

Updates and Announcements

Thank you for worshiping with us at Bethel United Methodist Church!
We are delighted you have chosen to worship with us this morning.

This Week

Tuesday – Prayer Meeting at 9:30 am via Zoom

Upcoming

St. John's UMC BBQ With A Purpose - May 22, 2021 11:00am – 2:00pm

Reception honoring Alan and Annette Vasher and Gary and Sharon Vasher – Sunday, May 23 following worship

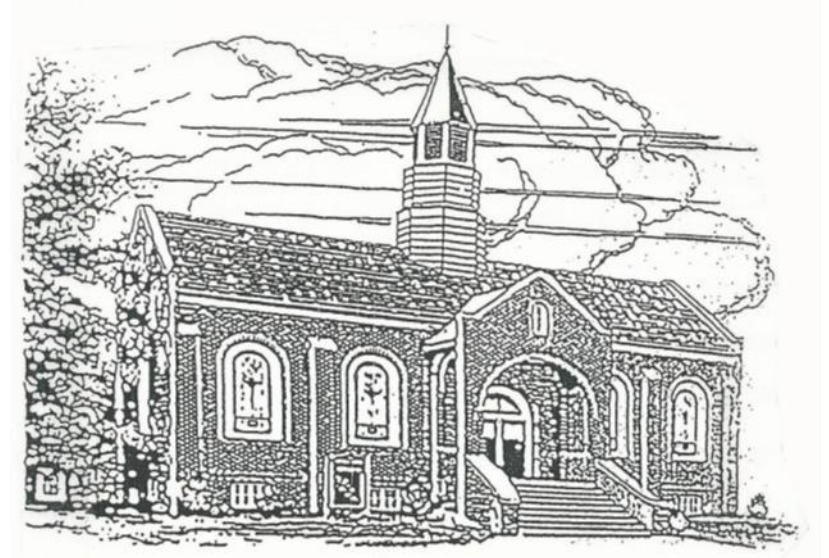
Volunteers Needed- Ushers, Greeters, Acolytes, Counters

We are working to add ushers, greeters, and acolytes back to our worship service. If you or someone in your family would like to volunteer, please call or email Becky at the church office.



Scan QR code to give electronically.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

May 16, 2021

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WORDS OF WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: I tell you this: It is a wonderful thing when members of the family live together in love and peace.

P: They shall be like trees planted beside flowing rivers.

L: May the church be one, just as Christ and God are one, that Christ may be glorified in us.

P: They shall yield good fruit in its season, and their leaf shall never wither.

L: The grace, mercy and peace, of the Lord Jesus, be with you all.

P: And also with you.

OPENING PRAYER

You, loving God, are the ground of our being and the river of life; you both steady our roots and draw them to seek the living waters. You are like the sunlight enticing us taller and like the breeze rustling our leaves. You are with us through hard seasons of summer heat, and in the nights when winter's frost ice the landscape your love warms and sustains us. You are everything to us. O let our gratitude be great, let our praise be plentiful, let our worship be wonder-full! Through Christ Jesus your ever-living Son. Amen!

— written by Bruce Prewer, and posted on Bruce Prewer's. <http://www.bruceprewer.com/>

HYMN *Spirit Song* UMH #347

*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* TFWWS#2233

TIME WITH CHILDREN

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 1:15-17, 21-26 Annette Vasher

HYMN *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus* UMH#349

SCRIPTURE READING John 17:6-19

SERMON *We Are Yours* Rev. Emily Sutton

RESPONSE

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

OFFERING

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

SENDING FORTH

HYMN *I Surrender All* UMH# 354 Verses 1-3

*THE BENEDICTION

* THE POSTLUDE

* As you are able, please stand for these parts of the liturgy.