

## Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 NRSV

<sup>1</sup> O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures for ever!

<sup>2</sup> Let Israel say, 'His steadfast love endures for ever. <sup>19</sup> Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

<sup>20</sup> This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it. <sup>21</sup> I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. <sup>22</sup> The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. <sup>23</sup> This is

the Lord's doing; it is marvellous in our eyes. <sup>24</sup> This is the day that

the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. <sup>25</sup> Save us, we beseech you, O Lord! O Lord, we beseech you, give us success! <sup>26</sup> Blessed is the one

who comes in the name of the Lord. We bless you from the house of the Lord.

<sup>27</sup> The Lord is God, and he has given us light. Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar. <sup>28</sup> You are my God, and I will give

thanks to you; you are my God, I will extol you. <sup>29</sup> O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures for ever.

*This is the Word of God, for the people of God!  
Thanks be to God!*

*"Hosanna"*

**"BLESSED IS HE  
WHO COMES IN  
THE NAME OF  
THE LORD!"**

JOHN 12:13

# Worship

Celebration of



March 24, 2024  
8:00 & 11:00 a.m. Service  
Bethel UMC-Palm Sunday

## GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude: "Hosanna!" arr. McDonald

Greeting & Announcements

\*Call to worship:

Leader: Hosanna to the Son of David!  
**People: Hosanna in the highest!**  
 Leader: Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.  
**People: Hosanna in the highest!**

## GIVE PRAISE TO GOD

\*Opening Hymn: "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna".....#278 UMH

Opening Prayer: *Almighty God, on this day your Son Jesus Christ entered the holy city of Jerusalem and was proclaimed King by those who spread their garments and palm branches along his way. Let those branches be for us signs of his victory, and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our Lord, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life. This we pray in Jesus name, who taught us to pray...*

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.*

## MARCH 24—MARCH 31

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Palm Sunday</b>	
	8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Live - Sanctuary
	9:15 a.m.	Contemporary Worship -Come Alive Time - Sanctuary
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School - Various Rooms
	11:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Live - Sanctuary
	6:30 p.m.	Fuel - PMH
<b>Monday</b>		<b>Joyce Mentzer's Sabbath</b>
	6:30 p.m.	Lenten Bible Study - PMH
<b>Tuesday</b>	10:00 a.m.	Lenten Bible Study - PMH
	6:00 p.m.	"J" Crew - Music Room
	7:15 p.m.	YM2 - Music Room
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:00 p.m.	Kings Kids - Music Room
	7:15 p.m.	First Towne Ringers - Music Room
<b>Thursday</b>	10:00 a.m.	<b>Communion &amp; Prayer</b> - Sanctuary
	6:00 p.m.	Wyld Life/ Young Life Meeting - PMH
	6:00 p.m.	Miracle Singers - BFH
	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir - Sanctaury
<b>Friday</b>		<b>Pastor Jim's Sabbath</b>
		<b>Ray Davis's Sabbath</b>
	10:00 a.m.	Good Friday Cross Walk - City of Lewes
	7:00 p.m.	Good Friday Service and Cantata - BFH
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Easter Sunday</b>	
	6:30 a.m.	Easter Sunrise Service - Lewes Beach
	8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Live - Sanctuary
	9:15 a.m.	Contemporary Worship -Come Alive Time - BFH
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School - Various Rooms
	11:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Live - Sanctuary

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Or anytime after the services on YouTube

BFH - Bethel Fellowship Hall PMH - Parsonage Meeting House



BETHEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH PRAYER LIST

3/24/2024

Key:  type indicates a request new this week

**Rehabilitation:** Bonnie Parker, Carla Robinson

**Hospital:**

**Hospice:** ***Bob Ackerman***, Sharon Messinger, ***Diana Riley***, Mrs. Sample, ***Charles E. Smith, Sr.***

**General Concerns:** Susan Allen, Gary Arrell, Barbara Arzinger, Frances Baker, Diaz Bonville, Inez Brengle, Sharon Dawson, Devon, Richard Dickey, Dave Elliott, Bri Girard, Mark Henze, Belinda Kahoe, Suzy Kremer, Bill Meyer, Shana Molnar, Ms. Monica, ***Sloane Porcaro***, Penny Shockley, Crystal Vines

