

Updates and Announcements

Thank you for worshipping with us at Bethel United Methodist Church! Our worship service is broadcast via live stream on Facebook and YouTube. 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

Winthrop Wesley Day Is August 30 – We invite everyone to give at least \$10 to Winthrop Wesley between now and August 23. We will present a check to Winthrop Wesley on August 30 during worship.

Bethel UMC Meal Kits - This week, please bring **Refried Beans**. Next week (8/16), please bring **Canned Kidney Beans**.

This Week

- **Today** – Children's Sunday School at 10:15 am.
- **Monday** – Nominations Committee Meeting at 5:30 pm.
- **Wednesday** – BLT will meet at 11:30 am at the Dank Burrito – 343 Technology Center Way, Suite 108.
- **Every Wednesday** – AA Meeting in the church library from 7-8 pm.
- **Every Saturday** – AA New Beginnings Group in the church library at 9 am.

Upcoming

- **8/16** – Bethel Youth – Worship at FUMC Charlotte and offer hospitality during the Charlotte Pride Parade with United Methodist of Greater Charlotte.
- **8/17** – Tabernacle UWFaith is inviting everyone to hear Missionary Deaconess Joy Prim speak about her work with migrant domestic workers in Hong Kong, at 6:30 pm at Tabernacle UMC, 5908 Tabernacle Road, Lancaster, SC.
- **8/17** – Nominations Committee Meeting at 6 pm.

	8/09/26	8/16/26	8/23/26
Liturgist	Richard Bickel	Isabella Sutton	Sherri Pankratz
Children's Time	Will Shelton	Emily Sutton	Cynthia Bickel
Nursery	Michaela Sandlin	Allyson Reid	Michaela Sandlin
Counter	Sherri Pankratz	Deana Whitehead	Chad Williams
Counter	Debbie Harris	Donna Hatfield	Allyson Reid
Usher	Sherri Pankratz	Deana Whitehead	Chad Williams
Usher/Closer	Richard Bickel	Tim Smith	Phillip Whitehead
Communion	N/A	N/A	N/A

	Month of June	June to Date
Tithes and Offerings	\$ 16,357.00	\$ 82,786.88
Expenses	<u>9,221.65</u>	<u>(67,060.66)</u>
Increase / (Decrease)	<u>\$7,135.35</u>	<u>\$15,726.22</u>

	August 2
In-person Attendance	31
Plate Budget Received	\$1,602.73



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

August 9, 2026

GATHERING

WORDS OF WELCOME

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Sunshine and celebration! Rain and remembrance! All are part of the richness of God's mercy and love for us!

P: God has blessed us in so many ways!

L: Welcome this day to a celebration of these blessings!

P: Thank you. We are glad to be here!

L: Lord, open our hearts and spirits to your love

P: Bring us safely through the trials and tribulations of life, for we ask this in Jesus' name. AMEN

~Written by Nancy Townley and published on ministrymatters.com

OPENING PRAYER

God of mysterious ways, you take our fears and turn them into triumphs. You remind us that you are always with us and that we do not need to fear the wind and waves of life. Encourage us to step out of the boat; to come across these difficulties to your redeeming and transforming love. Give us courage and strength, joy and peace for all the times ahead. AMEN. ~ Ibid

*OPENING HYMN

Wade in the Water

TFWS# 2107

*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

Will Shelton

SCRIPTURE

Psalms 85:8-13

Richard Bickel

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

P: Thanks, Be to God. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Chris Wade

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 14:22-33

Rev. Emily Sutton

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

P: Thanks, Be to God. Amen.

SERMON

Faith and Doubt

Rev. Emily Sutton

RESPONSE

*HYMN

I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me

TFWS# 2151

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH# 95

SENDING FORTH

*CLOSING HYMN

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

UMH# 474

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

*Please stand as you are able.