

Next Sunday we are moving to a more conventional schedule:

Contemporary worship – 9 am in the gym

Sunday school – 10 am

Traditional worship – 11 am in the sanctuary

The church office will be closed September 5th for Labor Day.

Wednesday night supper resumes September 7th at 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

DON'T FORGET EPWORTH CHILDREN'S HOME WORK DAY OFFERING NEXT SUNDAY! This tradition dates back decades to when Methodists were challenged to "Give a Day's Pay" to the children at Epworth. While the emphasis has shifted a bit over the years, it is still important that we come together to provide spiritual, educational, emotional, and physical support for the children at Epworth. Epworth does not receive apportionment dollars from the United Methodist Conference. This offering is our opportunity to support this vital ministry. For more information, please visit www.epworthchildrenshome.org.

Our next Bethel Golf Tournament is set for October 14th at Links O'Tryon. If you would like to participate, please contact Bill Dobbins or Scott Fleming by September 16th.



Invite. Grow. Send.

Prayer REQUESTS

Martha Barnett
Ott Sizemore
Cathy Hanks
Eric Robertson
Charlie Martin
Art Hartzog
Rita Petoskey
Nancy White

Rick Gray
David Holder
Don O'Dell
Carolyn O'Dell
Arthur Cummings
Mary Cummings
Jake Sawyer



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 & 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!"

September 4, 2022

13th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 AM Worship Service

Prelude

Trinity Chimes

Welcome & Announcements

*Call to Worship

The church is made up of all kinds of people: short and tall, young and old and in between, skin of every tone on Earth, and colorful languages to match.

Together we celebrate!

All are welcome by the Spirit of Christ: when we doubt and when we hold firm to beliefs, when we feel like being outgoing extroverts or quiet contemplatives, the rainbow expressions of faith are all gathered in.

Together we celebrate!

Each one of us has an important part to play: a story to tell, a voice for singing, an insight to share, a talent to offer.

Together we celebrate!

*Hymn

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

UMH 89

*Psalter Reading

Psalm 139

UMH 854

Offertory Anthem

“Until He Comes Again”
Sanctuary Choir

Jack Hayford

*Doxology

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

UMH 95

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Children’s Time

Prayers of the People

Leader: The Lord be with you.

Response: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

Scripture Reading

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

Luke 14: 25-33

Sermon

“The Work of Discipleship”

Rev. Brad Gray

Invitation, Confession, and Pardon

UMH 12

The Great Thanksgiving

UMH 13

Giving the Bread and Cup

*Hymn

“Have Thine Own Way, Lord”

UMH 382

Benediction

Postlude

**Please stand if able*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

After Children’s Time, preschool and kindergarten are invited to **Wee Church** in the Children’s Wing.

Ushers: Blair Mathis, John Hiltgen, Mark Mahaffey & Kevin Bobo

Altar Flowers: The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God and in honor of Jake Sawyer by Charlie & Beth Martin.