**Long Term:** Bryan Attix, Rev. Gloria Attix, Fran Baker, Ruth Ann Baker, Ginny Barney, Wesley Beam, Gavin Birl, Kim Book, Thelma Brown, Sam Chason, John Caycedo, Rev. Charles Covington, Jay Dentino, Christine Drew, Marilyn Emmanuel, Trish Emmett, Susie Eveland, Connie Fisher, Frank Fitzgerald Sr, Gayle Gibbons, Hazel Gillespie, Junie Grant, Deborah Griggs, Alex Grove, Nancy Hecker, Sharon Henderson, Jim Hooban, Kayla Hottinger, Aubrey Hudson, Donna Smith Hurst, Chubby Joseph, Adam Kent, Faye Kintz, Steve Kremer, Kathy Krole, Norm Kugel, Sue Kugel, Janice Kulp, Paulette Lazarro, Legates Family, Bill Lyons, Madison MacElrevey, Dr. Jim Marvel, Janet McGinnis, Claranne Meitrott, Kathy Miller, Marsha Miller, Bob Monti, Joan Moore, Ted Niemczyk, Jack O'Day, Lori O'Day, George Pepper, Jodi Potter, Beth Rinker, Celeste Ryan, Ed Sales, Tom Schaich, Joe Seay, Bill Seitz, Bonnie Stevlingson, Dale Stough, Bonnie Tedesco, Peggy Thomas, Dave Trout, Dawn Vandegrift, Anita Walker, Michael Walker, Elwood Webb, Hilda Williams, Theresa Wise, Glenn Yetter, Marge Zayatz

**Up Coming Procedures:** Lynn Block, Mary Conn, ***Bob Dickey***, Burt Murray, Linda Rathmanner

**Recovering From Procedures:** Clois Bell, Marilyn Emanuel, Ella Evans, David Roux, ***Edie Sipos***

**Other:**

- ***Those affected by tornadoes and storms in the midwest***
- All those caring for family and friends, especially spouses.
- Innocent Israeli and Palestinian victims suffering in the war between Israel and Hamas.
- Delaware Firefighters, EMS, and State Troopers.
- People of the Ukraine, Turkey, and Syria.
- People who are unemployed and under employed, and homeless families.
- For racial justice in the United States.

**Sympathy to:**

- ***Family & Friends of Dr. Anise Saliba, who passed away.***
- ***Family & Friends of Linda Price, mother of Todd Fisher, grandmother of Justin Fisher.***
- Family & Friends of F. Grove Miller who passed away.
- Family & Friends of Bonnie Brantley-Riley who passed away on March 9th
- Family & Friends of Cynthia and Kevin Sabourin on the passing of Kevin's mother

**LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD**

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Joys & Concerns and Pastoral Prayer

God's Tithes and our Offerings

Offertory: "The Palms" by Colvin

\*Doxology:.....#94 UMH

Hymn of Preparation: "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus".....#408 UMH

Scripture Lesson: Psalm 118:1-2 & 19-29

Message "His Love Endures Forever" Pastor Jim Penuel

**GO FORTH IN GOD'S NAME**

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\*Closing Hymn: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross".....#298 UMH

\*Benediction

\*Postlude (11): "All Glory, Laud & Honor" arr. McDonald

*\*Those who are able, please stand.*

*The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God  
Hearing assistance devices are located at the sound booth.*

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# Come Alive Time WORSHIP

March 24, 2024  
9:15 a.m. Service

## GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering: *(Please watch the screen for upcoming events)*

Greeting and Opening Prayer

## GIVE PRAISE TO GOD

\*Opening Song of Praise & Worship: *"Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord"*

