

## BLUFF POINT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**Pastor, Sandi Perl**  
**Aimee Perry, Choir Director**

**Elly Stempien, Organist**  
**Bill Sutherland, Liturgist**

Sharing Grace - Discussion point: Have you ever witnessed something you then had to testify to the authorities about? Or maybe you have seen something you could not quite believe? Share with your neighbor how it felt trying to remember all the details.

### WELCOME AND GREETING ORGAN PRELUDE

**\*SONG OF PRAISE - FWS 2270 He Has Made Me Glad**

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

L: Sitting in worship, we wait in expectation

**C: The Spirit will come as God has promised!**

L: To the timid, to the bold and to all God's children

**C: The Spirit will come as God has promised!**

L: As we worship now in prayer and praise

**C: The Spirit will come as God has promised! Amen**

#### **\*MORNING PRAYER**

**We praise you, God, for your timing. When we miss boats and changes pass us by and opportunities go begging, you get it right; you always do – never failing to offer hope, strength and purpose for our days. We praise you, God, for your timing. When we rush around as if there is no tomorrow, fearing the future unless the present is jam-packed with meaningful activity, you get it right: you always do – breathing space and peace into our flustered floundering lives. We praise you, God, for your timing. When we find days all too heavy on our hands and hearts, you get it right: you always do- reminding us we are never alone in anything we face. Amen.**

**\*SHARING OF THE PEACE - Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love.**

**HYMN OF PRAISE – UMH 163 Ask Ye What Great Things I Know**

**CHORAL ANTHEM – More Precious than Silver**

### COMMUNION

### CHILDRENS TIME

**PRAYER TIME/PRAYER HYMN – FWS 2200 Oh Lord, Hear My Prayer**

**SCRIPTURE READING: Acts 1:1-14 (p 118), Mark 6:7-13 (p 40)**

### MESSAGE

#### **\*OFFERTORY/DOXOLOGY/PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**You promised, Lord Jesus, to come to us in a new way, your Spirit leading us in your Way. May we now rededicate ourselves to that Way, giving all we can, as we are able, of our time, talents and treasures. Use us in your service, God of promise. Amen**

**CLOSING HYMN: UMH 415 Take Up Thy Cross**

#### **\*GOOD NEWS:**

**God keeps His promise, the Spirit came. We go now as witnesses for God, to tell Jesus' story through our words and actions. Emboldened by the Spirit, we go out into our community to serve. Amen.**

**SHARING GRACE DURING THE WEEK:** Jesus promised the Holy Spirit to his disciples who had gathered, they did not want him to leave. As Jesus was taken up to heaven we read that the disciples stood and stared at the heavens. They were ready now, they wanted the Spirit right this minute. The promise had been made and they were cashing it in. Each day this week keep a promise diary and think of three things:

Think of a promise you have made to someone and the difference it made to them when the promise was fulfilled.

Think of a promise someone made to you and the experiences and feeling you encountered when it was fulfilled

Think of a promise from God that you have known, have heard, or have experienced and what that has done for your faith.

## POSTLUDE

FWS –Faith We Sing

UMH – United Methodist Hymnal

Please join us for fellowship with our host: Joyce Weidrich

### SERVING THIS WEEK (4/3/16)

Greeters: Marilyn Sands and Barbara Bailey

Ushers: Bill and Delores Sutherland

Scripture Reader: Joyce Wiedrich

Fellowship: Joyce Wiedrich and someone else ☺

Sunday School: Sarah Stackhouse

Nursery: Doreen and Laurie Prinzivalli

Counters: Ron Salyer and Aimee Perry

### SERVING NEXT WEEK (4/10/16)

Greeters: Jim and Hope Enslow

Ushers: Ron and Jane Salyer

Scripture Reader: Marguerite Miller

Fellowship: Sharon Larsen and Linda Folts

Sunday School: Pam Althouse

Nursery: Phil Pearce and Brianna Summers

Counters: Elly Stempien and Bill Sutherland

Tuesday Noon: **Women's Luncheon at Antique Inn.** All women are invited to come and share a meal with one another.

Tuesday - 7PM, **Choir Rehearsal**

Wednesday – 10:00am Bible Study – at church - Bad Boys of the Bible

**Sunday (TODAY) –After Church– Bible Study in Mayberry (based on the Andy Griffith show)**

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Ladies Tea – more information coming soon!

#### 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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