

Don't forget your mothers or Epworth Children's Home next Sunday! Most of the children served by Epworth Children's Home will not be celebrating Mother's Day with their birth mothers. Instead, they will be surrounded by loving staff, and foster parents who walk with them daily to provide spiritual, educational, emotional, and physical support. Your generous contribution to our church's ministry enables transformation to happen for the children who call Epworth home. Epworth does not receive apportionments from the United Methodist Conference. This offering is our opportunity to support this vital ministry. For more information about Epworth Children's Home, visit them online at [www.epworthchildrenshome.org](http://www.epworthchildrenshome.org).

## Prayer Requests

Eric Robertson	Art Hartzog
Marion Robertson	Nancy White
Don O'Dell	Mike White
Carolyn O'Dell	Betty Cannon
Arthur Cummings	Rick Gray
Mary Cummings	Cathy Hanks
Curtis Anderson	David Holder
Richard Strawhorn	



Invite. Grow. Send.

### Church Office Hours

Monday – Thursday: 8:30 am – 4:00 pm

Friday: 8:30 am – 2:00 pm

Brad Gray <i>Executive Pastor</i>	Megan Gray <i>Pastor of Discipleship &amp; Belonging</i>	Chad Deetz <i>Youth Minister</i>	Adam Rollins <i>Youth Ministry Assistant</i>
Dale Fischer <i>Director of Music</i>	Jana Mathis <i>Director of Children's Ministries</i>	Jennifer Bartless <i>Children's Ministries Assistant</i>	Kristine Lee <i>Organist</i>

*To all who are weary and need rest; To all who are burdened and need relief; To all who are lonely and need friends; To all who are looking for something that only God can provide; To all who sin and need a Savior; To whosoever will come, Bethel UMC, the House of God, opens her doors, and in the name of Jesus Christ says, "Welcome!"*

May 1, 2022

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

Scripture

1 Peter 2:1-10

10:00 AM Worship Service

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

Prelude

*“Crown Him Lord of All”*

Gilbert M. Martin

Sermon

*“God is Calling”*

Rev. Megan Gray

Trinity Chimes

Baptism & Confirmation

UMH 33

Welcome & Announcements

Invitation, Confession, and Pardon

UMH 12

Call to Worship

From the shores of our lives, Jesus calls us into the celebration of worship.

**Let us worship our God.**

From the edge of our worries and concerns, Jesus calls us into hope.

**Let us claim the hope in Christ Jesus.**

From the shallow places in our hearts, Jesus calls us into the depths of his love

**Let us celebrate the gift of his love.**

From the breaking waves of sadness in our lives, Jesus calls us into joy.

**Let us renew our spirits in his joy.**

From the rising tides of our conflicts, Jesus calls us onto the shores of peace.

**Let us rest in his peace.**

Let us celebrate the love of God and receive the blessings of Christ Jesus.

**Let us worship God!**

The Great Thanksgiving

Giving the Bread and Cup

\*Hymn

UMH 593

*“Here I Am, Lord”*

*As we close out our worship service in song, know that the altar rail is always open for you to come and pray, offering a word for someone else, re-committing your heart to God, or to come for the first time to accept Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior. Come as you feel led.*

Benediction

Postlude

*“Cornet Voluntary”*

John Travers

\*Hymn

*“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”*

UMH 400

Offertory

*“Breathe”* influence Music  
Chad Deetz, Colby Edwards & Adam Rollins

\*Doxology

*“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”*

UMH 95

*\*Please stand if able*

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**A nursery** is available on the First Floor for infants and children under 3 years.

We will not have **Wee Church** or **Children’s Church** today.

**Ushers:** Blair Mathis, Mike Woodrum, John Hiltgen & Mark Mahaffey

**Altar Flowers:** The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God.

\*Prayer of Dedication

Children’s Time

Pastoral Prayer

Leader: The Lord be with you.

Response: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.