

Bellport United Methodist Church

185 S. Country Rd., Bellport, N.Y. 11713 (631) 286-0525

April 21, 2024

4th Sunday of Easter, Year B



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 AM on Zoom

Women’s Bible Study: Monday 7 PM At Anna McClure’s Home

Bible Study: Every Monday at noon. On Zoom

Youth Bible Class: Every Wednesday, 7: 30 PM. On Zoom

Men’s Breakfast: 2nd Saturdays (5/11, 9 AM) at the Church

Choir for Worship: Thursdays at 7 PM, Sundays at 9 AM.

**Church Council Meeting: 6/18, 7:30 PM, Zoom

Finance Committee: The next meeting will be Tuesday, 5/14, 7 PM

Trustee Meeting: 5/8, 7: 30PM.

Nomination & Leadership:7/18, Tuesday, 7:30 PM. Zoom

Staff Pastor Parish Relationship: 7/21, Sunday, 10:40 AM after service

Worship Team & Ushers Meeting: 2nd Sundays at 8:45

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 AM to 11:00 AM)

- **The Thrift Shop** is open Tuesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM
- **Youth Bible Study**, Wednesday 7:30 pm: April 17th-The Local Church; April 24-No Class; Spring Break for School; May 1-The Connection; May 8-Simple Worship; May 15- Remembrance (lesson about Communion)-Last Class of Spring Session.
- **May 4, Saturday, LIE district Conference.**
- **May 7, Mother & Daughter Dinner**; the details are in the insert.
- **May 19th, Pentecost Sunday-Confirmation**
 - **June 7 – 9, 2024** (11 AM, Friday~12:30 pm, Sunday): 225th New York Annual Conference: “And Know That I Am God”, Hilton Stamford Hotel and & Executive Meeting Center, 1 First Stamford Place, Stamford, CT 06902

Registrations Link: <https://ny-reg.brtaapp.com/2024AnnualConferenceStamford>

April 21, 2024

9:30 A.M.

4th Sunday of Easter, Year B Worship Order: Church Color (White)

WE GATHER AND PRAISE

♪ **PRELUDE & QUIET MEDITATION**

WELCOME (page 1) & ANNOUNCEMENTS (page 2)

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

♪ **INTROIT**

Call To Worship (Psalm 23, 1 John 3, John 10)

Leader: The Lord is my shepherd, I will fear no darkness.

People: We will love one another, as Christ loves us.

Leader: Christ, the Good Shepherd, has compassion for all.

People: We will love one another, as Christ loves us.

Leader: Open your hearts to goodness and mercy today.

All: We will love in truth and action, Amen!

♪ **Opening Hymn UMH #140 “Great is Thy Faithfulness” (Vs. 1~3)**

 **Opening Prayer**

All: Shepherding God, guardian of our souls, You offer us rest in the safety of green pastures. Shower us with Your love, and offer us fullness of life in Your name. When our spirits are parched, You lead us beside still waters and quench our thirst for righteousness; You restore our souls and heal our battered spirits. Touch our hearts and minds, that Your goodness and mercy may follow us every day of our lives. May we abide in Your love and grace for all eternity. Amen.

WE PROCLAIM AND RESPOND

Prayer of Confession (Acts 4, 1 John 3, Psalm 23, John 10)

All: Good Shepherd, help us become Your bold acolytes, lighting the way of Your truth for all to see. Help us choose honorable paths through green pastures and still waters amid the darkest valleys of our lives. For You are greater than our fears and You know how to bring us peace. As You laid down Your life for us, may we strive to live for others. We choose You this day, for no other name under heaven inspires us to greater joy. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Words of Assurance (Acts 4, Psalm 23, John 10)

You are welcome at the table of the Lord. The Good Shepherd beckons all to come and be restored. Rejoice in the knowledge that you are loved!

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

All: Peace be with you!

Ministry Of Music: “My Loving Shepherd” by Michael Ware

Children’s Time & Lord’s Prayer

Scripture Reading: Acts 4:5-12

Gospel Reading: John 10:10-18

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

People: Thanks be to God!

♪ People’s Response in Music: UMH #71

“Glory be to the Father,” and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, it is now and ever shall be,
a world without end. Amen.

The Message: “The Shepherd of Abundant Life” 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

Leader: The love and light of God flows through our lives, bringing us joy and hope. With thanksgiving in our hearts, let us offer our gifts to God, the source of all our blessings.

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

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

Offering Prayer (Psalm 23, John 10)

All: As the Good Shepherd lays down his life for his sheep, may we, too, strive to serve our neighbors. Whether next door, across town, or around the world, may God bless our prayers, our gifts, and our ministries. In Christ’s name, we present these gifts. Amen.

WE GO FORTH

♪ **The Faith We Sing, 2140,** “ Since Jesus Came into My Heart”

What a wonderful change in my life has been wrought,

Since Jesus came into my heart;

I have light in my soul for which have sought,

Since Jesus came into my heart. (3 X)

Floods of joy o’er my soul like the sea billows roll,

Since Jesus came into my heart.

Commissioning & Benediction: (1 John 3, John 10)

Leader: May you show boldness before God in all you do.

People: Following Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd,

Leader: act with kindness, love, and humility.

All: We will bring comfort to others, acting with love and truth.

♪ **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 revlydiahan@gmail.com

LITURGIST: Bruce Groh

MUSIC: Lynn Hoag & Choir, PIANO: Dan Fogel

COFFEE HOUR: The Morses

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 Quatrala, Mary Scott, Carl Moodt, Donna and Carl Catandella, the Vanderzalm family, Lillian Muttitt and the family, Dorothy Vogel and the family, Prayers for Young Adults including Andrew, Ethan, Amy and Seann, Shelby, Derek, Diana, Oliver, David and Samuel; 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

		Lord's Day Attendance: 4/14/2024					
		ADULT S	CHILD REN	ZOOM	FACE BOOK	YOU-TUBE	GUESTS
 		34	4	1	44	8	91
 		Abundant Blessings for Offerings: 4/14/2024					
Devote Time		Share Talent		Flower		Holidays Easter	
				Coffee Hour			
		\$5,000.		\$30.		\$50.	
Give Treasure		A way of life		Hygiene Kits		Total	
		\$702.50		\$50.		\$5,832.50	

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“Bellport United Methodist Church”
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Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.

The people of The United Methodist Church®

We believe[s] God's grace is open to all, and therefore practice[s] "open Communion"--meaning that anyone may participate in receiving Communion. We believe salvation is an open gift from God, accepted by individuals according to their own free will. The United Methodist denomination is a "big tent" theologically, providing space for theological discourse and, at times, disagreement.

We affirm the beliefs expressed in the Apostles Creed. These include:

- The belief in one God, who is the Creator and sustainer of the universe.
- The belief in the Trinity, that there is one God in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- The belief in the divinity of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, who is fully human and fully divine.
- John Wesley, the founder of the Methodist movement, taught that we pursue our faith in community and action with others. We practice social holiness. We insist that personal salvation always involves a Christian mission and service to the world. The United Methodist Church has a long history of action and advocacy for social justice.

United Methodists are active in their communities and in the world through a variety of ways, including:

- Participating in local mission projects and service initiatives.
- Supporting global mission efforts through the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) and other mission organizations.
- Advocating for social justice and working to address issues such as poverty, hunger, and inequality.
- Providing educational and vocational training opportunities.
- Creating and supporting community development programs.
- Offering counseling, support groups, and other forms of pastoral care.

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