

Next Sunday is Children's Sunday. Our Bethel children will lead the 11 am worship service and the Children's Choir will present their musical, "We Like Sheep".

## Prayer REQUESTS

Martha Barnett  
 Arthur Cummings  
 Mary Cummings  
 Libby Davenport  
 HJ Fleming  
 Vickie Gray  
 Mary Hall  
 Cathy Hanks  
 Art Hartzog

David Holder  
 Toni Holder  
 W. Ashley Long  
 Carolyn O'Dell  
 Jerry Reitzel  
 Layne Stone  
 Sheila Worley  
 Natasha Richardson &  
 baby Farris Elizabeth



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### 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!"*

**April 16, 2023**

11:00 AM Worship Service

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter**

Children's Time

Prelude

*"Alleluia! Alleluia!"*

Edward Broughton

Trinity Chimes

Welcome & Announcements

\*Call to Worship

When doors were shut, and the world was kept out,  
**resurrection found the disciples.**

When the church gathers, and the world waits outside,  
**resurrection finds us.**

When fear grew, and new questions were found,  
**resurrection found the disciples.**

When faith leads us to new questions about life,  
**resurrection finds us.**

When suffering remained, and the city was hostile,  
**resurrection found the disciples.**

When Christ gathers with his followers in living worship,  
**resurrection finds us.**

Come, let us worship God!

\*Passing of the Peace

\*Hymn

*"Easter People, Raise Your Voices"*

UMH 304

\*Affirmation of Faith

*The Apostles' Creed*

UMH 881

\*Gloria Patri

UMH 71

Scripture Reading

John 20: 19-31

Offering

Offertory

*"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"*  
Kristine Lee, organ

Adolph Hesse

\*Doxology

*"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"*

UMH 95

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn of Preparation

*"Hymn of Promise"*

UMH 707

*During the hymn, you are invited to the altar to join the pastor in assuming a posture of prayer. All are welcome.*

Prayers of the People

Leader: The Lord be with you.

Response: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

Anthem

*"Simply Alleluia"*

Tom Fettke

Sanctuary Choir

Scripture Reading

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

1 Peter 1: 3-9

Sermon

*"Dancing with Peter"*

Chad Deetz

Reception of New Member

Martha Sue Mauzy

UMH 38

\*Hymn

*"This Is a Day of New Beginnings"*

UMH 383

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

*"Te Deum"*

Marc-Antoine Charpent

*\*Please stand if able*

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## 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** and 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to **Children's Church**, both in the Children's Wing.

**Ushers:** Blair Mathis, John Hiltgen, Mike Woodrum & Gene Foust

**Altar Flowers:** The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God and in memory of Gilbert Parker on his birthday by his family.