

Colossians 3:1-17 NRSVUE

¹ So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, ³ for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. ⁵ Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). ⁶ On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. ⁷ These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. ⁸ But now you must get rid of all such things: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. ⁹ Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices ¹⁰ and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. ¹¹ In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, enslaved and free, but Christ is all and in all! ¹² Therefore, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. ¹³ Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴ Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵ And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. ¹⁷ And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

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

July 27, 2025



*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 27, 2025
8:00 & 11 a.m. Service

GATHER IN GOD’S NAME

Prelude: “He Leadeth Me” arr. Sandlin

Greeting & Announcements

*Call to Worship:

Leader: We are God’s beloved people!
People: *Called to lives of kindness, humility and compassion!*
Leader: God seeks to clothe us with love and to bind us together in harmony.
People: *God desires that we bear with one another and forgive as Christ forgives.*
Leader: We are God’s beloved people!
People: *Called to lives of peace and patience; called to live with grateful hearts.*
All: *We worship the God who calls us beloved!*

GIVE PRAISE TO GOD

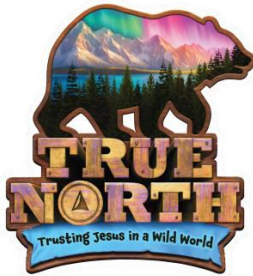
*Opening Hymn: “Jesus, Thine All-Victorious Love”.....#422 UMH

Opening Prayer: *God, who walks with each one of us, help us to place our trust in your guiding care for us as we gather to learn the great lessons of living in peaceful community with each other. Prepare us to be witnesses of your love and forgiveness. Make us ready to work for you in your creation; for we ask this in the name of Jesus, your beloved Son, 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 20—JULY 27

Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Live - Sanctuary
	9:15 a.m.	Contemporary Worship -Come Alive Time - Sanctuary
	9:30 a.m.	Summer Sunday School - Various Rooms
	11:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Live - Sanctuary
Monday	8:00 a.m.	Joyce Mentzer’s Sabbath Vacation Bible School (VBS)
Tuesday	9:00 a.m. 1:30 p.m.	VBS Tuesday on the Town
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	VBS
Thursday	9:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	VBS VBS Closing Program
Friday		Pastor Jim’s Sabbath Ray Davis’s Sabbath
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Church Livestream Available Online Sundays
9:15 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Or anytime after the services on YouTube

BFH - Bethel Fellowship Hall
PMH - Parsonage Meeting House



BETHEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH PRAYER LIST
7/27/2025

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

Rehabilitation: Nancy Hecker, David Hurlock, Paul Webb

Hospital: ***Bobby Lane***, Dottie Mckain

Hospice: Gary Arrell, Rosemary Bouvier, Harlow Carson, Joann Cooke, Jim Kardas, Brenda Keith, Sharon Messinger, Mrs. Sample, Gary Stabley

General Concerns: Paula Carridan, Bob Dathe, ***Pat Emmett***, Kelly Pinsky, Samantha, Patrick, and children as they leave for Guam this week, Shannon-Billy Gaskill's Fiance, ***Jayne Tamborello***, Bob Turcovski

