

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 24, 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. 715

*Rejoice, the Lord is King*

### \* Psalter ~Psalm 105:1-6

O give thanks to the Lord, call on God's name,  
make known God's deeds among the peoples!

**Sing to the Lord, sing praises!**

**Tell of all God's wonderful works!**

Glory in God's holy name;

let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!

**Seek the Lord and his strength;**

**seek the Lord's presence continually!**

Remember the wonderful works God has done,  
the miracles and judgments God has uttered,

**O offspring of Abraham, God's servant,  
children of Jacob, God's chosen ones.**

### \* Gloria Patri, UM Hymnal, 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.*

### The Offertory

### Presentation of Tithes, Gifts & Offerings

### \* Doxology

UM Hymnal, No. 95

### The Scripture Lesson Luke 14:7-11

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### Sermon

*"Choose the Right Seat"*

Rev. Scott Adams

### \* Hymn of Dedication

UM Hymnal No. 395

*Take Time to Be Holy*

### \* Benediction

### \* Postlude

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Bethany Family:**

**Hospitals:** SMC Bethann Erwin

**Sympathies:** We would like to extend our Christian sympathies to Robert Brown and family on the passing of his mother, Judy Brown, in Evansville, IN on Sept. 3.

We would like to extend our Christian sympathies to Carol Cone on the passing of her husband, Harold E. Cone on Sept. 4.

We would like to extend our Christian sympathies to the family of James Crider on his passing on Sept. 14.

### **Join Us For Bethany NOW Fall Session**

The fall session of Bethany NOW has started and all are welcome to join in! Dinner begins at 5 p.m. with classes for everyone to follow at 6:15 p.m. To find more details and class descriptions, please look in the October edition of the Bethany Beacon or online at [www.bethany-umc.com](http://www.bethany-umc.com). Meals are \$7 for adults and \$4 for children, with a family maximum of \$20. The meal for this week is Roasted Chicken, Green Beans and Carrots and Wild Rice. The Sunday School support is Sam Woods.

### **Last Chance for Membership Directory Photographs**

Mark your calendars for Oct. 17-21 and Oct. 24-28.

ONLINE Registration is **NOW OPEN**.

(<https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/9rj6dcce/>)

For those members who do not have computer access, please call the church office and ask for Eileyn, Jack, Mandy or Mary Dove.

*Everyone receives a free 8x10. Don't forget to ask for your military discount, or senior discount!*

*If you've had your picture taken and have not received your complimentary 8x10, check in the Welcome Center. With questions about your photo order, please call 1-888-313-1746.*

### **Critter Casting Call**

Sheep, donkeys, horses, mules, or any livestock animal that would have been in the era of Jesus's birth are needed for this year's Living Christmas story. If you are willing to loan your critters for this very important outreach effort of Bethany, please contact Greg Soyka or call 843.709.5205.

### **Spring 2018 Emmaus Walks**

The Walk to Emmaus Men's Walk will be Mar. 8-11. The Ladies Walk will be Mar. 15-18. Applications are now being accepted. Contact Von at 843.696.6828 or Tom 843.697.4429 Thurman, DeeDee Rackleff 843.323.2292 or Wilhemina Hearne 843.729.9858 for more information.



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

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