



"PEACE! BE STILL!"

THEN THE WIND  
(EASED),  
AND THERE WAS  
A DEAD CALM.

MARK 4:39, NRSV

**Sunday, June 20, 2021**  
**Forth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Bethany Lutheran Church (ELCA)**

**PRELUDE AND LIGHTING OF CANDLES**  
**RINGING OF BELL AND WELCOME**

*The assembly stands.*

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (Psalm 118:24)

This is the day that the LORD has made;

**let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

In the name of the Father,

and of the ✠ Son,

and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.**

**Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

**HYMN** *Eternal Father, Strong to Save* (ELW 756)



1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, whose arm has bound the  
2 O Sav - ior, whose al - might - y word the winds and waves sub -  
3 O Ho - ly Spir - it, who didst brood up - on the cha - os  
4 O Trin - i - ty of love and pow'r, all trav - 'lers guard in



rest - less wave, who bade the might - y o - cean deep its  
mis - sive heard, who walked up - on the foam - ing deep, and  
dark and rude, and bid its an - gry tu - mult cease, and  
dan - ger's hour from rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, pro -



own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: oh, hear us when we  
calm a - mid the storm didst sleep: oh, hear us when we  
give, for wild con - fu - sion, peace: oh, hear us when we  
tect them where - so - e'er they go; thus ev - er - more shall



cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.  
cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.  
cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.  
rise to thee glad hymns and praise from land and sea.

## GATHERING (ELW p.184)

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you,**

## KRYIE (ELW p.184)

*Refrain*



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, ev - ry day.



1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the  
2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the  
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for  
4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for  
hun - gry and the poor; that  
friends and fam - i - ly; for  
wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,  
we may live out . . . . truth and jus - tice and grace,  
life and for love, . . . . for our work and our play,  
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,



*Refrain*  
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

*The assembly is seated.*

## WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

## FIRST READING: Job 38:1-11

*At the end of the book of Job, after Job and his companions have argued about the cause of the great suffering Job endures, God finally speaks. These verses begin that speech, which is a grand vision of creation, describing God's ordering of the cosmos and inviting Job to marvel at its beauty.*

A reading from Job.

<sup>1</sup>The LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind: <sup>2</sup>“Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? <sup>3</sup>Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

<sup>4</sup>“Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. <sup>5</sup>Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? <sup>6</sup>On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone <sup>7</sup>when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

<sup>8</sup>“Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb?—<sup>9</sup>when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band, <sup>10</sup>and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors, <sup>11</sup>and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped’?”

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **PSALM 107:1-3, 23-32**

*Psalm 107 is a psalm of thanksgiving.*

<sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good,  
for God’s mercy endures forever.

<sup>2</sup>**Let the redeemed of the LORD proclaim  
that God redeemed them from the hand of the foe,**

<sup>3</sup>gathering them in from the lands;  
from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

<sup>23</sup>**Some went down to the sea in ships,  
plying their trade in deep waters.**

<sup>24</sup>They beheld the works of the LORD,  
God’s wonderful works in the deep.

<sup>25</sup>**Then God spoke, and a stormy wind arose,  
which tossed high the waves of the sea.**

<sup>26</sup>They mounted up to the heavens and descended to the depths;  
their souls melted away in their peril.

<sup>27</sup>**They staggered and reeled like drunkards,  
and all their skill was of no avail.**

<sup>28</sup>Then in their trouble they cried to the LORD,  
and you delivered them from their distress.

<sup>29</sup>**You stilled the storm to a whisper  
and silenced the waves of the sea.**

<sup>30</sup>Then were they glad when it grew calm,  
when you guided them to the harbor they desired.

<sup>31</sup>**Let them give thanks to you, LORD, for your steadfast love  
and your wonderful works for all people.**

<sup>32</sup>Let them exalt you in the assembly of the people;  
in the council of the elders, let them sing hallelujah!

### **SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 6:1-13**

*Paul and his fellow workers experience great hardships and even rejection while carrying out their missionary work. Nevertheless, Paul continuously proclaims that God has not rejected us but is graciously working for our salvation.*

A reading from 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians.

<sup>1</sup>As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. <sup>2</sup>For he says, “At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you.”

