

Bellport United Methodist Church
185 S. Country Rd., Bellport, N.Y. 11713 (631) 286-0525
January 21, 2024

3rd Sunday after the Epiphany



Welcome!

The Bellport UMC family welcomes visitors from all backgrounds. You are invited to join us for our fellowship hour following the service.

For childcare, large print hymnals, or directions to our accessible access (elevator), please see any of our ushers. Our current newsletter and church brochure with upcoming events are available in the entry area and Fellowship Hall. We hope you will feel God's presence with us, and we invite you to join us again. We invite members and guests to sign in at the entrance area. Thank you!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

IMPORTANT CHURCH MEETINGS

Bible & Healing Prayer Service: Monday – Friday 7:15 a.m. on Zoom
Women's Bible Study: Monday 7 p.m. At Anna McClure's Home
Men's Bible Study: Every Monday at noon. On Zoom
Youth Bible Class: Every Wednesday, 7: 30 PM. On Zoom
Men's Breakfast: 2nd Saturday (2/10, 9 AM) at the Church
Choir for Worship: Thursdays at 7 PM, Sundays at 9 AM.
****Church Council Meeting:** 3/12, 7:30 PM, Zoom
Finance Committee: Tuesday, 2/6, 7 PM at the Church, Wesley House
Nomination & Leadership: 1/23, Tuesday, 7:30 PM. Zoom
Staff Pastor Parish Relationship: 1/21, Sunday, 11:15 AM after service
Trustee Meeting: 2/7, Wednesday 7:30 PM
Worship Team & Ushers Meeting: 2nd Sundays (1/14) at 8:45 AM
Stewardship Committee:
Outreach:

😊 Thank you for your Food Pantry Donations; the Drop Box is available.

Please Sign Up for Coffee Hour in the Sign-up Sheet. Thank You!

Child-Care Service Person Wanted! (Sundays 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.)

The Thrift Store will be closed for the winter.

February 8, 2024: Bishop's District Visit 6:30 P.M.

Lay Servant Ministries, Spring Zoom Classes run for 5 weeks (5 sessions)

Feb. 17~ March 22, 2024. Sunday 5-7 PM (Basic), Thursday 7-9PM

(Transforming Leaders; Leading Worship); Fridays 7-9 PM (Climate Justice: A Call to Hope and Action); Saturdays 10 AM (Transforming Evangelism)

How to REGISTER: BY January 30th

1. Talk to your pastor to decide which class might be right for you. 2. **Register for the Basic Class Register for an Advanced Class**

Church Council Information: <https://www.umc.org/en/content/book-of-discipline-252-the-church-council>

3rd Sunday after the Epiphany Worship Order: Church Color (Green)

WE GATHER AND PRAISE

♪ **PRELUDE & QUIET MEDITATION**

WELCOME (page 1) & **ANNOUNCEMENTS** (page 2)

♪ **CENTERING: THE LIGHT OF CHRIST CANDLE**

♪ **INTROIT**

Call To Worship (1 Samuel 3, Psalm 139, John 1)

Leader: We confess God is not a taskmaster keeping track of our good deeds. Rather, God intervenes boldly and relentlessly for the purpose of life and the restoration of creation. We gathered in worship with silence and sound,

People: We wait upon God's grace.

Leader: We gathered in worship with focused heart and mind,

People: We anticipate the time we face.

All: Speak to us, Lord, for Your servants are listening.

♪ **Opening Hymn TFWS # 2002 "I Will Call upon the Lord"**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vPsK9UiBFJI>



Opening Prayer & Confession (Jonah 3, Mark 1)

All: Holy One, You have called us from the seashore to service in this world. You have pulled us from our comfort to embrace the inconvenience of servanthood. You have put before us an opportunity that we never truly wanted. Like Jonah, who resented going where you sent him, we are restless and resistant. We'd rather sleep in a boat and go about a casual kind of life. We'd rather live our days as we always have and let the tides carry us where they will. May the storms of our days shake us to new awareness and renewed paths of faithful living. Amen.

Silent Prayer:

Words of Assurance

Leader: Hear the good news! Before you turned to God, God was on watch for you. Before you remembered your sin, God extended redeeming grace. Hear these words: You are forgiven.

All: Hear these words: You are forgiven. Peace Be With You!

WE PROCLAIM AND RESPOND

Ministry Of Music: “God Is There”

Time with Children & the Lord’s Prayer

Scripture Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10 (Get up & Go; Fast & Pray to Change God’s Mind)—

3 The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, ²“Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.” ³So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days’ walk across. ⁴Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s walk. And he cried out, “Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!”⁵*And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.* ¹⁰*When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.*

1 Corinthians 7:29-31(Not Much Time Left)—²⁹I mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, ³⁰and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, ³¹and

those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

Gospel Reading: Mark 1:14-20 (Follow Me ...)—¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.” ¹⁶As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. ¹⁷And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” ¹⁸And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

Liturgist: This is the Word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God!