Musical Offering by the King's Kids: *"Jump & Shout Hosanna!"*

Children's Message *"Why We Wave the Palms"*

Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Blessing of the Offering

Offering: *"Forever"*

## LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lesson: Psalm 118:1-2 & 19-29

Message *"His Love Endures Forever"* Pastor Jim Penuel


## GO FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

\*Closing Song: *"You Are My King / Amazing Love"*

\*Benediction

*\*Those who are able, please stand.*

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# Stories

HOW HIS STORY  
CHANGES OUR STORIES

*Youth Sunday Combined Service*  
**NEW DATE: APRIL 14 @ 10:30**

Our COMBINED Youth Sunday Service

has been rescheduled

Sunday, April 14 at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Our youth will be leading worship based on the theme, "Stories: How HIS Story Changes OUR Stories." They will present music, drama, a message, and more that highlight how the stories that Jesus told and the story that He lived can change our stories and draw us closer to Him.

An 8:00 traditional service will also be held that morning

in the Sanctuary.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### Gift Cards for A Sheltering Heart at Red Mill Inn:

Each room has a crockpot. Clients give Toni their shopping lists and she purchases the ingredients. They each make their own dinner. Providing Giant or Acme gift cards for \$25 is a great help.

No sign up is needed. Just mail the cards to the address below.

**Do not bring the cards to the Red Mill Inn** as there isn't anyone there assigned to receive them. Mail Gift cards to: Toni Short

Lighthouse for Broken Wings

179 Rehoboth Avenue, Unit #123, Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971

Include a note that they are for: A SHELTERING HEART CROCK POT MEALS



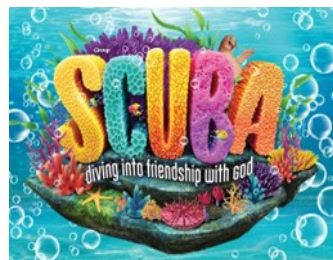
### Camp Pecometh Volunteer Day April 13th.

Enjoy a day of service, fellowship, food, and fun!

Calling all able-bodied volunteers!

Camp Pecometh Volunteer Day is fast approaching,

Saturday April 13th at 8am to 4:30pm. There are some jobs in need of help, trail clean up, preparing cabins, helping with painting, specifically the maintenance building and applying "Deck over" to some of the decks. Lunch is provided. Our own, Ray Davis will be returning this summer for a week to minister to the campers. If you would like to sign up, please go to [www.pecometh.org](http://www.pecometh.org), then to subheading Volunteer. For more information and to register. There may be carpooling opportunities, so please reach out to [kathy@delmarland.com](mailto:kathy@delmarland.com) if you can plan on attending.



**VBS Needs Volunteers:** We need YOU to make this year's Vacation Bible School a success!! Scuba VBS will take place from 9 am to 12 noon on Monday July 29th to Thursday August 1st, with a closing program on Thursday. Plans are well underway and now is the time to let us know if you can help with your time and/or talents. We are in need of leaders for Games, Imagination Station (Crafts), Assistant Station Leaders, Group

Leaders, Decorations setup and teardown. Adult and teen volunteers are welcome! Please visit [bethellewes.org](http://bethellewes.org) to fill out our Volunteer Interest Form or contact Katie Davis at [kdavis4786@gmail.com](mailto:kdavis4786@gmail.com) to sign up. Thank you in advance for your support of this special

summer ministry

## BETHEL INFORMATION

### To our guests...

Welcome to Bethel! Thank you for worshipping with us. We invite you to experience the love and grace of God in Jesus Christ today. During the announcements we would like to give you a welcome packet—just raise your hand and an Usher will bring you one. We value your feedback. Please fill out the Information Card in the mug and place it in the offering plate. For more information about Bethel, visit our website at [www.bethellewes.org](http://www.bethellewes.org) or call the Church Office. Thank you.

### Worship Opportunities

Traditional Sunday Worship in the Sanctuary, 8:00 a.m.  
Contemporary Worship in Fellowship Hall, 9:15 a.m.  
Traditional Sunday Worship in the Sanctuary, 11:00 a.m.  
Church Livestream Watch Online Sundays @ 9:15 or 11:00  
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### Bethel Ministry Staff Contact Information

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Church Office Hours M-F 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. & 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.



