



Bel Air United Methodist Church

3rd Sunday after Pentecost – June 18, 2023 – 9:15 AM

Gathering Music & Announcements

Organist, Jeff Beyers

Call to Worship (Responsive)

People of God! Lift up your voices!

God hears the cry of the faithful.

Sing praises to our Christ.

Christ's name is worthy of praise.

Listen now for the presence of God.

God's Spirit awaits us here. Amen.

Hymn*

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

UMH 126

Opening Prayer (Unison)

Holy One, come to us now. Be present in our worship and in our lives. Hear our cries and speak to our souls. Give us your strength, that we may live all the days of our lives in steadfast faith and hope. Amen.

Anthem

The Trumpet in the Morning (D. Wagner)

Chancel Choir
Directed by Dave Tramontana

Moment for Ministry

4th of July Celebration

Ashley Sanders

Prayer for Father's Day (Video)

Hymn*

Rise Up, O Men of God

UMH 576

Prayer of Confession & Silent Prayer

Jim Piccione

Words of Assurance (Psalm 103:17)

The mercy of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. **Glory be to God. Amen.**

The Peace

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you always. **And also, with you. Amen.**

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 18: 1-16

Hymn*

Thy Word Is a Lamp

UMH 601

Sermon

"Is Anything Too Wonderful for the Lord?"

Rev. Byron E. Brought

Offering Our Gifts

This moment of reflection is an opportunity to consider your response to God. How will you demonstrate your love for God? How will you give of your time, your talents, and your treasures? Please consider giving electronically; ask us how. Thank you.



Doxology*

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 95

Communion & The Lord's Prayer

Hymns*

*How Majestic Is Your Name
Great Is the Lord*

TFWS 2023

TFWS 2022

Benediction & Organ Postlude*



Please join us for a Special Father's Day Fellowship today in Room 202 from 10 -11:00 am.

Summer Fellowship – Summer Fellowship begins next Sunday. Lemonade and special treats will be offered at the Connection Corner. We invite you to please bring your own coffee and feel welcome bringing it to worship.

First Time Guests – Welcome Friends! We're glad you are here. First time guests, we have a gift for you. Meet us at the "Connection Corner" in the Narthex. Look for the "Come, Care, and Connect" sign. Looking forward to meeting you!

College and Senior High Summer Study – Sunday evenings 7-8 pm, July 9 & 23, and August 6 & 13. Location to be determined. Please reach out to Pastor Byron if you'd like to come broughtb@baumc.com.

Summer Musicians – Can you sing, play an instrument, or dance? We'd love to have you share your gifts in worship. Please reach out to one of the pastors, the church office, or Dave Tramontana for an opportunity to glorify God through music. Thank you!

Vacation Bible School July 24 -27, 9:00 am – 12 Noon. Register NOW on the website!

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Quick Bible Summary Since Last Sunday (Genesis 11:27 - Genesis 18)

- ❖ Gen. 11 – Abram's father, Terah, took his family and left Ur (Babylon) to go to Haran (Assyria). Abram married Sarai.

- ❖ Gen. 12 – God called Abram and Sarai to leave Haran to go to Canaan (Holy Land). They went with their nephew, Lot. There was a famine, so they fled to Egypt. They tricked Pharaoh. Egypt was punished with plagues. Pharaoh got angry and kicked them out of Egypt.
- ❖ Gen. 13 – Abram and Sarai settled in the desert. They grew in wealth and power. Abram and Lot separated.
- ❖ Gen. 14 – An alliance of tribal kings went to war. Lot is captured. Abram and his men went to war against the tribal kings. Lot is rescued. The Canaanite Priestly King Melchizedek appeared to Abram and Abram gave 1/10 of his possessions, the tithe.
- ❖ Gen. 15 – The Covenant with Abram and Sarai was established.
- ❖ Gen. 16 – Sarai was barren; she gave consent for Abram to go have children with Hagar, their slave girl. Ishmael was born. Sarai was consumed with jealousy and treated Hagar harshly. Hagar fled with her baby. The LORD comforted Hagar.
- ❖ Gen. 17 – The Covenant with Abram and Sarai; they get renamed Abraham and Sarah. God promised them the land of Canaan and that they would have many offspring.
- ❖ Gen. 18 – A son is promised to Abraham and Sarah – Isaac.

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation, the God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation. With healing balm my soul is filled and every faithless murmur stilled: To God all praise and glory.

The Lord is never far away, but through all grief distressing, an ever present help and stay, our peace and joy and blessing. As with a mother's tender hand, God gently leads the chosen band: To God all praise and glory.

Thus, all my toilsome way along, I sing aloud thy praises, that earth may hear the grateful song my voice unwearied raises. Be joyful in the Lord, my heart, both soul and body bear your part: To God all praise and glory.

Let all who name Christ's holy name give God all praise and glory; let all who own his power proclaim aloud the wondrous story! Cast each false idol from its throne, for Christ is Lord, and Christ alone: To God all praise and glory.

Rise Up, O Men of God

Rise up, O men of God! Have done with lesser things. Give heart and mind and soul and strength to serve the King of Kings.

Rise up, O men of God! The kingdom tarries long. Bring in the day of brotherhood and end the night of wrong.

Rise up, O men of God! The church for you doth wait, her strength unequal to her task; rise up, and make her great!

Lift high the cross of Christ! Tread where his feet have trod. As brothers of the Son of Man, rise up, O men of God!

Thy Word Is a Lamp

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way, still you're there right beside me, and nothing will I fear as long as you are near. Please be near me to the end.

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. Now I will not forget your love for me and yet my heart forever is wandering. Jesus, be my guide and hold me to your side, and I will love you to the end. Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

How Majestic Is Your Name

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth. O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth. O Lord, we praise your name. O Lord, we magnify your name: Prince of Peace, mighty God; O Lord God Almighty.

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Great Is the Lord

Great is the Lord, he is holy and just; by his power we trust in his love. Great is the Lord, he is faithful and true; by his mercy he proves he is love. Great is the Lord and worthy of glory! Great is the Lord and worthy of praise. Great is the Lord; now lift up your voice, now lift up your voice: Great is the Lord! Great is the Lord!

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Great are you, Lord, and worthy of glory! Great are you, Lord, and worthy of praise. Great are you, Lord; I lift up my voice, I lift up my voice: Great are you, Lord! Great are you, Lord!

