

Hymn: *“Together”* VT 389

Scripture: Exodus 20:15, Luke 19:1-10

Sermon: *“Pay Back”* Pastor Josh

Hymn: *“O God, We Read the Holy Law”* VT 571

Sharing and Prayer

Benediction

Sending Hymn: *“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”* VT 831

Offering for Bethel College

Welcome! We are glad you are here! We hope to see you again soon! Our service is live streamed on YouTube. Search Fmbeatrice.

Each Sunday we have people who assist with the audio, video, and PowerPoint needs for our worship service. **We need a few more volunteers to help with the audio controls and a few to help with advancing the PowerPoint slides.** Please consider volunteering to help with this. It is **very easy to do** and there are no special skills necessary. As a volunteer, you will receive training and will have people to support you. Let the church office know if you can help and we will schedule a training session.

Beginning this Sunday, Community Time will be held each Sunday morning beginning at 9:30 in the Fellowship Hall. This is a time for adults to gather for coffee, light refreshments, and conversation. At 9:45, Vicki Hinz-Ensz will give a quick update on what the children are learning in Sunday School. At 9:50, the adult Sunday school class will meet. Adults are welcome to join that or continue conversation in the fellowship hall.

Childrens & Youth Sunday School Begins today at 9:30! Children are divided into three age groups: Preschool and PreK, Kindergarten – 2nd grade, and 3rd – 5th grade. These groups will hear a Bible story and do a related activity. At 10:00 the groups will come together for singing. **Youth**, grades 6 through 12, will also meet at 9:30 to study Bible stories chronologically and Bible Literacy. Thank you to all of our volunteer teachers!

We are collecting school supplies for MCC school kits. The kits will be put together during a church community gathering on Wednesday, September 10th. There is a collection box in the narthex for donated supplies (unused):

- Spiral or perforated-page notebooks (8.5 in x 11 in)
- New unsharpened pencils
- Ruler (flat, good quality; must indicate 30 cm (inch markings optional))
- Colored pencils (in packaging)
- Large eraser
- New black or blue ballpoint pens
- Small all-metal pencil sharpener (one or two holes)

Thank you for your thoughtfulness during the passing of Betty. Your cards, calls, visits, food and memorial gifts were very appreciated. We feel very thankful, grateful and blessed.---**The family of Betty Esau**

Church Picnic is Sunday, September 15, 5:00 p.m. at Chautauqua Park Tabernacle. Dan will be in touch with Shepards with requests to compliment pulled pork sandwiches.

Next week you'll find an order form in your mailbox for **WMS nuts!** Yes, it's earlier than usual but the hope is you will have them in time for Thanksgiving baking! And Good News! The prices are the same as last year! Orders will be due October 1.

First Trinity Lutheran Church **Orphan Grain Train Fish Feed!** Sunday, September 1, 11:00-1:00 pm. Fish, potatoes, onions, salads, desserts, and drinks. Free Will Offering benefits the Orphan Grain Train for shipping and general operating costs. Supplemental funds provided by Thrivent Action Team Grant. Carry out meals available.

Big Give Gage 2024 is September 12. Participating non-profits may be found at biggivegage.org. Among them are Mother to Mother and Sewing for Babies.

Bethel College Fall Festival is October 3-5. Activities include the Thresher Classic Golf Tournament, “Taste of Newton” celebrating Newton and Bethel College, “9 to 5: The Musical”, Food and Booths on the Green, Womens Association Market, musical performances on Prairie Sky Stage, class reunion gatherings, and the Bethel vs. Tabor College Football game.

Train up a child
in the way he should go:
and when he is old,
he will not depart from it.
Proverbs 22:6