

Worship Service for Bethany U.C.C.  
November 10, 2024

Prelude

Announcements, Joys and Concerns

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Our hope is in God who made heaven and earth!

C: **All creatures of the land and sea come from God.**

L: You shall love God with all your heart and soul.

C: **You shall honor God with all your mind and strength.**

All: **We will praise God as long as we live! We will sing of God's glory throughout all our lives!**

\*HYMN #13 UCC *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

\*UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

**Reigning God, we have viewed the work of Your hands. Where the hungry are fed, we know the providers are working with You. You lift up those who are bowed down and sustain the righteous with Your love. We give thanks that You call us into action, to love You and one another as You have loved us. Focus our thoughts now as we seek to better know Your will for us. Amen.**

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, we are a distracted people. So many things claim our time and loyalty. We often live in selfish ways. We have not lived as the faithful people we are called to be. In Your grace we ask Your forgiveness. Help us to change our ways. Help us to walk more closely with You, to serve You more faithfully and to love You more completely. Amen.

\*ASSURANCE

\*GLORIA PATRI

INVITATION TO CHILDREN (Jesus Loves the Little Children)

CHILDREN'S TIME

HYMN #148 SS *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

OFFERTORY

\*We Give Thee But Thine Own UCC #351

\*UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Gracious God, You give abundantly. Bless the gifts we give in our time, talents, and treasure with others. Teach us how we can spread Your love more readily in the lives we lead. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (debts and debtors)

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 146

Mark 12:28-34

SPECIAL MUSIC

MESSAGE

\*HYMN #310 SS *The Solid Rock*

\*BENEDICTION

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

TODAY - Pastor Joel Schlatter

From Darwin: "Thanks to everyone for cards, calls, and visits. Thanks especially for your prayers. I feel certain that prayer has sped up my recovery. I hope to see you soon."

The Men's Event is TODAY at 6 p.m. Hancock Co. Sgt. Brock Landis and K-9 dog Zaire will present. The menu is fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, lettuce salad, rolls, drinks, & pies. We ordered plenty of food. Please join us even if you did not RSVP. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Hoener (217-430-7507).

Zion Church of Ursa will host their Annual Chicken Dinner TODAY from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. It will be carryout only. See the bulletin strip for the menu and more info.

We will put up the tree and decorate the church for the Christmas season on Sunday, December 1, at 6 p.m. Pizza will be served afterward in the fellowship hall.

SAVE THE DATES:

- Men's Event: Sunday, November 10, 6:00 p.m.
- Decorate Church: Sunday, December 1, 6:00 p.m.
- Visitation Sunday: Sunday, December 29 (no service)

Jared Roskamp is greeter today, Brad Doyle next week. Thanks to the greeter, Pastor Joel, the musician, AV tech - all who helped with the service.

WELCOME ALL! If you are a visitor, please sign the guest register and come again.

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