

Updates and Announcements

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

This Week

Tuesday – Prayer Meeting at 9:30 am via Zoom
Lenten Book Study - *Words of Life* at 7pm via Zoom

Upcoming

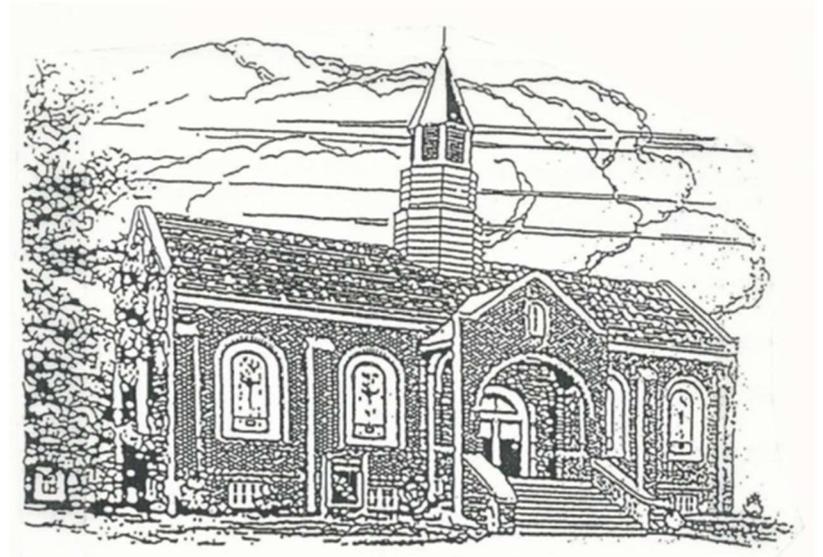
Church Council Meeting – Monday May 3 at 6pm

Epworth Children's Home Mother's Day Offering – Sunday May 9, 2021 Our Annual Conference has designated this day as a time to promote children's ministry through Epworth, and to take a special offering for God's work through Epworth. **Epworth is not an apportioned item**, and it relies heavily on the offerings received on Mother's Day and Work Day to provide quality care to the 100 plus individuals who are in Epworth's care at any given moment. Please consider making a gift towards Epworth. Please designate on a check or envelope or you may give online!



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

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GATHERING

PRELUDE

WORDS OF WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

P: CHRIST IS RISEN INDEED! ALLELUIA!

L: God you rose from the dead as you said.

P: We celebrate your resurrection power!

L: We celebrate that you forgive us from our sinful ways and your resurrection power is still at work today as it seeks to free us from the ways in which we have chosen death instead of life in our world.

P: Even when we turn away Lord your steadfast love endures forever!

L: God you are the source of faithful love.

P: Help us to seek after you as we grow in love of you and one another. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

God, whose steadfast love endures forever, I am reminded today of your faithful love for us. Although we do not live up to your call to love you or our neighbours, your love endures forever. Lord Jesus, we live in a world full of all kinds of images and messages that tug our thoughts away from your way of life. Give us courage to “tear out and chop off” any habits or interest that keep us from a faithful life with you. God help us to grow towards the kind of faithful love you show each of us. Amen.

HYMN *Nothing But the Blood* UMH #362

*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*

TIME WITH CHILDREN

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 5:27-30 and John 8:2-11

SPECIAL MUSIC *O How I Love Jesus* Bethel UMC Choir

SCRIPTURE READING Exodus 20:1-21

SERMON *Do Not Commit Adultery* Rev. Emily Sutton

RESPONSE

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.

SENDING FORTH

HYMN *I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me* TFWS #2153

*THE BENEDICTION

* THE POSTLUDE