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Thank you for joining us for worship today! Please silence your electronic device during the service. There is extra seating available in the fellowship hall if needed.

Pancake Breakfast -- tomorrow, 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at First United Methodist Church in Bronson. All proceeds go to *Night to Shine 2024*. Pick up more information in the lobby.

Men's Fishing Derby -- Saturday, June 3. See Pastor Jim if interested.

VBS/Day Camp is scheduled for June 19-22. Letters to parents and registration forms are in the lobby or on the church website. Early bird registration is \$35.00 if registered by June 1; \$45.00 after June 1. If you can help, see either Pastor Jim or Pastor Dave.

Blooming Faith -- Six Saturday morning devotional times at Little Hands Garden this summer. Pick up more information in the lobby or go to <u>www.littlehandsgarden.com/events.</u>

For the parents of our little ones: There is a room behind the sanctuary for parents of restless toddlers to use if you wish. The **nursery** (up the stairs, first door on the left) is also open and the service is available to be viewed and listened to there. Kids through fifth grade will be dismissed for **Children's Church** during worship if they wish to participate.



Ways to Give: Offering plates are in the lobby. Donations can be made online by going to <u>bethelgilead.org</u> (Donate tab), or by scanning the QR code to the left and using PayPal. You can authorize a monthly debit from your bank account by completing a form (contact the office).

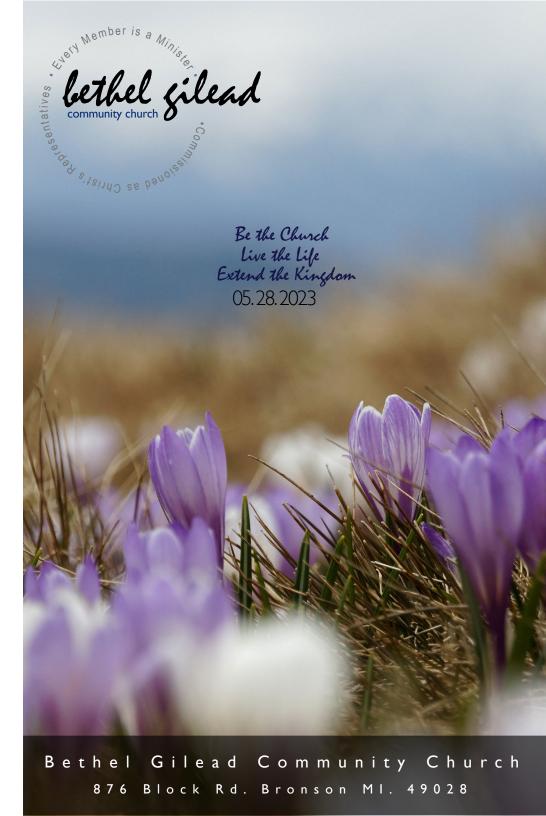
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Soon and Very Soon Call to Worship:

Announcements and Opening Prayer Worship Songs: Confidence

One Day (When We All Get to Heaven)

Good Good Father God Bless the USA

Melissa Houtz Special Music: Some Gave All

Leadership Profiles: I - 2 Chronicles

Introduction: Uzziah -- A Repeat Performance!

Starting Strong (2 Chronicles 26:1-5)

*Overcoming obstacles (2 Chronicles 25:26)

*The leadership of Zechariah

II. Prioritizing National Defense (2 Chronicles 26:6-15)

*The Just War Theory

III. Power, Prestige and Pride (2 Chronicles 26:8,16)

*Moving beyond boundaries

The Problem of Pride

IV. Stumbling at the Finish Line (2 Chronicles 26:17-23) *Jotham salvaging the situation (2 Chronicles 27) Jotham grew powerful because he walked steadfastly before the Lord his God. (2 Chronicles 26:6)

<u>Application</u>

- I.. How well have you handled success?
- 2. Are you handling the problem of pride?
- 3. Will you finish strong....or stumble before the finish line?

Closing Song: The Blessing

Our Mission

"WE HONOR GOD THROUGH REGULARLY ASSEMBLING TOGETHER TO WORSHIP HIM AS LORD, STUDY AND OBEY HIS WORD, AND ATTEND TO THE NEEDS OF HIS PEOPLE. WHEN WE LEAVE. WE GO OUT COMMISSIONED AS CHRIST'S REPRESENTATIVES TO A NEEDY WORLD"

Prayer Concerns

Recent additions

Tim McKinley -- health issues Marcia Lane -- heart issues Guille Alberran -- death of sister in Mexico Sherry McNees -- heart arrhythmia Nikki Maertin -- strength and recovery after mild stroke L.J. Goheen -- recovering from hip replacement surgery Amy Lonczkowski -- recovering from back surgery Dee Eley -- recovering from foot surgery

Praises:

Chance and Kylei Dules' new daughter, Charli Anae, born on May 18 James and Amanda Wickey's new daughter, Vanessa Thea, born on April 26

Continue to Remember Those in Need

de Araujo family -- special needs grandson, Luke The Carpenter Family Dale Davis -- dialysis and gall bladder issues Lisa Franks -- pain management

Remember Our Homebound/Shut In Members

Betty Carpenter -- Laurels Norita Skinner -- Maple Lawn Don Rubley -- at home

Pray for our nation and the world during these uncertain days