

Bethel United Methodist Church

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

July 26, 2026

Pastor: Ellyn R. Fox

Lectionary Scriptures

This Week: Gen 29:15-28; Psalm 105:1-11,45b; Rom 8:26-39; Matt 13:31-33,44-52

Next Week: Gen 32:22-31; Psalm 17:1-7,15; Rom 9:1-5; Matt 14:13-21

Prelude: “Be Thou My Vision”

Welcome, Announcements & Celebrations

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

***Hymn:** “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” UMH 139

***Affirmation of Faith** UMH 885

***Gloria Patria** UMH 71

Pastoral Prayer/Prayer for the People/Lord's Prayer

*Passing of the Peace

***Hymn:** “Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing” UMH 400

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon Scripture: Romans 8:26-39

Message: Keep the Faith

Tithes and Offerings

Doxology..... UMH 95

Prayer for the Offerings

***Hymn:** “To God be the Glory” UMH 98

***Benediction and Closing Chorus:** “Bind Us Together”

**Please stand if able*

Call to Worship

Leader: Brothers and Sisters, nothing can separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ!

People: Thanks be to God!

Leader: God's never-ending love surrounds us and calls us, assuring us that through God's love, all things will work together for God's good purposes.

People: Thanks be to God!

Leader: God's never-ending love empowers us in the face of temptation, distress, division, and scarcity to hold onto our faith and work together for the flourishing of all God's good creation.

People: Thanks be to God!

Leader: Come, let us worship God who is Love, trusting that through joy and sorrow, happiness and despair, contentment and pain, Love will carry us through.

People: Thanks be to God who forms, connects, and guides us through Love. Amen.

Calendar of Events

Today: *Ninth Sunday After Pentecost, Quarterly Investment Mtg after service*

Next Week: *Tenth Sunday after Pentecost, communion*

All Week: *Keep Safe and Pray*

August 9: *Fellowship dinner after the service*

Worship, Educational and Outreach Opportunities

Sunday: *11:00 am worship service*

Prayer Concerns

Bethel UMC, The UMC, Our Country, those in Military Service, Police, Fire, EMS first responders, Healthcare professionals and home caregivers, Teachers, Students; the Homeless, Pastor Ellyn Fox; Kathie & Al Adams; Lexie Allen; Don & Tracey Bitner, Mark Carlson, Lake Goreau, Ryan Goreau; Kaylee; Savannah Lantz; Annabelle Pafford; Darren Plate; Don & Pat Singletary; Holly Snelgrove; Willie, Lawson Wooley; Lon & Lucy Wright

Prayer requests can be submitted to: PrayerRequests@BethelUMCTLH.org

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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