

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 *Hope of the World* VICAR

WE PRAISE GOD

Call to Worship *Come, Holy Ghost, Our Hearts Inspire* WINCHESTER
Text by Charles Wesley (UMH #603)

Opening Prayer

*UMH #581 *Lord, Whose Love through Humble Service* BEACH SPRING

*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.

Blessing of the Preschool Teachers (see insert)

Bethel Minister and Church Staff

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

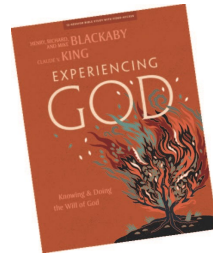
Altar Flowers Today

Velma Neeley provided the altar flowers today for the glory of God and for her wonderful church family and all they do for her. She would like her church family to feel free to take flowers from the arrangement after the worship service.

United Methodist Men's Breakfast

All ladies and gentlemen are invited to attend our breakfast on Saturday, September 9th at 8:30 am in the Pool Activities Building. Bill Webb will be our speaker and will share his recent trip to Poland. There is no charge to visitors for the breakfast. Please let me know by August 31st if you are coming so we know how many people to prepare for.
Dave Barnes, President, UMM
davebarnes75@gmail.com; 803-240-8192

New Bible Study Coming Soon



*Experiencing God
Knowing & Doing the Will of God*

Meeting on Sundays
Beginning September 10th
2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Pool Activities Building

Please let Debbie Carter know by **Monday, August 28th** if would like her to order a workbook for you. They cost \$22.

Happy September Birthdays!

07 Ace Davis	14 Betty McCune	25 Roy Canty
10 Pat Wood	16 Sharon Bonnaville	26 Betty Clark
11 Marcie Marshall	21 Verlon Stone	28 Maggie Giametta
13 Dan Toma	24 Margie Jackson	30 Mac Marshall

Happy September Anniversaries!

28 Lem and Brenda Harper

Serving the Congregation Today

Acolyte: Micaela McDonald
Altar Stewards: Kimberly Wilson, Karen Stewart, Dave Barnes
Children's Moment: Janel Bell
Greeters: Tom Elliott and Charles Byrn
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)
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: Eugene Appleman, Jo Dowdey, Bonnie Lutz, Margaret Marshall, Rosa Nichols, Brenda Shealy, Verlon Stone, Donna Swygert (Velma Neeley's daughter) and Dan Toma

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: Sandra Wayson, Margaret Alley McGregor, Sarah Walker, Ron Jordan, Joyce Appleman and Sibyl Staples

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 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 *Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling* attr. W.A. Mozart

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.

Offertory *If You Will Only Let God Guide You* NEUMARK

*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 Luke 10:1-11, 17-20
The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God!

Sermon *Jesus in the Neighborhood* Rev. Julie Belman

WE ARE SENT FORTH TO SERVE GOD IN THE WORLD

*UMH #438 *Forth in Thy Name, O Lord* DUKE STREET
Text by Charles Wesley

*Benediction

*Postlude *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee* MARYTON

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, August 27

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

11:00 Traditional Worship Service
with Blessing of the
Preschool Teachers
(S / livestream on YouTube)

04:00 Preschool -
"Meet Your Teacher" (EB)
and Ice Cream Social (PAB)

Monday, August 28

Fall Preschool Begins

09:00 Preschool - Bagels and
Parents (CR)

Tuesday, August 29

10:00 Rise and Shine with Lisa
Smarr (PAB)

Thursday, August 31

10:00 Rise and Shine with Lisa
Smarr (PAB)

Saturday, September 2

10:30 Choir Rehearsal (CR)



The Preschool and Church
Office will be closed on
Monday, September 4th for
the Labor Day holiday.

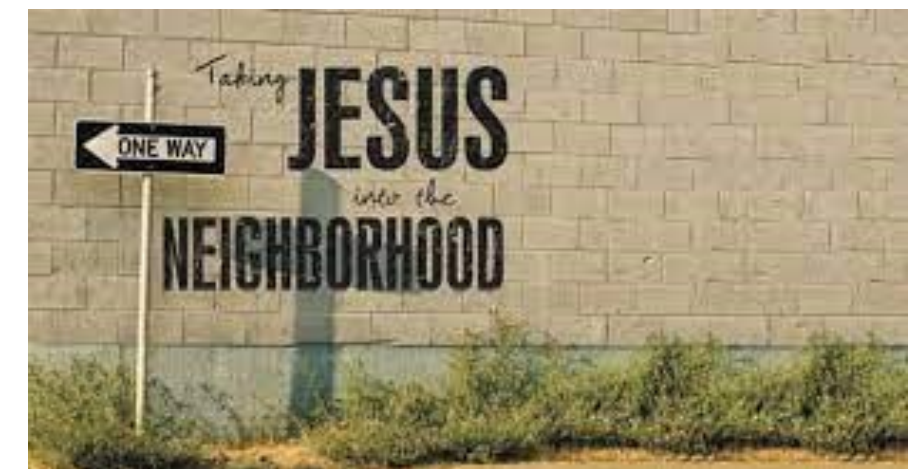
CR - Conference Room
EB - Education Building
NJ - New Journeys Room
PAB - Pool Activities Building
S - Sanctuary

Ways to Connect

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



Sunday, August 27, 2023
13th Sunday After Pentecost
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.*