



Bethel United Church of Christ

August 4, 2019

The People of God Gather for Worship

8th Sunday after 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 *In Christ Alone* Keith Getty and Stuart Townsend
Arr. Marianne Kim

WELCOME, CELEBRATIONS & CONCERNS

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

INVITATION OF THE STEEPLE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP From Psalm 138

I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise.

On the day I called, you answered me, you increased my strength of soul.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies;
you stretch out your hand, and your right hand delivers me.

The LORD will fulfill his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O LORD, endures forever.

* HYMN NO. 611 *Rise Up, O Saints of God!* FESTAL SONG

SPECIAL MUSIC *Sing to the Lord with Joy!* John Carter

TIME WITH CHILDREN

FIRST LESSON (Pg. 957, Pew Bible)
Colossians 2:6-15

As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of

your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

CALL TO CONFESSION NO. 609 *Take My Life* (vs. 1 and 5) HENDON

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee. Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise, let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall by thy royal throne, it shall be thy royal throne.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Harry Emerson Fosdick

O God, come to us, we pray thee, with the resources of thy power, that we may be strong within. We ask not for easy lives, but for adequacy. We ask not to be freed from storms, but to build houses on rock that will not fall. We pray not for a smooth sea, but for a stout ship, a good compass, and a strong heart; in the name thy Son, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

SILENT CONFESSION

RESPONSE NO. 527 *More Love to Thee, O Christ* (vs. 1 and 2) ST. BRENDAN'S

More love to thee, O Christ, more love to thee!

Hear thou the prayer I make, on bended knee;

This is my earnest plea, more love, O Christ, to thee,

More love to thee, more love to thee.

Once earthly joy I craved, sought peace and rest;

Now thee alone I seek, give what is best;

This all my prayer shall be, more love, O Christ, to thee,

More love to thee, more love to thee.

SECOND LESSON

Colossians 2:16-19

(Pg. 957, Pew Bible)

Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.

* 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

GROWING PAINS

INVITATION TO SHARE †

Offertory

Partita on "Lord Jesus, Think On Me"

Daniel E. Gawthrop

Arr. William Daman

OLD HUNDREDTH

* Response No. 46

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,

Praise him, all creatures here below,

Praise him above, ye heavenly host,

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Prayer of Dedication

HYMN NO. 408

Come, Share the Lord (vs. 1 and 2, refrain only)

DIVERNON

We gather here in Jesus' name,

His love is burning in our hearts like living flame;

For through the loving Son the Father makes us one:

Come, take the bread, come, drink the wine, come, share the Lord!

He joins us here, he breaks the bread,

The Lord who pours the cup is risen from the dead;

The one we love the most, is now our gracious host:

Come, take the bread, come, drink the wine, come, share the Lord!

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

This morning we will receive the Lord's Supper in our pews. After being served, please hold the bread and then the cup so that we may consume the elements as individual members of Christ's church united as one body. Please note – the communion cup contains wine except for the inner ring of grape juice; the bread is gluten free.

Invitation

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Communion Prayer

The Lord's 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.

Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

* HYMN NO. 613

Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus (vs. 1, 2, and 4)

WEBB

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

Let's Just Praise the Lord

William J. and Gloria Gaither
Arr. Fred Bock

* 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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PRAYER REQUESTS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>SUBMITTED BY</u>
July 14	Linda & Rusty Bates	Sula Horodeczny
	Rev. John Kennedy	Judy Jahnke
	Family of Gail Mazzaro	Amy Riley
	Mary Sue Moore	Pastor Bucholtz
	Mary Lou Rigg	Judy Mann
	Family of Alice Rossettie.....	Pastor Bucholtz
	Jenny Shoemaker	Betty Jean Harper
	Family of Jan Woelders	Betty Jean Harper
	People of Ridgecrest, CA	Sula Horodeczny
July 21	Daniel Brook.....	
	Family of Theron Joseph Brooker-Nolan	Marie Cornell
	Lucy Bukis	Renee St. Charles
	Michael Cattran & Cindy Hart	Paul & Jennifer Heimerdinger
	Family of Kathy Christensen	Emily St. Charles
	Margaret Cummiskey	
	Casey & Colleen Dauw and family	Amanda Laberdee
	Denise Davis	
	Family of Jerry Hamm	Jody Munson
	Sharon Houston	
	Dixie Kingsbury	
	Stacey Neigebauer	
	Family of Mr. Jack Novodoff.....	Jennifer Heimerdinger
	Jacques Shaninger.....	
	Dianna Springer.....	Judy Laberdee
Barbara Steer	Millie Guenther	
July 28	Anita Amrhein	Susie Amrhein
	Dean Amrhein	Susie Amrhein
	Angela Fiegel.....	Judy Fiegel
	Esther Floyd & family	Alison Robison
	Sue Guenther	Stacey Neigebauer
	Jody Munson & family	Alison Robison
	Family of Brenda Bunney Olinger.....	Elaine Creech
	Family of Terri Ann Sides.....	Judy Jahnke

