

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

Bethel UMC Meal Kits - This week, please bring **Taco Seasoning Packets**.

Epworth Is Our Ministry. On Sunday, September 13th, our congregation will receive the Annual Epworth Work Day Offering. Thank you for prayerfully considering your support of this important ministry.

This Week

- **Today** – Children's Sunday School at 10:15 am.
- **Today** – Please welcome Rev. Laurel Fraser (Winthrop Wesley), our guest pastor today! We will present a special offering to Winthrop Wesley during worship and will enjoy a Taco Meal after worship.
- **Today** – Plentiful Harvest Kitchen from 2 – 6 pm.
- **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

- **9/9** – SPRC meeting at 6:30 pm with Church Council meeting immediately following.
- **09/14** – Bethel UMC will provide a meal to Winthrop Wesley.
- **09/16** – BLT will meet at 11:30 am at Little Empire Pizza, 343 Technology Center Way #102.

	8/30/26	09/06/26	09/13/26
Liturgist	Richie Phillips	Margaret McCarter	Tim Smith
Children's Time	Will Shelton	Marc Sutton	Michaela Sandlin
Nursery	Savannah Shelton	Allyson Reid	Savannah Shelton
Counter	Margaret McCarter	Allyson Reid	Malynda Williams
Counter	Michaela Sandlin	Deana Whitehead	Will Shelton
Usher	Michaela Sandlin	Richie Phillips	Savannah Shelton
Usher/Closer	Tom Craig	Richard Bickel	Phillip Whitehead
Communion	N/A	Malynda Williams	N/A

	Month of July	July to Date
Tithes and Offerings	\$ 6,295.98	\$ 89,082.86
Expenses	<u>(14,723.56)</u>	<u>(81,784.22)</u>
Increase / (Decrease)	<u>\$(8,427.58)</u>	<u>\$7,298.64</u>

	August 23
In-person Attendance	25
Plate Budget Received	\$1,045.00

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August 30, 2026
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

August 30, 2026

GATHERING

WORDS OF WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: We come to you this day, with burdens and cares in our hearts.

P: Lord, take these burdens from us and ease our souls.

L: We come to you this day, with fear and uncertainty about the future.

P: Lord, calm our fears and help us to place our trust in you.

L: Come, let us worship God whose love is abundant.

P: Let us praise the God of our salvation who watches over us always.

AMEN. ~ Written by Nancy Townley and published on ministrymatters.com

OPENING PRAYER

Open our hearts today, O Lord, to feel the powerful strength and love you have for us. Help us to listen, not only with our ears, but with our spirits for your words of compassion and healing. Enable us to become more faithful disciples for you; for we ask this in the name of our Savior Jesus Christ. AMEN. ~Ibid

*OPENING HYMN *It's Me, It's Me, O Lord* UMH# 352

*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 Will Shelton

SCRIPTURE *Lamentations 3:22-33* Richie Phillips

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

P: Thanks, Be to God. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC Chris Wade

SCRIPTURE *Luke 8:43-48* Rev. Laurel Fraser

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

P: Thanks, Be to God. Amen.

SERMON *Reaching Out* Rev. Laurel Fraser

RESPONSE

*HYMN *Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy* UMH# 340

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

*CLOSING HYMN *Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore* UMH# 344

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

*Please stand as you are able.