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Parking lot worship for

Sunday, May 16, 2021

Worship Leader: Rev. Roy Rogers

Organist: Kathy Bowe

Thanks for attending our drive-in worship service. Please remember the guidelines below:

- The church will be open for restroom use only.
- The rules for social distancing remain in effect. Stay a minimum of 6 feet from each other and wear a mask that covers both your mouth and nose.
- Scrip will be available for purchase before and after worship. We ask that when purchasing scrip cards that only one person be at the scrip table at a time.

RINGING OF THE BELLS

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP FOR TROUBLING TIMES (Based on Psalm 46)

Leader: The earth shakes, the mountains quake -- tempting our hearts to fear.

People: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Leader: Rivers overflow their banks – too far away to quench the wildfires, yet we remember,

People: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Leader: When our children are away from home and out of our sight, we take comfort in knowing.

People: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Leader: Whether we have reached the end of our days or the end of our diagnoses, we rest in the truth that

People: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

All: God, you alone are our refuge; you alone are our strength. We look to you in these troubling times.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION (UNISON)

O Lord, Mighty in Power, You say that I should have faith in You so that I will be upheld. I do, Mighty Lord. ... I pray that I continue to put my faith and trust in You because You know all things. You know what the hearts of Your people need, and I know You will help me through whatever this life brings. In your good and holy Name we pray, Amen

SONG #7

“Praise to the Lord”

READING OF SCRIPTURE

John 17:1-19, 25, 26

After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, ‘Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

‘I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do

not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

‘Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.’

SERMON “I Never Promised You a Rose Garden”

SONG #385 “On Eagles’ Wings”

PASTORAL ... LORD’S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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Those in our thoughts and prayers:

Joys:

Families who have lost loved ones:

Del Zoellner

Those struggling with health issues:

Tom Brickbauer

Macullen Schnell

Jane Markelz

Father of Alicia Braun (former member)

Dale Horneck

Olivia Marie

Jessica Horneck

Those unable to worship with us:

Merlin and Doris Mae Ninmer, Carol Meiselwitz,

Other concerns:

The people of India

Violence in the Middle East

Division in the U.S.

Racial Justice and equality in our country

Health Care workers

Those whose businesses are struggling

Those who are out of work

People who live where violence and injustice prevails.

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BETHLEHEM ANNOUNCEMENTS:



During the month of May, we will again be collecting items for the Milwaukee Guest House's Undy 500. Please bring NEW men's undergarments and socks. They are especially in need of L, XL, and 2XL t-shirts for their residents. There is a box in the entryway for your donations.

Calling all Graduates!!!

Each Spring, Bethlehem likes to acknowledge our high school and college graduates. Please send the names of graduates and schools they are graduating from to Randy by May 31. A list will be published soon after. We will also honor them at a June worship service. Email or text (randynmel5@gmail.com or 920-286-2531)

SHH! It's a surprise!

Merlin and Doris Mae Ninmer are celebrating 72 years of marriage on May 21, 2021. Due to Covid, the family is not able to hold a celebratory gathering. They would like friends and family to send them a card on their special day. Thank you!

Mail cards to:

Merlin and Doris Mae Ninmer
c/o Field of Dream Assisted Living
505 Belitz Dr.
Kiel WI 53042

Calendar

Building and Grounds meeting May 25th at 6:30pm in church fellowship hall.

Plan a visit to one of our homebound members!

Merlin and Doris Mae Ninmer are at Field of Dreams in Kiel (286-6189) Call to arrange a visit.

Carol Meiselwitz is at The Waterford in Plymouth. Monday-Friday by appointment only. (920-892-4635)

This Week at Bethlehem:

Today, Sunday 5/16: 9:30a Drive-In worship; *Happy Anniversary Ken & Lori Behnke and Steve and Cheryl Vogel*

Monday 5/17:

Tuesday 5/18:

Wednesday 5/19: *Happy Anniversary Ben & Cassie Jeanty! Happy Birthday Melanie Volland!*
SPIRIT NEWS DUE

Thursday 5/20:

Friday 5/21: *Happy Anniversary Merlin and Doris Mae Ninmer! Happy Birthday Allyson Wirtz!*

Saturday 5/22: 9a-3 Merry Christians Brat Fry – Piggly Wiggly, Kiel *Happy Birthday Jacob Vogel!*

Sunday 5/23: 9:30a Drive-In worship;

Pantry item: Bottle of Laundry Soap or Fabric Softener