

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
Prelude *Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit* arr. Wm. Farley Smith

*Presentation of the Colors

*American Flag Pledge

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

*Christian Flag Pledge:

I pledge allegiance to the Christian flag and to the Savior for whose Kingdom it stands. One Savior, crucified, risen, and coming again with life and liberty to all who believe.

WE PRAISE GOD

Call to Worship *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* AZMON

Opening Prayer

*TFWS #2220 *We Are God's People* SYMPHONY (Brahms)

*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.**

Bethel Ministers and Church Staff

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

Altar Flowers Today

The flowers on the altar are given by the Veterans at Bethel, in honor of all Veterans who gave their last full measure of devotion for our freedom.

Presentation of Colors

In honor of Memorial Day the Presentation of Colors will be done by Charles Byrn, U.S. Army veteran, and Dave Barnes, U.S. Marine Corps veteran. Please remember all veterans who gave their life for our freedom. God Bless America!

"Our flag does not fly because the wind moves it. It flies with the last breath of each soldier who died protecting it." -unknown

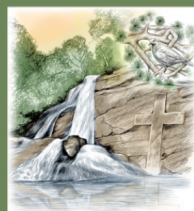
June Birthdays

01 Doug Ingbreten	17 Jo Dowdey
06 Diane Roddey	22 Janel Bell
08 Mary Sydney George	23 Anne Hynds
11 Claudia Cargile	25 Mark Stewart
12 Charles Byrn	28 Lucy Gordon
13 Andrew, Dana & Dylan Garnto	28 Kaye Edwards
14 Eugene Appleman	29 Louise Davis
17 Tom Price	

June Anniversaries

26 Sid and Cappy George	26 Charles and Ae Byrn
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SEEKING A MORE EXCELLENT WAY



The United Methodist Church
2023 South Carolina
Annual Conference
June 4-7 | Florence Center

Breathe and Believe, Hewing Hope

Serving the Congregation Today

Acolyte: Zander Narang
Altar Stewards: Kimberly Wilson, Karen Stewart and Dave Barnes
Children's Moment: Pastor Julie Belman
Greeters: Tom Elliott and Charles Byrn
Livestream: Travis Belman and Karen Furr
Offering Counters: Dianna Elliott and Janis Lawther

Special Prayers for Bethel Friends and Family

(in alphabetical order)

In Hospitals, Assisted Living, Rehab:
Carolyn Bowers (Watercrest Columbia)
Nancy Burkhalter (Atria)
Sara Derrick (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)
At home: Hannah Andrews (Janet Roberts' great-granddaughter), Eugene Appleman, Ann Christopher (Julie Narang's mother), Jo Dowdey, Margie Jackson, Bonnie Lutz, Margaret Marshall, Rosa Nichols, Brenda Shealy, Sibyl Staples, Verlon Stone, Donna Swygert (Velma Neeley's daughter), Jean Tolbert, Dan Toma, Brenda Turner and Mike Ward
Out-of-Town: Irene Boyd, Josh Funderburk (Kathryn Emery's son), Wayne Hairfield (Debbie Carter's relative), Anne Hynds, Jake Lass (Debbie Carter's relative), Pat and Bethany Naser, Morgan Varn (Debbie Carter's relative), Jackson Bell (Suzette Wilson's grandnephew at MUSC awaiting heart transplant.), and Roberta Yount.
The families of: David Hinze, Lucinda Miller, Fran Love, Ronald Gordon, Sandra Wayson, Margaret Alley McGregor, Sarah Walker, Ron Jordan and Joyce Appleman

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.

*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.

Graduate Recognition

Wilhelm Elliott, Dylan Garnto and Christopher Walker

Anthem

He Touched Me
Ae Byrn, soloist

Gaither

Prayers of the People

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.

Why I Am United Methodist

Wilhelm Elliott

Offertory

Open My Eyes, That I May See

Scott

*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

Ephesians 4:4-16

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

Sermon

What It Means to be United Methodist:
We are the People of God, the Body of Christ.

Rev. Julie Belman

WE ARE SENT FORTH TO SERVE GOD IN THE WORLD

*UMH #545

The Church's One Foundation

AURELIA

*Benediction

*Postlude

Pentecostal Power

C.H. Gabriel

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, May 28

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

11:00 Traditional Worship Service
with Celebration of Bethel
College Graduates, and
Presentation of Colors
(S / livestream on YouTube)

Monday, May 29

Church Office Closed for Memorial
Day

Tuesday, May 30

10:00 Rise and Shine w/Lisa Smarr
(PAB)

Thursday, June 1

10:00 Rise and Shine w/Lisa Smarr
(PAB)

Saturday, June 3

10:30 Choir Rehearsal (CR)

Sunday, June 4

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

11:00 Traditional Worship Service
(S / livestream on YouTube)

June 4-7

Annual Conference in Florence

Tuesday, June 6

Preschool Summer Camp Begins

10:00

Rise and Shine w/Lisa Smarr
(PAB)

Thursday, June 8

09:30 Preschool Chapel (S)

10:00 Rise and Shine w/Lisa Smarr
(PAB)

Saturday, June 9

08:30 UMM Breakfast (PAB)

10:30 Choir Rehearsal (CR)

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

Ways to Connect

Website: www.bethelmethodistcolumbia.com

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

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

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



Sunday, May 28, 2023

Pentecost Sunday

The Color is Red.

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.*