

1 Kings 19:1-9 NRSVUE

¹ Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. ² Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, “So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow.” ³ Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there. ⁴ But he himself went a day’s journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die, “It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors.” ⁵ Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, “Get up and eat.” ⁶ He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. He ate and drank and lay down again. ⁷ The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, “Get up and eat, or the journey will be too much for you.” ⁸ He got up and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. ⁹ At that place he came to a cave and spent the night there. Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, “What are you doing here, Elijah?”

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

July 19, 2026



*Mission Statement
Knowing Christ, Growing in Faith, and Showing God’s Love*

*Vision Statement
Bethel United Methodist Church continues its unchanging heritage of faith, striving to be a sacred place to know Christ fully, grow spiritually, and show God’s love through compassion, service, and generosity.*

Worship

Celebration of



July 19, 2026
8:00 & 11:00a.m. Service

GATHER IN GOD’S NAME

Prelude: “He Hideth My Soul” arr. Hamlin

Greeting & Announcements

*Call to Worship:

Leader: Come, Lord God, and be with us in this hour.
People: *Too often our cares and our worries keep us at a distance from our God.*
Leader: Come, Lord God, and speak a word of comfort to your troubled people.
People: *Help us hear you, Lord God, in the quietness of these moments.*

GIVE PRAISE TO GOD

*Opening Hymn: “My Hope Is Built”.....#368

Opening Prayer: *Lord of the ages, in our busy lives, we do not always make time to love, to pray, or to sing your praises. We want to be strong, yet we often feel out of control: buffeted by the winds of change, rocked by the earthquakes in our relationships, burned by the fires of doubt. Help us trust your presence, even when we feel utterly alone, trapped in our dark night of the soul. With the promise of Christ as our hope, lead us from our own wilderness wanderings into the well-tended garden of your love. 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.*

JULY 19—JULY 26

Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Live - Sanctuary
	9:15 a.m.	Contemporary Worship -Come Alive Time - BFH
	9:30 a.m.	Summer Sunday School - Various Rooms
	11:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Live - Sanctuary
Monday		Joyce Mentzer’s Sabbath
Thursday	6:00 p.m.	Miracle Singers - BFH
Friday		Pastor Jim’s Sabbath Ray Davis’s Sabbath
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	11:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Live - Sanctuary

BFH - Bethel Fellowship Hall
PMH - Parsonage Meeting House



Enjoy the Summer!

PRAYER LIST 7/19/2026

Key: **Bold, Italicized & Underlined** type indicates a request new this week

Rehabilitation: David Hurlock, Paul Webb

Hospital: Rosalba Bellen (Friend of Kathy Engel), Rev. Sterling Green, John Horne, Trent Prechatka, Jodie Reynolds

Hospice: Norah Atkins, Rosemary Bouvier, **Brenda Keith**, Mrs. Sample, Barbara Starkweather, **Les Stephenson**, Jim Willhite

General Concerns: Andy Baker, Mike Bakker, **Sharon Cherry**, Chris Clark, Brett Conaway, Scott Dailey, Daniel, Ruth Dougherty, Bridget Fowler, Chandler Fox, Joan Fox, **Fred Gentry**, Bill Gibbons, Giovanna, Gus Jack Harrison, Connie Hearn, Jim Holt, Bob Hunsberger, Ida, Mason, Ginny Mitchell, June Myers, Tammy Myers & Family, Bob Nicholson, Brody O'Neill, Kelly Pinsky, Margaret Quillen, Bruce Sheppard, Steven, Danny Summers, Debbie Summers, Helen Walter

Long Term: Ansalvish Family, Bryan Attix, Rev. Gloria Attix, Fran Baker, Ruth Ann Baker, Ginny Barney, Wesley Beam, Mike Beaucheman, Dave Beddle, Nancy Bektolino, Daryl Bradley, Elaine Bramante, Inez Brengle, Dale Buckwalter, Dan Carrier, Liz Carrier, Janette Clavette, Victor Colon, Rev. Charles Covington, Jay Dentino, Bob Dickey, Jim & Marilyn Emanuel, Pat Emmett, Tom Engel, Olga Fitch, Frank Fitzgerald Sr, Michael Gallagher, Peggy Gastner, Gayle Gibbons, Danny Gillespie, Hazel Gillespie, Jude Gray, Jeanne Hafer, George Hammond, Kelly Harp, Heather & Indy, Nancy Hecker, Jack Henriksen, Jim Hooban, David Jones, Erika Jones, Chubby Joseph, Deb Kellenbenz, Adam Kent, Faye Kintz, Norm Kugel, Janice Kulp, Donna LaValle, Paulette Lazarro, Nancy Logan, Bill Lyons, Rob MacArthur, Dr. Jim Marvel, Patty Marvel, Medhi, Claranne Meitrott, Stephen Metler, Stephanie Miller, Rev. Charles Moyer, Nancy (Friend of Janine Phillips) Chuck Naspinsky, Ted Niemczyk, Ray Norris, Lori O'Day, Brian O'Dell, Mike & Sallee O'Neill, Peter (Brother of Pauline Powell), Earl Peters, Dick Plambeck, Suzie Pryor (Niece of Elizabeth Fields), Ray Quillen, Beth Rampson, Beth Rinker, Carla Robinson, Martha Rougeux, Tom Schaich, Mary Louise Scott, John Schulze, Bill Seitz, Denny Shultz, Logan Smith, Tricia(Spangler)Gracey, Chet Sprague, Judy Stevenson, Bonnie Stevlingson, Margaret Stockslager, Dale Stough, James Taylor, Peggy Thomas, Dave Trout, Dawn Vandegrift, Kathy Watson, Kathy Wetherhold-Parrott, Hilda Williams, Trish Wilson, Woody Wilson, Theresa Wise, Lucretia Y., Marge Zayatz

