

BETHEL METHODIST COMMUNITY CHURCH

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

2nd Sunday of Easter

April 27, 2025

We Gather Together In The Lord's Name

Tolling of the Bell and Prelude
Coming of the Light
Welcome and Announcements

Let Us Prepare Our Hearts and Minds for Worship

*Call To Worship:

Grace to you and peace, from the Alpha and Omega, the A and the Z, who is,
and who was, and who is to come;

from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the first-born of the dead,

To Christ who loves us and liberates us by his blood, and makes us priests of
his God and Father,

Be glory, and dominion, forever and ever! Amen!

*Hymn of Praise.....“Thine Be the Glory”.....#308

*Opening Prayer: *(please join in unison)*

**God of Easter surprises, we are drawn together by the power of the
Crucified and Risen Lord Jesus.**

**Please breathe into our being your Spirit of mercy, that we may be ready
to forgive and liberate one another for a life of unrestrained service and
praise.**

In the name of Christ Jesus our Savior. Amen!

Psalter Reading.....“Psalm 118:14-29”.....#839 & 840

***“This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice, let us rejoice, let us rejoice
and be glad.”***

Children's Moments.....“Jesus Loves Me”.....

Pastoral Prayer (concluding w/ The Lord's Prayer)

*Hymn of Faith..... “Tell Me the Stories of Jesus”.....#277

The Promises of God Comes to Us Through The Word

New Testament LessonRevelation 1:4-8Pg.230

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*Gospel Lesson.....John 20:19-31.....Pg.108

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Hymn of Hope.....“O How I Love Jesus”.....#170

The Word of God Comes to Us Through the Holy Spirit

Affirmation of Faith.....“The Apostles' Creed”.....#881

Gloria Patri.....#70

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology.....#95

*Offertory Prayer

Sermon.....Rev. Ben Rogers

Giving God The Leftovers: Worship

Malachi 1:6-14 (Pg. 837)

Go and Share the Love of God

*Hymn of Salvation.....“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”.....#420

*Benediction

May the presence of God the Creator give you strength;

May the presence of God the Redeemer give you peace;

May the presence of God the Sustainer give you comfort;

May the presence of God the Sanctifier give you love. Amen.

*Postlude

****Please Stand If Able***

^^ When our worship ends, our service begins! ^^

The flowers are placed in the sanctuary today at Bethel MCC for the Glory of
God by Mrs. Carol Martig in memory of her brother, Mr. Alan Withers.

Prayer Thought of the Week

**“If you only have a walk with Jesus on Sunday, don't expect to hear from the
Spirit on Monday.”**

Announcements & Upcoming Events:

- ❖ **Wednesday, April 30- Lent Bible Study (6pm)**
- ❖ **Join us during the month of May as we dive into a new Bible study series focused on various passages from the Book of Psalms. Bring your Bible, an open heart, and come ready for a meaningful time of reflection, discussion, and fellowship. And yes—occasional donuts will make an appearance too! We’d love to see you there!**
- ❖ **Thursday, May 1- Covenant Prayer Group (10am)**
- ❖ **Join us at Fortune Springs Park in Winnsboro on Thursday, May 1 at 4:30 PM for the National Day of Prayer service. This year’s theme is “*Pour Out to the God of Hope and Be Filled.*” Bring a lawn chair and be part of this powerful time of community prayer and worship!**
- ❖ **Sunday, May 4- Bethel Faith in Action Meeting (directly following worship)**
- ❖ **Sunday, May 4- The Global Methodist Church of South Carolina is hosting an International Mission Partnership Meeting at Beulah Methodist Church in Gilbert a 6pm as we’ll hear about potential new missional partners with the Oasis Annual Conference and the Peru Annual Conference. If you wish to attend, please let Pastor Ben know so we can set up a carpool to head to Gilbert!**
- ❖ **Monday, May 5- Bethel Christian Women & Fairfield Christian Men (7pm)**
- ❖ **Tuesday, May 13- Mature Years (11am)**
- ❖ **Sunday, May 18- A Service of Hope & Healing (5pm)**

We Are in Prayer For:

Bob Bazinet, William Bundrick, Billy and Diane Dove,
Epworth Children’s Home, Jackie McDaniel, Greg Robertson, Sheryl Ashford,
Christian Moore, Teresa Taaffe, Lindsey Gunter, Frankie Lewis, Amy Hodges,
Una Bowers, Huley Perry, Mary Cathryn Wilson & Michael “Red” Wilson,
Nancy Dail, Tiffany Kent, Debbie Withers, Ronnie Price, Theron Wilson,
Jimmy & Pam Faile, Family of Jed Withers, Family of Eddie Robinson
Family of Alan Withers, The unity in our county, state, nation, and world

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