DATE

NAME

SUBMITTED BY

August 4 Glenda & Johnny Capps..... Emily St. Charles
 Family of Larry Carr..... Jean Holder
 Dave Helber Larry Helber
 Family and friends of Danny Kaiser..... Michelle Jedele
 Joe Kerckhart Marleen Glasser
 Al Kremko..... Nancy Loudin
 Sharon & Jim McMurray Emily St. Charles
 Gladys Uphaus..... Nancy Loudin

PRAYERS FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY

09/25/2010 GySgt. Evan Wahl, U.S. Marines..... Lyle Wahl
 01/13/2013 Zachary Steelman, 101st Airborne, U.S. Army.....
 04/03/2016 Kyle Braun, U.S. Marines Harvey & Marcella Luckhardt
 10/08/2017 Henry Arbogast, U.S. Navy Seals Darlene Kuebler
 09/02/2018 Willie Day, U.S. Navy Seals Jody Munson
 02/24/2019 Bruce Walrad, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Betty Jean Harper

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Minister: Rev. David Bucholtz
 Piano/Organ: Judy Fiegel
 Greeters: Stacy and Eric Sheets, Drew & Blake
 Ushers: Jean Martin, Amanda Eisenmann, Mary Girbach, Betty Jean Harper, and
 Cathy Koefoed-Smith
 Acolyte: Peyton Klein
 Lay Reader: Cathy Moore
 Child Care: Scott Diuble and Lilly Diuble
 Special Music: Women’s Ensemble
 Altar Flowers: Given by Dave and Diane Seeger in honor of their 45th wedding anniversary



TODAY AT BETHEL

- 9:30 a.m.** Worship with Holy Communion
10:30 a.m. Re-Member Lemonade Sunday
11:00 a.m. Board of Christian Education & Sunday School meeting

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Mon., Aug. 5 **6:45 p.m.** Praise Choir rehearsal
Tues., Aug. 6 **9:00 a.m.** Bethel Quilters
Wed., Aug. 7 **6:45 p.m.** Cabinet meeting - Please have a representative from your group or committee attend

Sun., Aug. 11 **9:30 a.m.** Contemporary Worship
 10:45 a.m. Ice Cream Social follow-up meeting
Tues., Aug. 13 **9:00 a.m.** Bethel Quilters
Wed., Aug. 14 **6:45 p.m.** Church Board meeting
Thurs., Aug. 15 Newsletter articles are due
 11:30 a.m. Women of Bethel Annual Meeting at Diane Seeger's house. Please sign up in the back of the church to bring a salad. Please bring a lawn chair if possible.

Sat., Aug. 17 **6:00 p.m.** Youth Ministry & families trip to St. Louis Center (7th-12 grade)

Sun., Aug. 18 **9:30 a.m.** Worship - Welcome Emanuel UCC!
 10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour
 3:00 p.m. 6th Annual Golf Outing at Rustic Glen Golf Club for Missions Support

Tues., Aug. 20 **9:00 a.m.** Bethel Quilters
 7:00 p.m. Hearts & Hands committee meeting

Aug. 22 & 23 No office hours
Sat., Aug. 24 **9:00 a.m.** Bethel Quilters reserve Reineck Fellowship Hall
Sun., Aug. 25 **9:30 a.m.** **Worship at Emanuel UCC, Manchester**
Mon., Aug. 26 **7:30 p.m.** Senior Choir rehearsal
Tues., Aug. 27 **9:00 a.m.** Bethel Quilters
 9:00 a.m. Archives Committee meeting
 5:00 p.m. Vespers at First Baptist Church, Ann Arbor

Office Hours: 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
Exception: Closed August 22 & 23