

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.

Please pick up some Easter eggs from the vestibule and return them filled with candy no later than March 24, 2024.

Please welcome Max Strader as our guest speaker today. Max has come to share the mission and ministry of the Gideons.

This Week

- **Today** – Lenten Study “The Walk: Five Essential Practices of the Christian Life.” at 10:00 am in the Upper Room.
- **Today** – Children’s Sunday School at 10:15 am.
- **Wednesday** - Fellowship Dinner at 5:30 pm at Rock Hill Diner.
- **Wednesday** - Church Council Meeting at 6:30 pm in the Upper Room.
- **Thursday** – Final Soup Kitchen 11-1 pm. Thank you for your support through donations, volunteer service, and prayers!
- **Saturday** – BBQ fundraiser for Mercy House – Preorder for pickup between 10 am -2 pm at Grace Lutheran Church, 426 Oakland Avenue.

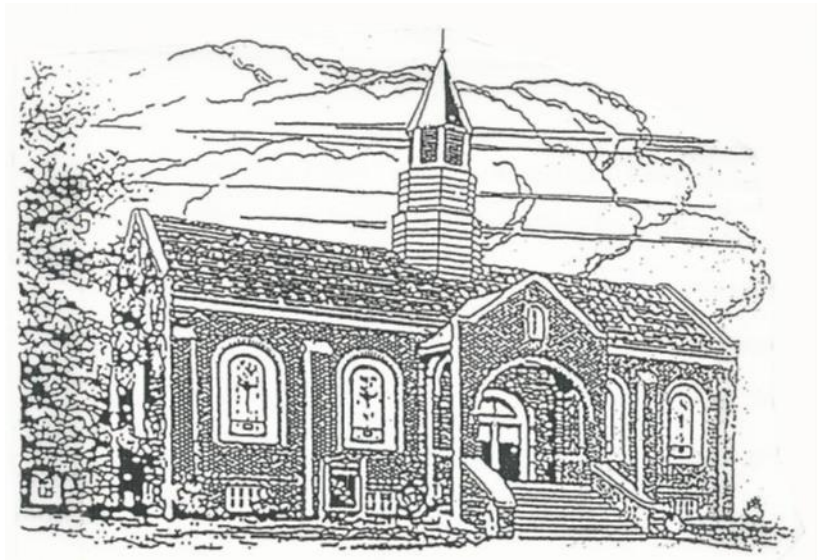
Upcoming

- 3/29 – Good Friday Service – 7 pm.
- 3/30 – Easter Egg Hunt with lunch – 10 am-12 pm.
- 3/31 – Sunrise Service at 7 am with breakfast to follow.
- 3/31 – Easter Sunday and Holy Communion – 11 am.

	March 17	March 24	March 31
Liturgist	Melissa Buddin	Olivia Taylor	Cindy Day
Children's Time	Olivia Taylor	Rev. Emily Sutton	Rev. Emily Sutton
Nursery	Chloe McNinch	Cindy Day	Melissa Buddin
Counter	Cindy Day	Darnelle Sweatt	Sherl Drawdy
Counter	Brantley McNinch	Ruth Culp	Cameron Pike
Usher	Bud Smith	Cameron Pike	Chloe McNinch
Usher	Shannon Wright	Margaret McCarter	Olivia Taylor
Communion	N/A	N/A	Cameron Pike

	March 10
In-person Attendance	38
Plate Budget Received	\$1,573.00

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March 17, 2024

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 17, 2024

GATHERING

WORDS OF WELCOME

MISSION MOMENT WITH GIDEONS

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: The journey of Lent continues with a journey of sacrifice.

P: We are called upon to give our lives to God.

L: We are called upon to give of ourselves to others.

P: Lord, help us to reach inward in confession and outward in service.

L: Be with us this day and walk with us on this journey.

P: AMEN.

OPENING PRAYER

Lord, be with us this day as we commit ourselves to being your disciples. Help us to face the future unafraid, trusting in your loving care and presence with us. We pray this in Jesus' name. AMEN.

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*OPENING HYMN *Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore* UMH# 344

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth.

I believe 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, died and was buried;

He descended to the dead.

On the third day, He rose again; He ascended into Heaven.

Is seated at the right hand of the Father,

And will come again 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 of life everlasting. AMEN

*RESPONSE *Gloria Patri* UMH #70

PROCLAMATION

HYMN *Where Children Belong* TFWS# 2233

CHILDREN'S TIME Olivia Taylor

SCRIPTURE *Matthew 4:18-20* Melissa Buddin

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

P: Thanks, be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC *Where You Prayed Beneath the Trees* Chris Wade

SCRIPTURE *Matthew 5:14-16* Rev. Emily Sutton

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

P: Thanks, be to God.

SERMON *The Walk: Share* Rev. Emily Sutton

RESPONSE

*HYMN *Jesus Calls Us* UMH# 398

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 *This Little Light of Mine* UMH# 585

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

**Please stand as you are able*