Long Term: Ansalvish Family, Barry Attix, Bryan Attix, Rev. Gloria Attix, Fran Baker, Ruth Ann Baker, Ginny Barney, Wesley Beam, Gavin Birl, Daryl Bradley, Inez Brengle, Liz Carrier, John Caycedo, Rev. Charles Covington, Jay Dentino, Bob Dickey, Richard Dickey, Christine Drew, Bonnie Ekas, Marilyn Emanuel, Trish Emmett, Tom Engel, Susie Eveland, Olga Fitch, Frank Fitzgerald Sr, Gayle Gibbons, Hazel Gillespie, ***Junie Grant***, Alex Grove, George Hammond, ***Lou Henderson***, Sharon Henderson, Connor Hiple, Jim Hooban, Kayla Hottinger, Chubby Joseph, Adam Kent, Faye Kintz, Kathy Kroley, Norm Kugel, Janice Kulp, Paulette Lazarro, Legates Family, Nancy Logan, Bill Lyons, Rob MacArthur, Madison MacElrevey, Matt, Kortlyn, & Bodi, Dr. Jim Marvel, Janet McGinnis, Claranne Meitrott, Stephen Metter, Marsha Miller, Chuck Naspinsky, Curt & Melinda Newsome, Ted Niemczyk, Lori O'Day, Brian O'Dell, George Pepper, Earl Peters, Jodi Potter, Steve Rellihan, Beth Rinker, Carla Robinson, Tom Schaich, Mary Louise Scott, John Schulze, Joe Seay, Bill Seitz, Betty Sheats, Logan Smith, Tricia (Spangler) Gracey, Chet Sprague, Judy Stevenson, Bonnie Stevlingson, Dale Stough, Bonnie Tedesco, Peggy Thomas, Dave Trout, Dawn Vandegrift, Anita Walker, Michael Walker, Wanda, Kathy Watson, Kathy Wetherhold-Parrott, Hilda Williams, Trish Wilson, Woody Wilson, Theresa Wise, Lucretia Y., Glenn Yetter, Marge Zayatz

Up Coming Procedures: Pat Mclvaine

Recovering From Procedures: Janette Clavette

Other:

- Victims of the flooding in Texas
- Democratic Republic of the Congo - under attack by M23 rebels
- Ongoing Wars in the Middle East & Eastern Europe.
- 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 Elissa Ruppert, Daughter of Steve & Elaine Rellihan, who passed.

LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Joys & Concerns and Pastoral Prayer

God's Tithes and our Offerings

Offertory: *"Agnus Dei" with "How Great Thou Art"*
presented by Lincoln, Marley, and Mason Fyock

*Doxology:.....#94 UMH

Song of Preparation: *"Seek Ye First"*#405 UMH

Scripture Lesson: Colossians 3:1-17

Message *"New Clothes"* Pastor Jim Penuel

GO FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

*Closing Hymn: *"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"*#557 UMH

*Benediction

*Postlude: *"Fugue in F"* by Bach

**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 27, 2025
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: *"Multiplied"*
"This Is Amazing Grace"

Children's Message: *"Clothing"*

Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Offering: *"Agnus Dei" with "How Great Thou Art"*
presented by Lincoln, Marley, and Mason Fyock

LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lesson: Colossians 3:1-17

Message: *"New Clothes"*

Pastor Jim Penuel

GO FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

*Closing Song: *"More Like Jesus"*

*Benediction

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Last Call for Sewists: The Missions/Elizabeth Circle team still needs volunteers to sew shorts and dress kits for the Congo Missions project. The final date to return completed garments is August 17th. Please consider picking up a kit. We still have more to complete, so that We may reach our goal of 100 dresses and 100 shorts to be sent to the Congo.

Kits, to sew at home, are provided in the marked bin at the back of Fellowship Hall. When the item(s) are finished, put them in the original pouch and drop off in the completed bin in Fellowship Hall. The shorts kit contains a prewashed fabric piece, elastic, pattern and instructions. The dress kit contains a t-shirt, cut fabric for the skirt and instructions on how to attach the skirt to the t-shirt.

Please contact Pam Monti prmonti@aol.com or Bev Delli Santi bevdell45@comcast.net if you have questions.

Thank you for your help!



Church Office Summer Hours: Church office hours will be Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 10am to noon with the balance of my hours working remotely. If shall 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 regular hours for Vacation Bible School.



Text & Email Scams

Hello everyone,

Unfortunately, another wave of both scam texts and emails are being sent out. In the body of the text they are pretending to be me asking for favors and money. Please disregard and delete these texts and emails when you receive

them and report them as spam.

Thank you, Pastor Jim

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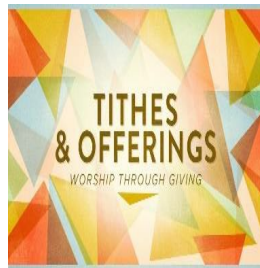


Love Offering: The July Love Offering will benefit Ronald McDonald House Charities of Greater Delaware. RMHC provides essential services that remove barriers, strengthen families, and promote healing when children need healthcare. They provide a “home-away-from-home” for families of seriously ill children who need a place to stay while their child receives treatment at an area hospital. 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.



