

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

(\*) The asterisk is to indicate that those who are able are invited to stand.  
As the prelude begins, please take your seat and center yourself for worship.  
\*\*There are large print hymnals available for those who need one.  
Please ask an usher to bring you one.

Chiming of the Trinity

Welcome and Announcements Sally Hafner

Prelude *We Are God's People* Brahms

## WE PRAISE GOD

Call to Worship *The Church's One Foundation* AURELIA

Opening Prayer Sally Hafner

\*UMH #558 *We Are the Church* Avery / Marsh

\*Expression of Faith *The Apostles' Creed*

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
the third day he rose from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*Gloria Patri

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. World without end. Amen. Amen.*

## Bethel Ministers and Church Staff

J.B. Barnett, Custodian  
Rev. Julie Belman, Senior Minister  
Carol Burger, Preschool Director  
Greg Cone, Custodian Assistant  
Sheryl L. Jones, Administrative Assistant  
Rev. Reggie Rowell, Minister of Congregational Care  
Bill Webb, Organist / Choir Director

## United Methodist Men's Boston Butt Fundraiser

The United Methodist Men are having a Boston Butt fundraiser for Easter. Tickets are available now for \$40 each, advance sale only. You may pick up your order in the back parking lot on April 7th, between the hours of 4:00 pm and 7:00 pm. Please see any UMM member for tickets or contact me.

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## AED / CPR Training Class at Bethel

Bill Lucas' daughter and granddaughter, Stacie Lucas Neeley, RN and Alexis Neeley, RN, have graciously agreed to lead a training class at Bethel on using the automated external defibrillator (AED), as well as a refresher on CPR and choking. Everyone is welcome to attend this class on Sunday, February 26th at 3 p.m. in the Pool Activities Building.

## Altar Flowers

If you're interested in providing altar flowers for a Sunday worship service, please let Sheryl in the church office know. Her telephone number and email address are (803) 787-3058 and [office@bethelmethodistcolumbia.com](mailto:office@bethelmethodistcolumbia.com) respectively.

## Serving the Congregation Today

**Acolytes:** Cameron and Wyatt Wood  
**Altar Stewards:** Kimberly Wilson, Karen Stewart, and Dave Barnes  
**Children's Moment:** Janel Bell  
**Greeters:** Tom Elliott and Fred Brown  
**Lay Servant:** Sally Hafner  
**Livestream:** Travis Belman and Karen Furr  
**Offering Counter:** Charles Byrn

## Special Prayers for Bethel Friends and Family (in alphabetical order)

### In Hospitals, Assisted Living, Rehab:

Carolyn Bowers (Watercrest Columbia)  
Nancy Burkhalter (Atria)  
Connie Fowke (NHC)  
Bill and Sylvia Hulbert (Laurel Crest)  
Mary Kirby (TerraBella Windsor Lake)  
Mac Marshall (NHC)

Frances May (Generations of Irmo)  
Mary Ott (Pruitt Ridgeway)

Sarah Parker (Still Hopes)  
Carmen Pool (Rice Estates)  
Adelyn Price (Still Hopes)  
Roberta Yount (Atria)

**At home:** Hannah Andrews (Janet Roberts' great-granddaughter), Eugene and Joyce Appleman, Ann Christopher (Julie Narang's mother), Sara Derrick, Jo Dowdey, Margie Jackson, Bonnie Lutz, Margaret Marshall, Rosa Nichols, Brenda Shealy, Sibyl Staples, Verlon Stone, Jean Tolbert, and Brenda Turner

**Out-of-Town:** Irene Boyd, Josh Funderburk (Kathryn Emery's son), Wayne Hairfield (Debbie Carter's relative), Jake Lass (Debbie Carter's relative), Pat and Bethany Naser, Morgan Varn (Debbie Carter's relative), Joshua Furr (Karen Furr's son, deployed to Syria)

**The families of:** Helen Overstreet, Joyce Varn, Joey Turner, Harry Parker, Russ Pruett, David Hinze, Lucinda Miller, Fran Love, Ronald Gordon, Sandra Wayson, Margaret Alley McGregor, Sarah Walker and Ron Jordan

## Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me..." Matthew 19:14

*We welcome all persons in worship and rejoice in the sounds of God's little blessings in our sanctuary! A room is available in the back of the sanctuary for crying babies, nursing or pumping mothers to use at any time.*

Children's Moment Janel Bell

As children return to their seats,  
please sing the chorus of *Jesus Loves Me*.

**Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.**

Anthem *Glory to God* Schutte

Prayers of the People Kate Brown

The Lord's Prayer  
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

Offertory *What Wondrous Love Is This* Christiansen

\*Doxology ***Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

### WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Isaiah 64:8; Jeremiah 18:1-4 and 2 Corinthians 4:7

The Word of God for the people of God.  
Thanks be to God!

Sermon *My Story* Kate Brown

### WE ARE SENT FORTH TO SERVE GOD IN THE WORLD

\*UMH #369 *Blessed Assurance* Crosby / Knapp

\*Benediction

\*Postlude *Blest Be the Tie* L. Mason

#### Church Office Hours

Monday-Thursday—9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Phone number—803-787-3058

#### Publication Submission Deadlines

The deadline for the *Bulletin* is **3:00 pm** on the preceding Tuesday.  
The deadline for the *Messenger* is **9:00 am** on the 3rd Monday of month.  
Please contact the church office as soon as possible to get your upcoming events on the calendar. Rooms are scheduled on a first-come basis.

### Upcoming Events at Bethel

#### Sunday, February 26

09:45 Children, Youth, and Adult  
Sunday School (EB)

11:00 Worship Service with  
Lay Leader Kate Brown  
(S / livestream on YouTube)

02:00 Choir Rehearsal (CR)

03:00 AED / CPR Training Class  
(PAB)

#### Wednesday, March 1

09:30 Preschool Chapel (S)

#### Saturday, March 4

10:30 Choir Rehearsal (CR)

#### Sunday, March 5

09:45 Children, Youth, and Adult  
Sunday School (EB)

11:00 Worship Service with  
Rev. Julie Belman  
(S / livestream on YouTube)

#### Wednesday, March 8

09:30 Preschool Chapel (S)

#### Saturday, March 11

08:30 UMM Breakfast (PAB)

10:30 Choir Rehearsal (CR)

CR - Conference Room  
EB - Education Building  
NJ - New Journeys Room  
PAB - Pool Activities Building  
S - Sanctuary

### Ways to Connect

Website: [www.bethelmethodistcolumbia.com](http://www.bethelmethodistcolumbia.com)

Facebook: [bethelmethodistcolumbia](https://www.facebook.com/bethelmethodistcolumbia)

Youtube: [Bethel UMC Columbia](https://www.youtube.com/BethelUMCColumbia)

Instagram: [@wearebethelunited](https://www.instagram.com/wearebethelunited)

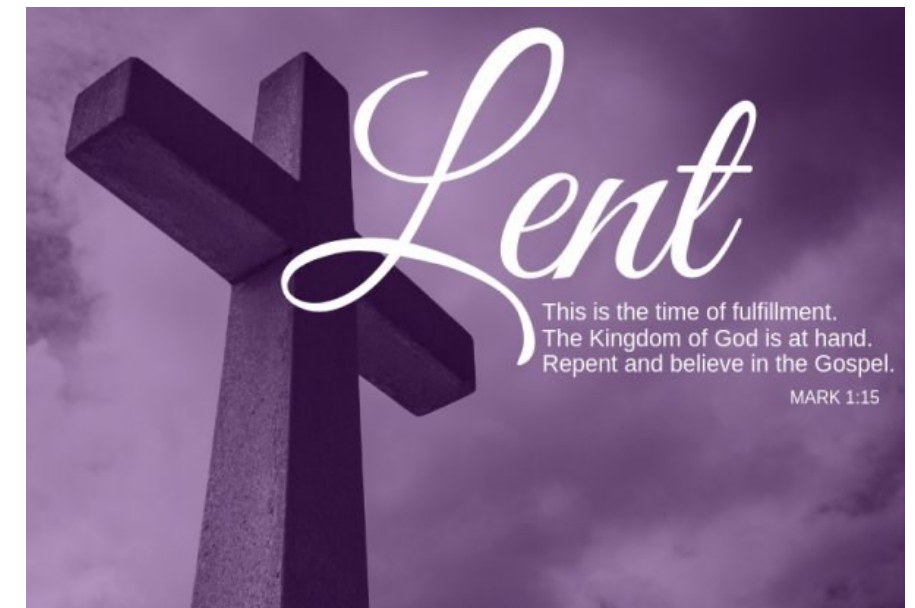
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**KNOWING, LOVING, SERVING**  
...so the world will experience Christ's love!



**Sunday, February 26, 2023**

**1st Sunday in Lent**

**The Color is Purple.**

### ***Welcome!***

*We are so glad you decided to join us for worship.  
Our hope is that you will experience the love of Jesus Christ  
while you are among us and join us in sharing God's Good  
News with the world. If you do not have  
a church home, we invite you to become part  
of the Bethel Church family.*