



**Bethel  
United Church of Christ**

**June 9, 2019**

# The People of God Gather for Worship

## Day of Pentecost

Kindly turn off or silence all electronic devices  
Please observe a time of silence during the prelude for reflection and preparation for worship

PRELUDE *The Awakening Call* David Paxton

WELCOME, CELEBRATIONS, & CONCERNS †

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

INVITATION OF THE STEEPLE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP From Romans 8

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.

**For we did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but we have received a spirit of adoption.**

When we cry, “Abba! Father!”

**It is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God.**

And if children, then heirs –

**Heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ!**

INTROIT *Be Thou My Vision* Trad. Irish/Arr. by J. Bucholtz

\* HYMN NO. 253 *Spirit, Come, Dispel Our Sadness* PLEADING SAVIOR

ANTHEM *Sing with the Spirit!* Trad. Spirituals  
Arr. by J.A. Shafferman

TIME WITH CHILDREN

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Invitation

Questions of the Candidates

Affirmation of Faith

From the UCC Statement of Faith as Doxology

**We believe in you, O God, Eternal Spirit, God of our Savior Jesus Christ and our God, and to your deeds we testify. You call the worlds into being, create**

persons in your own image, and set before each one the ways of life and death. You seek in holy love to save all people from aimlessness and sin. You bestow upon us your Holy Spirit, creating and renewing the church of Jesus Christ, binding in covenant faithful people of all ages, tongues, and races. You call us into your church to accept the cost and joy of discipleship, to be your servants in the service of others, to proclaim the gospel to all the world and resist the powers of evil, to share in Christ's baptism and eat at his table, to join him in his passion and victory. Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto you. Amen.

Question of Participation

Welcome and Reception

**We welcome you with joy into the common life of this church. We promise you our friendship and prayers as we share the hopes and labors of the church of Jesus Christ.**

Greeting of Christian Love

FIRST LESSON

Acts 2:1-8, 11b-13

(Pg. 885, Pew Bible)

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? In our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

HYMN OF CONFESSION NO. 697 *Creative God, You Spread the Earth*

KINGSFOLD

SILENT CONFESSION

RESPONSE NO. 259

*Spirit of the Living God*

LIVING GOD

**Spirit of the living God fall afresh on me.**

**Spirit of the living God fall afresh on me.**

**Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.**

**Spirit of the living God fall afresh on me.**

SECOND LESSON

Acts 2:14-21

(Pg. 885, Pew Bible)

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: ‘In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’

\* SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

May the peace of Christ be with you all!

**And also with you!**

\* HYMN OF RESPONSE

*Lord, I Lift Your Name on High*

Rick Founds

**Lord, I lift your name on high; Lord, I love to sing your praises.**

**I’m so glad you’re in my life; I’m so glad you came to save us.**

**You came from heaven to earth to show the way,**

**from the earth to the cross, my debt to pay,**

**from the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky.**

**Lord, I lift your name on high!**

SERMON

THE MISSION OF MISSION

INVITATION TO SHARE †

Offertory

*Here I Am Lord*

Schutte/Arr. by J. Bucholtz

\* Response

*Give Thanks*

Henry Smith

**Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,**

**give thanks because he’s given Jesus Christ his Son.**

**And now let the weak say, “I am strong,” let the poor say, “I am rich”**

**because of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!**

COMMISSIONING OF RE-MEMBER MISSIONARIES

Prayer of a Native American: O Great Spirit, whose voice I hear in the winds, and whose breath gives life to all the world, hear me. I am small and weak. I need your strength and wisdom. Let me walk in beauty and make my eyes ever behold the red and

purple sunset. Make my hands respect the things you have made. Make my ears sharp to hear your voice. Make me wise so that I may understand the things you have taught your people. Let me learn the lessons you have hidden in every leaf and rock. I seek strength, not to be greater than another, but to fight my greatest enemy – myself. Make me always ready to come to you with clean hands and straight eyes. So when life fades, as the fading sunset, my spirit may come to you without shame.

