

Bethel United Church of Christ

November 3, 2019



# The People of God Gather for Worship and Sacrament

## 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – November 3, 2019

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

PRELUDE *Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word* from Geistliche Lieder (1543)

WELCOME, CELEBRATIONS & CONCERNS

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

INVITATION OF THE STEEPLE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP From Psalm 104

O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

**When you hide your face, they are dismayed; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.**

When you send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the ground.

**May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works!**

\* HYMN NO. 25 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* (vs. 1, 3, and 5) LOBE DEN HERREN

ANTHEM *Dry Bones* African American Spiritual  
Arr. by Becki Mayo & Lynn Bailey

TIME WITH CHILDREN

FIRST LESSON Romans 8:6-11 (Pg. 919, Pew Bible)

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

## CALL TO CONFESSION

*We Fall Down*

Chris Tomlin

We fall down, we lay our crowns at the feet of Je - sus, the  
 5 great - ness of \_\_\_ mer - cy and love at the feet of Je - sus. And we cry,  
 9 "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," and we cry, "Ho - ly, ho - ly ho - ly," and we cry,  
 13 "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lamb." \_\_\_

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Awesome and compassionate God, **You have loved us with unfailing, self-giving mercy, but we have not loved you. You constantly call us, but we do not listen. You ask us to love, but we walk away from neighbors in need. God of grace, as you come to us in mercy, we repent in spirit and in truth, admit our sin, and gratefully receive your forgiveness through Jesus Christ our Redeemer and friend.**

## A TIME FOR 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

Ezekiel 37:1, 9-14

(Pg. 704, Pew Bible)

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are

cut off completely.’ Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act,” says the LORD.

\* 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

DIVINE CPR

INVITATION TO SHARE †

Offertory

*Spirit of God*

F.C. Atkinson/Arr. B. Glyncannon

\* 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!**

\* 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. 249

*Spirit* (vs. 1, 2, and 4)

SPIRIT

\* BENEDICTION

\* POSTLUDE

*Dedication*

Darwin Wolford

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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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## BETHEL PRAYER REQUESTS

| <u>DATE</u>       | <u>NAME</u>                      | <u>SUBMITTED BY</u>  |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| October 13        | Sue Ellen (Vogel) Andrews .....  | Betty Schneider      |
|                   | Susan Armour .....               | Mary Beth Baker      |
|                   | Marie Bauer.....                 | Pastor Bucholtz      |
|                   | Marie Bowker .....               | Michelle Jedele      |
|                   | Dianne Bowman .....              | Duane Kuebler        |
|                   | Family of Ed Emery.....          | Millie Guenther      |
|                   | Travis Farr .....                | Katie Farr           |
|                   | Gordon Grossman .....            | Earl & Doris Roehm   |
|                   | Paul Heimerdinger.....           | Emily St. Charles    |
|                   | Larry Henes .....                | Pastor Bucholtz      |
|                   | Carl Kemner .....                | Earl & Doris Roehm   |
|                   | Family of Janet Olson .....      | Jean Holder          |
|                   | Charles and Valorie Stefek ..... | Renee St. Charles    |
|                   | Nicole Tuttle.....               | Michelle Jedele      |
|                   | Virginia Vogel.....              | Betty Schneider      |
| Linda Wolff ..... | St. Charles Family               |                      |
| October 20        | Dona Aras.....                   | Susan Luckhardt      |
|                   | Jeffrey Boyd.....                | Betty Jean Harper    |
|                   | Grace Schenk Bradley .....       | Betty Jean Harper    |
|                   | Shelly Braun.....                | Jean Holder          |
|                   | Andrew Campbell.....             | Angie Diuble         |
|                   | Wilma Greene .....               | Pastor Bucholtz      |
|                   | Family of Jean Little .....      | Mary Sue Moore       |
|                   | Dr. Denis Robison .....          | Alison & Jim Robison |
|                   | Brenda Schettenhelm .....        | Cathy Moore          |
|                   | Jesse Wilcox.....                | Judy Jahnke          |
|                   | Reid Winter.....                 | Diuble Family        |
|                   | Lisa Wolff .....                 | Renee St. Charles    |
| October 27        | Kate Boynton .....               | Becky Mann           |
|                   | Family of Alisa King.....        | Denise Davis         |
|                   | Julie Stanley.....               | Julie Roberts        |
|                   | Sebastian Tyll family.....       |                      |

