MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost September 15, 2019

Gathering Prelude and Coming of the Greeting:

Tolling of the Bell

he Light

As a shepherd seeks a lost sheep,

so God seeks and saves the lost.

As a father receives a returning wayward son,

so God welcomes us, and lets the past be the past.

Therefore let us praise God in thanksgiving that we are received.

Let us receive and welcome and rejoice over one another in (Ruth Duck, 20th Cent., Alt.)

the name of Jesus Christ.

Welcome and Announcements: Life and Work of the Community

Opening Prayer.....(The Book of Common Prayer, 20th Cent., Alt.)

O Lord our God.

You are always more ready to bestow Your good gifts on us than we are to seek them.

and are willing to give more than we desire or deserve.

Help us so to seek that we may truly find,

so to ask that we joyfully receive,

so to knock that the door of your mercy may be opened to us; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

*Opening Hymn	Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"	#400
*Psalter	Psalm 14	UMH 746
*Hymn	"Glory Be to the Father"	#71
Young People's Mes	sage	

Prayers of the People and Pastoral Blessing and Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

*Passing the Peace

†Anthem.....BUMC Chancel Choir

Proclamation

Prayer for Illumination (in unison)

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Old Testament Lesson
Epistle Lesson
Gospel LessonLuke 15:1-10
Sermon
Response *Hymn"Just as I Am, Without One Plea"#357
*Affirmation of Faith From 1 Timothy 2#889
Worship with Tithes and Offerings Offertory *Doxology#95
*Prayer of Thanksgiving
*Bismissal with Blessing- Benediction *Going Forth of the Light* *Sending Forth *Amazing Grace"#378
*Postlude
*Please stand as you are able † Bethel UMC only
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- ❖ Making Disciples Through Bible Study this Wednesday at 9am.
- ❖ Stephen Ministry Introductory Workshop this Sat. from 9a − 1p at Saxe Gotha Presbyterian Church in Lexington. (If you or someone you know is looking to improve their care-giving skills then visit www.stephenministries.org to learn more and consider registering for this event by Sept.6)
- ❖ Bethel Church Council Meeting today at 6p
- Monticello Nominations Committee Meeting after church today
- ❖ Mature Years Meeting this Tuesday at 11a in Bethel Fellowship Hall
- Monticello Church Council Meeting next Sunday after church
- ❖ 5th Sunday Fellowship Meal Sept. 29 after Bethel Service in Fellowship Hall
- SPRC Meeting Sept. 29 at 4p in Bethel UMC Choir Room

<u>Lectionary Readings for (15th Sunday After Pentecost):</u>

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1 1 Timothy 2:1-7

Psalm 79:1-9 Luke 16:1-13

Our Mission Statement:

The mission of Bethel United Methodist Church is to make each and every man, woman, and child whom we reach aware of God's love for

them as it revealed to us through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, and to give them an opportunity to worship and to serve our Lord.

The Churches Are in Prayer For:

Monticello UMC- Elen Bradley, Mack Bradley, Allen Brock, Sammie Burley, Rebecca Cassadallace, Darlene Coker, Robert Davis, Noelani Dirnbauer, Nita Goff, Lenny Goldman, The Gunter family, Sandra Harrison, Carolyn Hinson, Kevin Knight, Bobby Mack, Sam Mack, Kenny Martin, Sharon Marler, Audrey Miles, Will Pope, Anne Robinson, Margaret Robinson, Marion Robinson, Eddie & Sybil Robinson, Carole Sinkbeil, Bruno Schrieber, James Shugart, Calvin Stanley, Peggy Steller, Betty Tanner, Bethel UMC- Loen Arrington, Joan Baber, Bob Bazinet, Betty Jo & Harry James Beckham, Sherry Crosby, Billy and Diane Dove, Norma Grice, Gabriel Herman, Stephen Keller, Lila Lake, Paul Leitner, Frank Martin, Jackie McDaniel, Sherrill Perry, Greg Robertson, Sonja & Liz Rogers, Anne Stewart, Ford Sweeney, unity in our county, state, nation, and world.

Special Thanks for:

Music

Monticello UMC Pianist, Dorcas Ligon † Bethel UMC Pianist, Ben Hornsby & BUMC Choir: John Glass, Lewis Hobgood, Melinda Truesdale, and Carol Martig † Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Kendall Rogers † September Security Herb Hobgood

The Fairfield Circuit United Methodist Churches welcome all who enter to worship here. Our prayer is that you find us churches of having "open hearts, open minds, and open doors." If you are visiting and looking for a church to call your home, this Fairfield Circuit church invites you to prayerfully consider our family of faith. If you are a member of another United Methodist congregation or a baptized member of another denomination, we will be delighted to receive you by transfer of letter. If you have not been baptized, we would rejoice to have you proclaim your faith in Jesus Christ and begin your Christian journey with us. We welcome all requests to consider membership and we are more than happy to visit with you at your invitation.

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