

ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 30, 2017

Third Sunday of Easter

Gathering

As the congregation gathers, please take a moment to speak to people sitting around you whom you may not know. Hebrews 13:2 (KJV) says, "Be not forgetful to entertain strangers; for thereby some have entertained angels unaware."

Prelude

As the prelude begins let us turn our thoughts and hearts to God in prayer and preparation for worship.

David Richardson, organist

Welcome to Worship

Greeting

* Opening Hymn, UM Hymnal No. 303

The Day of Resurrection

* Psalter ~ Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

¹ I love the LORD, because he has heard my voice and my supplications.

² Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

³ **The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish.**

⁴ Then I called on the name of the LORD:
"O LORD, I pray, save my life!"

¹² What shall I return to the LORD for all his bounty to me?

¹³ **I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD,**

¹⁴ I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people.

¹⁵ **Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his faithful ones.**

¹⁶ O LORD, I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your serving girl. You have loosed my bonds.

¹⁷ **I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice and call on the name of the LORD.**

¹⁸ I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people,

¹⁹ **in the courts of the house of the LORD, in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the LORD!**

* Gloria Patri, No. 70

Meineke

Pastoral Prayer

Minister: The Lord be with you

People: And also with you

Minister: Let us pray

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come,

thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.

Offertory

One Faith, One Hope, One Lord

C. Courtney

Bethany Men's Ensemble

* Presentation of Tithes, Gifts & Offerings

* Doxology

UM Hymnal Pg. 95

The Lesson

I Corinthians 15:12-19

Minister: The word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Does It Really Matter?"

Rev. Adams

* Affirmation of Faith

Hymnal No. 881

* Hymn of Dedication, UM Hymnal No. 310

He Lives

* Benediction

* Postlude

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bethany NOW Spring Schedule

Join us for our Wednesday night activities with classes for everyone. NOW begins with a meal in the Fellowship Hall at 5 P.M. The meal for this week will be Salmon Cakes, Wild Rice, Roasted asparagus, and for the kids: Fish Sticks and Tator Tots. Meals are \$7 for adults and \$4 for children under 12, with a family maximum of \$20. (Immediate family consists of parents and children only.) The Sunday School support will be Daily Bread/Providence.

National Day of Prayer

The Spell Chapel will be open from 7 AM-6 PM on Thursday, May 4 for National Day of Prayer.

Vacation Bible School- Registration Extended May 8!

Join us for Hero Central June 12-16 from 9 AM- 12:30 PM. Classes are filling up fast!! Registration ends May 8. 3K is currently full and there are only 150 spots left in all the other grade levels. You can register quickly and easily online at www.bethany-umc.com. We still need teachers and assistants in classrooms to fill our volunteer roster. If you are interested in helping out, contact Stephanie Mitchum at smitchum@bethany-umc.com

Bethany Annual Golf Tournament

The Annual Bethany Golf Tournament will be held on May 6 at Miler Country Club of Summerville. All members of Bethany and their friends are invited to participate in a day of golf, good food and fellowship. There is a shot gun start at 8 AM and the format is Captain's Choice. The price is \$50 for Miler members and \$55 for non-members. The price includes golf, pulled pork and prizes! To make reservations, please call 843.873.1230 or 843.873.7261.

Bethany Basics- New Member Class

Are you a new member or a visitor wanting to learn more about our church? Join us on Wed, May 10 at 6 PM for Bethany Basics. This introductory session helps you learn more about your new church family & home. For more information, please contact Membership Director, Jack Sehrt at 843.873.1230 or jsehrt@bethany-umc.com

Technical Ministries Work Day

Technical Ministries is having a workday at the church on Saturday, May 20 from 9 AM – 2 PM. No experience necessary! Please confirm by email by May 17 to Danny Trump at techsupport@bethany-umc.com if you are willing to help.



Bethany United Methodist Church
Spell Chapel ~ 8 o'clock a.m.

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