

## Upcoming Events at Bethel

### Sunday, August 18

- 9:00 Reach Service (PAB)
- 9:45 Sunday School (EB)
- 11:00 Traditional Service (S)
- 3:00 Lay Leadership Meeting (PAB)
- 6:00 Lois McNair Group (Offsite)

### Monday, August 19

- 9:30 Holy Yoga (S)

### Tuesday, August 20

- 6:30 Choir Rehearsal (CR)

### Wednesday, August 21

- 10:00 Preschool Staff Meet & CPR (EB)
- 1:30 Prayer for Bethel (S)
- 6:00 Reach Band Rehearsal (PAB)
- 6:30 Long Range Planning (NJ)

### Sunday, August 25

#### Preschool Teacher Blessing

- 9:00 Reach Service (PAB)
- 9:45 Sunday School (EB)
- 11:00 Traditional Service (S)
- 3:00 Safe Sanctuary Training (EB)
- 4:00 Preschool Parent Meeting (EB)
- 4:30 PEEPS (PB)

### Monday, August 26

#### Preschool Starts Up

- 9:30 Holy Yoga (S)

### Wednesday, August 28

- 1:30 Prayer for Bethel (S)
- 6:00 REACH Band Rehearsal (PAB)

CR—Conference Room  
EB—Education Building  
NJ—New Journey  
PB—Pool Act. Building  
S—Sanctuary

### Ways to Connect!

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## BETHEL UNITED METHODIST

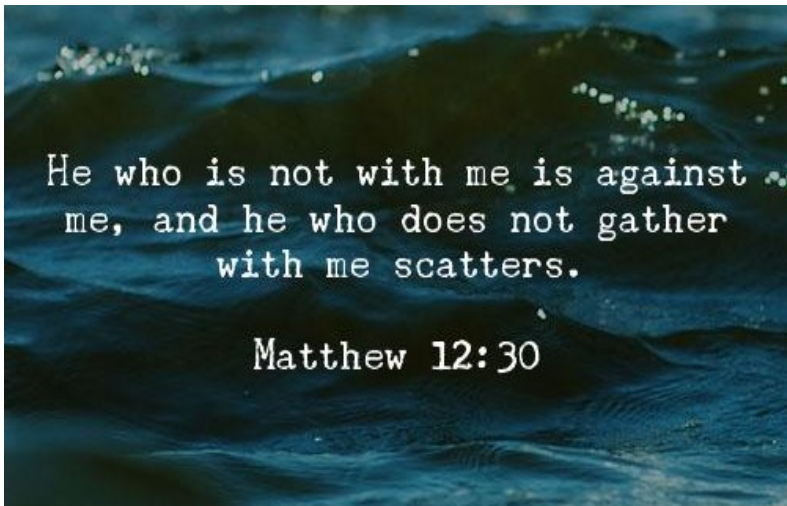
*KNOWING, LOVING, SERVING...so the world will experience Christ's love!*



# August 18, 2019

## Welcome!

*We are so glad you decided to join us for worship. Our hope is that you will experience the love of Jesus Christ while you are among us and join us in sharing God's Good News with the world. If you do not have a church home, we invite you to become a part of the Bethel Church family.*



He who is not with me is against me, and he who does not gather with me scatters.

Matthew 12:30

**Scripture:** Matthew 12:30-37

**Sermon:** I Come to Church for Accountability

**Rev. Julie Belman**

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**“But Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me...” Matthew 19:14**

*We welcome all persons in worship and rejoice in the sounds of God's little blessings in our Reach Service! For our youngest worshippers, we offer nursery care in our Christian Education building. Our paid and background checked staff would be honored to care for your children (aged 6 weeks to 3 years) for the duration of the service. Please ask an usher or greeter for directions. They would be happy to escort you if you don't know the way!*

**BETHEL YOUTH NEWS**

**Youth Today—“Sundae Funday”**

Bring your favorite ice cream and topping to share with the whole group. Be sure you bring extra to share with everyone that is there!



**August 25th—Youth 4:30-6:00**

**EPWORTH IS OUR MINISTRY!**

Where do children go when DSS has taken them from their families because of abuse or neglect? What about when a mother is struggling with addiction and is neglecting her children? Currently, over 80 children call Epworth home. Each of these children have found refuge in the ministry we share as United Methodists in SC. Epworth Children’s Home has been welcoming children in Christ’s name for 123 years through the generous support of churches like ours! We will participate in the annual Work Day Offering on Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, to benefit the children who call Epworth home. Please be in prayerful consideration of what God is calling you to give to this valuable and life changing ministry. For more information about Epworth Children’s Home, you can visit them on the web at [www.epworthchildrenshome.org](http://www.epworthchildrenshome.org) or find them on Facebook.

**PEEPS Back to School Party**

Join us on August 25th from 4:30-6:00 for a time of games, snack and devotion, as we celebrate a new school year!

**Safe Sanctuary Training—August 25th**

For those who were unable to come to our first Safe Sanctuary training back in July, we will meet August 25th from 3:00-5:00 in the Holroyd Sunday School classroom. Please plan to join if you have not yet attended this training and wish to volunteer with youth, children’s ministry, Sunday school, Family Promise, etc.

**Our Prayer Chain & How It Will Work**

The person requesting prayers will call the minister, the person’s name will be confidential unless otherwise told it’s ok to use the person’s name. The minister will call the first person on the list, share the request, hang up and offer up a prayer, the person called by the minister will call the second person on the list, share, hang up and offer a prayer, and so on until all have called the person listed after their name. If a person does not answer/line is busy, then skip to the next number - just make certain to tell that person that the number was skipped. This will not be a time to chat with the person calling as we will want to get the prayer request out as quickly as possible. Please help us out - we want as many volunteers as possible! Thank you, and please get in touch with Debbie Carter (315-8014) or Bonnie Lutz (738-1574) if you decide to be a part of this important ministry.

**Special Prayers for Bethel Friends and Family**

Margaret & David Hinze, GA; Nancy Johnson, Wildewood Downs; Mary Kirby, Waterford; Claude Murphy, Forest Pines; Betty Onley, Carman Pool, Rice Estates; Harold Nally; Harry & Sarah Parker; Irene Boyd; Connie Fowke, NHC; Gloria Pruett, Fran Love, Jean Tolbert, Sibyl Staples, home; Kay Fraiser, Clara Hunsucker, Hilary Ward, Larry Cope, Diane Roddey, Jim & Marion Wilson.