

## BLUFF POINT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Pastor, Sandi Perl  
Aimee Perry, Choir Director

Elly Stempien, Organist  
Gene James, Liturgist

### WELCOME AND GREETING, ORGAN PRELUDE

**\*SONG OF PRAISE** #2167 "More Like You"

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Let us lift up the name of our God!

**P: Let us praise the faithfulness of the Lord!**

L: For just as the Lord's greatness fills the heavens,

**P: The Lord's love embraces the earth,**

L: Preserving our life in the midst of trouble.

**A: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God! Amen**

### \*MORNING PRAYER

We turn to you, O Lord, for we have learned the folly of putting our trust in earthly rulers. They promise peace with justice for our children, yet they take them from us and make them run before war's chariots. Now, O Lord, we put our trust in you, assured that, if we seek your justice, we will receive it; that, if we seek your peace, we shall find it — a peace other rulers can neither give nor take away. Amen.

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

**HYMN OF PRAISE** #513 "Soldiers of Christ, Arise"

### PARTY WITH THE PREACHER

**PRAYER TIME/PRAYER HYMN** #2200 "O Lord, Hear My Prayer"

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Proverbs 3:5-6 (pg286)  
Matthew 22:37-40 (pg 25)

### MESSAGE

**\*OFFERTORY/DOXOLOGY/PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**  
Holy God, thank you for making each of us a beloved child in your great family. You guide us by your Spirit to the way of life. Through your grace, we have enough to share with our neighbors who are in need. May these offerings bring your kindness to strangers. We pray through Christ, who loved us and gave himself as a fragrant offering and sacrifice while we were yet strangers. Amen. (Ephesians 4:25-5:2)

**CLOSING HYMN** #514 "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"

### \*GOOD NEWS:

Do not lose heart, for there is the abode of God. If your heart be troubled, God will share your agony; if your heart be triumphant, God will share your gladness. Do not lose heart, for there is the shelter for your neighbors. May you share their agony and gladness, as you trek, arm-in-arm, to the mountaintop. Amen

### POSTLUDE

FWS – Faith We Sing

UMH – United Methodist Hymnal

Please join us for fellowship with our host: Joyce Weidrich and Marilyn Sands

### SERVING THIS WEEK (8/15/16)

Greeters: Waneta Nielsen and Meredith Nielsen

Ushers: Russ Heggie and Jeff Stempien

Scripture Reader: Meredith Nielsen

Fellowship: Joyce Weidrich and Marilyn Sands

Sunday School: Leah Dibble

Nursery: Phil P & Donna J

Counters: Ron Saylor and Marilyn James

**SERVING THIS WEEK (8/21/16)**

Greeters: Join  
Ushers: Us  
Scripture Reader: At  
Fellowship: Red  
Sunday School: Jacket  
Nursery: Park  
Counters: at 11:00am.

**Tuesday Noon: Women's Luncheon at Antique Inn.**

All women are invited to come and share a meal with one another.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

**Staff Parish Committee Meeting – Wednesday, August 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm.**

August 21<sup>st</sup> – Community Worship at Red Jacket Park – there will not be a service at Bluff Point. Please bring your own table service and a dish to pass. Worship starts at 11:00am. Our offering will be given to Habitat for Humanity – Yates County.

August 28<sup>th</sup> – Join the fun and travel to a New York Yankees Game. See Doug Fingar for details.

**Contact Us**

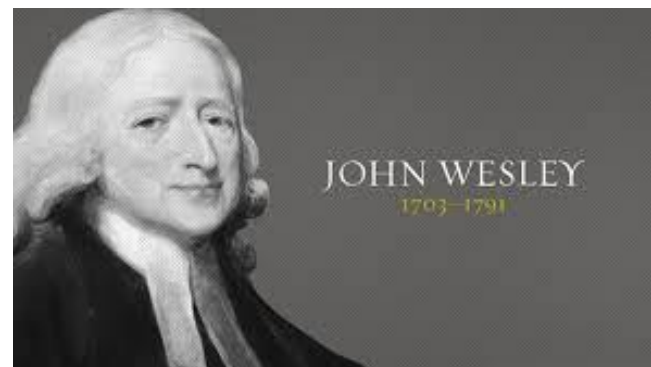
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