Up Coming Procedures:

Recovering From Procedures: Fred Billings, Carol (Sister of Marilyn Emanuel), Ellie Colon, Olga Fitch, Pat Kearns, **Dick Leisse**, **Nancy Logan**, **Marjorie Mounts**, **Dick Plambeck**, Dale Stough, Kevin Toohey

Other:

- Mother African Union Church North, Wilmington, DE sanctuary destroyed by fire
- The people of Iran and Venezuela.
- All those caring for family and friends, especially spouses and those that have lost a child.
- Delaware Firefighters, EMS, and State Troopers.
- For racial justice in the United States.

Sympathy to:

- Family & Friends of Ashley Wagamon King, who passed on June 25th.

LISTEN TO GOD’S WORD

Joys & Concerns and Pastoral Prayer

God’s Tithes and our Offerings

Offertory: “*Lord, God of Abraham*” from Mendelssohn's *Elijah*
presented by John Andalora

*Doxology:.....#94

Song of Preparation: “*I Am Thine, O Lord*”.....#419

Scripture Lesson: 1 Kings 19:1-9

Message: “*Elijah, The Discouraged Prophet*” Pastor Jim Penuel

Reception of New Members

GO FORTH IN GOD’S NAME

*Closing Hymn: “*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*”.....#140

*Benediction & Final Blessing

Leader: As we depart, may the Peace of Christ be with you.

People: ***May the Peace of Christ be with you.***

(All are invited to pass the Peace of Christ to all as you exit during the Postlude)

*Postlude: “*Intrada on DUKE STREET*” arr. Bräuer

**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

July 19 2026
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 Songs of Praise & Worship: *"Unstoppable God"*
"I Have This Hope"

Children's Message: *"God Lifts Us Up"*

Joys & Concerns and Pastoral Prayer

Offering: *"As For Me and My House"*

LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lesson: 1 Kings 19:1-9

Message: *"Elijah, The Discouraged Prophet"* Pastor Jim Penuel

Reception of New Members

GO FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

*Closing Song: *"Goodness of God"*

*Benediction & Final Blessing

Leader: As we depart, may the Peace of Christ be with you.

People: *May the Peace of Christ be with you.*

(All are invited to pass the Peace of Christ to all as you exit during the Postlude)

**Those who are able, please stand.*

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*Please Welcome Our
New Members To The
Bethel Family*



Kathy & Robert DeLacy
Lisa Franchini
David Hart
Angela Herman
Bob & Terri Hollingsworth
Debbie Little
Boyd & Linda Lutz
Ann Raymond
Stephanie Soukop
Cheryl Stevens



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Bethel Golf Outings are Back

This golf season we still have 3 dates booked for Bethel Golf Outings at The Rookery in Milton. These outings are open to men, women and children alike. These outings are just fun ways for golfers in the church to connect and play together on Saturday afternoons. Our tee times start at 3:00 and we can accommodate up to 20 golfers for each date. You can play 9 holes or 18 and you can walk or ride carts and each outing will be at the twilight rate to be more affordable for everyone. All you need to do is email or text Ray and he will coordinate the details with everyone the week of. ***The next date we have on the books is August 22nd*** so let Ray know if you will be joining. The other dates are September 19th and October 17th. Please reach out to Ray with any questions. ray@bethellewes.org



VBS Donation Update:

Thank you for your overwhelming support both in supply items and monetary donations for our upcoming Rainforest Falls VBS!! Bethel is a wonderful congregation who constantly comes together to support our ministries.