### Leaders for Today's Service

Greeters:	8:00	Pam Cook
	9:15	Libby Gibson
	11:00	Alison Parsell
Ushers:	8:00	Ernie Stanley, Head Usher; Ron Smith Assistant
	9:15	Libby Gibson, Head Usher
	11:00	Joann Brittingham, Head Usher
		Miguel Gomez & Ralph Scott; Assistants
Liturgists:	8:00	John McKenzie
	9:15	Ray Davis
	11:00	Joyce Snyder
Audio Visual Techs:	8:00	Joan Williamson
	9:15	Todd Mentzer, Ethan Curry, Ed Emmett
	11:00	Todd Mentzer, Ray Davis
Miracle Singers:	9:15	Lisa Baker, Kim Book, Kim Edmonds, Cathy Ferree, Elizabeth Grove-Fields, John Harris, Faye Kintz, Patty Marvel, Bill Powell
Instrumentalists		Drums - John Andalora Guitar - Paul Faircloth Keyboard - Joyce Mentzer

### Weekly Statistics

Attendance: March 17, 2024: 313 ( 8:00-47; 9:15-151; 11:00-115)

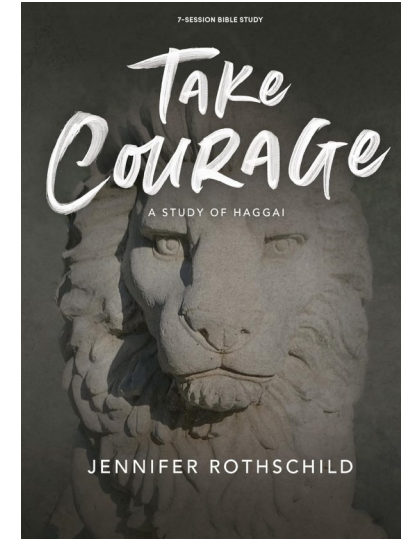
Contributions for March 17, 2024

weekly deposit	\$ 16,366.67
weekly budget	\$ 15,487.83
YTD collection	\$ 204,279.83
YTD budget	\$ 185,853.96



To enroll, click on the "Giving" tab on the Church's website.

# Women's Ministry Spring Bible Study



Bethel Women's Ministry invite the women of Bethel and friends to join us on strengthening our faith journey through the Bible study "Take Courage" by Jennifer Rothschild. The study will be led by Susie Keefer and will be done with the use of videos and study books. (We ask a \$15 donation for the study guide) The Bible study will be held from Monday, April 8th - Monday, May 13th at 6:30 pm in the Parsonage Mtg House.

We would appreciate you signing up either on the form in Fellowship Hall on the signup board or the church website under [www.bethellewes.org](http://www.bethellewes.org). Go to forms and sign-up and click on Women's Ministry Spring Bible Study Sign-Up. If you have questions, please contact Amy Chason, [amychason@comcast.net](mailto:amychason@comcast.net) or 240-210-2349.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Love Offering:** The March Love Offering will benefit Lifetime Wells. The mission is to improve the quality of life for communities in Ghana and Tanzania by providing access to safe drinking water and a new ministry of eyecare in Africa. Love Offerings may be given throughout the month in the “designated” plates found at the back of Fellowship Hall and the Sanctuary or online by clicking “Choose a Fund” and then by clicking “Communion/Love Offering” in the drop down menu. If donating by check please remember to make payable to Bethel UMC and note in memo love offering.



**Pastor Jim Vacation:** Pastor Jim will be away on vacation after Easter from 4/1 to 4/8. Pastor Earle will lead worship on 4/7 and will cover any pastoral care needs while I'm away. He can be reached at 302-841-1305.

**Elizabeth Circle Meeting:** The Elizabeth Circle will meet at 1 PM on Tuesday, April 2nd in Fellowship Hall. We will conduct our business meeting, then relax and share snacks, enjoying Christian companionship. Any women of Bethel are welcome to join or visit. For more information, contact Donna Fleischauer (djmarin@yahoo.com) or any Circle member.

