#### **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 "Advent at The Welcome Table" 10:00 am in the Upper Room.
- **Wednesday** AA Meeting in the church library from 7-8:00 pm.
- Thursday Saturday Rev. Sutton will be out of town.

## **Upcoming**

- **Wednesdays** AA Meeting in the church library from 7-8:00 pm.
- 12/9 Church Council Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Upper Room.
- 12/11 Women's Christmas Gathering Malynda Williams' home at 6:00 p.m., located at 1536 Blanchard Road, Rock Hill.

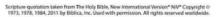
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Liturgist	Michaela Sanford	Gabrial Wade	Shannon Wright
Children's Time	Will Shelton	Emily Sutton	Cynthia Bickel
Nursery	Cindy Day	Savannah Shelton	Allyson Reid
Counter	Sherl Drawdy	Allyson Reid	Margaret McCarter
Counter	Will Shelton	Cindy Day	Tim Smith
Usher	Jaye Grayson	Cindy Day	Margaret McCarter
Usher	Bud Smith	Donna Hatfield	Shannon Wright
Communion	Angie Price	N/A	N/A
	Month of	October	
	October 2024	Year-to-date	
Tithes and Offerings	\$8,092.00	\$88,555.29	
Expenses	<u>16,468.24)</u>	(120,123.81)	
	<u>(\$8,376.24)</u>	<u>(\$31,568.52)</u>	

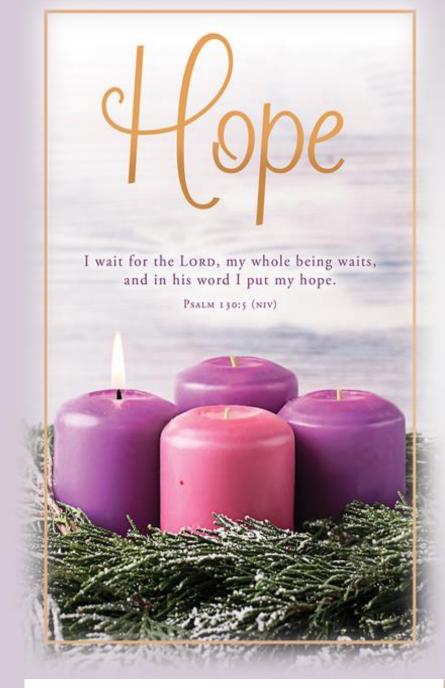
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## ORDER OF WORSHIP December 1, 2024

## **GATHERING**

WORDS OF WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: From deep in the past, Jeremiah calls to us, "The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah" (Jeremiah 33:14). Beloved, the days are surely coming when the yearning of the land; the longing of the sun, moon, and stars; the desperate need of the people of earth for flourishing and peace will receive their fulfillment.

P: While fear, anxiety, misinformation, and suspicion surround us on every side, we choose to watch and wait in hope, preparing our hearts to notice and cooperate with God's grace already at work in our midst. L: We light this candle of hope as a sign of our commitment to pay attention and prepare for the days that are surely coming and are already here—the days when God's kin-dom of love, justice, and mercy will reign. Light the first candle of the Advent wreath.

#### GATHERING PRAYER

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

L: The peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

\*OPENING HYMN Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus UMH #196

**PROCLAMATION** 

HYMN Where Children Belong TFWS# 2233

CHILDREN'S TIME Marc Sutton

SCRIPTURE Jeremiah 33:14-16 Michaela Sanford

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

P: Thanks, Be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC Prepare the Way of the Lord Chris Wade

SCRIPTURE Luke 21:25-36 Rev. Emily Sutton

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

P: Thanks, Be to God.

SERMON Preparations Rev. Emily Sutton

## **RESPONSE**

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,

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

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
<b>EUCHARISTIC</b>	FEAST	

CONFESSION AND PARDON See Insert

Great Thanksgiving See Insert

\*HYMN Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates UMH# 213

Emmanuel, Emmanuel UMH# 204

See Insert

# **SENDING FORTH**

\*CLOSING HYMN What Child Is This UMH# 219

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

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<sup>\*</sup>Please stand as you are able