

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 today, please leave your contact information so we can extend a fuller welcome! If you have a prayer request, please place a prayer card in the offering plate or contact the church office. Prayer requests will remain on the weekly emailed prayer list for 3 weeks. If you would like to be added to the Bethel UMC Weekly Emails, please get in touch with the church office at bethelrockhill@gmail.com or 803.327.4881.

How Can We Help? Epworth provides care for children and families in our community who have experienced trauma through abuse, neglect, and loss. This care helps to break the destructive cycle and sets them on a better path. On Sunday, May 11th, our congregation will support Epworth by collecting the Annual Epworth Mother's Day Offering.

This Week

- **Today** – Children's Sunday School at 10:15 am.
- **Tuesday** – Small group Bible study at 6:30 pm at Rev. Sutton's home. Everything Happens for a Reason by Kate Bowler. Books are available online.
- **Wednesday** – VBS Planning Meeting at 6:00 pm.
- **Wednesday** – Church Council meeting at 6:30 pm in the Upper Room.
- **Wednesday** – AA Meeting in the church library from 7-8 pm.

Upcoming

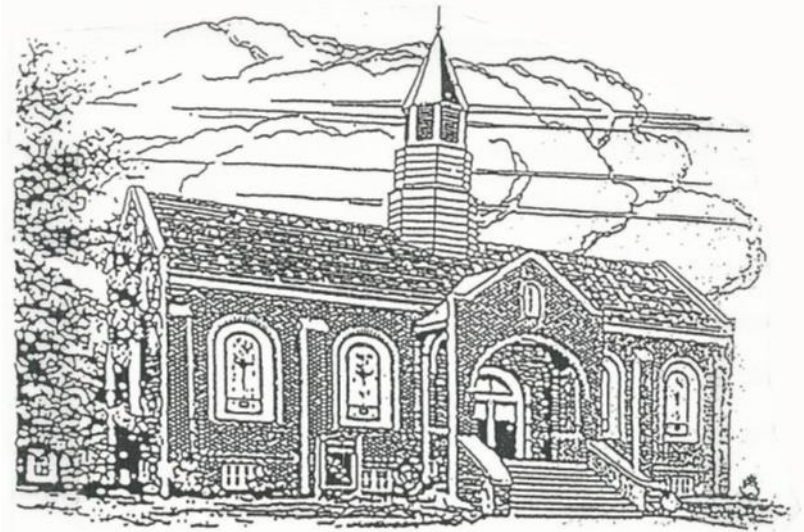
- **5/11** – Annual Epworth Mother's Day offering.
- **5/14** – BLT will meet at 11:30 am at Elk Avenue Tavern - 125 Elk Avenue.
- **Wednesdays** – AA Meeting in the church library from 7-8:00 pm.

	04/27/25	5/4/25	5/11/25
Liturgist	Gabrial Wade	Cindy Day	Cynthia Bickel
Children's Time	Michaela Sanford	Will Shelton	Deana Whitehead
Nursery	Savannah Shelton	Lisa Bobak	Allyson Reid
Counter	Will Shelton	Malynda Williams	Margaret McCarter
Counter	Chad Williams	Sherl Drawdy	Michaela Sanford
Usher	Donna Hatfield	Malynda Williams	Lisa Bobak
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Communion	N/A	Richard Bickel	N/A

	Month of March	Year to Date
Tithes and Offerings	\$10,584.57	\$27,219.57
Expenses	<u>7,418.73</u>	<u>28,874.18</u>
	<u>\$3,165.84</u>	<u>(\$1,654.61)</u>

	April 20
In-person Attendance	60
Plate Budget Received	\$2,406.61

Bethel United Methodist Church



April 27, 2025

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Music Leader	Chris Wade
Pastor	Rev. Emily Sutton

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 27, 2024

GATHERING

WORDS OF WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: In the rising of the morning sun, the Holy speaks:

P: You are my children. Shine!

L: In the greening of the Earth and blooming of creation, the Holy speaks:

P: You are my children. Grow!

L: In the mountains reaching toward the sky, the Holy speaks:

P: You are my children. Stand with strength!

L: In the darkness of the winter days, the Holy speaks:

P: You are my children. Trust!

L: In the presence of the skies that float above us and the assurance of the Earth beneath us and with the calm of the Spirit within us, the Holy speaks:

P: You are my children. Live!

~Written by Sally Johnson, United Methodist Creation Justice Movement

OPENING PRAYER

Creator God, you call us to take on the holiness you have planted within us. In our worship this day, open our eyes and hearts to your movement that longs to make a home in us. So be it. Amen.

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*OPENING HYMN *This Is the Day* UMH# 657

*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 Michaela Sanford

SCRIPTURE *Psalms 118:14-29* Gabriel Wade

SPECIAL MUSIC *In Christ Alone* Chris Wade

SCRIPTURE *John 20: 19-31* Rev. Emily Sutton

SERMON *Embodied Believing* Rev. Emily Sutton

RESPONSE

*HYMN *Open Our Eyes* TFWS# 2086

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

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

SENDING FORTH

*CLOSING HYMN *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* UMH# 420

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

**Please stand as you are able*