

ORDER OF WORSHIP/ 8:20AM

+You're invited to stand in body or spirit/**Bold** words are read responsively.

CHIMES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" Cynthia Dobrinski

+CALL TO WORSHIP

The world offers busy schedules and more stuff to do, but God offers rest.
The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not be in want!

The world offers faster cars and bigger houses, but God offers comfort.
The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not be in want!

The world offers war and terror, but God offers a peace that passes all understanding.
The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not be in want!

The world offers cheap love and cheap thrills, but God offers goodness and mercy.
The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not be in want! Come now and let us dwell in the house of the Lord!
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+HYMN UMH 454 "Open My Eyes, That I May See" OPEN MY EYES

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

+GLORIA PATRI UMH 70 MEINEKE

PSALTER READING Psalm 23

EPISTLE LESSON Ephesians 5:8-14

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" Jack Schrader

+DOXOLOGY UMH 95 OLD 100TH

+PRAYER OF THANKS

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

+GOSPEL LESSON John 9:1-41

SERMON "What Do We See?"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & WORDS OF PARDON

+HYMN UMH 605 "Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters" BEACH SPRING

+EPICLESIS FOR COMMUNION

+BENEDICTION "God Be in My Head" Anna Laura Page

CLOSING VOLUNTARY "Fugue in D Minor" Johann Pachelbel

ORDER OF WORSHIP/ 10:50AM

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+PRAISE SONG "Great Is Thy Faithfulness (Beginning To End)" Jason Ingram

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CENTERING MUSIC "You Are My Hiding Place" Michael Ledner

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

PSALTER READING Psalm 23

EPISTLE LESSON Ephesians 5:8-14

OFFERTORY MUSIC "Good to Me" Audrey Assad

PRAYER OF THANKS

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

+GOSPEL LESSON John 9:1-41

SERMON "What Do We See?"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & WORDS OF PARDON

+CLOSING MUSIC "Open the Eyes of My Heart" Paul Baloche

+EPICLESIS FOR COMMUNION

+BLESSING

SENDING MUSIC

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Ministers All Followers of Christ

Musicians Chancel Bells; Chancel Choir; Worship Band

Director of Music Donia Wade

Assoc. Director of Music/Organist Karen Strawhecker

Pastors Rev. Dean Emerson, OSL, Rev. Donna Spencer

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Awakening God, we confess at times we have fallen asleep. The weight of the world is too much. There is too much pain, injustice, sorrow, oppression—it all is weary and it seems no matter what we do, it doesn't make a difference. Nothing seems to change. Yet we know from our ancestors in the faith that You have made promises to us that still hold true: promises of love, hope, mercy, grace, and peace. Promises that we have experienced through the love and care of others. Beloved God, may we not give up on You, though the world has failed us [and we it], though even the Church has failed us [and we it]. For You are our Creator and Sustainer, Redeemer of us all. You are the one who reminds us that there is nothing in all of creation that will separate us from Your love. You are the one who rose after the deepest night. Wake us up, O God, to what You have intended for us, and let us not hold on to day-dreams of the past or nightmares of helplessness. Wake us up, O God, to live into Your way, Your truth, and Your life, in Christ's name. Amen.

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WELCOME!

We're blessed to worship with you this morning and pray that you find blessing here. Below is some information that we hope is helpful; ushers are also available should their assistance be needed.

- ◆ Bottles of water are available in the narthex and may be brought into the Sanctuary.
- ◆ So that we can be more present for God and one another during worship, please silence cell phones and other devices. Thank you!
- ◆ Restrooms are located in the narthex; both are equipped with changing tables.
- ◆ Our nursery is located in the Kids Day Out hallway in the Chapel building for children five and under.
- ◆ If you'd like more information about this congregation, about becoming a follower of Jesus, about baptism, or about joining the church, please contact our pastoral staff. We welcome questions and conversations!

Pastors:

Rev. Dean Emerson: 731-441-1409/demerson@bartlettumc.org
Rev. Donna Spencer: 901-848-8311/dspencer@bartlettumc.org

WITHIN OUR CHURCH FAMILY

The flowers near the pulpit are given to the glory of God.

Sympathy is expressed to Helen Bailey upon the death of her brother, Sonny Mason.

2023 Bartlett UMC Church Council

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THIS WEEK WITH BUMC

Sun, 3/19	8:20am 9:30am 10:50am 4:15pm 5:15pm	Worship Service—Sanctuary Sunday School—all ages Worship Service—Sanctuary Crossroads Youth Choir Rehearsal—Music Suite UMYF—LEC
Mon, 3/20	9:00am 4:45pm 6:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm	Stretch Class—205L Walking Group—LEC Chancel Bells—Music Suite NA/NarAnon—LEC Cub Scouts/Boy Scouts—Scout Hall
Tues, 3/21	5:45am 10:00am 4:45pm 6:00pm 7:00pm	Youth Breakfast Club—Fellowship Hall Fun Club (ages 50+)—LEC Walking Group—LEC UWF Vital Circle Mtg.—LEC Parlor Pickleball—LEC
Wed, 3/22	9:00am 12:00pm 5:00pm 5:00pm 5:00pm 6:00pm 6:00pm 6:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm	Stretch Class—205L Midweek Prayer and Communion—Chapel Campanella Ringers—Music Suite WOW Dinner—LEC WOW Share—LEC (contact Perry to volunteer!) Youth Bible Study—LEC Youth Room Children's Choirs—Music Suite Devotion with Ross Hamilton—Sanctuary Chancel Choir Rehearsal—Music Suite Square Dancing—Fellowship Hall
Thurs, 3/23	10:00am 4:45pm 5:30pm 6:30pm	Bartlett Bells—Music Suite Walking Group—LEC Zumba—LEC (\$3/class) Freeplay Volleyball—LEC
Fri, 3/24	9:00am 9am-5pm	Stretch Class—205L Crafts Fair—LEC
Sat, 3/25	9am-5pm	Crafts Fair—LEC

Coming Soon

GriefShare begins Sunday, March 26th from 5-7:00pm. For more information about this program for those dealing with grief and loss, visit the table in the Narthex or contact Karen Morrise at klmorrise1973@outlook.com

The trailer is in the parking lot and ready to accept your treasures for the ASP Rummage Sale. Please do not put furniture in the trailer at this time. Furniture will be picked up the week of the Rummage Sale. Call the church office to schedule a pick up. The Rummage Sale is April 28-29.

Easter Eggstraordinaire-April 1 from 10-12:00pm. Join us for egg hunts, crafts, the Easter Bunny, and more! Invite your friends and neighbors! **We are collecting individually wrapped candy for this event. Please bring your candy to the Narthex or to the church office. Thank you!**



Welcomes you!

Year of Matthew

Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 19, 2023



The mission of Bartlett United Methodist Church is to know Christ and to make Christ known to all people, through worship, education, and service in our community and throughout the world.