People’s Response in Music

#71 “Glory be to the Father” and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, a world without end. Amen

The Message: “Time to Leave Your Comfort Zone” Rev. Lydia Han

Prayers of the People – Your Joys & Concerns (page 7)

(You may offer up a prayer or thanksgiving, followed by “This is my prayer, O Lord.” The church family will respond, saying, “Lord, hear our prayer.”)

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

 **UMH #431 “Let there be Peace on Earth”** (Vs. 1)

♪ * **The Doxology** “UMH #95 Praise God, from Whom ...”

Offering Prayer (Mark 1)

WE GO FORTH

♪ **Closing Hymn** “I Can Hear My Savior Calling” (Page 8) (V. 1~4)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e9FqFC0WA-o>

Commission & Benediction (Jonah 3, Mark 1)

♪ **Choral Response**

JOIN US FOR COFFEE HOUR FELLOWSHIP.

THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPING WITH US.

PLEASE COME BACK!

CHURCH SERVICE: Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

CHURCH OFFICE: Monday - Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

TELEPHONE: 631-286-0525

CHURCH WEBSITE & SUNDAY BULLETIN: www.umcbellport.org

CHURCH EMAIL: bellportumc@optimum.net

ZOOM MEETING LINK: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6312860525>

DIAL BY PHONE: 16465588656 then 6312860525#

PASTOR: Rev. Lydia Han 646-464-2215 lydia.han@nyac-umc.com

LITURGIST: Dana Prather-Davis

MUSIC: Choir, PIANO: Dan Fogel

COFFEE HOUR: Anna McClure and Margie Ludewig

USHERS: Bruce Groh, Bill Morse, and Youth

YOUTH & CHILDREN: Lori Labalsamo and Bill Morse

TECHNOLOGY: Barbara Pannhurst, Bill Lang, Samuel Han

CHURCH FACEBOOK:

<https://www.facebook.com/bellportmethodist.church.5>

PRESCHOOL: 631-286-2498, www.BellportPreschool.com

THRIFT SHOP: 631-286-0746,

<https://www.facebook.com/Umcbellportfiddlersgreen>



Prayer List (Please email/contact the office or the Pastor)

Sympathy Prayers for families who lost their loved ones this year!

Prayers: Rescue and recovery for victims of natural disasters & wars, Peace of the World, Revival of the Church, Prayers for healing and strength: Mark and Lois Barton, Joe Harder (Jr.), Jack Antos & the family, the Downs' family, Tess Mouquin, Kristin Quatrone, Mary Scott, Carl Moodt, Donna and Carl Catandella, the Vanderzalm family, Lillian Muttitt and the family, Dorothy Vogel and the family, Young Adults including Andrew Morse, Ethan Hillard, Amy and Seann, Shelby, Derek, Diana, Oliver and David, the Pastor & the family, and all Church affiliated people

Prayers for COOP Churches (Cooperative Parish): United Methodist Churches of South Shore, & UM churches/ All the churches worldwide

Stewardship

All things are possible with God



Devote Time



Share Talent



Give Treasure



A way of life

Lord's Day Attendance: 1/14/23

ADULT S	CHILD REN	ZOOM	FAC EBO OK	YOUT UBE	GUESTS	TOTAL
37	5	1	36			79

Abundant Blessings for Offerings: 1/14/23

Current/ (Pledge, Tithes)	Loose Envelops	Flower	Holidays Christmas
		Coffee Hour	
\$2,036			
Building Fund & Use	Special Thanks/ Benevolence	Sunday School	Total
\$50	\$100	\$37 (UMM)	\$2,223.

Send Offering Checks By Mail:

"Bellport United Methodist Church"


PO Box 460, Bellport, NY 11713

By ZELLE: bellportumc@optimum.net, Tel: 631-205-4050

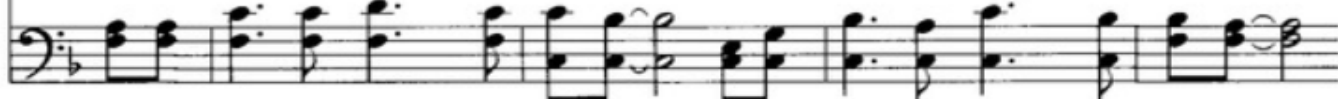
I Can Hear My Savior Calling

Where He Leads Me

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1 I can hear my Sav - ior call-ing, I can hear my Sav - ior call-ing,
 2 I'll go with him through the gar-den, I'll go with him through the gar-den,
 3 I'll go with him through the judg-ment, I'll go with him through the judg-ment,
 4 He will give me grace and glo-ry, he will give me grace and glo-ry,





I can hear my Sav - ior call-ing, "Take thy cross and fol-low, fol-low me."
 I'll go with him through the gar-den, I'll go with him, with him all the way.
 I'll go with him through the judg-ment, I'll go with him, with him all the way.
 he will give me grace and glo-ry, and go with me, with me all the way.



Refrain



Where he leads me I will fol-low, where he leads me I will fol-low,

where he leads me I will fol-low, I'll go with him, with him all the way.

