

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Bethany Family

The church office is unaware of anyone at this time. If you know of a Bethany member that is hospitalized, please let the office know, and we will follow up.

### All Men's Mass Choir Performance

Please welcome our Mass Men's Chorus today singing our anthem and the service music. These men come from all areas of Bethany United Methodist Church and many have been rehearsing every Sunday since June 4<sup>th</sup> between services to present this music celebrating our country's upcoming Independence Day. Additionally, we are joined by professional musicians from Charleston Symphony Orchestra and the area.

### Give Blood. Help Save Lives

The Red Cross will be in the Fellowship Hall tomorrow, July 3 from 12:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Please prayerfully consider giving the gift of life. To schedule an appointment, visit [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) or call Rodney McKanna at 843.709.0953.

### Donations for Hands of Christ School-Supply Ministry

The Hands of Christ school supply ministry needs your donations! This ministry provides schools supplies to children in several Dorchester District 2 and a couple of Dorchester District 4 schools, including Williams Memorial Elementary and Harleyville-Ridgeville Elementary. Please have supplies to the church no later than **Wednesday, Aug. 2**. If you are unable to purchase supplies a monetary donation is always appreciated.

#### **Requested items are per student:**

24 pencils	6 dry erase markers
3 highlighters	6 glue sticks
1 sticky note pad	1 box 24 ct. Crayola crayons
1 box Crayola colored pencils	1 box Crayola markers
1 pencil box	1 pair of scissors
1 – 3-inch three ring binder	2 spiral notebooks
5 – 2-inch three ring binder	2 - sets of 5-subject dividers
1 Package erasers for pencil tips	1- 1.5 inch three-ring binder
2 packages of index cards	1 Package small pencil sharpeners
1 bottle of clear Elmer's glue	1 Box of plastic Sheet protectors
2 Packages of wide-ruled notebook paper	
4 Composition notebooks (black and white marble)	
2 each - red, yellow, green, blue, orange, purple folders with pockets and prongs	
1 each of three colors of plastic folders with pockets and prongs	

*Donations can be placed in the collection box at the bottom of the wooden stairs.*

### Camp Meeting Returns: July 16-Aug. 20

The Camp Meeting dates back to the early 19th century. This a special time at Bethany UMC, as we recognize our time honored roots in the Christian faith dating back to the 19th Century. This is a time we can relax and be less formal. So dress comfortably and casually.

### Altar Flowers Needed!

Altar flowers are a wonderful way to honor or remember a loved one. The following dates are the openings we have for the rest of 2017. Sept. 3 & 24, Oct. 1 & 29, Nov. 26, Dec. 31. Please contact Mary Dove Murray at [mmurray@bethany-umc.com](mailto:mmurray@bethany-umc.com) or 843.873.1230 ext.27 to reserve a date.

### Church Office Closed July 3 & 4

The church office will be closed on Monday, July 3 and Tuesday, July 4, in observance of the Fourth of July holiday. The office will reopen on Wednesday, July 5, at 8:30 a.m.

## THIS WEEK...

*Not all activities are included here. Look for the most up-to-date calendar posted throughout the church.*

### Sunday, July 2

8 AM **WORSHIP**, Spell Chapel  
8:45 AM **WORSHIP**, Sanctuary  
8:45 AM **WORD & TABLE**, FH  
10 AM Sunday School  
11:15 AM **WORSHIP**, Sanctuary

### Monday, July 3

#### **Church Office Closed**

12:30 PM Blood Drive, Fellowship Hall  
7:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous, Friendship Circle

### Tuesday, July 4

#### **Independence Day**

#### **Church Office Closed**

10 AM Quilters, Blue House  
7 PM Alpha Omega, 127  
7 PM Narcotics Anonymous, Cottage

### Wednesday, July 5

*No Activities Scheduled*

### Thursday, July 6

9:30 AM Upcycling Class, 239  
6:30 PM Stewardship Committee, 118

### Friday, July 7

*No Activities Scheduled*

### Saturday, July 8

*No Activities Scheduled*

### The GIC Committee Needs

#### **YOUR Prayers-Sign up TODAY!**

Sign-up sheets will be found in Sunday School rooms and on Bulletin Boards in the downstairs hallway by the Bob Howell Fellowship Hall. Pray intentionally for the GIC, for the speakers who will be coming forward, for our clergy, for yourself and your mission for full support & participation of our membership.

