

THIS WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS

Today



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9:30 am Contemporary Worship Service (WC)
 9:30 am Sunday School - Kids, Youth, Adults
 10:45 am Just Say Jesus Sunday School Class (125)
 11:00 am Traditional Worship Service (Sanctuary)
 11:00 am KidMin Sunday School (Chapel)
 11:00 am Youth Sunday School (130)
 4:30 pm Mini Me Handbell Choir (119)
 5:00 pm Band of Brothers (123)
 5:00 pm KidMin Sunday Nights (Chapel)
 5:00 pm The Chosen Season 3 (124)
 5:00 pm Youth Sunday Nights (130)

Mon., 3/24

4:00 pm Book Art (128)
 6:30 pm MAD Life Group (124)

Tues., 3/25

3:30 pm Prayer Group (121)
 7:00 pm Church Council (128)
 7:00 pm Young Adults (130)

Wed., 3/26

9:00 am Crochet (128)
 6:30 pm Choir Practice (119)
 6:30 pm Crochet (128)

Thurs 3/27

6:30 pm The Chosen - Season 4 (130)

Spring Craft Fair Volunteer

Be a greeter or parking attendant on Saturday, March 29. This is a huge community event and we need your help. Sign up on linktr.ee/bfumc.

Eggstravaganza Collection

Now collecting candy and small prizes for our KidMin. Look for the donation barrels located in the Stars Café at the blue Missions wall.

Holy Week at BFUMC

April 13 Palm Sunday - 9:30 & 11:00 am worship services.
 April 17 Maundy Thursday - 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.
 April 18 Good Friday - 6:30 pm service in the Sanctuary.
 April 19 Eggstravanga - 1:00 - 3:00 pm
 April 20 Easter Sunday - Worship with us:
 7:00 am Sunrise Service
 9:00 am Contemporary Worship Service
 11:00 am Traditional Worship Service

Complete details are printed in The Bethlehem Happenings. Copies are available in the Stars Café, Narthex, and side Vestibules. The Happenings is also emailed church-wide on Friday of each week. To receive this email, please contact the

March 23, 2025 | Third Sunday in Lent

11:00 am Traditional Worship Service

ENCOUNTERS

- THE WOMAN WITH THE ISSUE OF BLOOD -

WITH JESUS

Jesus encountered many people over the course of his life on earth. Some were changed, some were challenged, and some chose to remain the same. This Sunday we will hear about two women who not only found physical healing when they encountered Jesus, but wholeness, acceptance, and new life. Jesus is alive and working in our world today, offering the same things to those in need, and inviting us to enter into his ministry, so that through us Jesus will bring healing, wholeness, acceptance, and new life into our communities.

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11:00 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE
IN THE SANCTUARY

**please stand as you are able*

PRELUDE Katie Wilson

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT Eliana Gomez, John Jacobs

CALL TO WORSHIP Pete Black

We gather today with friends and strangers,
family and neighbors.

**Come among us, Healing God,
with that love which never ends.**

We gather with faith reaching out to touch,
with hearts straining to trust.

**Come among us, Friend of the broken,
with your compassion which makes us whole.**

We gather, sharing words, songs, and silence,
praying together simply:

**Come among us, Jesus, change our hearts
and call us anew to follow you.**

OPENING PRAYER Pete Black

***OPENING HYMN** UMH 380
There's Within My Heart a Melody (Vv. 1, 3, 4)

***LENTEN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Rev. Frank Bernat

We believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, who formed us from the dust and breathed into us the breath of life. In this season of repentance, we turn our hearts to Him, seeking His mercy and grace.

We believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. For our sake, He bore the weight of our sin, and in love, He laid down His life. On the third day, He rose again, breaking the power of sin and death, and He ascended into heaven, where He reigns at the right hand of the Father. In this season of Lent, we follow His path of sacrifice and surrender, knowing that through Him, we find life.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, who leads us in repentance and renewal, who strengthens us in our weakness, and who guides us in the way of righteousness. We believe in the holy, universal Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

As we journey toward the cross, we fix our eyes on Jesus, trusting in His grace, walking in His truth, and awaiting the joy of His resurrection. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI** UMH 70
***Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.***

PASTORAL PRAYER /THE LORD'S PRAYER Rev. Bernat

***OFFERTORY HYMN** UMH 367
He Touched Me (Vv.1, 2)

GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS Rev. Bernat

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *The Mercy Seat* Chancel Choir

***DOXOLOGY** UMH 95
***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

At this time, children and youth are dismissed for Kids Church

MESSAGE Rev. Megan Gomez
"Jesus and the Woman with the Issue of Blood"
Mark 5:21-43 (NLT)

***CLOSING HYMN** (selected in response to message)

***BENEDICTION** Rev. Gomez

***POSTLUDE** Katie Wilson

Prayer Requests

Email your requests to info@bethlehemfirstumc.com, and they will be emailed Wednesdays in the weekly PrayerNet and included in The Happenings, which is available by print and emailed out each Friday. You may also contact the church office at 770-867-3727.

