



Bethel

CONGREGATIONAL
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Born of Love

Shaped by Grace

Transformed for Service

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Order of Worship

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*Indicates an invitation to stand as you are able.

The congregation is invited to respond with the words printed in BOLD.

Hearing devices and large print bulletins are available from an usher.

Please turn off the ringtone on your cell phone.

Gathering Music

Welcome and Announcements

*Call To Worship

One: We are blessed with this set-aside time and place to seek God's presence.

Many: **From the burning bush, God said to Moses, my name is "I am."**

One: Our God's name and identity is being itself, life itself.

Many: **We know that to be alive we have to be connected.**

One: Connected to God, the Source of life, to others as partners in co-creating, and to ourselves for integrity and wholeness.

Many: **May our worship of God reveal to us the importance of connection as a leading cause of life.**

*Hymn #8 Praise to the Living God

Opening Prayer

Holy God, we confess that we often forget that you are within us, around us and among us. Guide us when we feel lost. Soothe us when we are distraught. Challenge us when we grow complacent. Bestow upon us a child-like awareness of the acts of loving kindness you create to heal and unite us. May our trust in our connection to you energize us to live boldly, faithfully, and freely. In the name of Jesus, whose life was a transparency for your unconditional love, we pray. Amen.

Children's Time

(Teachers and students will parade in costume for Sunday School via the center aisle)

Help me do the justice to be done today

Help me love kindness in all I do and say

Help me walk humbly with you O God I pray,

Every step of the way, every step of the way.

Moment for Stewardship

Monique & Nikki Manley-Smith

Bethel's Mission Statement



Sing! #73

Like a Healing Stream

Prayers of the People

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Quiet Prayer

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

You Light Up My Life/Be Thou My Vision

Mark Clift, Beth Asmann, Sue Scott

*Doxology #785

We give you but your own, what e're the gift may be;

All that we have is yours alone, we give it gratefully!

Scripture

Colossians 3:12-13 (NRSV); Mark 1:40-41 (ISV)

Sermon

Connection: A Leading Cause of Life

*Hymn #394

In Christ There Is No East or West

*Benediction

Postlude

Le petit Nègre

Debussy

Mission Statement

- While our Christian faith is 2000 years old, our thinking is not.
- We are a people on a faith journey where grace abounds.
- We celebrate God's still speaking voice revealed in our world today.
- We worship God, share the life and teachings of Jesus Christ and practice God's unconditional love for all creation.
- We act on our faith to achieve needed works of service, justice, love and kindness.
- We support one another, celebrating our roots and enthusiastically embracing our evolving future.
- We are an open and affirming congregation welcoming all in God's family wherever each is in life's journey.

Birthdays This Week

Zoe Landi-Fontana 11/01

Jeremy Winston 11/02

Today's Worship Leaders

Reader—Nikki Manley-Smith

Flowers—Pat Lewis

Ushers—George Patch (Head), Janice Burris, Barbara Hess, John Bentley

Coffee—HomePerk

Food—Lauren Hake

Open and Close—Liz Patch

Sound—Rowland French, Robert Keniston

Nursery—Megan Lucas-Griffiths, Kathryn Fairman

Sunday School—Jim Butler, Karen Strickland

Youth— Pam Schlueter, Ken Ruse

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