### The Herbert McAlhaney Circle

The Herbert McAlhaney Circle will meet July 20 at 10:30 a.m. at the church to go to Eleanor Veronee's beach house for lunch. Eleanor's phone number is 843.873.2182.

### Recording/Photography

Portions of Worship services are recorded and made available for viewing on our web site. As a worshiper, you will not be identified in the recording/photos unless you are a speaker using our public address system. No close-up shots will be used of the congregation, allowing you privacy in your worship experience. If you wish to not have your image or voice used in our worship video, please notify Eileyn Sobeck-Bador (843.873.1230, [ebador@bethany-umc.com](mailto:ebador@bethany-umc.com)), otherwise attendance implies consent.

### Emergency Phone

A minister is on call for pastoral emergencies after normal business hours during the week, as well as on weekends and holidays. If you have an emergency for which you need pastoral care, call the church emergency number, **843.425.1069**.

### Wifi Access

If you would like to connect to Wi-Fi while on church property, please use the guest connection and password **guest2015**.

### Stephen Ministry

If you would like to speak to someone about Stephen Ministry for yourself, or for someone you know, (please get their permission), contact one of the following:

Denis Tsukalas 843.871.0381, MaryKay Wrenn 843.821.3123, Annette Goins 843.863.1868, or any of the Pastors.

### A Little Job for Jesus

Do you have a few extra minutes in the week to do a little job for Jesus? Volunteers are needed to help prepare the Sanctuary and Spell for Sunday worship. The job is to replace offering envelopes & pencils in the pews, check attendance registration pads and put up hymn numbers in Spell Chapel.

Call Mary Dove at 843.873.1230 or email her at [mmurray@bethany-umc.com](mailto:mmurray@bethany-umc.com) for more information.

### Lost and Found

Are you missing a Bible or personal item? The downstairs church office has a drawer full of miscellaneous lost items and Bibles. Please stop by to claim your items.

July 2, 2017  
8:45 and 11:15 a.m. Worship Services

# BETHANY

United Methodist Church



**Rev. Mitch Houston, Senior Pastor**

**Rev. Scott Adams, Associate Pastor**

**Mr. Will Thompson, Pastor of Student Ministry**

**Dr. Valerie Bullock, Director of Music Ministries**

**Michael López, Organist**

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*We are a Stephen Ministry Church, a Safe Sanctuaries  
Congregation and a Welcoming Church.*

**CALLED TO CARE**

July 2, 2017  
**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
*Patriotic Sunday*

**Gathering**

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

**Prelude** *Suite de Symphonies: Rondeau* Jean Joseph Mouret  
 Brass Quintet

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

**Welcome and Parish Concerns**

**\*Posting of the Colors and Pledge of Allegiance**

**\*Hymn of Procession, No. 698** *National Hymn*  
*God of the Ages*

**\*Collect (Prayer for the Nations)**

Lord God Almighty, who hast made all the peoples of the earth for thy glory, to serve you in freedom and in peace: Give to the people of our country a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with thy gracious will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

**Reception of New Members (11:15)**

**The First Lesson** Joshua 1:9-13 OT Pg. 195  
 Minister: The Word of the Lord.  
**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Call to Prayer**

Minister: The Lord be with you.  
**People: And also with you.**

**Prayers of the People and 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** *Simple Gifts* transcribed by J.A. Villanueva

**\*Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

**\*Doxology, No 94** *Lasst Uns Erfreuen*

**\*Hymn of Assurance, No. 696** *Materna*  
*America, the Beautiful*

**The Gospel Lesson** Matthew 10:40-42 NT Pg. 11  
 Minister: The Word of the Lord.  
**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem** *God Bless America* Irving Berlin arr. J. Martin  
 Mass Men's Choir  
 Bethany Festival Ensemble  
**Please stand and join us in singing when directed:**  
 "God bless America, land that I love.  
 Stand beside her and guide her through the night, with a light from above.  
 From the mountains to the prairies, to the oceans, white with foam.  
 God bless America; my home sweet home."

