

## BLUFF POINT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Pastor, Sandi Perl  
Ron Miller, Choir Director

Elly Stempien, Organist  
Sherri Hunt, Liturgist

### WELCOME AND GREETING, ORGAN PRELUDE

**\*SONG OF PRAISE (UMH) 176 Majesty, Worship His Majesty**

**\*SHARING OF THE PEACE** - Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love. (Kids can sit in the front row with Pastor Sandi when they are finished greeting others)

**Anthem: In You We Are One**

### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP:**

L: Holy Risen One, we gather this day and we come as we are.

**C: Seeking understanding, seeking knowledge of you.**

L: Accept all we bring before you today.

**C: Accept our worship, we pray. Amen**

### **\*MORNING PRAYER**

Lord, these words on the page, these words inspired by you, written down by people. Why do we make them so complicated? Lord, thank you for those who teach, and help us understand the world around us. Lord, thank you for those who teach and help us understand your words. Lord, thank you for those who teach and help us understand our place in your family. Lord, thank you for those who teach and help us understand you. Amen

**HYMN OF PRAISE (UMC) 617 I Come with Joy**

### **CONFIRMATION**

**Hayley Andersen**  
**Maci Nicholson**

**PRAY TIME/PRAYER (FWS) 2193 Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** –Our father, who are 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 temptations, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen

### **PARTY WITH THE PREACHER**

#### **COMMUNION**

**\*OFFERTORY/ DOXOLOGY (p 95)**

Lord, we lay before you our gifts, money, time, and talents. You call us to community and each of us has a place in the community you call your family. Bless us and these tokens that they may be put to work for your kingdom's glory and purpose. Amen.

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 8:26-39 (p 127), Luke 24:44-47 (p. 91)

#### **MESSAGE**

**CLOSING HYMN (UMH) 2129 I Have Decided To Follow Jesus**

**\*GOOD NEWS (said with love and conviction!)**

Let us go from here to be a friend to the stranger in our midst. May we show and share the love of God. May we invite others to experience the joy and fellowship of Christ. And as we do, may we be encouraged and encapsulated by the Holy Spirit. So, with the blessing of these three, may we all go in peace. Amen.

**SHARING GRACE:** Do you have a book you have started to read but have given up on because you found it confusing? Or there were too many big words (in the case of children)? This week give it another go. If you need help with it, ask for help. (Hint: Social media is a great way to get other's opinions and help, though it can sometimes also lead you down a rabbit hole!)

**FWS –Faith We Sing**

**UMH – United Methodist Hymnal**

Join us for fellowship after worship with our hosts –

**SERVING THIS WEEK (5/7/17)**

Greeters: Leah and Dick Dibble  
Ushers: Helen and Dana Schillinger  
Scripture Reader: Marguerite Miller  
Fellowship: Brunch  
Sunday School: Sarah Stackhouse  
Nursery: Doreen Sorensen and Breanna Summers  
Counters: Marilyn James and Pam Althouse  
Door Greeter: Ron Miller

**SERVING NEXT WEEK (5/14/17)**

Greeters: Jean Morehouse & Babs Steinert  
Ushers: Jean & Mike Morehouse  
Scripture Reader: Gene James  
Fellowship: **We need someone to sign up**  
Sunday School: Leah Dibble  
Nursery: Michele Covert & Sherri Hunt  
Counters: Marilyn James & Pam Althouse  
Door Greeter: Mike Morehouse

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

**Contact Us**

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**“BLUFF POINT UMC...  
FAITH AND LOVE...  
IT'S WHO WE ARE. IT'S WHAT WE DO!”**



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