



*The
Word
became
flesh and made
his dwelling among us.*

John 1:14

*Welcome to
Worship at Bethel*

*Sunday, January 2, 2022
Second Sunday of Christmas*

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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

*GATHERING HYMN

LBW # 40

“What Child Is This”

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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*HYMN OF MERCY

“Praise the Name of Jesus”

*PRAYER OF THE DAY: **Almighty God, You have filled all the earth with the light of Your incarnate Word. By Your grace empower us to reflect Your light in all that we do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

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Jeremiah 31:7-14

PSALM

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Psalm 147:12-20

Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem! **Praise your God, O Zion!**

For he strengthens the bars of your gates;
he blesses your children within you.

He grants peace within your borders;
he fills you with the finest of wheat.

He sends out his command to the earth;
his word runs swiftly.

He gives snow like wool;
he scatters frost like ashes.

He hurls down hail like crumbs--
who can stand before his cold?

He sends out his word, and melts them;
he makes his wind blow, and the waters flow.

He declares his word to Jacob,
his statutes and ordinances to Israel.

He has not dealt thus with any other nation;
they do not know his ordinances. Praise the LORD!

SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 1:3-14

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*GOSPEL VERSE

“Alleluia”

*GOSPEL

John 1:1-18

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SERMON HYMN

“Your Little Ones, Dear Lord”

LBW # 52

SERMON

Rev. Mark Kindem

*NICENE CREED

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We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord in your mercy....**hear our prayer**

*SHARING OF THE PEACE

COMMUNION

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

COMMUNION HYMNS

LBW # 41

"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

*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

We thank You, wondrous God, for Jesus, God with us, in these gifts of bread and wine. As we have shared this feast of love, strengthen us to share Your love with all the world. In Jesus' name we pray. 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 # 39

"Joy to the World"

**WITH ALL WISDOM AND
UNDERSTANDING,
HE MADE KNOWN TO US
THE MYSTERY
OF HIS WILL**

EPHESIANS 1:8-9, NIV

