

Bethel United Methodist Church

Second Sunday After Pentecost

Father's Day

June 19, 2022

Pastor Ralph Wrightstone

Music Director: Travis Oaks

Lectionary Scriptures

This Week: 1 Kings 19:1-15a; Psalm 42; Galatians 3:23-29; Luke 8:26-39

Next Week: 2 Kings 2:1-2,6-14; Psalm 77:1-2,11-20; Gal 5:1,13-25; Luke 9:15-62

Prelude: "Sing Alleluia to the Lord"

Welcome & Announcements, Birthdays, Anniversaries

***Hymn:** "Great is Thy Faithfulness" UMH 140

***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

OT Scripture Reading: 1 Kings 19:1-4

Joys, Concerns, Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Special "I Have a Father" Travis Oaks

Message: "The Thing About Evil"

Scripture: Luke 8:26-39

***Hymn:** "Spirit Song" UMH 347

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

**Please stand if able*

Call to Worship

Leader: Let us celebrate the victory of our Lord over all the forces of evil!

People: In the resurrection of Christ, God wrought a mighty victory over death.

Leader: And every entity of evil knows the power of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Let our hearts not be afraid and our faith in Christ remain strong.

Leader: One day every knee will indeed bow before Christ our Lord and Savior.

Prayer of Confession: Lord, so often in our modern world we have felt ourselves so sophisticated and technically advanced that we have forgotten You are the only true source of knowledge and power in the Universe. Sometimes we even allow ourselves to believe that the forces of evil are not real unless we can see them face to face. Forgive us, Lord, and surround us with Your love. In Christ we pray. Amen.

Calendar of Events

Today: 2nd Sunday After Pentecost, **Father's Day**

Tuesday: Summer Solstice, First Day of Summer

Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

All Week: Keep Safe and Pray

Worship, Educational and Outreach Opportunities

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

Prayer Concerns

Bethel UMC, The UMC, Our Country, Those in Military Service, Police, Fire, EMS first responders, Healthcare professionals and home caregivers, Teachers, Students, Pastor Ralph & Judy Wrightstone, Kathie & Al Adams, Lexie Allen, Sarah Brown, Family & friends of Faye McCoy Callaway, Mark Carlson, Family & Friends of Jimmie Crowder; Gina Davis, Ellanore Goater, Kendall Hall, Jimmy- a friend, Family & Friends of Jimbo Jackson, Bud Keeler, Robyn Keeler, Carol Koski, Nan Lindsey, William McCloud, Fred & Cindy Moore, Travis & Tina Oaks, Annabelle Pafford, Carol Painter, Darren Plate, David Plate, Tom Plate & family, Tina & Greg Rucker, Pat Singletary; David Trimble, Cindy Westmark, Eddie White, Lon & Lucy Wright

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

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!

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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

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The righteous
man walks in
his integrity;
**His children
are blessed
after him.**

PROVERBS 20:7

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