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

After Children's Time, preschool through 5th grade is invited to **Children's Church** in the Children's Wing.

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

Lay Reader: Rita Petoskey

Ushers: Chris Moore, Sally Moore, Kevin Bobo

This week's Wednesday night supper is breakfast night. We will need cooks and griddles for pancakes, please.

Prayer Requests

Beth Brewer
Gary Brewer
Arthur Cummings
Cathy Hanks
David Holder
Toni Holder
Patti Moran
Carol Mueller
Tracie Powell
Andrew Reitzel
Jerry Reitzel
Maxine Reynolds
Fred Robinson

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Church Office Hours
Monday – Thursday: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm
Friday: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Brad Gray
Pastor

Chad Deetz
Youth Minister

Dale Fischer
Director of Music

Jennifer Bartless
Coordinator of Children's Ministry

Kristine Lee
Organist

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Invite. Grow. Send.

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!"

November 17, 2024 **26th Sunday after Pentecost**

11:00 AM Worship Service

Prelude *"Amazing Grace"* Early American Melody

Trinity Chimes

Welcome & Announcements

*Call to Worship

Children of God, when wars and rumors of wars circle all around, Jesus says:
Do not be alarmed. This is not the end.
When earthquakes, hurricanes, fires, famines, and floods produce chaos and destruction, Jesus says:
Do not be alarmed. This is not the end.
When misinformation and disinformation try to dismantle relationships of trust in our families, churches, cities, and nation, Jesus says:
Do not be alarmed. This is not the end.
Children of God, whatever leaves you feeling unsteady, insecure, scared, and confused today- do not be alarmed. This is not the end.
We come to worship God who inscribes our ending, our beginning, and everything in between in Love. Thanks be to God! Amen.

*Passing of the Peace

*Hymn *"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"* UMH 154

*Affirmation of Faith *The Apostles' Creed* UMH 881

*Gloria Patri UMH 71

*Psalter Reading *Psalm 16* UMH 748

Offering

Offertory *"Fairest Lord Jesus"* arr. Richard Willis
Kristine Lee, organ

*Doxology *"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"* UMH 95

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Children's Time

Hymn of Preparation *"Open My Eyes, That I May See"* UMH 454
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 *"Let the Whole Creation Cry"* Jay Althouse
Sanctuary Choir

Scripture Reading Mark 13: 1-8

As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" 2Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down." 3When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, 4"Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" 5Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. 6Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. 7When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. 8For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.

Sermon *"Relax, Hope, Act"* Rev. Brad Gray

*Hymn *"Stand By Me"* UMH 512

*Benediction

*Postlude *"On You Alone, Lord Jesus Christ"* Johann Pachelbel

**Please stand if able*