## BETHEL PRAYER REQUESTS Cont.

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| November 3  | Eldean Bauer.....             |                     |
|             | Ray Bihn .....                | Nancy Loudin        |
|             | Nelda Edwards .....           | Carol Colby         |
|             | Greg Glasser.....             | Marleen Glasser     |
|             | Family of Mary Lou Rigg ..... | Bonnie Mitchell     |
|             | John Weir.....                | Carol Colby         |

## PRAYERS FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY

|            |   |                             |
|------------|---|-----------------------------|
| 09/25/2010 | GySgt. Evan Wahl, U.S. Marines.....                           | Lyle Wahl                   |
| 01/13/2013 | Zachary Steelman, 101 <sup>st</sup> 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           |
| 08/18/2019 | MSG Shaw, Nikki, Afghanistan, US Army.....                    | Nancy Loudin                |

## WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

|                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| Minister:       | Rev. David Bucholtz   |
| Music Director: | Mary Sue Moore  |
| Anthem:         | Youth Choir Plus, directed by Alison Robison                      |
|                 | Narrator: Alison Robison; Ezekiel: Jeff Mann                      |
| Greeters:       | Vic and Susan Mann  |
| Ushers:         | Jeff Mann, Bob DeVol, Jacob Mann, Mike Meranuck, and Stacy Sheets |
| Acolyte:        | Ashton Drake  |
| Lay Reader:     | Joe Moore   |
| Child Care:     | Michelle Jedele and Abigail Diuble                                |



## EVENTS TODAY

Hat & Mitten Tree donations in the basement assembly room

**9:30 a.m.** Worship - Stewardship Kick-off

**10:30 a.m.** Sunday School

**11:30 a.m.** Confirmation Class

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Mon., Nov. 4                   **6:30 p.m.** Handbell Choir rehearsal  
                                     **7:30 p.m.** Senior Choir rehearsal
- Tues., Nov. 5               **9:00 a.m.** Bethel Quilters
- Sat., Nov. 9   **11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.** Reineck Fellowship Hall is reserved
- Sun., Nov. 10               **9:30 a.m.** Worship  
                                     **10:30 a.m.** Sunday School  
                                     **10:30 a.m.** Quilts of Valor Coffee Hour  
                                     **11:00 a.m.** Board of Christian Education meeting  
                                     **11:00 a.m.** Sauerkraut Supper follow-up meeting  
                                     **11:30 a.m.** Confirmation Class
- Mon., Nov. 11                                   *Veteran's Day*  
                                     **6:30 p.m.** Handbell Choir rehearsal  
                                     **7:30 p.m.** Senior Choir rehearsal
- Tues., Nov. 12               **9:00 a.m.** Bethel Quilters
- Wed., Nov. 13               **6:45 p.m.** Church Board meeting
- Fri., Nov. 15                                   Newsletter articles are due
- Sat. Nov. 16   **9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.** Cookie Bake  
                                     **5:30 p.m.** Alpha House Family Shelter  
                                     **6:00 p.m.** Diuble Family Vision Fundraiser
- Sun., Nov. 17               **9:30 a.m.** Worship - Stewardship Dedication  
                                     **10:30 a.m.** Coffee Hour sponsored by the Women of Bethel  
                                     **10:30 a.m.** Sunday School  
                                     **10:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.** Pictures for the Bethel Church Pictorial Directory  
                                     **11:30 a.m.** Confirmation Class
- Mon., Nov. 18               **5:30-8:00 p.m.** Pictures for the Bethel Church Pictorial Directory
- Tues., Nov. 19               **5:30-8:00 p.m.** Pictures for the Bethel Church Pictorial Directory

## IN THE COMMUNITY

Thurs., Nov. 7               **5:00-6:30 p.m.** Turkey Dinner & Bake Sale at St. Andrew's UCC, Dexter

Fri., Nov. 8   **10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.** Star Bazaar at Bethlehem UCC, Ann Arbor

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