

Bethany United Church of Christ
May 11, 2025
Fourth Sunday of Easter and Mother's Day

As you prepare your heart for worship it might be helpful to read through the call to worship and the prayer of confession and think about them.

Prelude and Bell Ringing
Announcements, Joys and Concerns

Call to Worship (from Psalm 23)

Leader: The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

Congregation: He makes me lie down in green pastures.

L: He leads me beside still waters.

C: He restores my soul.

L: He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

C: Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil,

L: for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

C: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

L: you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

C: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

All: and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Prayer of Invocation

*Hymn of Praise #19 "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty"

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Heavenly Father, forgive us. Each day, we fail to do some things we should do, and most days we do some things we should not. Sometimes we think it is enough to have correct beliefs, and we call it faith. But our behavior shows a lack of trust in you, for we fail to obey you as we should. Forgive us for such

sin, and fill us with your Holy Spirit. Make us more faithful disciples of your Son Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*GLORIA PATRI

Invitation to the Children (Jesus Loves the Little Children)
Children's time

Pre-K to Grade 2 children dismiss to church entryway for Sunday School

Scripture

Old Testament lesson – Deuteronomy 6:1-12

New Testament lesson – John 10:22-42

Sermon “Multiple Choice Quiz”

*Hymn of Response #343 (SS) “Jesus Calls Us”

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

Offering, Offertory

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn of Commitment #365 (SS) “Trust and Obey”

*Charge and Benediction

Amen! We go forth to serve.

*Choral Response: “God Be with You” #177 (SS) (v. 1)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY – Rev. Darwin Smith

The Blanket Sunday special offering will be collected next Sunday.
Please use the included envelopes.

Women's Bible Study resumes tomorrow at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

This year's theme for Bible School is Dare to Be a Daniel with a focus on prayer. If you'd like to help with meals, snacks, lessons, crafts, music, group activities, or anything else, please contact Pastor Joel Schlatter or Tami Roskamp.

SAVE THE DATES:

Church moves to 10 a.m.:

Sunday, June 1, and weeks after

Bible School:

Friday, June 27

Retreat House Sunday:

Sunday, July 20

Shirley Roskamp is greeter today, Ann McArthur next week. Thanks to the greeter, Rev. Smith, 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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