotry, and injustice in all their forms wherever they are found. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

P God of comfort, you provide for those in need. Bring an end to addiction. Comfort people as they mourn. Provide tenderly for those in need especially those we name out loud or in our hearts.

*Sean Bandelier, Bonnie Eash, Oweda Frederick, Laurel Froelich, Chris Hunnicutt, Rick Kershner, Devon Kirtley, Todd Kirtley, George Lange, Craig Miller, Marge Pancher, Pam Parker, Staci Thomas, Bob Titus, David Titus, Pearl Torrence, Patty Weiss, the people of God at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Warren, OH and the family of Pastor Eugene Koene*

*(The names on the prayer list are updated every 30 days. If you wish to continue to have someone on the list, please contact the office.)*

C God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

P God of blessings, you send the Holy Spirit to provide varieties of gifts in the body of Christ. Accompany those who travel this summer, make our gatherings joyous, and grant us a spirit of hospitality and togetherness. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

P God of life, we give you thanks for saints whose lives revealed your faithfulness. May remembering their faithfulness strengthen our own. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

P Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior.  
**Amen.**

## Peace

P The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

*The offering plate is located on the table as you enter/exit the worship space.*

## MEAL

### Offering Response

Now the Feast and Celebration

ELW 167

*Please stand.*

### Offering Prayer

P Let us pray,  
Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.  
**Amen.**

### Dialogue

.P The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**