

**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**

MAY 8TH, 2022  
4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
MOTHER'S DAY  
11:00 AM

~ "I was glad when they said unto me,  
'Let us go to the house of the Lord.'" ~  
- Psalm 122:1

† please stand - in body or in spirit †

**GATHERING**

**PRELUDE** ..... "Just a Closer Walk"  
by Judy Phillips  
Bethel Handbell Choir

**WESTMINSTER CHIMES** ..... Bethel Handbell Choir

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** ..... Wade Cash,  
Worship Leader

**WE APPROACH GOD**

**CALL TO WORSHIP** .....Wade Cash

Leader: Who can find a worthy woman?  
She is worth far more than rubies.

People: *Her husband has full confidence in her,  
and lacks nothing of value.*

Leader: She gets up while it is still dark;  
she provides food for her family.

People: *She watches over the affairs of her household  
and does not eat the bread of idleness.*

Leader: Give her the reward she has earned,  
and let her works bring her praise at the city gate.

People: *Today we honor our mothers who are with us,  
and memorialize those who have gone before us.*

ALL: *We are grateful for their love,  
and for their gift of themselves.*

(please stand)

† **OPENING HYMN 35** ..... "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"  
JoAnn Pendley, Organist & Pianist

† **CALL TO CONFESSION** ..... Wade Cash

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

† **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (unison) ..... All

*Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from death to life, and crowned him Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him, or acknowledged his rule in our lives. We have gone along with the ways of the world, and failed to give glory. Forgive us, and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules the world and is head of the church, his body.*

Hear us now, O God, as we each offer our silent prayer of confession.

† **MOMENT OF SILENT CONFESSION**

† **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS** (Romans 8:34) ..... Wade Cash

Hear the good news. Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us and Christ prays for us. My friends, hear and believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

And all God's people joyfully say "Amen".

(please be seated)

**HEARING GOD'S WORD**

**ANTHEM** ..... "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"  
Bethel Choir

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION** ..... Mark Wilson, Ruling Elder  
(Augusta Stone Presbyterian Church)

**SCRIPTURE READINGS** ..... Ruth 1:11-18

..... Mark 3:31-35

..... John 19:25-27

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

**SERMON** ..... "Mothers and Sons . . . and Others"  
Mark Wilson

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

(please stand)

† **HYMN OF REFLECTION 213** . . . . "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"  
JoAnn Pendley, Organist & Pianist

† **STATEMENT OF FAITH - APOSTLES' CREED** (unison) ..... All

Let us confess the faith of our Baptism.

*I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.*

*I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.*

(please be seated)

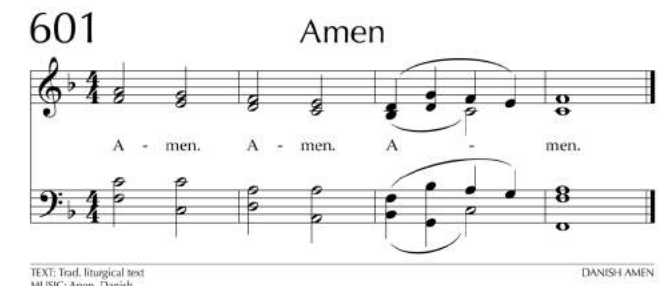
**JOYS & CONCERNS** ..... Wade Cash  
-- PRAYER LIST --

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** ..... Mark Wilson

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** (unison) ..... All

*... 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.*

**AMEN 601** "Amen, Amen, Amen" ..... All



**RECEPTION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY** ..... "The Ash Grove"  
arranged by Barbara Baltzer  
Bethel Handbell Choir

(please stand)

† **DOXOLOGY 606** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"  
... All

*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.*

† **PRAYER OF DEDICATION** ..... Mark Wilson

**SENDING**

† **CLOSING HYMN 440** ..... "Jesus, Lover of My Soul"  
JoAnn Pendley, Organist & Pianist

† **CHARGE & BENEDICTION** ..... Mark Wilson

**POSTLUDE** ..... "For All the Faithful Women"  
JoAnn Pendley, Organist & Pianist

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*THANK YOU FOR JOINING US TODAY!*

*HAVE A FABULOUS & BLESSED MOTHER'S DAY & WEEK!*  
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**WELCOME TO BETHEL!**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 8TH, 2022**

**HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!**

**GUEST SPEAKER:** Mark Wilson

Bethel welcomes Mark Wilson who is the Guest Speaker today, May 8th, 2022. Mark has preached at Bethel many times before and always does a fabulous job! Please let him know how much we appreciate his joining us for worship again this morning!



**SANCTUARY FLOWERS**

The flowers today are given to the Glory of God  
by Mary Ann Anderson.

**SUMMER WORSHIP SERVICES**

**STARTS NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 15TH, 2022**

**11:00 am** *Chapel in the Woods* (weather permitting)  
(Rain Location: Sanctuary)

**"A NIGHT OF PRAISE"**

Sponsored by Riverheads Weekday Religious Education (WRE)

Sunday, May 15th, 2022 6:00 pm

Raphine Christian Church (5131 Lee Jackson Highway; Greenville 24440)

Local churches, groups, individuals performing all types of music.

Free-will offering to benefit WRE program.

Join them next Sunday! Spread the word in the community about it!

**MINT SPRING FLING**

Sponsored by Mint Spring UMC

at Mint Spring Ruritan Building (1912 Lee Jackson Highway; Staunton 24401)

Date: Saturday, May 14th, 2022 Time: 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Crafts, outdoor items, gift baskets, baked goods for sale.

Take-out BBQ chicken dinner offered - \$12.00

(chicken half, potato salad, baked beans, 2 rolls)

BBQ chicken halves, quarts of potato salad, baked beans sold separately

Can pre-order online at:

eventbrite.com/e/mint-spring-united-methodists-mint-spring-fling-tickets-318924199867

or pre-buy tickets from church member or

purchase at door (limited quantities available)

**ATTENDANCE, MAY 1ST** 35

**WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT**

Estimated Weekly Budget: \$3,127.00 May 1st Offering: \$2,272.00

**ELDER-ON-CALL MAY 2022**

If you have a pastoral need contact Penny Lee.

(540) 416-8996 (call or text) or brianpennyfamilee@gmail.com

**PRAYER LIST** Copies of Prayer List in vestibule.



**Mission Statement**

*We strive to live peacefully with all and respect one another while loving and serving the Lord; our doors and mission are open to all.*

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