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! <sup>3</sup>We are putting no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, <sup>4</sup>but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, <sup>5</sup>beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; <sup>6</sup>by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, <sup>7</sup>truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; <sup>8</sup>in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as

impostors, and yet are true; <sup>9</sup>as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; <sup>10</sup>as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

<sup>11</sup>We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. <sup>12</sup>There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. <sup>13</sup>In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The assembly stands.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW p.188)**

Al-le-lu-ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e-ter-nal life. Al-le-lu-ia.  
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.  
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

**GOSPEL READING: Mark 4:35-41**

*Jesus' calming of the storm on the sea reveals his power over evil, since the sea represents evil and chaos. The boat on the sea is a symbol of the church and invites us to trust God amid life's turbulence.*

The holy gospel according to Mark.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>35</sup>When evening had come, [Jesus said to the disciples,] "Let us go across to the other side." <sup>36</sup>And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. <sup>37</sup>A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. <sup>38</sup>But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" <sup>39</sup>He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. <sup>40</sup>He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" <sup>41</sup>And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*The assembly is seated.*

**SERMON**

*The assembly stands.*

### HYMN *My Life Flows On in Endless Song* (ELW 763)



1 My life flows on in end-less song; a-bove earth's lam-en-ta-tion,  
2 Through all the tu-mult and the strife, I hear that mu-sic ring-ing.  
3 What though my joys and com-forts die? The Lord my Sav-ior liv-eth.  
4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun-tain ev-er spring-ing!



I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new cre-a-tion.  
It finds an ech-o in my soul. How can I keep from sing-ing?  
What though the dark-ness gath-er round? Songs in the night he giv-eth.  
All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from sing-ing?

*Refrain*



No storm can shake my in-most calm while to that Rock I'm cling-ing.



Since Christ is Lord of heav-en and earth, how can I keep from sing-ing?

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826–1899

Music: HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING, Robert Lowry, alt.

### BLESSING OF MEN AND BOYS

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, creator of heaven and earth.

**We give thanks to you for all the men of faith who have done your will throughout the ages.**

We thank you for Abraham the father of Israel, and Moses the deliverer,  
for Samuel the judge and David the king,

**for Isaiah the prophet and John the forerunner, for Peter and John, Paul and Silas, and for Joseph, guardian of our Lord.**

God of our ancestors in faith, we ask your blessing upon the faithful men and boys of Bethany Lutheran Church, our brothers and friends, our spouses and sons, and our grandfathers and fathers.

*Women and Girls Only:* **Bless them and all who put their trust in you. Keep them steadfast in your Word. Look with favor upon their lives in Christ. May they wait upon the Lord and renew their strength, soaring up with wings like eagles, running and not growing weary, walking and not becoming faint. We give you thanks and we ask your blessing through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### APOSTLES' CREED (ELW p. 105)

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.  
Amen.

### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

*Each petition ends with, "Lord, in your mercy." Those worshipping respond with, "**Hear our prayer.**"*

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**Amen.**

### PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*The assembly is seated.*

**WE GIVE THANKS**

### OFFERING

*We are grateful for your gifts and they are needed to continue the work of the church. For those worshipping online, options on ways to give are found on our website ([www.wbbethany.org](http://www.wbbethany.org)). Thank you!*

*After the offering is gathered, the assembly stands and sings the hymn below as the gifts are brought forward.*

### OFFERTORY HYMN *Change My Heart, O God* (ELW 801)

*Refrain*



Change my heart, O God; make it ev - er true.

*End*



Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.



You are the pot - ter; I am the clay.



*Refrain*

Mold me and make me; this is what I pray.

### OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with the gifts of ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

## MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

### GREAT THANKSGIVING (ELW p.190)

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

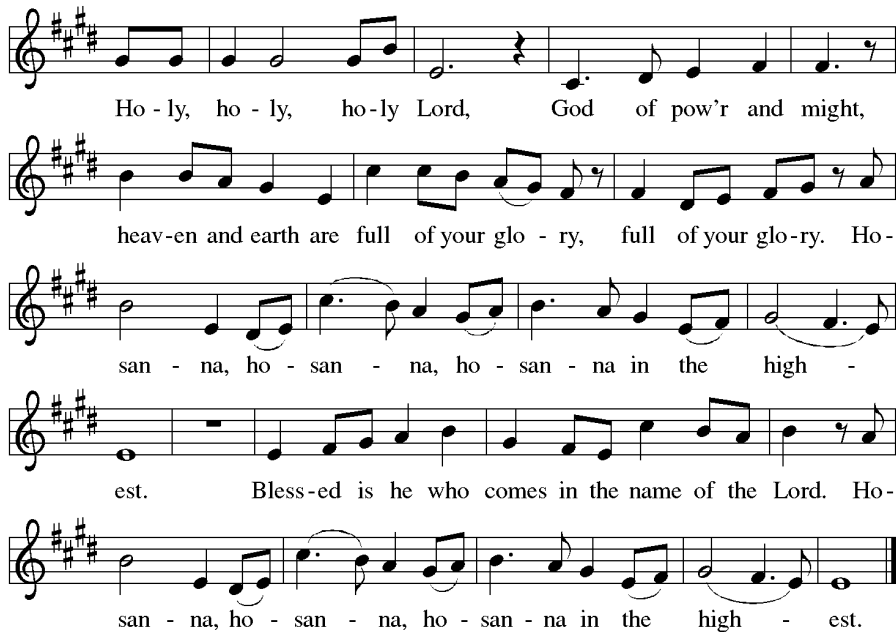
Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

### LORD'S PRAYER (ELW p.191)

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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.**



*The assembly is seated.*

## COMMUNION

*All gathered who believe Jesus Christ is their Lord and Savior are invited to come to Holy Communion with repentant hearts believing that Christ forgives our sins and guides our lives. Strengthened, forgiven, and nourished through this meal the Spirit sends us forth in service and to proclaim the good news of Christ's love. Children and adults who do not take communion may come forward for a blessing.*

## HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

### ***Eat This Bread (ELW 472)***

*(Sing "Eat this bread..." once and then "Jesus Christ, bread of life..." once.)*

*Refrain*

"Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and nev - er be hun - gry.  
OR Je - sus Christ, bread of life, those who come to you will not hun - ger.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst."  
Je - sus Christ, ris - en Lord, those who trust in you will not thirst.

The musical notation is for a two-part setting in G major (one sharp). The first system shows the vocal melody and a bass line accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the notes. The second system continues the melody and accompaniment with the same lyrics.

Text: Taizé Community  
Music: BERTHIER, Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994  
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### ***I Received the Living God (ELW 477)***

*Refrain*

I re - ceived the liv - ing God, and my heart is full of joy.

I re - ceived the liv - ing God, and my heart is full of joy.

1 Je - sus said: I am the bread, knead - ed long to give you life;  
2 Je - sus said: I am the way, and my Fa - ther longs for you;  
3 Je - sus said: I am the truth; come and fol - low close to me.  
4 Je - sus said: I am the life, far from whom no thing can grow,

*Refrain*

you who will par - take of me need not ev - er fear to die.  
so I come to bring you home to be one with us a - new.  
You will know me in your heart, and my word shall make you free.  
but re - ceive this liv - ing bread, and my Spir - it you shall know.

The musical notation is for a two-part setting in G major (one sharp). The first system shows the vocal melody and a bass line accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the notes. The second system continues the melody and accompaniment with the same lyrics. The third system continues the melody and accompaniment with the same lyrics. The fourth system continues the melody and accompaniment with the same lyrics. The fifth system continues the melody and accompaniment with the same lyrics. The sixth system continues the melody and accompaniment with the same lyrics. The seventh system continues the melody and accompaniment with the same lyrics. The eighth system continues the melody and accompaniment with the same lyrics. The ninth system continues the melody and accompaniment with the same lyrics. The tenth system continues the melody and accompaniment with the same lyrics. The eleventh system continues the melody and accompaniment with the same lyrics. 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## BLESSING