As we are continuing to prepare for VBS and you may be doing some summer cleaning, we are looking for a few plastic storage containers with lids to help store some decorations and supplies to continue to use in future years. Any size would be appreciated.

Contact Katie Davis at Kdavis4786@gmail.com or 302-381-0864 if you have any storage containers sitting around that need a new home.

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 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
Or anytime after the services on YouTube

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Leaders for Today's Service

Greeters:	8:00	Mauro de Medeiros
	9:15	Libby Gibson
	11:00	Ushers
Ushers:	8:00	Ernie Stanley, Head Usher Sandy Hunsicker, & Ron Smith Assistants
	9:15	Libby Gibson, Head Usher
	11:00	Joann Brittingham, Head Usher
		Jim Brown, Miguel Gomez, & Ralph Scott; Assistants
Liturgists:	8:00	Nancy Smith
	9:15	Ray Davis
	11:00	John Andalora
Audio Visual Techs:		Ray Davis, Ed Emmett, Drew Fyock, Norm Macturk, Mauro Medeiros, Lauren Mentzer, Todd Mentzer, John Roman Nehrbas
Miracle Singers:	9:15	Kim Edmonds, Joyce Famelio, Cathy Ferree, John Harris, Patty Marvel, Bill Powell

Weekly Statistics

Attendance: July 12, 2026: 322 (8:00-75; 9:15-171; 11:00-76)

Contributions for July 12, 2026

weekly deposit	\$ 13,341.14
weekly budget	\$ 16,915.18
YTD collection	\$ 534,007.90
YTD budget	\$ 473,625.04



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

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Love Offering: The July Love Offering will benefit Harvest Outreach People's Project (HOPP). The HOPP began, birthed out of the United Methodist Movement, with a simple belief that every family deserves dignity,

stability, and hope. HOPPs is a community powered movement ensuring that every family across Delaware and parts of Maryland has access to fresh produce and lasting hope and dignity. Love Offerings may be given throughout the month in the "designated" plates found at the back of Fellowship Hall & 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 love offering.



Church Office Summer Hours: Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 9am to 11am with the balance of my hours working remotely. If you need assistance outside of the hours listed above please call the church office and I will call you back as soon as possible to assist you. Church Office will be open for Vacation Bible School.

Sunday School Update

Please join us this summer for Summer Sunday School. Ending on August 30th. We are looking for volunteers for 2 different classrooms; 2 years old to 1st Grade & 2nd to 5th Grade Curriculum and supplies are available. Please scan below to follow the link for a sign up or contact Katie Davis at kdavis4786@gmail.com. Thank you for a wonderful Sunday School year!

Scan





NOTE SHEET

Note Sheet

Elijah, The Discouraged Prophet

1st Kings 19:1-9

7/19/26

1. Elijah experienced much success and _____.
2. Elijah was _____ and _____.
3. Success is _____.
4. In a time of depression and grief, God _____ for Elijah.
5. In our times of struggle and grief, we need to call upon the _____.
6. God was found in the _____.
7. During Elijah's depression, God gives him _____ and _____.
8. God reminds Elijah that he is not _____.

Scripture reading for further reflection: 1st Kings 17-19.

Note: You may access the Digital Sermon Note

Page by scanning the QR Code



CHILDREN'S PAGE

Elijah

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prophet		elisha		ravens	famine
Elijah		widow		altar	ahab
cave		baal		fire	wind

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Sandwich & Side for 18 for Tharros. Tharros is fully operational, with 18 residents. Bethel is one of several faith-based organizations that will be supplying a cold supper of a sandwich and a side for each resident. To sign up just go to bethellewes.org; click on the "Information" tab and select "Bethel Food Ministries" from the dropdown menu. Under the heading "Tharros Village - Sandwich and Side" there are instructions and a direct link to the SignUp.com signup page. Openings are available every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday through November 28th.

Deliver sandwiches and sides to 18006 Coastal Highway, Lewes between 6pm and 8pm.

Gate is kept locked: Detailed instructions are on the SignUp.com page. To view click on the words "Sandwich & Side for 18", under any of the dates. Contact is Cathie Wagner ccwgr@aol.com.



Bethel Cookbooks Are Here!!!



The Elizabeth Circle continues to have Bethel Cookbooks for sale. They may be purchased online through the church website or by using the order forms in the lobby. Books may be picked up Sunday after services or by other arrangement. Contact Donna Fleischauer at djmarrin@yahoo.com with any questions

Cookbook Recipe Correction as of June 30, 2026:

Page 5 - Pimento Cheese Spread - Add 1 cup sharp shredded cheddar cheese to ingredients.

Page 102 - Southern Shores Cheesecake - Butter should be $\frac{3}{4}$ cup softened, not $\frac{1}{4}$ cup.