

Bethany United Church of Christ

June 8, 2025

Pentecost

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 104)

Leader: Bless the LORD, O my soul! O LORD my God, you are very great!

Congregation: You are clothed with splendor and majesty,

L: covering yourself with light as with a garment,

C: stretching out the heavens like a tent.

L: He set the earth on its foundations,

C: so that it should never be moved.

L: You cause the grass to grow for the livestock and plants for man to cultivate,

C: that he may bring forth food from the earth and wine to gladden the heart of man,

L: oil to make his face shine

C: and bread to strengthen man's heart.

L: When you send forth your Spirit, they are created,

C: and you renew the face of the ground.

L: May the glory of the LORD endure forever;

C: may the LORD rejoice in his works!

Prayer of Invocation

*Hymn of Praise #15 "Come, Thou Almighty King"

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Heavenly Father, forgive us. We say thousands of words every day, many of them to other people. But most of our words are about things with no eternal value. It is not sinful to speak of many such things, but we do sin by not speaking much about eternal things. We especially avoid speaking about them with people who may not believe in you; that is definitely sin. Forgive us, and fill us with your Holy Spirit. Give us power to be your witnesses with our words and with the way we live. We ask it in the name of Jesus, our Savior and Lord, who baptizes with the Holy Spirit. 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 – Genesis 11:1-9

New Testament lesson – Acts 2:1-21

Special Music

Sermon “Languages of Love”

*Hymn of Response #273 (SS) “Lord, Speak to Me”

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

Offering, Offertory

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn of Commitment #190 “Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life”

*Charge and Benediction

Amen! We go forth to serve.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY – Rev. Darwin Smith

A special congregational meeting will follow the service TODAY to discuss siding and window bids for the Fellowship Hall.

Visitation Sunday will be on August 31

Women's Bible Study continues tomorrow at 9:30 a.m.

This year's theme for Bible School on June 27 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 or Tami Roskamp.

The Lima-Tioga Fire Protection District will hold a Catfish Tournament this coming Friday, June 13, 4 p.m., to Saturday, June 14, 5 p.m. On Friday, 5-8 p.m., enjoy pork chops and ham-burgers and see firetrucks. Food is also available Saturday, 12-5 p.m. See bulletin strip for pricing, raffle, and more.

Zion Church of Ursa will host a fish fry Friday, June 20, 4:30-7:00 p.m. in Ursa Park to support Christian missions. The menu features catfish filets, potato salad, baked beans, applesauce, bread, and cookies. It is \$15 for adults, \$10 for ages 4-10, and free for 3 & under. See bulletin strip.

The July-August Upper Rooms are now available in the entryway.

SAVE THE DATES:

Congregational Meeting:	TODAY, June 8, after church
Bible School:	Friday, June 27
Ice Cream Social:	Saturday, June 28, 5-7 p.m.
Retreat House Sunday:	Sunday, July 20

Jim Bland is greeter today, Jane Roskamp 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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