

**BLUFF POINT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
MOTHER'S DAY SUNDAY
MAY 11, 2014**

WELCOME AND GREETING

ORGAN PRELUDE/CANDLE LIGHTING

***SONG OF PRAISE – #2223** *"They'll Know We Are Christians"*

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

L. We've come to worship God,

P. Who loved us before we were yet born,

L. Who knows us even better than we know ourselves,

**P. Whose presence never leaves us,
and whose love for us never ceases.**

L. This is our God.

P. Let's worship together!

***CONGREGATION'S PRAYER:** Gracious God, we praise you for your great love towards us. We thank you for the heritage you have chosen us for, the promises you have made to us, for the many gifts that you grant us for the living of our days. Lord, we know, before your death and resurrection, you said you would be present with us to the close of the age. We remember how you prayed that we might be one - with you - and with one another. Help us to realize your presence with us now, O God, in this time of worship. Amen.

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

***HYMN OF PRAISE:#136** *"The Lord's My Shepherd"*

CHORAL ANTHEM – "Mother, A Gift From God" - Ivy Wilburn, Flute

DEDICATION LITANY (Would all women please stand if able)

Leader: Today we recognize God's creation of women. We thank God for the many ways that women help us each day. For women who prepare meals

Congregation: We thank you, God.

Leader: For women to help us when we are sick

Congregation: We thank you, God.

Leader: For women who teach us

Congregation: We thank you, God.

Leader: For women who drive us where we need to go

Congregation: We thank you, God.

Leader: For women who help in construction

Congregation: We thank you, God.

Leader: For women who sell us things we need

Congregation: We thank you, God.

Leader: For women who work in churches and in businesses

Congregation: We thank you, God.

Leader: For women who do many other things that make our life more pleasant

Congregation: We thank you, God.

Leader: We ask your blessing on these women who are a part of our congregation today and for those who cannot be with us today. Amen.

CHILDREN WILL PRESENT GIFTS TO WOMEN

PRAYER HYMN - #2215 *"Cares Chorus"*

PASTORAL PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING – II Peter 2:19-25(p.233 NT); John 10:1-10(p.103 NT)

SERMON: "The Family of God" – Rev. Judy D. White

***OFFERTORY/DOXOLOGY:** Hymnal, #95

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION:** Loving God, Full of Your Spirit, we come now bringing our offerings. May they symbolize our thanksgiving and reflect our commitment to you. Accept them and use them to spread the good news of salvation here in this place and over all the earth; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN: #2218 "You Are Mine"**

BENEDICTION:

POSTLUDE

***Those who are able please stand.**

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

Please join us in Fellowship Hall as we celebrate Mother's Day, May birthdays and anniversaries. Our hosts today are Fremont and Carole Clow.

SERVING CHRIST THIS WEEK:

Organist: Cindy Heggie
Choir Director: Aimee Perry
Liturgist: Sherri Hunt
Scripture Reader: Stacy Wyant
Greeters: Marilyn James and Clarice Hardy
Ushers: Helen Schillinger and Dora Lee Castner
Fellowship: Fremont and Carole Clow (**Birthday and Mother's Day**)
Sunday School: Sarah Stackhouse
Nursery: Linda Folts and Sharon Larsen
Counters: Dick Smith and Aimee Perry

SERVING NEXT WEEK(5/18)

Organist: Cindy Heggie
Choir Director: Aimee Perry
Liturgist: Sherri Hunt
Scripture Reader: Gene James
Greeters: John and Judy Patchen
Ushers: Jean and Mike Morehouse
Fellowship: MaryAnne Miller and Joel Warren, Dameyon
Sunday School: Meredith Nielsen
Nursery: Chris and Stacy Wyant
Counters: Dick Smith and Aimee Perry

This Week in the Life of the Church

Tues:

Noon: UMW meet at Antique Inn

7pm - Choir Practice this week

Wed. Bible Study Lesson #21

If you had any pictures on the board, please take them.

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