

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! If you have a prayer request, place a prayer card in the offering plate or contact the church office. Prayer requests will remain on the weekly emailed prayer list for 3 weeks. To be added to the Bethel UMC Weekly Emails, contact the church office at 803.327.4881 or bethelrockhill@gmail.com.

This Week

- **Today** – Children's Sunday School at 10:15 am.
- **Wednesday** – BLT will meet at 11:30 am Elk Avenue Tavern – 125 Elk Avenue.
- **Every Wednesday** – AA Meeting in the church library from 7-8 pm.
- **Friday** – We will be serving a meal for the guests of Bethel Shelters. Please arrive to serve and have all food items in the gym no later than 5:30 pm.
- **Month of August** – Volunteers are needed to help with maintenance projects on the exterior of the main church building. Please [sign-up online](#) or use the sign-up sheet located in the vestibule.

Upcoming

- **August 18** – Nominations Committee Meeting at 5:45 pm in the Upper Room.
- **August 25** – Nominations Committee Meeting at 5:45 pm in the Upper Room.
- **August 27** – Church Council Meeting at 6:30 pm in the Upper Room.
- **August 31** – Bethel Youth from 10 am-3 pm (Isaiah 58:9B-14).

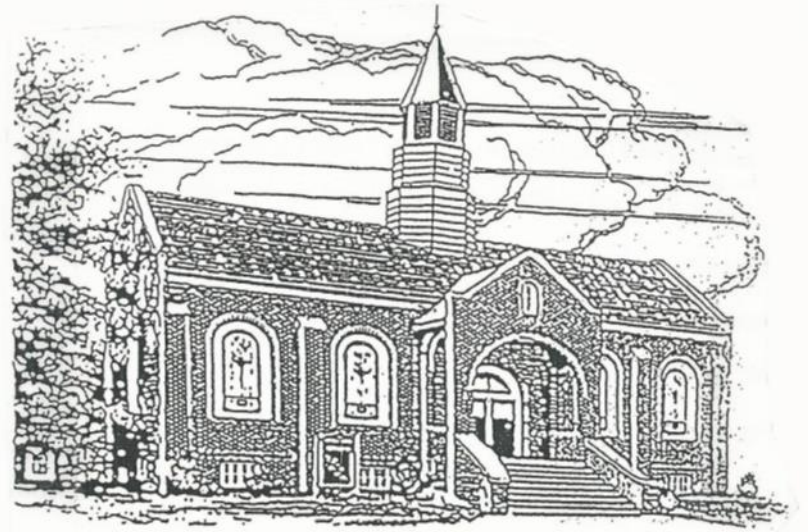
	8/10/25	8/17/25	08/24/25
Liturgist	Isabella Sutton	Marc Sutton	Richard Bickel
Children's Time	Marc Sutton	Emily Sutton	Will Shelton
Nursery	Cindy Day	Savannah Shelton	Allyson Reid
Counter	Michaela Sanford	Cindy Day	Debbie Harris
Counter	Margaret McCarter	Donna Hatfield	Margaret McCarter
Usher	Michaela Sanford	Cindy Day	Debbie Harris
Usher	Margaret McCarter	Donna Hatfield	Margaret McCarter
Communion	N/A	N/A	N/A

	Month of June	YTD as of June
Tithes and Offerings	\$11,386.01	\$58,450.19
Expenses	<u>(8,902.99)</u>	<u>(62,670.71)</u>
	<u>\$2,483.02</u>	<u>(\$4,220.52)</u>
August 3		
In-person Attendance	41	
Plate Budget Received	\$1,550.00	

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Pastor	Rev. Emily Sutton

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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GATHERING

WORDS OF WELCOME

CELEBRATION OF AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Beloved, we gather today as inheritors of faith in God's salvific work, a faith handed down to us over generations that we claim and proclaim today in this community.

P: By faith, we follow God's call as we journey together as disciples of Jesus Christ.

L: By faith, our grandparents, parents, aunts, uncles, neighbors, and friends shared God's love with us, a love that longs to draw us all as members of the Body of Christ.

P: By faith, we follow God's call as we journey together as disciples of Jesus Christ.

L: By faith, we carry the faith forward, building a community of belonging, provision, and care as we journey with God.

P: By faith, we gather to nourish and encourage one another on the journey as we build God's already-but-not-yet kingdom here and now. Amen.

~Adapted from the Call to Worship written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, February 2024.

OPENING PRAYER

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. We come convinced of many things but trusting very few. Holy God of limitless surprises, meet us here in this place as we touch that which we cannot see, that which we have not dared to hope. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

~Written by Katherine Hawker. Posted on Liturgies Outside. Re-posted on the re:Worship blog at <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2013/07/opening-prayers-hebrews-11.html>.

*OPENING HYMN *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord, God Almighty* UMH# 64

*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 Marc Sutton

SCRIPTURE *Luke 12:32-40* Isabella Sutton

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

P: Thanks, Be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* Chris Wade

SCRIPTURE *Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16* Rev. Emily Sutton

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

P: Thanks, Be to God.

SERMON *Our Faith Journey* Rev. Emily Sutton

RESPONSE

*HYMN *How Firm a Foundation* UMH# 529

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

SENDING FORTH

*CLOSING HYMN *Shine, Jesus, Shine* TFWS# 2173

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

**Please stand as you are able.*