

Bethel United Methodist Church

16th Sunday after Pentecost

September 12, 2021

Pastor Ralph Wrightstone

Music Director: Travis Oaks

Lectionary Scriptures

This Week: Prov 1:20-33; Psalm 19; James 3:1-12; Mark 8:27-38

Next Week: Prov 31:10-31; Psalm 1; James 3:13-4:3; Mark 9:30-37

Prelude: "Sing Alleluia to the Lord"

Welcome & Announcements, Birthdays, Anniversaries

***Hymn:** "How Great Thou Art" UMH 077

***Responsive Call to Worship:** *on opposite page*

***Affirmation of Faith** (Apostle's Creed).....UMH 881

***Gloria Patri**.....UMH 71

Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

***Doxology**.....UMH 95

OT Scripture Reading: Proverbs 1:20-33

Joys, Concerns, Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Message: "God Think!"

Scripture: Mark 8:27-38

***Hymn:** "His Name is Wonderful" UMH 174

***Closing Chorus & Benediction** "Bind Us Together"

**Please stand if able*

Call to Worship

Leader: Come, let us worship our Messiah, the One sent from God, our Savior!

People: Is this the messenger promised to bring us the news of eternal life?

Leader: This is the Christ, firstborn of the living God!

People: Is this the One sent to bring vengeance and death to our enemies?

Leader: The Christ is sent to bring life through God's love and forgiveness.

Prayer of Confession: Lord, we asked for You to come and to save us, but when You came it was not as we expected or wanted. We asked for You to lead us but Your leading was not always where we wanted to go. And we sought Your love, but we did not understand that Your love must be passed on to others around us to be real. Forgive us, Lord, and lead us now in Your ways. In Christ we pray. Amen.

Calendar of Events

Today: 16th Sunday after Pentecost, *Grandparent's Day*

Next Sunday : 17th Sunday after Pentecost

All Week: Keep Safe and Pray

Worship, Educational and Outreach Opportunities

Today: *Interactive Online Service thru link on Bethel Web Site, Service page*

Prayer Concerns

Bethel UMC, The UMC, Our Country, Those in Military Service, Teachers, Students, Pastor Ralph & Judy Wrightstone, Kathie & Al Adams, Lexie Allen, Sarah Brown, Gina Davis, Ellanore Goater, Patty Goff & friends of Brian Goff, Robyn Keeler, Clyde Malloy, Sylvia Marsh, William McCloud, Julie Morgan, Travis & Tina Oaks, Carol Painter, David Plate, Tom Plate & family, Tina & Greg Rucker, David Trimble, Cindy Westmark, Eddie White, Lon & Lucy Wright

Please use a prayer request form, in the narthex, to submit requests for adding to the Prayer Concerns in the worship bulletin

Devotionals: *The Upper Room and Our Daily Bread* are daily devotional booklets that are available in the Narthex. Please take one or both and enjoy!

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