

BLUFF POINT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Sharing Grace - -- Is there someone you wish you had not spoken to in certain way? Or someone you have let down? How could you make this better? Quietly as worship approaches resolve to do something about this.

WELCOME AND GREETING

ORGAN PRELUDE

*SONG OF PRAISE - FWS 2234 Lead On, O Cloud of Presence

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: The Church: liberal/conservative, male/female,
employed/unemployed, young/old. The Church - such a mixed bag
C: Let us gather as friends and together, as one body, praise the
God of all. Amen.

*MORNING PRAYER (please fill in the blank, silently or out loud)

For the church _____, we pray
For the world, _____, we pray
For our community, _____, we pray
For our neighborhood, _____, we pray
For our nation, _____, we pray
For our families, _____, we pray. Amen

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

HYMN OF PRAISE – UMH 424 Must Jesus Bear The Cross Alone

CHORAL ANTHEM – Surprise!

CHILDRENS TIME

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

SCRIPTURE READING: acts 17:1-9 (p 137) and 1 Thessalonians 1:1-
10 (p 203)

MESSAGE

*OFFERTORY/DOXOLOGY/PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Every time we think of each other may we thank You. O God, for the community we are becoming and the place each of us has, as a Child of God. May we pray for each other, day and night through the love we share and the community we create together, keeping in mind each other's belonging through faith and labor of love. May we support each other in following you and may we see your love through each other knowing each of us is blessed with holy gifts. God's hand on each one: a blessing to the world. Creator, may we recognize the Spirit within our community and create a space here for your creativity, changing us into your people day by day. May our life be an imitation of Jesus and despite trouble in the world and confusion around us may we be a light as your people, always. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: UMH 421 Make Me A Captive, Lord

*GOOD NEWS:

Look around you...see the people you have shared your time with. Each one a beloved of God. Each one part of this community we call church. Each one as individual as you are. Each one reconciled with God through the Spirit. Until we gather again together go with God's blessing, always. Amen

SHARING GRACE DURING THE WEEK: In what ways have people tried to stifle your ambitions for changing and improving our community? How can we live as apart of God's family, alongside others who also want to bring hope and inspiration to the community we serve? Pray for the reconciling spirit to descend in your life, your family, your community, your nation, your world.

POSTLUDE

FWS –Faith We Sing

UMH – United Methodist Hymnal

Assisted Listening Device Available

Please join us for fellowship with our host: Karen Drumm

SERVING THIS WEEK (4/17/16)

Greeters: Sharon Larsen and Linda Folts
Ushers: Russ Heggie and Ernie Pinneo
Scripture Reader: Bruce Westerdahl
Fellowship: Karen Drumm
Sunday School: Jessica Kennada
Nursery: Chris and Stacy Wyant
Counters: Elly Stempien and Bill Sutherland

SERVING NEXT WEEK (4/24/16)

Greeters: Doug and Terry Fingar
Ushers: Pam Althouse and Barbara Bailey
Scripture Reader: Meredith Nielsen
Fellowship: Pam Althouse
Sunday School: Marguerite Miller
Nursery: Terry Fingar and Doreen Sorensen
Counters: Ron Salyer and Barbara Bailey

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

Bible Study – TODAY after church – Bible Study in Mayberry

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

CROP Walk – May 1st – sign up to walk or donate money
Ladies Tea – more information coming soon!

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FAITH AND LOVE...
IT'S WHO WE ARE. IT'S WHAT WE DO!”



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