

Our last Wednesday night supper is May 24<sup>th</sup>. Suppers will resume on September 6<sup>th</sup>.

VBS is June 25<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>. Visit our website at [bethelmethodist.org](http://bethelmethodist.org) to register your child or to sign up to volunteer.

## Prayer REQUESTS

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

David Holder  
Toni Holder  
Carolyn O'Dell  
Jerry Reitzel  
Linda Seifert  
Layne Stone  
Terry Trnavsky



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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!"*

**May 21, 2023**

**7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter  
Graduate Sunday**

11:00 AM Worship Service

Prelude *“Fanfare and Trumpeting”* David Paxton

Trinity Chimes

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Friends and families of every stage, come and worship the Creator.

**God created all cycles of life, all moments of growth, all endings and beginnings.**

From newborn babies to older generations, come and celebrate life’s milestones with delight and awe.

**Whether crawling and babbling or participating with maturity, every stage is welcome in the family of God.**

Jesus knows how it feels to grow, learn, and develop through life.

**We follow the one who came as a baby, grew as a child, and lived as an adult.**

Friends and families of every stage, come and worship together!

**Let us worship together, in Spirit and in truth. Amen.**

\*Passing of the Peace

\*Hymn *“How Can We Name a Love”* UMH 111

\*Affirmation of Faith *The Apostles’ Creed* UMH 881

\*Gloria Patri UMH 71

\*Scripture Reading James 2: 14-17

Offering

Offertory *“Make Me a Channel of Your Peace”* arr. Tom Fettke  
Bethel Senior Quartet

\*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.

Anthem *“Grace”* Carolyn Hamlin  
Sanctuary Choir

Scripture Reading Luke 17: 6-10  
Reader: This is the word of the Lord.  
Response: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon *“All the Small Things”* Rev. Megan Gray

Recognition & Blessing of the Graduates

\*Hymn *“Here I Am, Lord”* UMH 593

\*Benediction

\*Postlude *“Psalm 19”* Benedetto Marcello

*\*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, Mike Woodrum, Gene Foust & John Hiltgen

**Altar Flowers:** The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God and in memory of Richard Strawhorn’s 87<sup>th</sup> birthday by Joyce, his children, Lynne Holt (Tommy) and Ken Strawhorn (Donna); grandchildren Jessica Holt, Nick Holt (Laura), Kendall Scruggs (Dustin) and Caleb Strawhorn; great-grandchildren Charlotte Holt, Memphis Scruggs, and Rosie Holt.