



Life does not consist in  
an abundance of  
possessions.

Luke 12:15, NIV

Welcome to  
Worship at Bethel

*Sunday, August 4, 2019*  
*Eighth Sunday after Pentecost*

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*“A Family in Christ;  
Moved by His Spirit;  
Sharing His Love.”*

\*: Please stand if you are able.  
LBW: Lutheran Book of Worship (green)  
WOV: With One Voice (blue)

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*INVOCATION

*"We Gather"*

\*GATHERING HYMN

LBW # 165

*"Holy, Holy, Holy"*

\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

LBW p.77

\*HYMN OF MERCY

*"Freely, Freely"*

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY: **Gracious Father, Your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world. Give us this bread, that He may live in us and we in Him, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

Pew Bible page 603

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

PSALM

Pew Bible page 508

Psalms 49:1-12

Hear this, all you peoples; **give ear, all inhabitants of the world,**  
both low and high, **rich and poor together.**

My mouth shall speak wisdom;  
**the meditation of my heart shall be understanding.**

I will incline my ear to a proverb;  
**I will solve my riddle to the music of the harp.**

Why should I fear in times of trouble,  
**when the iniquity of my persecutors surrounds me,**

those who trust in their wealth  
**and boast of the abundance of their riches?**

Truly, no ransom avails for one's life,  
**there is no price one can give to God for it.**

For the ransom of life is costly, **and can never suffice**  
that one should live on forever **and never see the grave.**

When we look at the wise, they die;  
**fool and dolt perish together and leave their wealth to others.**

Their graves are their homes forever, their dwelling places to all generations,  
**though they named lands their own.**

Mortals cannot abide in their pomp;  
**they are like the animals that perish.**

SECOND LESSON Pew Bible page 1073  
Colossians 3:1-11

\*GOSPEL VERSE  
*“Alleluia”*

\*GOSPEL Pew Bible page 949  
Luke 12:13-21

SERMON HYMN LBW # 439  
*“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”*

SERMON  
Rev. Mark Kindem

HOLY BAPTISM LBW p. 121  
*Allison Heuer*

\*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE  
Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

\*SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING  
*“Create in Me a Clean Heart”*

**\*OFFERING PRAYER**

**Blessed are You, O God, for the greening earth given for all, for the talents we are given to share, and for this bread and wine. Transform us to be the body of Christ, that, feasting on this food and drink, our lives may reflect Your generosity; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**COMMUNION**

LBW p. 89

**\*Word's of Institution, \*Lord's Prayer, Distribution**

**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.**

**COMMUNION HYMNS**

*"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"*

*"Bind Us Together"*

WOV # 748

**\*COMMUNION BLESSING**

Now may the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

**\*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**O God, in this holy communion You have welcomed us into Your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at Your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love You with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and faithfully steward the earth You have made; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**\*BLESSING:** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. **Amen.**

**\*DISMISSAL:** Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**\*SENDING HYMN**

LBW # 390

*"I Love to Tell the Story"*