

Bethel United Methodist Church

Updates and Announcements

Thank you for worshipping with us at Bethel United Methodist Church! We are delighted you have chosen to worship with us this morning.

This Week

- **Today** - Children's Sunday School at 10:15 a.m. in the upstairs children's Sunday School room.
- **Wednesday** - BLT – 11:30 am at Burgers and Barley located on 111 Cherry Road.

Upcoming

- **May 16** - DCM Town Hall Meeting – Bethel UMC (Chester) at 6:30 p.m.
- **May 18** - Church Council Meeting – 6:00 p.m. in the UMW room.

Today we give to the Epworth Mother's Day Offering! Today our church will receive the Annual Epworth Mother's Day Offering to provide loving care, safety, and services for the children at Epworth Children's Home. Please find information about Epworth and the Mother's Day Offering on the bulletin insert. Epworth does not receive apportionments from the United Methodist Conference. This offering is our opportunity to support this vital ministry. Give generously by using the envelope provided for you in the bulletin. For more information about Epworth Children's Home, visit them online at www.epworthchildrenshome.org where you can also choose to make a secure credit card donation or enroll for monthly contributions.

On Sunday May 15, we will welcome a member of Mercy House as our guest speaker.

	May 8	May 15	May 22
Lay Liturgist	Richard Murr	Richard Bickel	Cynthia Bickel
Counters	Cindy Day	Allyson Reid	Becky Drawdy
	Darnelle Sweatt	Brantly McNinch	Brian McNeely
Children's Sermon	Marc Sutton	Melissa Buddin	Ruth Culp
Ushers	Daryl Dornbush	Daryl Dornbush	Olivia Taylor
	Bud Smith	Cameron Pike	Sherl Drawdy

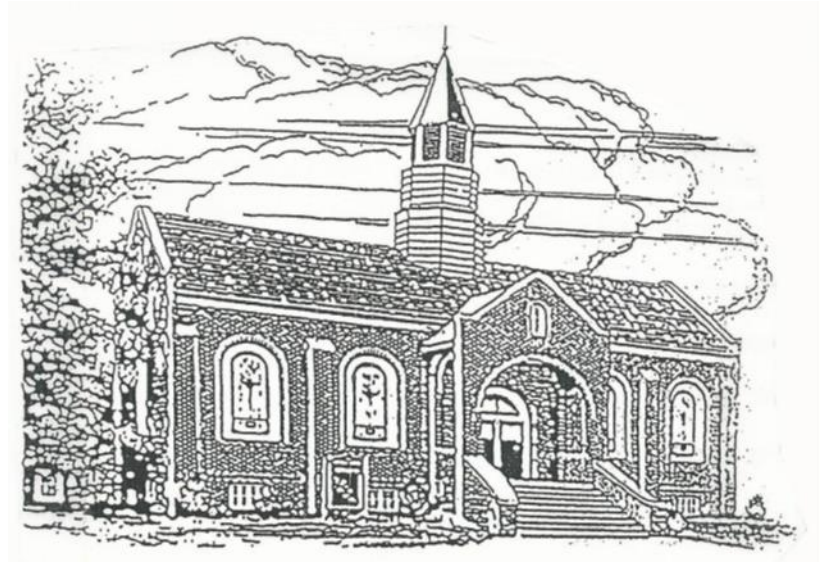
GIVING AND ATTENDANCE : MAY 1

Plate - Budget Received \$1,545.00

In Person Attendance – 28

Online Giving for April - \$4,148.00

Scan QR code to give electronically.



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

May 8, 2022

GATHERING

WORDS OF WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Come! Let us worship and praise God.

P: The Lord is our shepherd, our guardian and our guide.

L: Celebrate the many ways in which God cares for our lives.

P: Green pastures and silent still waters beckon us and comfort us.

L: Even though difficulties happen in our lives, still God is with us.

P: Even when it seems that the world has nothing to offer but suffering and pain, God surrounds us with God's love and bounty.

L: Surely God's mercy accompanies us on our journey.

P: And we will dwell in God's house forever. AMEN.

Written by Nancy Townley and found on the

website: <https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/3753/worship-connection-may-8-2022>

OPENING PRAYER

With joy we come this day to the house of the Lord. God provides for us abundantly even when we doubt and fear, even when we turn away. God is faithful. Open our hearts today, O Lord, to hear your word for us that we may become faithful disciples of our Lord all our days. AMEN.

Ibid

*OPENING HYMN *His Name is Wonderful* UMH# 174

*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

PROCLAMATION

HYMN *This is Where Children Belong* TFWS# 2233

CHILDREN'S TIME Marc Sutton

SCRIPTURE *Psalm 23* Richard Murr

SPECIAL MUSIC *Witness* Chris Wade

SCRIPTURE *John 10: 22-30* Rev. Emily Sutton

SERMON *Belonging* Rev. Emily Sutton

RESPONSE

HYMN OF RESPONSE *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* UMH# 381

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

SENDING FORTH

*CLOSING HYMN *'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus* UMH# 462

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

**Please stand as you are able.*