**Mary Martha Circle Meeting:** The Mary Martha Circle will be meeting Wednesday, April 3rd, at Noon in the Parsonage Meeting House. All ladies of Bethel are invited to join us and enjoy Christian fellowship. For more info, contact Carole Cotman at clcotman@comcast.net

**Looking Ahead:** April will be Sponsorship Month for the 64th Lewes Antiques & Home Décor Show & Sale. You can sign up for dedications in “honor” or in “memory” of as well as “individual” or “family” in the amount of your choice. Also, if you own or manage a business and want your business to be listed, we are also accepting “corporate sponsorship” donations with a set price of \$25. Sign-ups will be located in both the April bulletins and online. All submissions will be included in the show/sale booklet. The booklet will be handed out with admission to the show/sale. Over 1,200 people attended in 2023

# CHILDREN'S PAGE



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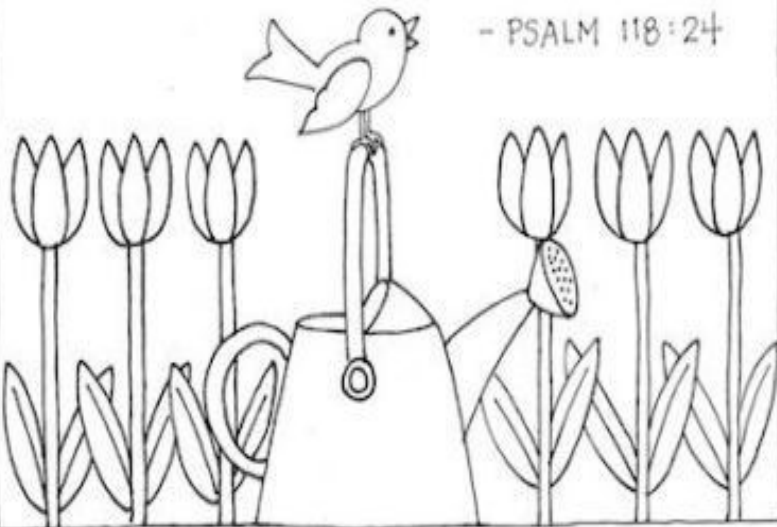
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Blessed is he who  
comes in the name  
of the Lord!



This is the day  
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**REJOICE**  
and be glad in it.

- PSALM 118:24



**Holy Week Happenings:**  
**March 25<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup>**

**HOLY WEEK**



**WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

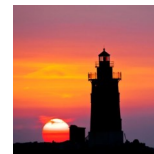
**Thursday:** 10am -12pm: Our sanctuary will be open for prayer, anointing, and silent communion. People are welcome to come and go during this time of worship and reflection in our sanctuary.



**Good Friday Crosswalk:** Please join us on March 29th at 10am for the Good Friday Crosswalk. We will meet outside of Bethel and walk with the cross around the Lewes community. Scripture lessons will be read and hymns will be sung as we remember Christ's sacrifice for us all. After the crosswalk, the sanctuary will be open for anointing, communion and prayer until 1:00pm.



**Good Friday Service and Cantata:** You are invited to attend a Holy Week service on Friday, March 29th at 7:00 p.m. in Bethel's sanctuary. The service will feature the Joseph Martin choral work, "Song of the Shadows," presented by the Chancel Choir. Come and remember the beauty and sorrow of Christ's sacrifice for us as we worship together on this holy day.



**Easter Sunrise Service:** On March 31st, join us as we worship the Risen Savior at 6:30am on Lewes Beach. Please join us for a very special sunrise worship service with hymns, preaching, and prayer. Bring your own chair!

**Easter Worship Services:** Come join us for 1 of our 3 worship services at Bethel UMC . 8:00a.m. Traditional Sunday Worship in the Sanctuary, 9:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship in Fellowship Hall, or 11:00 a.m. Traditional Sunday Worship in the Sanctuary.



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