

**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 today, please leave your contact information so we can extend a fuller welcome! If you have a prayer request, please 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. If you want to subscribe to the Bethel UMC Weekly Emails, please contact the church office at [bethelrockhill@gmail.com](mailto:bethelrockhill@gmail.com) or 803.327.4881.

**This Week**

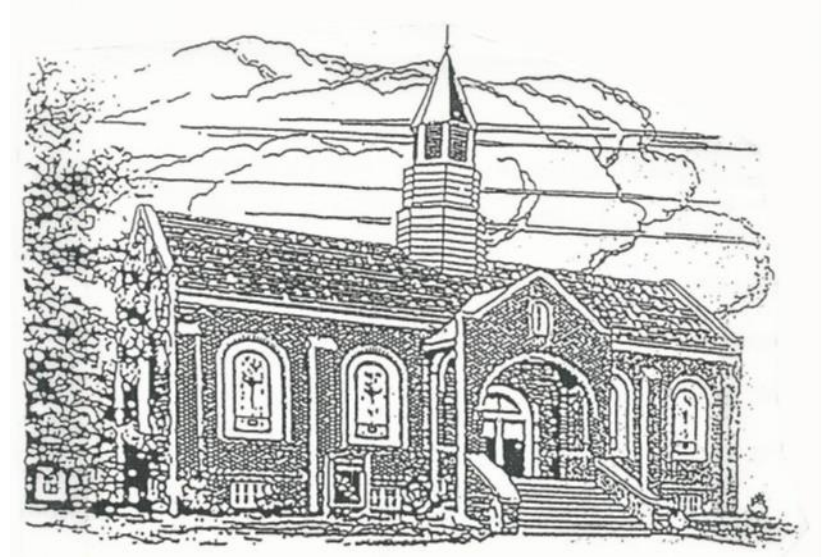
- **Today** – Children’s Sunday School at 10:15 am.
- **Wednesday** – Fellowship Dinner at 5:30 pm at Mary’s Café.
- **Wednesday** – Soup Kitchen preparation at 7:00 p.m. in the UMW room.
- **Wednesday** – AA Meeting in the church library from 7-8:00 pm.
- **Thursday** – Bethel Soup Kitchen 11 am – 1 pm.

**Upcoming**

- **1/26/25** – Recognition of Current and Past Church Leadership during worship.
- **1/27/25** – Church Council Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Upper Room.
- **Wednesdays** – AA Meeting in the church library from 7-8:00 pm.
- **Every Thursday through 3/27/25** – Bethel Soup Kitchen 11 am – 1 pm.

	<b>01/12/25</b>	<b>01/19/25</b>	<b>01/26/25</b>
<b>Liturgist</b>	Gabrial Wade	Richard Bickel	Shannon Wright
<b>Children's Time</b>	Emily Sutton	Marc Sutton	Michaela Sanford
<b>Nursery</b>	Savannah Shelton	Lisa Bobak	Allyson Reid
<b>Counter</b>	Doug Ott	Will Shelton	Debbie Harris
<b>Counter</b>	Cindy Day	Michaela Sanford	Sherl Drawdy
<b>Usher</b>	Cindy Day	Donna Hatfield	Margaret McCarter
<b>Usher</b>	Marc Sutton	Jaye Grayson	Lisa Bobak
<b>Communion</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

# Bethel United Methodist Church



	<b>Month of November 2024</b>	<b>Year-to-Date</b>
<b>Tithes and Offerings</b>	\$8,564.00	\$97,119.29
<b>Expenses</b>	<u>(7,895.28)</u>	<u>(128,002.90)</u>
	<u>\$668.72</u>	<u>(\$30,883.61)</u>

**January 5, 2025**

**In-person Attendance  
Plate Budget Received**      \$529.00



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**January 12, 2025**

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<b>Pianist</b>	<b>Dena Wade</b>
<b>Administrative Assistant</b>	<b>Becky Moon</b>
<b>Music Leader</b>	<b>Chris Wade</b>
<b>Pastor</b>	<b>Emily Sutton</b>

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 12, 2025

### GATHERING

WORDS OF WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: When we pass through the cleansing waters of baptism and the troubled waters of our lives, God declares:

**P: I will be with you.**

L: When we go through the fires that refine us and the fires that threaten our livelihoods, God declares:

**P: I will be with you.**

L: Even when we travel to the far corners of the earth or down into the depths of our souls, God declares:

**P: I will be with you.**

L: So come, let us worship God whose love never fails, whose presence never leaves, whose mercies never end.

**P: Praise be to God who, in the form of Jesus, waded into the waters of baptism to prove God's solidarity with us! Amen.**

*~Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, July 2024.*

GATHERING PRAYER

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

L: The peace of Christ be with you.

**P: And also with you.**

\*OPENING HYMN *Jesus, Name above All Names* TFWs #2071

\*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*

UMH #70

### PROCLAMATION

\*HYMN *Where Children Belong* TFWs# 2233

CHILDREN'S TIME Rev. Emily Sutton

SCRIPTURE *Isaiah 43:1-7* Gabriel Wade

L: The Word of God for the people of God.

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

SPECIAL MUSIC *Down to the River to Pray* Chris Wade

SCRIPTURE *Luke 3:15-17; 21-22* Rev. Emily Sutton

L: The Word of God for the people of God.

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

SERMON *Baptism of the Lord* Rev. Emily Sutton

### RESPONSE

REAFFIRMATION OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT UMH# 50-52

\*HYMN *Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters* UMH #605

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 *Go Forth for God* UMH# 670

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

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*\*Please stand as you are able*