#### Updates and Announcements

Thank you for worshiping 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 or 803.327.4881.

#### This Week

- Today Children's Sunday School at 10:15 am.
- Today Recognition of Current and Past Church Leadership during worship.
- Wednesday Soup Kitchen preparation at 7:00 p.m. in the UMW room.
- Wednesday Church Council Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Upper Room.
- Wednesday AA Meeting in the church library from 7-8:00 pm.
- Thursday Bethel Soup Kitchen 11 am 1 pm.

#### **Upcoming**

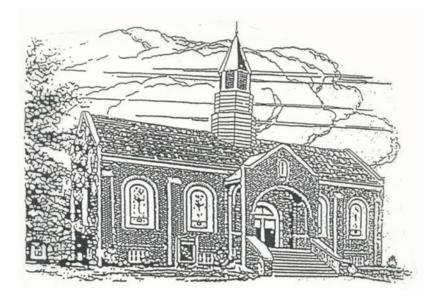
- 2/2/25 Usher, Greeter and Counter training for those currently and those interested in volunteering. Training will be held after worship and lunch will be served. Please RSVP online or on the sign-up sheet in the vestibule.
- 2/15-16 –Rock Hill Lay Servant School on Saturday from 9am-4pm and Sunday from 1:30-4:30 pm. Woodland UMC, 801 Cherry Road. Registration is required.
- Wednesdays through March 27 Soup Kitchen preparation at 7:00 p.m. in the UMW room.
- Wednesdays AA Meeting in the church library from 7-8:00 pm.
- Thursdays through 3/27/25 Bethel Soup Kitchen 11 am 1 pm.

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\$1,307.00

	01/26/25	02/02/25		02/09/25
Liturgist	Shannon Wright	Will Sheltor	1	Angie Price
Children's Time	Michaela Sanford	Will Sheltor	1	Cynthia Bickel
Nursery	Allyson Reid	Cindy Day		Savannah Shelton
Counter	Debbie Harris	Allyson Rei	d	Doug Ott
Counter	Sherl Drawdy	Cindy Day		Margaret McCarter
Usher	Margaret McCarter	Richard Bickel		Shannon Wright
Usher	Lisa Bobak	Tim Smith		Isabella Sutton
Communion	N/A	Richard Bic	kel	N/A
	Month of December		2024 Year-to-Date	
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Tithes and Offerings	\$17,283.00		\$ 114,402.29	
Expenses	<u>(\$12,692.61)</u>		<u>(140,695.51)</u>	
	<u>\$4,590.39</u>		<u>(\$26,293</u>	<u>3.22)</u>
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# Bethel United Methodist Church



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Scan the QR code to give electronically.

In-person Attendance Plate Budget Received



January 26, 2025

## **GATHERING**

WORDS OF WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Children of God, we gather to worship, to sing and proclaim with joy the good works God is doing in our midst.

## P: We gather to worship, as is our custom.

L: We also gather today to pray for our families, our community, and our world. To name the challenges that press in around us, to lament the suffering in our world, to declare our trust in God in the midst of hardship.

## P: We gather to worship, as is our custom.

L: We, like those in Nazareth, gather to hear and receive the Word of God proclaimed among us. To encounter the life-giving message of God's love redeems us to be bearers of love and freedom in this world.

#### P: We gather to worship, as is our custom.

L: Children of God, listen. Pay attention. Ready your hearts. God is here. Jesus has come among us. The Spirit brings the Word to life in our midst. Are you ready?

**P: We gather to worship, as is our custom. Thanks be to God! Amen.** ~*Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, August 2024.* 

#### GATHERING PRAYER

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

L: The peace of Christ be with you.

#### P: And also with you.

\*OPENING HYMN There's Something About That Name UMH #171

## \*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 Michaela Sanford Shannon Wright SCRIPTURE Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 L: The Word of God for the people of God. P: Thanks, Be to God. Lord, I Want to Be a Christian Chris Wade SPECIAL MUSIC Rev. Emily Sutton Luke 4:14-21 SCRIPTURE L: The Word of God for the people of God. P: Thanks, Be to God. As Was His Custom Rev. Emily Sutton SERMON **RESPONSE CELEBRATION OF CHURCH LEADERSHIP** \*HYMN Blessed Assurance UMH #369 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 **UMH#95** \*DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow **SENDING FORTH** \*CLOSING HYMN I Surrender All UMH# 354 \*BENEDICTION \*POSTLUDE \*Please stand as you are able