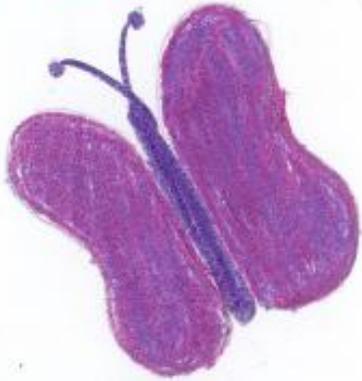


Youth Sunday
3/8/26



When this symbol (✠) precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit.

Welcome and Announcements Peter Warner

Introit "Goodness of God" Caroline Aikens

Bethel Music

Opening Prayer/Reading Seamus Rau & Blake Morrison (Written by Katherine Hawker)

Call to Worship Gavin Decker

On the 7th day, God rested, and so...

We come together

On a day God declared the Sabbath, a day to rest

We come together

To hear God's Word, to sing, to wonder, to pray

We come together

To glorify God and his good works in our lives

Let us rest in God's word and come together to worship God.

✠ **Song: "Light of the World"**

**1 The world is searching for an answer,
A ray of hope in a hopeless world
Who can we turn to? Where is our rescue?
There is someone he's the answer,
He's the light and he'll light the way
His name is Jesus, and he came to save us
He is the Light, Light, Light! Light of the world!
And he Shine, Shine, Shines!
All over the earth,
Shining Bright, Bright, Bright!
He is the light of the world!
He is the Light, Light, Light! Light of the world!
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He is the light of the world!**

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Call to Confession Claire Swiger (Written by Charlotte Bruening)

Lord, we offer up to you the things that weigh us down and keep our minds preoccupied.

Allow Your Holy Spirit to rest on us, giving us rest and healing.

We confess our lack of justice, love, empathy, and passion to do the work that You have called us to.

Allow Your Holy Spirit to rest on us, transforming our hearts, souls, and minds.

You do not let us be defined by wrongdoings and mistakes.

You have called us by our names as Your beloved children.

Allow Your Holy Spirit to rest on us, so that we may extend Your holy love to others.

Abide in us. May Your thoughts be present in ours, so that we can enjoy the fruits of Your spirit.

Allow Your Holy Spirit to rest on us, reminding us that our strength is in You alone.

Lord, fill us with your grace, love, and graciousness, so that we can become our kindest selves in You.

Prayer of Confession Ethan Judd (Written by Charlotte Bruening)

Heavenly Father, we confess that we all make mistakes. It is easy to go through our days without acknowledging Your loving presence. But in the end, we feel empty and are longing to abide in You. We keep our mistakes bottled up inside us, forgetting that Your grace will always be enough. We have fallen short of Your glory, allowing other decisions, items, and events to take priority in our lives. We overlook Your many blessings and try

to live according to our own ways. Remind us that Your ways are higher than ours. We bring our sins and brokenness to You, knowing that You will always make us whole again. We ask for Your mercy to wipe away our transgressions, while filling us with the knowledge to take our next steps in Your grace and love. We give this all up to You in Your holy name, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon: Jillian Lineweaver

☩ **Song:** "I Danced In the Morning"

**1 I danced in the morning when the world was begun,
And I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,
And I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth.**

Refrain:

**Dance, then, wherever you may be;
I am the Lord of the Dance said he,
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.**

**2 I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,
But they would not dance and they would not follow me.
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John.
They came with me and the dance went on.**

Repeat Refrain

**3 I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame.
The holy people said it was a shame.
They whipped and they stripped and they hung me high,
And left me there on the cross to die.**

Repeat Refrain

**4 I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black.
It's hard to dance with the devil on your back.
They buried my body and they thought I'd gone,
But I am the dance and I still go on.**

Repeat Refrain

**5 They cut me down and I leapt up high.
I am the life that will never never die.
I'll live in you if you'll live in me,
I am the Lord of the Dance said he.**

Repeat Refrain

Invitation to Intergenerational Moment: Brynn Washburn

Intergenerational Moment: Charlotte Bruening & Brooklyn Campbell

Passing of the Peace

☩ **Song:** Shine Jesus Shine

**1 Lord, the light of Your love is shining,
in the midst of the darkness shining
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us,
set us free by the truth You now bring us.
Shine on me, ... shine on me.
Shine, Jesus shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;
Blaze Spirit blaze, Set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy.
Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.**

**2 Lord, I come to Your awesome presence,
from the shadows into Your radiance;
By the blood I may enter Your brightness, search me,
try me, consume all my darkness.
Shine on me, ... shine on me.
Shine, Jesus shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;
Blaze Spirit blaze, Set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy.
Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.**

**3 As we gaze on Your kingly brightness
so our faces display Your likeness;
Ever changing from glory to glory,
mirrored here may our lives tell Your story.
Shine on me, ... shine on me.
Shine, Jesus shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;
Blaze Spirit blaze, Set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy.
Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.**

Scripture Readings: *Jeremiah 17:7-8, Will Brubaker, Psalm 1:1-2, Eliza Gardner,
Psalm 1:3, Isaiah 40:8, Sydney Volkmann, Colossians 2: 6-7, Naomi Pifer*

Sermon: “You Can’t Grow Tall if you aren’t Rooted Deep” by Leah Scully

Special Music: “You Say” Grace Terzian

by Lauren Daigle

Prayers of the People: Kate Madden (Written by Rev Abi)

Call for Offering: Penny Peterson

Offertory: “I Trust Jesus” Youth Praise Band

Matthew West & Jason Ingram

Prayer of Dedication/Affirmation of Faith: Gavin Decker (Written by Joanna Harader)

Communion Information: Ella Kate Morise

Communion Liturgy: Pastor Evan R. Smith

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Prayer after Communion: Brogan Rau

Benediction: Leah Scully

Postlude: “Just a Closer Walk with Thee” Kyle Bowman & Amy Bowman

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Naomi Pifer, Seamus Rau, Grace Terzian, and Brynn Washburn

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