**Sermon** **PROMISE LAND** Rev. Houston

**Affirmation of Faith** Hymnal Pg. 881

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
 maker of heaven and earth;  
 And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:  
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
 born of the Virgin Mary,  
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
 was crucified, dead, and buried;  
 the third day he rose from the dead;  
 he ascended into heaven,  
 and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
 from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
 the holy catholic church,  
 the communion of saints,  
 the forgiveness of sins,  
 the resurrection of the body,  
 and the life everlasting. Amen.

**\*Gloria Patri, No. 70** *Meineke*

**\*Hymn of Dedication, No. 697** *America*  
*America (My Country 'tis of Thee)*

**\*Blessing of the People**

**\*Postlude** *Acclamation* C. Tambling  
 Michael López, organ

\* For those who are able, please stand.

**Bethany Festival Ensemble**  
 Horn - Anne Holmi  
 Trumpet I - Susan Messersmith  
 Trumpet II - Kyle Allen  
 Trombone - Tom Joyce  
 Tuba - Chris Bluemel  
 Percussion - Nicholas Holland and Josh Bohl

**WELCOME**

*We welcome all guests to our service today. If you are visiting with us, please allow us to further acknowledge your presence by signing the attendance registration pad when it is passed to you. A nursery is available for infants and toddlers in our Child Development Center on the first floor. An usher will be happy to give you directions. Also, please ask about our Sunday School hour at 10 a.m. with classes for all ages. Join us for complimentary coffee from 8:45 to 10:00 a.m. every Sunday outside of the Fellowship Hall, near the kitchen. If you would like more information about Bethany or becoming a member of our church, please contact Jack Sehr, Membership Director, at [jsehr@bethany-umc.com](mailto:jsehr@bethany-umc.com) or 873-1230, ext.31.*

**HEARING DEVICES AND CELL PHONES**

Hearing devices are available for our members and guests who are hearing impaired. If you need help hearing the worship service, please ask an usher for a hearing device. In order to not distract your fellow worshipers, please **turn off** cell phones and other electronic devices before the worship service begins. Thank you.

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Melita Harris by Bob and Miriam Tryon.

**SERVING THIS SUNDAY**

**Greeters**

**8:45** – Rick and Teri Reule  
**11:15** – Dennis and Margaret Kalentenback

**Ushers**

**8:45 a.m.** - Team Leader: Tom Brown; Ernie Brockman, Ken Hinson, Jim Hunter, Bob Johnson, Larry McKeegan, Jim Parrish, Hank Sieling, Tom Tatum  
**11:15 a.m.** – Team Leader: Sam Door; Buford Boyd, Ken Buchanan, Harold Robinson, Claude Rowe, Tim Rowe, Rob Walters.

**Liturgist**

**8:45** – Rev. Scott Adams

**Audio/Video Support**

Technical Ministries Team

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

*Stewardship is being loyal to your commitment through presence, prayers, service and gifts.*

**Gifts** (\*Figures for June 25, 2017. These figures are unverified.)

\*Budget Contributions for June 25. ....25,159.87  
 \*Budget Funds Contributed to Date.....907,651.52  
 \*Non-Budgeted Mission and Ministry Gifts to Date.....109,027.77

**Capital Campaign** (Figures for June 25, 2017)

\*Capital Campaign Contributions for June 25 .....2,402.80  
 \*Total Campaign Gifts Year to Date .....81,358.13

**Presence** (June 25, 2017)

8 am Spell Worship – 47 Word & Table Worship – 181; Sanctuary Worship – 629;  
 Sunday School – 533