

Order of Worship

10th Sunday after Pentecost
10:00 AM August 18, 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.

The Chiming Hour While the chimes play, pray, the prayer of meditation: Here I am Lord, send me!

Lighting of the Candles Welcome God into our midst.

Prelude

Welcome

***Opening Hymn** UMH #577 *"God of Grace and God of Glory"* (verses 1-3)

***Opening Prayer**

God of the vineyard, pant your passion for justice and righteousness in the soil of our lives; prune our thirst for bloodshed and strife from the wild growth of self-interest and greed. Nurture us in this time of worship and make room in our hearts for compassion and generosity. Help us bear good fruit and live as your people—a people of passion for justice and righteousness. Amen.

Children's Message

Aubrey Bates, CLM

Hymn FWS #2233 "Where Children Belong"

Hymn UMH #394 *"Something Beautiful"*

Hymn FWS #2074 *"Shout to the Lord"*

Video *"Alive"* by Big Daddy Weave

Prayer for Illumination Gracious God, give us humble, teachable, and obedient hearts, that we may receive what you have revealed, and do what you have commanded. **Amen.**

Scripture Lesson 1 Corinthians 1:18-31 (NT, page 156 in the pew bible)

Message

"The Foolishness of God"

Dr. David Willauer, Guest Preacher

Invitation to Christian Discipleship FWS #2272 *"Holy Ground"*

Sharing Joys, and Concerns

Denise Barton

The Lord's Prayer

Video *"Grace Wins"* by Matthew West

Offering *"And live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God."* (Eph. 5:2, NIV)

***Doxology** UMH #95

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn** UMH #512 *"Stand by Me"* (verses 1-3)

***Words for Departure—Benediction**

L: Go forth and bear the fruit of justice and righteousness.

C: **We go to bear the fruit of God's vineyard.**

L: Go forth and bear the fruit of mercy and peace.

C: **We go to bear the fruit of Christ's grace.**

L: Go forth and bear the fruit of hope and joy.

C: **We go to bear the fruit of the Holy Spirit.**

L: Go forth and bear the fruit of the kingdom of God.

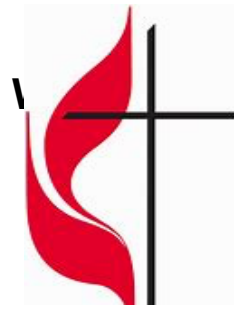
***Postlude**

***INDICATES STAND IF ABLE**

JOIN US NEXT WEEK FOR WORSHIP

9:00 a.m. – Adult Christian Education
10:00 a.m. – Worship Service

Next week, we will take an offering for Fran Shrader, our Zambian Missionary.



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

SERVING THIS WEEK IN WORSHIP

Greeter: Jean Domin
Liturgist: Denise Barton
Computer Operators: Haring/Desimone/Spiece/Murray/Bates/Hanlon/Corbett
Tellers: Terry Allen & Trish Richards
Ushers: Dot Shantz, Jean Domin, Kim Bradbury, & Anne Hoffman
Flowers: Barb & Ron Hanlon, in celebration of their 31st wedding anniversary
Coffee Hour: Congregation. Gluten-free items are available.

SERVING NEXT WEEK IN WORSHIP

Greeter: Joyce Shutt
Liturgist: Lori Corbett
Computer Operators: Haring/Desimone/Spiece/Murray/Bates/Hanlon/Corbett
Tellers: Tina Abel & Joyce Shutt
Ushers: Hal Shutt, Joyce Shutt, Jeff Wynn, & Tina Abel
Flowers: Flowers lovingly designed by Edith Northacker
Coffee Hour: Congregation. Gluten-free items are available.

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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.

Junior Church for students ages 5-12 will meet in Room 204 after the Children's Message.



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The message
about the cross
is foolishness
to those who
are perishing,
but to us who
are being saved
it is the
power of God.

1 Corinthians 1:18, NRSV

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