

BLUFF POINT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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WELCOME AND GREETING, ORGAN PRELUDE

***SONG OF PRAISE (UMH) 92 For the Beauty of The Earth**

***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: Rise up and Call Her Blessed

***CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: Mothers come in many different forms, and today we celebrate them all!

All: Thank God for mothers!

Leader: Everyone here is either a son or a daughter.

All: Thank God for my mother!

Leader: For those women who have joined God in Heaven and whom we miss dearly here on earth.

All: Thank God for the mothers of the past.

Leader: For every woman who is working day and night to raise her children right now.

All: Thank God for the mothers of today.

Leader: For all the women who are expecting, but aren't quite mothers yet!

All: Thank God for the soon-to-be-mothers.

Leader: For the women who took in others' children through adoption and foster care.

All: Thank God for the mothers with hearts so big.

Leader: For those women who have lost a child to death and must carry on.

All: Thank God for the mothers who are so strong.

Leader: For all the women who have desperately wanted to have children of their own, but chose instead to mother everyone else.

All: Thank God for the mothers in spirit.

All: We thank you, Lord, for the women who have influenced our lives in so many ways. We pray that we will honor them in everything we do. Amen.

***MORNING PRAYER**

Holy Risen One, we gather this day and we come as we are: we come from different places, we share one love. Accept all we bring before you today. Accept our worship, we pray. Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE (UMH) 445 Happy the Home Where God Is

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

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

We invest much in what we have, in what we own. You invest much in us, Lord, in who we are and what we can be. Take these gifts, turn them from ours to yours and bless them that they may be and do much in your name. Amen.

SCRIPTURE: Acts 15:1-18 (p134), Luke 2:29-32 (p59)

MESSAGE

CLOSING HYMN (UMH) 396 O Jesus I Have Promised

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

Leave the fear. Leave the anger. Leave the hurt. Leave the pain. Leave it all. And go in peace. May the forgiveness of God, the teachings of Christ, and the presence of the Spirit, bring peace and joy to your hearts, and praise to your lips, this day and forever more. Amen.

SHARING GRACE: Is there something about your church setting that you just do not connect with or understand? Is there something about the worship style or the way the church is set out? It could be anything. This week your challenge is to let that concern go. If you are happy with your church, then is there something elsewhere in your life that gets to you? If it really is not that important, then try to let that go.

FWS –Faith We Sing UMH – United Methodist Hymnal

***SERVING THIS WEEK (5/14/17) * please be in the Sunday School Room at 8:45am for prayer.**

Greeters: Jean Morehouse & Babs Steinert
Ushers: Jean & Mike Morehouse
Scripture Reader: Gene James
Fellowship: **No coffee hour today**
Sunday School: Leah Dibble
Nursery: Michele Covert & Sherri Hunt
Counters: Marilyn James & Pam Althouse
Door Greeter: Mike Morehouse

***SERVING NEXT WEEK (5/21/17) * please be in the Sunday School Room at 8:45am for prayer.**

Greeters: Helen and Dana Schillinger
Ushers: Dick Smith and Ernie Pinneo
Scripture Reader: Sarah Stackhouse
Fellowship: Marilyn Sands **& Helper**
Sunday School: Pam Althouse
Counters: Aimee Pery & Dick Smith
Nursery: Phil Pearce & Laurie Prinsivalli
Door Greeter: Dick Dibble

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Dinner and A Movie – Saturday, May 20th at 5:30 – pizza, popcorn and the movie SING

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

You and I, we are the Church, no?
We have to share with our people.
Suffering today is because people are hoarding, not
giving, not sharing.
Jesus made it very clear.
Whatever you do to the least of my brethren, you do it
to me.
Give a glass of water, you give it to me.
Receive a little child, you receive me.

~ Mother Teresa

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