

Order of Worship
2nd Sunday of Easter
10:45 AM April 28, 2019

Bethel United Methodist Church seeks to be a church that fulfills the spiritual needs of the community, shows God's love to all, and serves God in all it does.

Fanfare

The Chiming Hour While the chimes play, pray.

Lighting of the Candles Welcome God into our midst.

Prayer of Meditation – May the Holy Spirit surround, enfold, and revitalize us.

Prelude

Announcements

***Opening Hymn** UMH #64 *“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”* (verses 1, 3)

***Greeting**

L: Even in the midst of our questions,

C: **we will praise the Lord.**

L: Even with fears of what might be,

C: **we will praise God for God's mighty deeds, according to God's surpassing greatness.**

L: We come with faith that is growing in spite of this.

C: **Praise God with song and dance.**

L: Let us offer worship and praise to the living God, the Risen Jesus, and the Holy Spirit.

C: **Let everything that breathes praise God. Praise God!**

Opening Prayer

Life-giving, life-affirming God, we come this morning, remembering the joy of Easter while facing realities of this world. Fill us with the hope of new life that resurrection brings. Help us open our hearts to the never-ending, unconditional love of this Easter season. Be with us now in our time of worship, and remain with us each and every day as we walk our paths of life in faith. Amen.

Hymn UMH #384 *“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”* (verses 1, 2)

Prayer for Illumination O risen Christ, open us to the power of your resurrection as we hear it proclaimed anew this day, that we too might rise to new life in you. **Amen.**

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 150 (OT, page 551 in the pew bible)

Choir Anthem *“Lift High the Cross”* (music by Nicholson-Larson)

Children's Message

Joyce Shutt
Hymn FWS #2233 “Where Children Belong”

Testimony

Lori Corbett

New Testament Lesson

Acts 5:27-32 (NT, page 115 in the pew bible)

Message

“Do You Know Where the Holy Spirit Is?”
Pastor Hines

Invitation to Christian Discipleship UMH #500 *“Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart”* (verse 1)

Sharing, Joys, Concerns

The Lord's Prayer

***Passing the Peace** (Ushers, please come forward as people are seated.)

Offertory *“Holy Spirit Come and Fill This Place”* by CeCe Winans (video)

Offering *“Give and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.”* (Luke 6:38, NIV).

***Doxology: Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Circling through earth so all may grow. Vanquishing fear so all may give. Widening grace so all may live.** (Sung to the tune of UMH 95. This Doxology was used at the 2018 Annual Conference to remind worshippers that we are most blessed when we share, rather than hoard God's resources.)

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn** UMH #404 *“Every Time I Feel the Spirit”* (verses 1, 2)

***Benediction**

***Postlude** (extended chimes)

***Indicates stand if able**

JOIN US NEXT WEEK FOR WORSHIP
8:30 am – Praise Service
9:30 am – Sunday School
10:45 am – Traditional Worship

*Today we are taking an offering for
Fran Shrader, our Zambian Missionary.
Next week is Native American Ministries Sunday.*

SERVING THIS WEEK IN WORSHIP

Greeter: Joyce Shutt
Nursery (Birth-2 yr.): Bachrach/Wynn/Vanderwerf
Computer Operators: Haring/Desimone/Raab/Spiece/Murray/Bates/Hanlon/Corbett
Tellers: Lisa Riley & Joyce Shutt
Ushers: Joan Spiece, Sandy Davies, Corey Murray, & Peggy Linderman
Flowers: Kay Weikel, in honor of all family and friends of Bethel.
Coffee Hour: Celebration of Allen Collins' 91st Birthday. Gluten-free items are available.

Liturgist: Ron Moore
Pre-School (3-4 yr.): Open

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Greeter: Val & Karla Romburg
Nursery (Birth-2 yr.): Bachrach/Wynn/Vanderwerf
Computer Operators: Haring/Desimone/Raab/Spiece/Murray/Bates/Hanlon/Corbett
Tellers: Elaine O'Connor & Joyce Shutt
Ushers: Bill Richardson, Donna Kunsch, Edie Duranto, and Chris Long
Flowers: Barbara and Pete Gill, in celebration of our 61st anniversary
Coffee Hour: Congregation. Gluten-free items are available.

Liturgist: Trish Richards
Pre-School (3-4 yr.): Open

Activity packets are available in a basket in the narthex for children to use during church services. Feel free to take your packet home with you.

Sunday School Groups (9:30 am): *Toddlers*, Room 205; *Five Year Olds to 6th Grade* Room 204; *Fellowship*, Board Room (B2); *Seekers' Christian Education Class*, Library (B7); and *Bradbury*, Green Room (B1).



Welcome to Bethel United Methodist Church

"Growing in Christ together, sharing God's love with everyone."

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GOD
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— ANY —
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ACTS 5:29, NRSV



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