

Bethel UMC Office Hours:
9:00 AM – 3:00 PM Monday-Friday
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Director of Music: Joe Swetnam
Solid Rock Ringers Handbells: Mary Heard

Ministers: ALL MEMBERS

“A Church whose foundation is built on loving Our Neighbors and One Another in the same way Christ taught us to love God.”

Holy Communion:
1st Sunday - 10:00 AM Service
Baptism: as requested
Membership: as requested

Sundays:
10:00 am - Worship Service

Live streaming available @
You Tube Channel: [Bethel Live 4 Christ](#)



BETHEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

On the corner of Smoketown & Minnieville Since 1850
13506 Minnieville Road, Woodbridge, VA 22192

Rev. Esther N. Agbosu, Pastor

Rooted in Christ



Growing in Love



Sunday Worship Service
September 7, 2025

Love God
13th Sunday after Pentecost
Color: Green

Entrance

Prelude Joseph Swetnam

Cross and Flame Enter the Sanctuary

Welcome & Announcements

✠ Call to Worship: George Gero

Searching, seeking, wondering, thinking,
We come to find God.
Calling, crying, praying, singing.
We come to worship the Lord.
Walking, running, wandering, straying
We yearn to follow Christ.
Bring your questions and open your hearts,
for God has invited us here.

✠ Opening Prayer George Gero

Creative and creating God, we are your family, brothers and sisters all, sharing in your vision and work. Give us hearts and minds that will respond to your call in our lives. Strengthen us in this time of worship, that we may walk in your ways. Shape us for discipleship, that we may take up our cross and follow Christ. Amen

Opening Hymn #298

When I Survey the Wonderous Cross

✠ Gloria Patri #71

Proclamation and Response

Scripture George Gero

Jeremiah 18:1-11

Children's Moment Tonia Parker

✠ *Please stand as you are able.*
The congregation is asked to read the bold-faced type.

Proclamation and Response cont.

✠ Hymn #2149

Living for Jesus

✠ Scripture Rev. Esther N. Agbosu

Luke 14:25-33

Sermon Rev. Esther N. Agbosu

Counting the Cost

✠ Hymn #2152

Change My Heart, O God

Pastoral Prayer

Invitation Rev. Esther Agbosu

Confession and Pardon UMH #12

Offertory Chancel Choir

Ye Are Able

✠ Doxology

Offertory Prayer

September's Communion Offering is for the Pastor's Discretionary Fund

The Great Thanksgiving UMH #13

The Lord's Prayer #895

Sending Forth

✠ Closing Hymn #415

Take Up Thy Cross

✠ Dismissal with Blessing Rev. Esther N. Agbosu

✠ Cross and Flame are Taken Into the World

✠ Postlude #338

Where He Leads Me v1

This Week at Bethel

Sunday 09/07 —

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1:00 PM - Harvest Korean Baptist Church Service (Sanctuary)
1:00 PM - Faith, Hope Love, Int. Ministries Service (Room 5,6)
5:00 PM - Bible Study (Zoom: 841 6291 8995)

Monday 09/08 —

6:00 PM - NDC Practice (Sanctuary, Rooms 5,6)
7:00 PM - Overeaters Anonymous (Room 3)

Tuesday 09/09 —

10:00 AM - Morning Bible Study (Zoom 921 2378 6173)
6:00 PM - Nominations Committee Meeting (Zoom)
7:30 PM - AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday 09/10 —

4:30 PM - ABA Alliance Class (Rooms 5,6)
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Thursday 09/11 —

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