

Updates and Announcements

Thank you for worshipping with us at Bethel United Methodist Church! Our worship service is broadcast via live stream on our Facebook page. Please sign and pass the attendance pads located at the end of your pew. If you are a guest, please list your contact information so we can extend a fuller welcome! To be added to the Bethel UMC Weekly Emails, contact the church office at 803.327.4881 or bethelrockhill@gmail.com.

This Week

- **Today** – Children's Sunday School at 10:15 am.
- **Today** – Baby Shower for Will and Savannah Shelton immediately following worship.
- **Monday** – Financial Policies Meeting at 6:30 pm in the Upper Room.
- **Every Wednesday** – AA Meeting in the church library from 7-8 pm.

Upcoming

- **11/12** – BLT will meet at 11:30 am at the Olive Garden.
- **11/14-16** – Bethel Youth – Asbury Hills Camp.
- **11/26** – Advent begins.

	11/2/25	11/9/25	11/16/25
Liturgist	Marc Sutton	Richard Bickel	Isabella Sutton
Children's Time	Emily Sutton	Cynthia Bickel	Will Shelton
Nursery	Michaela Sanford	Marc Sutton	Allyson Reid
Counter	Chad Williams	Sherl Drawdy	Will Shelton
Counter	Debbie Harris	Margaret McCarter	Michaela Sanford
Usher	Chad Williams	Sherl Drawdy	Tim Smith
Usher	Debbie Harris	Margaret McCarter	Richard Bickel
Communion	Marc Sutton	N/A	N/A

	Month of September	September YTD
Tithes and Offerings	\$9,554.00	\$86,139.19
Expenses	<u>(13,098.86)*</u>	<u>(112,756.68)*</u>
	<u>\$(3,544.86)</u>	<u>\$(26,617.49)</u>
	October 26	
In-person Attendance	22	
Plate Budget Received	\$715.00	

*These expenses include the final cost of roof repairs not covered by insurance.

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All Saints Sunday



November 2, 2025

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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GATHERING

WORDS OF WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: On this All Saints Sunday, we gather to remember teachers and storytellers who made God's stories come alive for us.

P: We give thanks and remember the choir members, pianists, organists, and all the musicians who sang and played your praises.

L: We give thanks and remember preachers and lay leaders who led our worship through the years.

P: We give thanks and remember parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, and siblings who showed us how to hold fast to the faith.

L: We give thanks and remember our church families – this one and others we have loved. We remember all those who have been a part of this faith family with whom we grew our faith and our love for God and neighbor.

P: We remember our ancestors in the faith whose courage enables us to be here today. We give thanks for the saints who came before us, are present here with us, and will continue after us. Thanks be to God!

Adapted from Rev. Susannah DeBenedetto and posted on LiturgyLink, <https://www.liturgylink.net/2014/10/29/all-saints-litany/>.

OPENING PRAYER

God of all creation, all that we have comes from you. We gather in your presence, surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, people from every tribe and nation, every kindred and tongue, to lift our voices in praise, to be transformed into your saints, to be sent out to gather others to share the eternal banquet. Receive the praise we offer, work in us and through us. You alone are holy, you alone are the Most High, you alone are worthy of our praise. Glory to you, O God, and to the Lamb, our Shepherd, and to the Spirit that unites us all, today and ever more. Amen.

Adapted from Rev. Dr. Bob Gross on the Worship Ways website, <https://www.wcs.org/worship-ways/all-saints-day-november-1-2020/>.

*OPENING HYMN *For All the Saints* UMH# 711

*APOSTLES' CREED UMH# 881

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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.**

*RESPONSE *Gloria Patri* UMH# 70

PROCLAMATION

*HYMN *This is Where Children Belong* TFWs# 2233

CHILDREN'S TIME Rev. Emily Sutton

SCRIPTURE *2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12* Marc Sutton

L: This is the word of God for the people of God.

P: Thanks, Be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC *As the Deer* Chris Wade

SCRIPTURE *Luke 19:1-10* Rev. Emily Sutton

L: This is the word of God for the people of God.

P: Thanks, Be to God.

MESSAGE *Love Increasing* Rev. Emily Sutton

RESPONSE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: Lord in your mercy,

P: Hear our prayers.

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 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.

OFFERING

THE EUCHARISTIC FEAST

INVITATION TO THE TABLE See Insert

CONFESSION AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE See Insert

PASSING OF THE PEACE See Insert

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING See Insert

*HYMN *I Come with Joy* UMH# 617

Let Us Break Bread Together UMH# 618

Eat This Bread UMH# 628

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*DOXOLOGY *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH# 95

SENDING FORTH

*CLOSING HYMN *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian* UMH# 402

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

**Please stand as you are able.*

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
Glory to God. Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth: God of Abraham and Sarah, God of Miriam and Moses, God of Joshua and Deborah, God of Ruth and David, God of the priests and the prophets, God of Mary and Joseph, God of the apostles and the martyrs, God of our mothers and our fathers, God of our children to all generations. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.

By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

Renew our communion with all your saints, especially those whom we name before you—

Yvonne Adams

Daryl Dornbush

Sylvia Richardson

(Family may come forward to light a candle in remembrance of their loved one.)

And those we remember in our hearts

Silence may be kept for the remembrance of names.

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, strengthen us to run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the Pioneer and Perfecter of our faith. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father (God), now and forever.
Amen.
