

# 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.

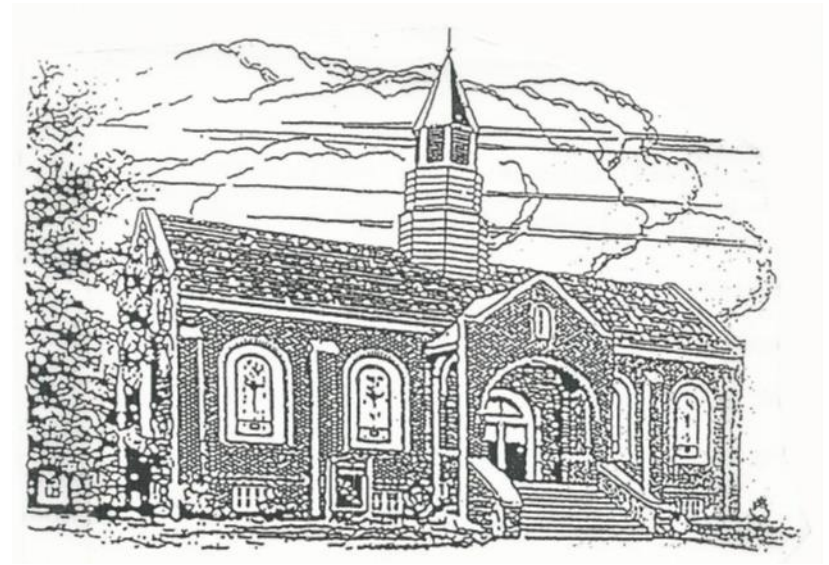
## Upcoming

- **August 28** - Church Council Strategic Planning Meeting at 1:00 pm following worship.
- **August 31** – Nominations Committee meeting – 6:00pm in the library.
- **September 7** - Nominations Committee meeting – 6:00pm in the library.
- **September 11** – Parent interest meeting for children's choir following worship.
- **September 14** - Nominations Committee meeting – 6:00pm in the library.
- **September 28** – Charge Conference – 7:00 pm – Location to be announced.

	Aug 21	Aug 28
Lay Liturgist	Angie Price	Cynthia Bickel
Counters	Allyson Reid	Darnelle Sweatt
	Olivia Taylor	Cindy Day
Children's Sermon	Melissa Buddin	Marc Sutton
Ushers	Bud Smith	Richard Bickel
	Chloe McNinch	Margaret McCarter

Giving And Attendance	August 14
Plate - Budget Received	\$1,335.00
In Person Attendance	50

Scan QR code to give electronically.



**August 21, 2022**

*Knowing, Loving, Serving God*

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Pastor	Emily Sutton

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

August 21, 2022

### GATHERING

WORDS OF WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Rejoice, people of God: this is our Sabbath day.

**P: Rejoice, friends in Christ: this is our time for worship.**

L: God ordained the Sabbath, rest and restoration.

**P: God is worthy of worship, our Creator, Healer, and Inspiration.**

L: So then, let us worship God. Let us pray together:

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OPENING PRAYER

**Lord of all creation, we pause before you today, laying our hectic lives on the altar before you. Summer's warmth and rest are almost gone, and our minds are turning to the time ahead: students and educators are back in school; farmers are thinking about crops and fall harvests; businesspeople are thinking about profit margins and quarterly reports; politicians are thinking about elections; retailers are thinking about the holidays. As we bow our heads before you, help us put aside today's worries and tomorrow's fears, that we may worship and revel in your presence today. Amen.**

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\*OPENING HYMN                      *Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy*                      UMH# 340

\*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                      Melissa Buddin

SCRIPTURE                      *Psalms 103:1-8*                      Angie Price

SPECIAL MUSIC                      *There Is a Balm in Gilead*                      Chris Wade

SCRIPTURE                      *Luke 13:10-17*                      Rev. Emily Sutton

SERMON                      *Sabbath Healing*                      Rev. Emily Sutton

### RESPONSE

HYMN OF RESPONSE                      *Tell Me the Stories of Jesus*                      UMH# 277

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                      *Take Up Thy Cross*                      UMH# 415

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

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*\*Please stand as you are able.*

### **FALL BIBLE STUDY – EARN. SAVE. GIVE ANNOUNCEMENT**

Starting Sunday, September 11 we will be offering an adult small group class from 10 am -10:45 am in the Upperroom (classroom on your left entering the sanctuary near the restroom). We will be studying Rev. James A. Harnish's book Earn. Save. Give. Wesley's Simple Rules for Money. This study will complement our Fall Stewardship Sermon Series starting Sunday, September 11. Additionally, our children's Sunday School will be using materials from this same study. We hope you will pick up a book and join us for the study. If you cannot join the group on Sunday mornings you can still pick up a book and you can access the videos that complements the study on Amplify Media. Information will be sent to the church via email on how to access Amplify Media.

**EPWORTH IS OUR MINISTRY!** Where do children go when DSS has taken them from their families because of abuse or neglect? Epworth is currently serving 354 children and families through their Residential and Independent Living programs, statewide Foster Care program, the Epworth Center for Counseling, the Early Intervention Center, and prevention services. Each of these children have found refuge in the ministry we share as United Methodists in SC. Epworth Children's Home has been welcoming children in Christ's name for 126 years through the generous support of churches like ours! We will participate in the annual Work Day Offering on Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, to benefit the children who are served by Epworth. Please be in prayerful consideration of what God is calling you to give to this valuable and life changing ministry. For more information about Epworth Children's Home, visit [www.epworthchildrenshome.org](http://www.epworthchildrenshome.org) or find them on social media.

**LAY SERVANT TRAINING** – Saturday, October 15 and Sunday, October 16. Woodland UMC, 801 Cherry Road, Rock Hill. Registration deadline is October 1 For more information, visit <https://www.umcsc.org/lay-servant-training-fall-2022/>