**Congregation: Guiding and loving God, empower these volunteers to be your hands and feet and voice. Help them to glorify you by serving others. By their actions and words, make them witnesses of your great love and your passion for rescuing your people. Fill them with the Holy Spirit and enable them to do their tasks faithfully and joyfully. Bring them safely home and then let their experience further enrich us, so that we too will glorify you by serving our community in the love of Christ.**

The Lords' Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

\* HYMN NO. 249

*Spirit*

SPIRIT

Chorus sung after verse 2 and 4 only

\* BENEDICTION

\* POSTLUDE

*Chaconne in F Major*

Louis Couperin

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\* Indicates those who are able please stand

✠ Please fill out the pew pad. In order that we may best serve your spiritual needs, please use the prayer request cards in the pew rack and place them in the offering

**Bold** Indicates congregational response

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9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

Exception: Friday, June 14

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## **WELCOME TO OUR NEW AND REINSTATED BETHEL MEMBERS**

### **Lydia Rice**

I grew up in Manchester on Pleasant Lake. I recently graduated college with a degree in teaching. I am looking forward to starting a new teaching job in the fall. I am engaged to Eric Coval and will be getting married in one short month.

### **Eric Coval**

I grew up in Bridgewater on my family farm. I currently farm and work for our family business, Coval Construction. I am engaged to Lydia Rice and soon to be married.

### **Rachel Girbach**

I am originally from Saline but have been residing in Manchester the past fifteen years. Working on local dairy farms was my life for twenty-five years. Due to circumstances in a struggling industry, long hours and not much time for my daughter, Haydyn, I had to change careers. Now, I work at a small manufacturing shop. Although I dearly miss the cows, I am very blessed to have more free time to relax with my daughter and go fishing.

### **Olivia Greene**

I was baptized and grew up in this church. After graduation, I left for college to pursue my nursing career. After a few years away, I would like to rejoin the church. I have a son, Carson, who is seven-months old and was baptized here at Bethel last month. I am currently working as a registered nurse at the University of Michigan Hospital.

### **Jerry and Zachary Reiser**

Zachary and I were members here before and had left to return to Clinton United Church of Christ. But it didn't take long to realize that we needed to be back at Bethel on Sundays for worship. It was Zachary who made that statement saying he missed all the people. Now Mary has entered our lives and has chosen to be a part of our family. So we are back to our home for worship and all three of us will be here together. Thank you for being so supportive and so kind to my son.

### **Mary Mowka**

I am from Toledo, Ohio where I was born and raised in the Catholic church. I have a son, a daughter, and four grandchildren who are the light of my life. I am retired from a thirty-five year career in education, and have recently been working in a management position that required me to work weekends, making it difficult to attend church on a regular basis. Then one day I met Jerry and Zachary Reiser and I felt God's hand guiding me in a new direction. I realize all that I have been missing and how important it is to renew my faith and be part of a church that prays together. I come here today, standing with them as a family, to begin this new chapter of my life. I am committed to living my life with them and God as a new member of Bethel and will thank God every day for this amazing gift I have been given. I am so grateful to be welcomed as a new member.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

In the spirit of Christian love, remember these people and their families  
in your thoughts and prayers – not only today, but throughout the coming week.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>SUBMITTED BY</u>
May 19	Christina Baribeault.....	Carol Colby
	Ron Bush .....	Heimerdinger family & Linda Wolff
	Valerie Falk.....	Nancy Loudin
	Mary Grab .....	Elizabeth Baron
	Andre Justin Rogers .....	Sue (Guenther) Brus
	Shaun Sexton .....	Michelle Jedede
	Nicole Tuttle .....	Michelle Jedede
	Sue Vogel Andrews .....	Susan Mann
May 26	Family of Betty Bust .....	Shirley Haeussler
	Spencer Flannery .....	
	Dixie Kingsbury.....	
	Family of AJ Marry.....	Renee St. Charles
	Joel Miller.....	Eric Coval
June 2	Family & Friends of Mark McPherson .....	Carol Colby
	Family of Kurt Sieler.....	The Diuble Families
	Jane Trowbridge .....	Carol Colby
June 9	Karen Bellm .....	Renee St. Charles
	Gary (Chopper) Blossom .....	Shirley Haeussler & Nancy Loudin
	Carol Colby.....	Kim Colby
	Richard Cole.....	Nancy Loudin
	Tammy Haft.....	Diana Haft
	Jerry & Mary Hamm .....	Jody Munson
	Louise .....	Marleen Glasser
	The Park family.....	Diana Haft
	Mary Lou Rigg .....	Judy Mann
	Family of Dr. Denis Robison .....	Alison & Jim Robison
	Victims of Virginia Beach shooting.....	Pastor Bucholtz