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

## BLESSING

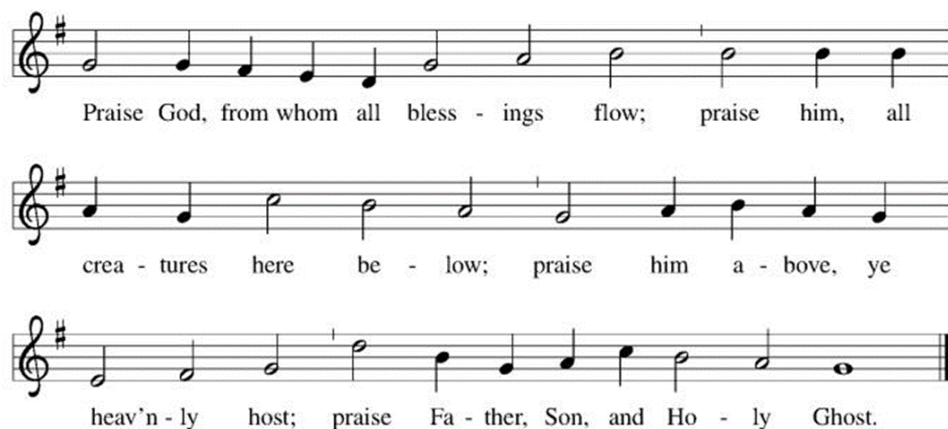
The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

**Amen.**

## HYMN *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow (ELW 884)*



Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711

Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510–1561

## SENDING

You are loved!

Go in peace. Share the good news.

**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE AND EXTINGUISHING OF CANDLES

OUR WORSHIP ASSISTANTS		
Ministers of:	Today	June 27
Music	Jill Barnhart	Jill Barnhart
Proclamation (Lector)	Olivia Poppen	Toni Dodds
Christ's Light (Acolytes)	Arik & Aizlyn Marsh	
Minister of Technology	Paula C	Paula C
Worship (Altar Care)	Marsh Family	Marsh Family



Thank you for worshipping with us this morning! We invite you to join us again next Sunday at 9:30 AM on Facebook or outdoors (weather dependent). Blessings to you as you shine forth the light of Christ in the world this week! Thanks, and praise to God for everything you do in the name of Jesus Christ!

If you are interested in learning more about Bethany Lutheran or interested in becoming a member, please contact Pastor Chad Whaley at 319-643-5998 or email ([pastor@wbbethany.org](mailto:pastor@wbbethany.org)).

If you would like to receive our monthly newsletter and email updates, please send your email address to our Administrative Assistant Paula Casper ([blcsecretary@lcom.net](mailto:blcsecretary@lcom.net)).



Join us every Monday at noon for a 30-minute discussion about the upcoming Sunday gospel reading. We gather via Zoom Meeting so join at home or work while on your lunch break. If interested, contact Pastor Chad at [pastor@wbbethany.org](mailto:pastor@wbbethany.org) and the Zoom invitation will be forwarded to you. The gospel for Sunday, June 27<sup>th</sup> Mark 5:21-43

Join us for worship indoors on the first and third Sunday of the month in which the Sacrament of Holy Communion will also be celebrated. On the second and fourth Sunday of the month we will gather outdoors if weather permits. All worship services will be streamed online via Facebook.



#### Attention Youth (8-12<sup>th</sup> Grade) and Parents

We will be having an informational meeting Monday, August 2 at 6:30 PM to explore the possibility of attending the 2022 ELCA Youth gathering in Minneapolis, which will be held July 24-28. Parents and interested students are encouraged to attend. For more information, please contact Pastor Chad, Amber Marsh or <https://elca.org/gathering>

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# BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

## 2020 Stewardship at a glance

1 PETER 4:10:  
AS EACH HAS RECEIVED A GIFT, USE IT TO SERVE ONE  
ANOTHER, AS GOOD STEWARDS OF GOD'S VARIED GRACE

### MORE THAN 1000 VOLUNTEER HOURS

Many hands make light work. Not only can you offer monetary support, but also donate your time, which is priceless.



### HOPE CHEST CLOTHING DONATIONS



### MORE THAN 200 ITEMS

10 large bags of items were donated to local families in need. Making a difference in the lives of over 22 people

### >900 #

180 bags of groceries donated to support 14 families.

This was double the need of 2019  
BLC also provides financial support to the WBHS food pantry which serves >13 children

### FOOD PANTRY SUPPORT



### 2020 MONETARY GIFTS \$21,211



Over 13% of our annual budget at BLC is designated to help our neighbors in need.  
Thank you for helping to spread God's Word

OUR CHARITABLE DONATIONS CAN INSPIRE YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY TO ALSO GIVE TO CAUSES CLOSE TO THEIR HEART.

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Together we can make a difference in the lives of others