

Bethel UMC Announcements

Book Study- Our book study group will meet at Ed Wilson's home on Tuesday, January 20th at 10 am and in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday January 25th at 9:45 am.

Mighty Ducks- The Mighty Ducks will have their next gathering on Wednesday, January 21st at 11:00 in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a dish for a potluck lunch as we plan for the outings ahead this year and maybe even enjoy a game of BINGO!

Sunday Social- We will have a social following service on February 8th in the Fellowship Hall courtesy of Carter Duke and The Moore Family.

Goochland Cares- We have a work day ahead on January 31st at Goochland Cares. Please get with Bill Sheppard if you're about to help!



Welcome to Worship Bethel United Methodist Church A United Methodist Faith Community January 18, 2026 | 11:00 am Second Sunday After the Epiphany

Mission Statement:
Proclaiming God's love through Spiritual Growth, Grace, Prayer, Compassion, and Hope to All People.



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Order of Worship

(*Please stand as you are able)

*Processional Hymn – *We Gather Together* (UMH #131)

Hymn of Praise – *Christ Is the Worlds Light* (UMH #188)

*Scripture Reading Isaiah 49:1-7 (*Old Testament* pg. 638)

Read by Dave Donovan

Listen for the Word of the Lord

Listen to me, you islands; hear this, you distant nations:

Before I was born the Lord called me; from my mother's womb he has spoken my name. He made my mouth like a sharpened sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me into a polished arrow and concealed me in his quiver.

He said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will display my splendor."

But I said, "I have labored in vain; I have spent my strength for nothing at all.

Yet what is due me is in the Lord's hand, and my reward is with my God." And now the Lord says—he who formed me in the womb to be his servant to bring Jacob back to him and gather Israel to himself, for I am honored in the eyes of the Lord and my God has been my strength—he says:

"It is too small a thing for you to be my servant to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back those of Israel I have kept. I will also make you a light for the Gentiles, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth."

This is what the Lord says—the Redeemer and Holy One of Israel—to him who was despised and abhorred by the nation, to the servant of rulers:

"Kings will see you and stand up, princes will see and bow down, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

The Word of God for the people of God

Sermon – Carry A Light

*Affirmation – Apostles Creed (UMH #882)

*Hymn of Reconciliation – *Let There Be Peace on Earth* (UMH #431)

*Hymn of Dedication – *The Summons* (TFWS #2130)

Prayer List

Family & Loved Ones of Mary 'Sissy' Clarke

Don Evans (Injury/Fall; Relative of Debbie Durie)

Family & Loved Ones of Diane Hawk

Sherry Henley (Cancer; Friend of Joy Pickels)

Louis Fisher Lamberti Sr. (Health; Son of Frances Lamberti)

Ron Martin (Severe Shingles; Friend of The Moores)

Teri Mills (Cancer; Friend of Shirley Bishop)

Claude Newton (Cancer; Friend of Jo Donovan)

Nancy & Ron Sopher (Health; Regular attendees)

Bonnie Swanson (Hospice; cousin of Janet Toney)

Bonnie Toney (Health; sister of John Toney)

Janet and John Toney (Health)

Ernie Wootton and Family (Cancer; husband of Teri Wootton)

• Virginia Cancer Institute

• Peace and reconciliation for our nation.

Prayer Focus

David & Kathy Nuckles

Goochland Christian Churches Association

Oakland Baptist Church

Metro Richmond at Prayer

We pray to overcome in Christ's name the heritage of racism: To experience the healing power of Jesus's resurrection over all personal and institutional results of racism and racial inequality in this metropolitan city.

We continue to pray for...

Susan Bass (Breast cancer)

Jeff Baird (Health)

Jean & Frank England (Health)

Alex & Kyle Hayden (Montgomery PD)

Claire Hoag (Spine injury)

Ronnie Jordan (Health)

Betsy Pond (Health)

Ted & Diane Peterson (Health)

Bonnie Swanson (Health)

Chic Wells (Health)