### Those Serving Our Country

Sept. 25, 2010	GySgt. Evan Wahl, U.S. Marines.....	Lyle Wahl
Jan. 13, 2013	Zachary Steelman, 101 <sup>st</sup> Airborne, U.S. Army.....	
April 3, 2016	Kyle Braun, U.S. Marines.....	Harvey & Marcella Luckhardt
Oct. 8, 2017	Henry Arbogast, U.S. Navy Seals .....	Darlene Kuebler
Sept. 2, 2018	Willie Day, U.S. Navy Seals .....	Jody Munson
Feb. 24, 2019	Bruce Walrad, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.....	Betty Jean Harper

## TODAY AT BETHEL

**9:30 a.m.** Worship with Reception of New Members

**10:30 a.m.** Coffee Hour sponsored by the Evangelism Committee to welcome our new members

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Tues., June 11           **9:00 a.m.** Bethel Quilters  
Wed., June 12                     Pretzel Bake. Place your order with Joann 734-429-5793  
**1:00 p.m.** Pie & Bingo Day at the Saline Evangelical Home  
Thurs., June 13           **6:45 p.m.** Church Board meeting  
Fri., June 14                     Deadline to register for Camp Talahi  
Sat., June 15                     Bethel Newsletter articles are due  
Re-Member Mission Trip through June 21st  
Sun., June 16               **9:30 a.m.** Worship  
**10:30 a.m.** Ice Cream Social planning meeting  
Camp Talahi CIT Camp (Grades 9-11) through June 21st  
Tues., June 18           **9:00 a.m.** Bethel Quilters  
Wed., June 19                     Pretzel Bake. Place your order with Joann 734-429-5793  
Sat., June 22               **6:00 p.m.** Youth Ministry  
Sun., June 23               **9:30 a.m.** Worship  
Camp Talahi Jr. High Camp (Grades 6-8) through June 28th  
Tues., June 25           **9:00 a.m.** Bethel Quilters  
**9:00 a.m.** Archives Committee meeting  
**5:00 p.m.** Vespers at First Baptist Church, Ann Arbor  
Wed., June 26                     Pretzel Bake. Place your order with Joann 734-429-5793

## IN THE COMMUNITY

Fri., June 14           **7:00a-6:00p** Rummage Sale at Manchester United Methodist Church  
Sat., June 15           **9:00a-3:00p** Rummage Sale at Manchester United Methodist Church  
June 17-20           **5:30-8:00 p.m.** Vacation Bible School at Emanuel UCC

## WORSHIP ATTENDANTS

Minister:               Rev. David Bucholtz  
Music Director:       Mary Sue Moore  
Greeters:              Ron and Joann Finkbeiner  
Ushers:                Lori Tursak, Jeff Elliott, Debbie Hibbard, Julie Roberts, and Joe Moore  
Acolyte:                Serenity Spinks  
Lay Reader:            Lisa Novess  
Anthem:                Senior Choir, Directed by Julie Roberts  
Introit & Offertory:   Bethel Chamber Orchestra, directed by Jennifer Bucholtz  
Altar Flowers:         Given by Ray and Ava Goff celebrating our beautiful world, God's gift to us  
Child Care:            The room is available, but no child care volunteers are staffed during Summer months

