

Bethel United Methodist Church



Established 1834

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**“Seeking The Life In Grace As The Way of Life”
Welcome home!**

Bethel United Methodist Church

2nd Sunday after Pentecost

June 6, 2021

Pastor: Ralph Wrightstone

Music Director: Travis Oaks

Lectionary Scriptures

This Week: 1 Sam 8:4-20; Psalm 138; 2 Cor 4:13-5:1; Mark 3:20-35

Next Week: 1 Sam 8:15:34-16:13; Ps 20 or 72; 2 Cor 5:6-10,14-17; Mk 4:26-34

Prelude: "Sing Alleluia to the Lord"

Welcome & Announcements, Birthdays, Anniversaries

***Hymn:** "It is Well With My Soul" UMH 377

Baptismal Covenant: Alice Lanier Bell UMH 39

Remember Your Baptism see insert

***Responsive Call to Worship:** *on opposite page*

***Affirmation of Faith** (Apostle's Creed).....UMH 881

***Gloria Patri**.....UMH 71

Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

***Doxology**.....UMH 95

Joys, Concerns, Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Message: "What Did We Do to You Today, Alice?"

Scripture: Luke 2:22 & Proverbs 22:6

Holy Communion

***Hymn:** "Give Thanks" TFWS 2036

***Closing Chorus & Benediction** "Bind Us Together"

**Please stand if able*

Call to Worship

Leader: Rejoice, O people of God, for the Lord is with us in this holy place!

People: Our lives belong to the risen Lord, committed by faith in our baptism.

Leader: Let us always remember our baptism by being ever true to our commitment.

People: And let the light of Christ shine through our lives for all to see.

Leader: Rejoice then, O people of God, and sing praises before the Christ.

Prayer of Confession: O God, You place no barrier preventing us from coming to You if we will only believe. In baptism, our commitment draws us together with You and with each other, and we praise You, Lord. In Christ we pray. Amen.

Calendar of Events

Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

Always: *Be safe and Pray*

Worship, Educational and Outreach Opportunities

Today: *Interactive Online Service thru link on Bethel's Web Site, Service page*

Prayer Concerns

Bethel UMC, The UMC, Our Country, Those in Military Service, Teachers, Students, Pastor Ralph & Judy Wrightstone, Kathie & Al Adams, Lexie Allen, Sarah Brown, Gina Davis, Brian Goff, Mary Hall, Robyn Keeler, Sylvia Marsh, William McCloud, Tina & Travis Oaks & families, Tina & Greg Rucker, Don & Pat Singletary, David Trimble, Amy Smith Wadsworth, Cindy Westmark, Eddie White, Lon and Lucy Wright

Please use a prayer request form, in the narthex, to submit requests for adding to the Prayer Concerns in the worship bulletin and online

Devotionals: *The Upper Room and Our Daily Bread* are daily devotional booklets that are available in the Narthex. Please take one or both and enjoy!

Bethel Website: <http://www.bethelumctlh.org>

Recordings of recent sermons are available on the web site

Recordings of sermons or services are available on CD by request

Heifer Fund: "Youth Message" offering goes to support Heifer International

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It Is Well With My Soul (UMH 377)

1. When peace, like a river,
 attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll;
 whatever my lot,
 thou hast taught me to say,
It is well, it is well with my soul.

Refrain:

*It is well (It is well)
with my soul, (with my soul,
it is well, it is well with my soul.*

2. Though Satan should buffet,
 though trials should come,
let this blest assurance control,
 that Christ has regarded
 my helpless estate,
and hath shed his own blood
 for my soul.

Refrain:

3. My sin, oh, the bliss
 of this glorious thought!
My sin, not in part but the whole,
 is nailed to the cross,
 and I bear it no more,
 praise the Lord,
 praise the Lord,
 O my soul!

Refrain:

4. And, Lord, haste the day
when my faith shall be sight,
 the clouds be rolled back
 as a scroll;
 the trump shall resound,
 and the Lord shall descend,
even so, it is well with my soul.

Refrain:

Give Thanks (TFWS 2036)

Give thanks with a grateful heart,
give thanks to the Holy One,
 give thanks because he's
given Jesus Christ his Son.

(repeat)

And now let the weak say,
 “I am strong”;
let the poor say,
 “I am rich
because of what
the lord has done for us.”

(repeat)

Give Thanks!

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give thanks to the Holy One,
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given Jesus Christ his Son.

(repeat)

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the lord has done for us.”

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Give Thanks!

Remember Your Baptism

Brothers and Sisters in Christ: through the Sacrament of Baptism we are initiated into Christ's holy Church. We are incorporated into God's mighty acts of salvation and given new birth through water and the spirit. All this is God's gift, offered to us without price. Through confirmation, and through the reaffirmation of our faith, we renew the covenant declared at our baptism, acknowledge what God is doing for us, and affirm our commitment to Christ's holy Church.

On behalf of the whole Church, I ask you, do you, as Christ's body, the Church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

We do.

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life?

With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround one another with a community of love and forgiveness, that all may grow in their trust of God, and be found faithful in their service to others. We pray for one another, that we may be true disciples, who walk in the way that leads to life.

Apostle's 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 Patria

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.

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Amen

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.



1940's



1960's



Today

The History of Bethel UMC

The earliest historical record of Bethel Methodist Church is that in August of 1834, a campmeeting was held on the banks of Bethel Pond. Church meetings were held in neighborhood homes following this. In good weather brush arbors provided meeting places for these early worshippers. Later, services were held in a small log schoolhouse about a mile north of the present church.

On March 17, 1847, Joseph and Thirza Hale deeded two acres of land to the Methodist Episcopal Church with the provision that Bethel Meeting House be built in the center of the two acres. A small frame church with wooden shutters was built where our Sunday School rooms are today.

In 1909 the congregation started building the present sanctuary. The church building was originally roofed with wooden shingles. The windows contain the original panes with the imperfections of early glass. The interior of the church was not completed until 1947. The narthex was added in 1970 and the steeple in 1972.

The furniture in the Church constitutes one of the most interesting parts of its history. The Pulpit was used by Bishop Joshua Soule on February 6, 1845 when he convened the first Florida Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in Trinity Methodist Church, Tallahassee, Florida. Trinity gave the pulpit to Bethel Church circa 1895. The chancel rail, communion table and two of the pulpit chairs were part of Trinity Church during the 1800's and were given to Bethel in 1946. The larger pulpit chair was a gift of John Sullivan, friend of our Church.

(history prepared for bulletin cover by Thelma Royce, church historian)



“Surely the Lord is in this place! This is none other than the house of God” Genesis 28:16