

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

Today is the Final Day to Drop Off Haiti Christmas Stockings Wish lists are available in the vestibule.

Christmas with Epworth. Sign up online at epworthchildrenshome.org to fulfill a child's wishes!

This Week

- **Today** – Children's Sunday School at 10:15 am.
- **Today** – Bethel Youth 10 am – 3 pm.
- **Wednesday** – SPRC at 6:30 pm with Church Council Meeting immediately following.
- **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

- **11/1** – All Saints' Sunday - We want to remember the church saints and your family members. Please bring in a framed photo on Sunday, November 1, by 10:30 am to allow time to arrange photos on the altar.
- **11/1** – Plentiful Harvest Kitchen (PHK), 2-6 pm. Volunteers needed. Sign up online or in the vestibule. Bethel Youth, please be sure to sign up.
- **11/3** – Soup Kitchen Workday from 9 am – 12 pm.
- **11/4** – Taize Worship Service at 7 pm at Winthrop Wesley.

	10/25/26	11/1/26	11/8/26
Liturgist	Margaret McCarter	Richard Phillips	Tim Smith
Children's Time	Will Shelton	Deana Whitehead	Emily Sutton
Nursery	Savannah Shelton	Savannah Shelton	Michaela Sandlin
Counter	Margaret McCarter	Allyson Reid	Malynda Williams
Counter	Michaela Sandlin	Deana Whitehead	Will Shelton
Usher	Michaela Sandlin	Richard Phillips	Savannah Shelton
Usher/Closer	Tom Craig	Richard Bickel	Phillip Whitehead
Communion	N/A	Angie Price	N/A

	Month of September	September Year to Date
Tithes and Offerings	\$ 6,880.00	\$ 103,302.86
Expenses	<u>(13,847.94)</u>	<u>(105,476.53)</u>
Increase / (Decrease)	<u>\$(6,967.94)</u>	<u>\$(2,173.67)</u>

	October 18
In-person Attendance	25
Plate Budget Received	\$1,158.44

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Bethel United Methodist Church



October 25, 2026

Knowing, Loving, Serving God

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

October 25, 2026

GATHERING

WORDS OF WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Come, let us enter this time of worship with great joy!

P: Let us celebrate the goodness of God!

L: Let all the people shout and praise God's name!

P: Happy are all those people who feel the peaceful presence of God!

Everyone: *"He Has Made Me Glad"* TFWS #2270

L: Let us rejoice!

P: Let us shout with joy!

L: Let us open our hearts to God.

P: O God, accept our praise and turn our hearts toward you. AMEN.

Everyone: *"He Has Made Me Glad"* TFWS #2270

*OPENING HYMN *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* UMH #557

*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 *Where Children Belong* TFWS #2233

CHILDREN'S TIME Will Shelton

SCRIPTURE *Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17* Margaret McCarter

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

P: Thanks, Be to God. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC Chris Wade

SCRIPTURE *Matthew 22:34-46* Rev. Emily Sutton

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

P: Thanks, Be to God. Amen.

SERMON

What Does Love Have to Do With it?

Rev. Emily Sutton

RESPONSE

HYMN

Jesu, Jesu

UMH #432

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

L: The church is a family. United by the common recognition of Jesus Christ as our Savior, we are all brothers and sisters. And, for a time, Bethel UMC is our home. Like every human family, our church family is formed and reformed over time: as members are born, as they die, as members are adopted into our family, and as they leave our congregation for a new home, in a different place. For a time, Jeff and Randi Venables have lived with us. We have shared with each other good times and bad, we have shared each other's joys and sorrows, we have lightened each other's heavy loads. Together we have laughed and cried, together we have worshiped and praised God, together we have lived.

P: We feel sorrow in your leaving, yet we rejoice with you in anticipation of this new phase of your life. We will miss your love and support, yet we know you will add much to the lives of those who will be your new church family, as you have added much to our lives.

ALL: We will pray for you and for the whole family of God.

L: Let us pray.

*CLOSING HYMN *They'll Know We are Christians by Our Love* TFWS #2223

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

**Please stand as you are able.*