

### Updates and Announcements

Thank you for worshipping with us at Bethel United Methodist Church! Our worship service is broadcast via live stream on our Facebook page. 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](mailto:bethelrockhill@gmail.com).

### Now Brewing Coffee Every Sunday!

#### This Week

- **Today** – Children’s Sunday School at 10:15 am.
- **Mondays through March 30** – Book study, Why Did Jesus Have to Die? at 6:45 pm via Zoom.
- **Tuesdays through March 31** – Book study, Why Did Jesus Have to Die? at 10:30 am in person.
- **Wednesday** – Midweek Lenten service at 12 pm Cornerstone UMC – 2697 Heckle Blvd.
- **Every Wednesday** – AA Meeting in the church library from 7-8 pm.
- **Every Thursday through March 26** – Soup Kitchen from 11 am – 1pm.
- **Every Saturday** – AA New Beginnings Group in the church library at 10:00 am.

#### Upcoming

- **3/8** – Daylight Savings Time – set your clock ahead.
- **3/8** – Bethel Spring Youth ( Exodus 17: 1-7) from 10:00 am – 3 pm.
- **3/11** – Midweek Lenten service at 12 pm at New Hope UMC, 270 Aspendale Road.

#### Bethel UMC Meal Kits

This week (3/1), please bring in as many containers of **Onion Powder** as you can donate. Next week’s (3/8) item is **Canned Great Northern Beans**.

	3/1/26	3/8/26	3/15/26
<b>Liturgist</b>	Tim Smith	Michaela Sanford	Tom Craig
<b>Children's Time</b>	Michaela Sanford	Rev. Emily Sutton	Marc Sutton
<b>Nursery</b>	Marc Sutton	Lisa Bobak	Michaela Sanford
<b>Counter</b>	Malynda Williams	Allyson Reid	Debbie Harris
<b>Counter</b>	Margaret McCarter	Donna Hatfield	Tom Craig
<b>Usher</b>	Malynda Williams	Allyson Reid	Debbie Harris
<b>Usher</b>	Tim Smith	Donna Hatfield	Tom Craig
<b>Communion</b>	Richard Bickel	N/A	N/A

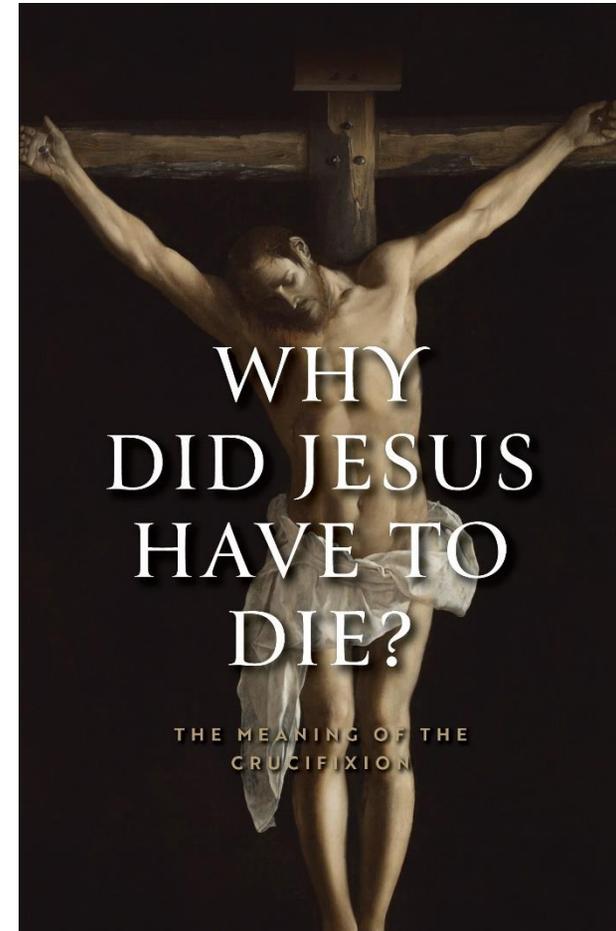
	Month of January	January YTD
<b>Tithes and Offerings</b>	\$ 7,551.00	\$ 7,551.00
<b>Expenses</b>	<u>(16,204.22)</u>	<u>(16,204.22)</u>
	<u>\$ (-8,653.22)</u>	<u>\$ (-8,653.22)</u>

	February 22
<b>In-person Attendance</b>	27
<b>Plate Budget Received</b>	\$1,040.00

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# Bethel United Methodist Church



**March 1, 2026**

*Knowing, Loving, Serving God*

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**Dena Wade**  
**Becky Moon**  
**Chris Wade**  
**Rev. Emily Sutton**

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 1, 2026

### GATHERING

#### WORDS OF WELCOME

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In the beginning was the Word,

**People: And the Word was with God, and the Word was God.**

Leader: Through Christ, the Word became flesh and made his home among us.

**People: In Adam all die, but in Christ all are made alive!**

Leader: Come, lift high the cross!

**People: We come to worship the One who gives life, love, and hope to the world!** ~*Why Did Jesus Have to Die?* | Copyright 2025 Abingdon Press

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful God, we confess that we have chosen selfishness over selflessness, darkness over light, and fear over trust. Too often we have ignored the message of the cross, forgetting that Jesus came not only to forgive our sins, but to save us from them. Forgive us, Lord. Turn our hearts again toward your wondrous love, and reshape us by the example of Christ, who gave himself for us all. Amen.** ~*Ibid*

*During a moment of silence you are invited to pray a personal prayer of confession.*

#### WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Hear the good news: God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners, Christ died for us. This is love: not that we first loved God, but that God first loved us and sent his Son as the sacrifice for our sins. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**In the name of Jesus you are forgiven. Amen.** ~*Ibid*

\*OPENING HYMN *At the Name of Jesus* UMH# 168

\*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

Michaela Sanford

#### SCRIPTURE

*Genesis 2:8-9, 15-17*

Tim Smith

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

**P: Thanks, Be to God.**

#### SPECIAL MUSIC

Chris Wade

#### SCRIPTURE

*John 1:1-5, 14*

Rev. Emily Sutton

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

**P: Thanks, Be to God.**

#### SERMON

*The Crucifixion as God's Word*

Rev. Emily Sutton

### RESPONSE

#### 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, forever and ever. Amen.**

#### OFFERING

\*DOXOLOGY *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH# 95

### THE EUCHARISTIC FEAST

INVITATION TO THE TABLE UMH# 12

CONFESSION AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE UMH# 12

#### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING UMH# 13

\*HYMN *Let Us Break Bread Together* UMH# 618

*You Satisfy the Hungry Heart* UMH# 629

*Fill My Cup, Lord* UMH# 641

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

### SENDING FORTH

\*CLOSING HYMN *The Summons* TFWS# 2130

#### \*BENEDICTION

#### \*POSTLUDE

*\*Please stand as you are able.*