

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** – Nominations Committee meeting – 6:00pm in the library.

Upcoming

- **September 11** – Epworth Workday Offering
- **September 11** – Earn.Save.Give – 10:00am in the Upper Room
- **September 11** – Parent interest meeting for children's choir following worship.
- **September 14** – BLT at 11:30 at Mama's Place (2210 India Hook Road, Rock Hill)
- **September 14** - Nominations Committee meeting – 6:00pm in the library.
- **September 21** - Fellowship Dinner at 5:30 pm at The Little Café.
- **September 28** – Charge Conference – 7:00 pm – Upper Room

	SEP 4	SEP 11	SEP 18
LITURGIST	Ruth Culp	Cindy Day	Richard Bickel
CHILDREN'S TIME	Emily Sutton	Olivia Taylor	Melissa Buddin
COUNTERS	Brantly McNinch	Darnelle Sweatt	Ruth Culp
	Brian McNeely	TBA	Elizabeth McNeely
USHERS	Donna Hatfield	Daryl Dornbush	Richard Murr
	Olivia Taylor	Richard Bickel	Bud Smith

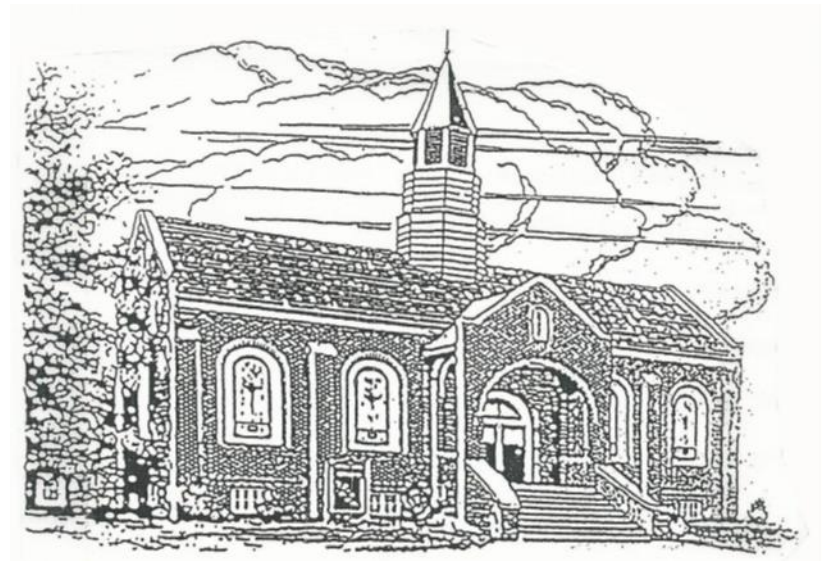
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

September 4, 2022

GATHERING

WORDS OF WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: We find it easy to say, "Yes, we will follow Christ."

P: But sometimes discipleship makes uncomfortable demands on us.

L: Yet, in all of this, Christ calls us continually to follow.

P: He is present with us at all times.

L: Let us place our trust always in his guidance.

P: Let us open our hearts to his will and his ways. AMEN.

OPENING PRAYER

Let us pray together:

Lord, from the very beginning of your creation, you breathed your love into all that you made. You gave us the breath of life and asked us to be good stewards of all creation. You placed your trust and love in us. Help us to turn again with joyful hearts to you, placing our trust in all that you have done for us. Let us be a blessing for you. AMEN.

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*OPENING HYMN *I Am Thine, O Lord* UMH# 419

*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 Rev. Emily Sutton

SCRIPTURE *Psalm 1* Ruth Culp

SPECIAL MUSIC *I Give You My Heart with Into My Heart* Chris Wade

SCRIPTURE *Luke 14:25-33* Rev. Emily Sutton

SERMON *Being a Disciple Will Cost You Everything* Rev. Emily Sutton

RESPONSE

HYMN OF RESPONSE *Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service* UMH# 581

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, forever and ever. Amen.**

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

THE EUCHARISTIC FEAST

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

CONFESSION AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE UMH# 12

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING UMH# 12

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING FORTH

*CLOSING HYMN *Take Time to be Holy* UMH# 395

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

**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.

Don't Forget Epworth Children's Home WORK DAY OFFERING next

Sunday! Next Sunday is the annual Work Day offering for Epworth Children's Home. This tradition dates back decades to when Methodists were challenged to "Give a Day's Pay" to the children at Epworth. While the emphasis has shifted a bit over the years, it is still important that we come together to provide spiritual, educational, emotional, and physical support for the children at Epworth. As you consider what God is calling you to give to support our church's ministry to children, remember Christ's command to let the little children come to him. He embraces them, welcomes them, loves them, and teaches them. Epworth is answering this call to let the little children come. Your generous contribution to our church's ministry enables transformation to happen for the children who are served by Epworth. Epworth does not receive apportionment dollars from the United Methodist Conference. This offering is our opportunity to support this vital ministry. For more information about Epworth Children's Home, please visit www.epworthchildrenshome.org.

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/](https://www.umcsc.org/lay-servant-training-fall-2022/)