Curiosity Shop Thank You:

Women’s Ministry extends a heartfelt thank you to everyone who donated, volunteered, and supported the Curiosity Shop! Because of you, we raised \$3,711.89 to benefit women and children in Sussex County and abroad. Leftover items were donated to Teen Challenge.



Financial Support: Thank you for your weekly support. We thank everyone who has provided funds to keep Bethel’s ministries going.

There are six ways you can get your gift to Bethel:

1. **Drop off your donation** through the mail slot in the front door of the Parsonage Meeting House at 130 W. 4th St.
2. **Mail donations** to BUMC, 129 W. Fourth St., Lewes, DE.
3. **E-giving:** Go to Bethel’s Website www.bethellewes.org and at the top right of the home page and click on the word, ‘Giving.’
4. **Text Giving** is a newest option for donations, using a cell phone or hand-held device. Call (302) 202-6625, text the word “GIVE”
5. **IRA Distribution.** Those who are over 70½, can donate part of their mandatory distribution to Bethel. Please speak to your financial advisor before doing this.
6. **QR Code:** Scan the QR Code located on bottom right corner.



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
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Leaders for Today’s Service

- Greeters:

8:00 Pam Cook
9:15 Kevin White
11:00 Larry & Carlene Spangler
- 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 Jim Vandegrift
9:15 Ray Davis
11:00 Lisa Emory
- Audio Visual Techs:

Ethan Curry, Ray Davis, Ed Emmett, Norm Macturk,
Mauro Medeiros, Todd Mentzer
- Miracle Singers:

9:15 Kim Edmonds, Cathy Ferree, John Harris,
Faye Kintz, Patty Marvel, Bill Powell

Weekly Statistics

Attendance: July 20, 2025: 286 (8:00-40; 9:15-157; 11:00-89)

Contributions for July 20, 2025

weekly deposit	\$ 11,719.27
weekly budget	\$ 16,461.43
YTD collection	\$ 451,755.37
YTD budget	\$ 477,381.47



To enroll, click on the “Giving” tab on the Church’s website.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

65th Annual

Lewes Antiques & Home Décor

Show & Sale

Presented Annually Since 1959 by

Bethel United Methodist Church

Bethel Family

Thanks to all the volunteers,
advertisers, sponsors, Bethel staff, and
attendees. Your willing participation
made this year’s event a huge success!

With Grateful Hearts,
The Co-Chairs & Leadership Team



BETHEL UMC GOLF OUTING

The 2:03, 2:12, 2:21, 2:30, 2:39 and 2:48 tee times (24 spots) on

Saturday, August 16th have been reserved at the Rookery Golf Club for a Bethel Golf Outing. All golfers are invited! This will be at the twilight rate with options for 18 or 9 holes and either riding a cart or walking. No handicaps --- just some good fun. Feel free to invite your friends, your spouse or your kids to play with us, we will pair folks up who want to play with each other. For

any questions or to sign up please reach out to

Ray Davis at ray@bethellewes.org



Note Sheet

“New Clothes”

