

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

August 6, 2017

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

Holly Slice

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

Welcome to Worship

Greeting

*** Opening Hymn**

UM Hymnal No. 154

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name
(Verses 1, 2, 3)

Invitation to Communion

Prayer of Confession (pray in unison)

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria Patri, UM Hymnal, No. 70

Meineke

Pardon

Leader: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

All: Glory to God. Amen

The Offertory

*** Presentation of Tithes, Gifts & Offerings**

*** Doxology**

UM Hymnal, No. 95

The Scripture Lesson

Genesis 32:22-31

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The Magnificent Defeat

Rev. Jo Locklair

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

(Congregation, please follow along in your hymnal on page 13)

Breaking of the Bread and Taking of the Cup

The Giving

(The ushers will direct the congregation to the table as the organ plays softly.)

Prayer after Receiving

*** Hymn of Dedication**

Amazing Grace
(Verses 1, 2, 3)

UM Hymnal No. 378

*** Benediction**

*** Postlude**

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bethany Family:

MUSC: Debbie Clayton **SUMC:** Michele Shaw

Our Christian sympathies to Brad Davis and family at the death of his mother, Ruth Davis.

Assistance Needed with Hands of Christ School Supplies

The Local Missions committee will sort and box the Hands of Christ Back-to-School Supplies TODAY after Sunday school in the Friendship Circle classroom. Please come by and help with this worthy cause! The items will then be distributed to the requesting schools.

New Dates for Church Pictorial Directory

Come get your picture taken and receive a FREE 8x10. We need YOU to make our Church Directory complete! Mark your calendars for Aug. 15-19, Aug. 22-26 and new dates that have recently opened: Sept. 19-23, Oct. 17- 21 and Oct 24- 28 from 2-8:40 p.m. ONLINE Registration is NOW OPEN.

(<https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/9rj6dccc/>)

For those members who do not have computer access you will be able to register on Sunday morning, July 30 outside of the Fellowship Hall.

Bethany UMC Seeks Food Service Director

Bethany United Methodist Church is accepting resumes for our Food Service Director. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to: planning, organizing and preparing meals for our Wednesday night programming, Sunday morning breakfast and special events including VBS and our annual Tea Room, maintaining and operating kitchen in accordance with current DHEC regulations, ordering and purchasing of all food, products and supplies for kitchen, organizing and scheduling volunteers as needed, maintaining accurate financial records of expenditures and income. Interested individuals should send their resumes to the Communications office at communications@bethany-umc.com.

Autumn Tea Room and Gift Shop is Coming Soon!

Volunteers are needed to help transform Bethany UMC into a lovely Tea Room experience. Decorations are done. Your help is needed to complete the transformation on Sunday, Oct. 1. For more information please contact Kim Lucius klucius@sc.rr.com. Save the date! Bethany's Autumn Tea Room and Gift Shop dates are Oct. 2-7 and Oct. 9-14 from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

We Want YOUR Dessert Recipes!

Send in your favorite dessert recipe for a new "Best Tea Room Desserts" book. Send to communications@bethany-umc.com. Deadline is Sept.1.



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

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