

## 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 Louise Davis  
Prelude *Come, Thou Almighty King* ITALIAN HYMN

## WE PRAISE GOD

Call to Worship *Surely the Presence of the Lord* Lanny Wolfe  
Opening Prayer Louise Davis  
\*UMH #138 *The King of Love My Shepherd Is* Irish melody  
\*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 Minister and Church Staff

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



## Welcome our Guest Pastor Today

Reverend Adrienne Fink is a South Carolina native who lives in Columbia with her husband, Matthew, their daughter, Lydia, and their two hound dogs, Houdini and Nola. She is an ordained United Methodist deacon and a chaplain at Prisma Health. She loves spending time with her family, drinking coffee, reading fiction, and watching too much television.

## Trustees' Clean Up Day

The trustees would like to thank all who helped with the cleanup last Saturday. As we move forward we ask that everyone be vigilant in cleaning up areas that have accumulated clutter. If we all work together, we can keep the facility in a condition that we can all be proud.

## Lenten Calendar Challenge

This week we received additional donations for the Lenten Calendar Challenge. The new total is \$468.09, which we're sending to the Rehoboth UMC for their food pantry. Thanks to Dianna Elliott for counting the additional coins.

## Hot Dog & Bake Sale

During the Bethel Yard Sale on May 3-4, there will also be a Hot Dog & Bake Sale which will support the Todd Lutz Scholarship Fund. We need volunteers to assist with food preparation, and food sales. We are also requesting donations for baked goods, chips, and paper products. If you are interested in assisting or giving donations, please contact Louise Davis at (803) 834-2563 or via email [louisej.smith@yahoo.com](mailto:louisej.smith@yahoo.com).

## Bethel Yard Sale

Please drop off your donations at the Pool Activities Building next Saturday, April 27th from 1-3 p.m. or leave your items in the Joy Sunday School classroom.

A sign-up sheet has been placed in the Narthex for volunteers! Please consider lending your time and talents to this wonderful event in support of our church mission.

A box has been placed in the hallway outside the office to collect needed items for the yard sale such as: hangers, plastic bags, Sharpies, yellow painters' tape, and cleaning wipes.

## Serving the Congregation Today

Acolyte(s): Wyatt Wood  
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 Counters: Charles Byrn and Bill Lucas

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

### In Hospitals, Assisted Living, Rehab:

Dave Barnes (VA Hospital)  
Carolyn Bowers (Watercrest Columbia)  
Nancy Burkhalter (Atria)  
Sara Derrick (Atria)  
Bill and Sylvia Hulbert (Laurel Crest)  
Mary Kirby (TerraBella Windsor Lake)  
Frances May (Generations of Irmo)  
Sarah Parker (Still Hopes)  
Carmen Pool (Rice Estates)  
Donna Swygert, Velma Neeley's daughter (Lakeside Place Senior Living)

**At home:** Eugene Appleman, Jo Dowdey, Tom Elliott, Chris Huggins (friend of Carolyn Armstrong), Verta Ingbreetsen, Margie Jackson, Bonnie Lutz, Margaret Marshall, Rosa Nichols, Brenda Shealy, Verlon (Stoney) Stone and Dan Toma

**Out-of-Town:** Irene Boyd, Iva Dell Griffin, 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), Roberta Yount, and Morrie and Bessie Cruse (grandparents of preschool student)

**The families of:** Joyce Appleman, Sibyl Staples, Mac Marshall, Mary Ott, Jean Tolbert, Adelyn Price and Connie Fowke

## Attendance and Offering

April 14, 2024  
Church School - 29  
Worship in-person 45; online 41  
Offering \$3,233.46

## 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 the 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 *Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us* arr. Hal Hopson

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 *Aria* G.F. Händel

\*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 John 10:11-18

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

Sermon *In Our Savior's Arms* Rev. Adrienne Fink

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

\*UMH #128 *He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought*  
Wm. B. Bradbury

\*Benediction

\*Postlude *Open Thou the Holy Portals* J. Schreiner

### Church Office Hours

Monday-Thursday - 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

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### 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, April 21

9:45 Children, Youth, and Adult  
Sunday School (EB)

11:00 Traditional Worship Service  
with Rev. Adrienne Fink  
(S / livestream)

### Monday, April 22

4:00 Bible Study of Gospels (CR)

### Tuesday, April 23

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

### Wednesday, April 24

9:30 Preschool Chapel (S)

5:30 Weight Watchers Meeting  
(PAB)

6:00 Preschool Board Meeting  
(CR)

### Thursday, April 25

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

### Saturday, April 27

8:30 Weight Watchers Meeting  
(PAB)

10:30 Choir Rehearsal (CR)

1:00 Drop Off Donations for  
Bethel's Yard Sale (PAB)

General Conference of the  
United Methodist Church  
April 23 - May 3  
Charlotte Convention Center

CR - Conference Room  
EB - Education Building  
PAB - Pool Activities Building  
S - Sanctuary  
NJ - New Journeys Room  
BPL - Back Parking Lot

## Ways to Connect

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



**Sunday, April 21, 2024**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**The Color is White.**

***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.*