Colossians 3:1-17

7/27/25

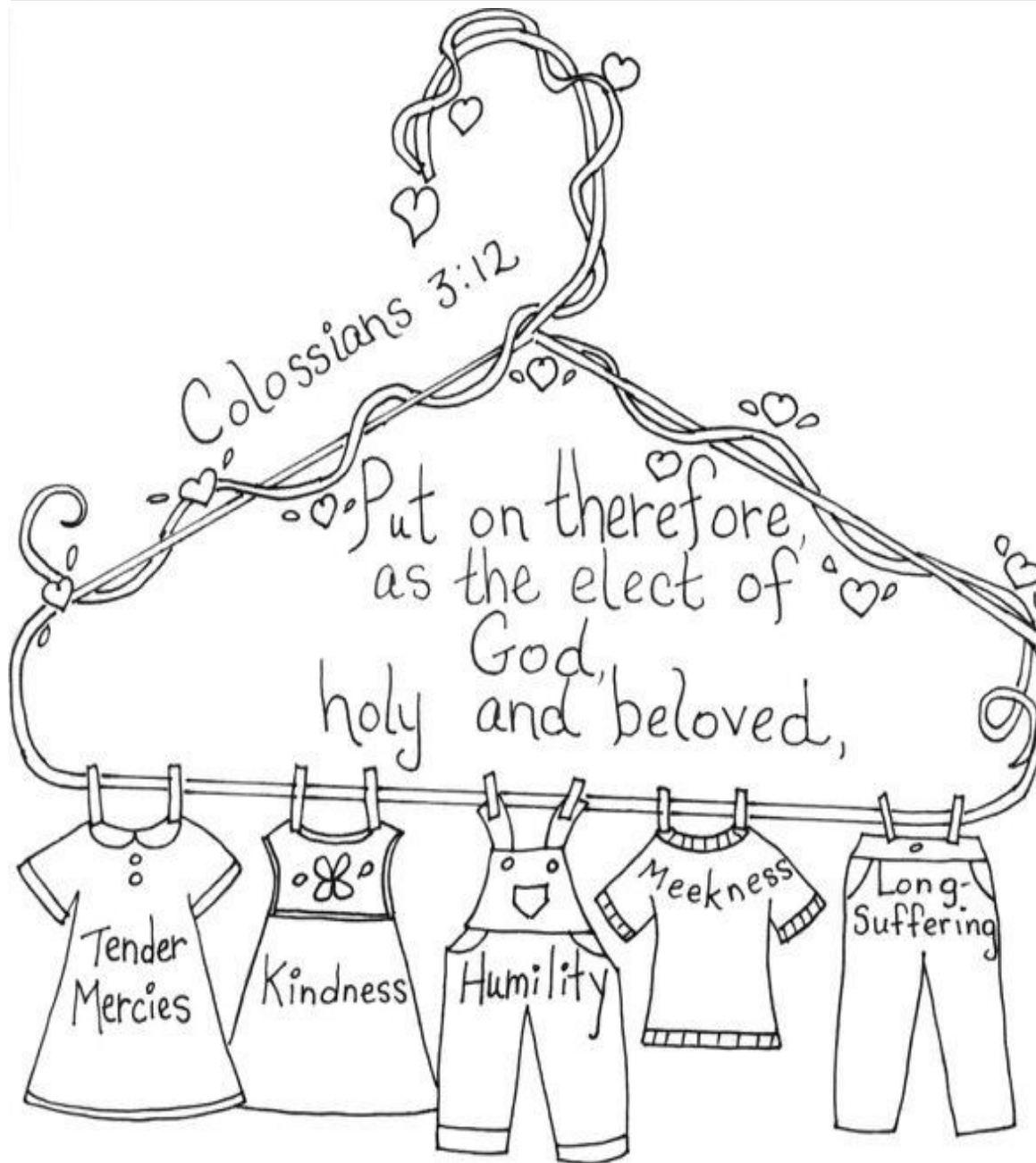
1. Paul is saying that when we follow Jesus, our minds should be set to something _____.
2. Luke 6:45, “The good person out of the good treasure of the heart produces good, and the evil person out of evil treasures produces evil, for it is out of the abundance of the _____ that the mouth _____.”
3. Paul is trying to teach them that in Jesus Christ, there is no _____.
4. In the same way that clothing can define our role and identity, clothing ourselves with _____ defines us as Christians!
5. First, Christians are called to be a people of _____.
6. Secondly, we as the church are to _____ the word of Christ and _____ one another.
7. Third, we are meant to _____ together!

Scripture reading for further reflection: Luke 6:43-45, James 5:13-20

Note: You may access the Digital Sermon Note Page

by scanning the QR Code





Colossians 3 - New Self

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compassion
kindness
chosen
loved

gentleness
patience
sparks
unity

humility
forgive
Jesus
holy