# Order of Worship October 14, 2018

\*Indicates an invitation to stand as you are able. The congregation is invited to respond with the words printed in **BOLD**. Hearing devices and large print bulletins are available from an usher. Please turn off the ringtone on your cell phone.

While you are waiting for service to begin, think about the connection between your personal purpose and Bethel's purpose. Please write your responses on the note provided in the bulletin.

Gathering Music Welcome and Announcements

\*Call To Worship

One: How great are God's works!

Heaven and earth are full of God's glory!

One: We are part of God's great and diverse creation.

As creatures made in God's image, we are called to find our purpose,

One: Our individual purpose, and our purpose as people in relationship with

God and all of creation.

May our worship of God today open us to the question: "what if there's a

greater purpose?"

\*Thread Sona Outside My Own Little World

Opening Prayer and Lord's Prayer (trespasses)

Holy God we find ourselves pulled in many directions by people and is sues and work that are all important. Help us to sift through the demands of our time and energy to connect us with a purpose that feeds us and affirms our gifts, and at the same time serves You and builds up Your kingdom. Strength us for this journey with the ancient Jesus' prayer: Our Father/Mother who art in heaven...

# Children's Time

Help me do the justice to be done today, Help me love kindness in all I do and say, Help me walk humbly with you, O Lord I pray, Every step of the way, every step of the way.

Prayers of the People

Sharina Joys and Concerns

Quiet Praver Pastoral Prayer

Anthem **Nobody Knows** Leon Cotter, Clarinet

Invitation to the Offering

Holy Art Thou Offertory Chancel Choir

Chancel Choir

\*Doxology #780

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below:

Praise God for all that love has done:

Creator, Christ and Spirit One. Amen.

\*Prayer of Dedication

Holy One, you have given us riches beyond measure. We can only re turn a fraction of what we owe you; but we ask, Lord, that you will bless our offerings and help us to use them wisely in your service and for your glory. Amen.

Scripture Reading Isaiah 1:12-17

What If There's a Greater Purpose? Sermon

Sing!

#178 Here Are Our Hearts

(You are invited to bring forward your notes to add to the Vision Board and to be refreshed by dipping your hands in the bowl as a reminder of the water of your baptism or the water of your mother's womb.)

Blessina

\*Hymn #497 Guide My Feet

\*Benediction

This Little Light of Mine Postlude

### **Mission Statement**

- ♦ While our Christian faith is 2000 years old, our thinking is not.
- We are a people on a faith journey where grace abounds.
- We celebrate God's still speaking voice revealed in our world today.
- We worship God, share the life and teachings of Jesus Christ and practice God's unconditional love for all creation.
- We act on our faith to achieve needed works of service, justice, love and kindness.
- We support one another, celebrating our roots and enthusiastically embracing our evolving future.
- We are an open and affirming congregation welcoming all in God's family wherever each is in life's journey.

# Birthdays this Week

Penelope Johnson 10/15 Timothy Schlueter 10/15

# **Today's Worship Leaders**

Reader - David Thoma
Ushers - John Bentley, Liz Flannery, Janice Burris, Christine Erickson
Coffee - Home Perk
Fellowship Food - Jim Keniston
Open and Close - Katherine Dalton
Sound - Soren Knudsen, Rowland French
Announcement Slides - Diana Marsden
Sanctuary Saints - Diane Sullivan
Nursery - Lauren Hake, Kathryn Fairman
PreK-1st - Dawn Bleyle, Lauren Hake
2nd-5th - Jim Butler, Nancy Hilbrick
Youth - Ken Ruse, Sami Faile



Born of Love
Shaped by Grace
Transformed for Service

David Randall-Bodman, Senior Pastor Owen Hofmann-Smith, Director of Music Beth Astarte, Program Coordinator Lynne Elbert, Interim Office Manager Chad Halligan, Organist and Accompanist

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