

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bethany Family:

Hospitals: SUMC: Bettye Moody

Bethany's Autumn Tea Room Continues This Week!

Bethany's Autumn Tea Room and Gift Shop runs through Friday, Oct. 13. We have some important positions that need volunteers and there is still time to sign up and get involved! Keep the Bethany tradition of giving alive and take part in this worthy event. The Tea Room will be open, Monday through Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Please take a moment to sign up this morning! Sign-up boards are located in the serving area of the kitchen.

Oct. 11 Bethany NOW Dinner

On Oct. 12, during the Autumn Tea Room and Gift Shop, the NOW dinner will be a take-out meal. The cost will be \$6 and there will not be a family discount. Please place your order by calling the church office at 843.873.1230 by Monday at noon. It is VERY important to make reservations during this time, we will not be ordering extras.

UMW Spell Dennis Circle

The Spell Dennis Circle of Bethany United Methodist Women will meet at the home of Joan Naugle on Mon., Oct. 16 at 11 AM for our regular meeting and Pledge Service. We will lunch together at Crust Restaurant following the meeting. Please contact Joan at 843.875.2850 or joannaugle3@gmail.com to make lunch reservations and/or to get directions. Visitors are welcome.

United Methodist Men BBQ Fundraiser

The UMM are selling tickets during October for Pork BBQ to-go plates to be picked up on Sunday, Oct. 22 between 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. Tickets are available in adult Sunday classes or outside the kitchen on Sundays after worship services and Wednesday nights at Bethany NOW. Tickets are \$10 each for a plate, which includes BBQ pork, baked beans, coleslaw and a slice of bread. You can also buy by the pound for \$20.00.

Children's Sabbath

Worship with us on Oct. 29 at both the 8:45 and 11:15 a.m. worship services in the Sanctuary on this special Sunday. We are enlisting children to be a part of this day so that the congregation can see just how talented and special these little ones are. The children will be conducting every part of the service, from music to greeters, to readers of scripture. If your child would like to be a part of this special Sunday, please contact the Children's Ministry office at 843.873.1230, no later than Oct. 16.

Fall Festival

Please mark your calendars and be sure to attend the Children's Ministry Fall Festival on Oct. 29 from 4-6 p.m. in the parking lot. There will be Games, Face Painting, Inflatables, a Cake walk, Trunk or Treat and more! We are looking for groups to help make this an exciting event. Please consider sponsoring a Trunk or Treat spot or a game. For more information, contact Children's Ministries at smitchum@bethany-umc.com.

Living Christmas Story Set-up: Please HELP!

Last year during the Living Christmas Story a wind storm knocked over and damaged the City Gate set. We need help on Saturday, Oct. 14 to repair the two towers and rebuild the walls that reinforce the tower. Tools will be provided. We will start at 8 am and end no later than noon. Please contact Matt Bates at 803.767.8891 if you can help.

THIS WEEK...

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

Sunday, Oct. 8

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
4 PM Youth Choir
5 PM LCS Committee Mtg., Conf. Room

Monday, Oct. 9

Autumn Tea Room & Gift Shop
6 PM SPRC, Conf. Room
6:30 PM Singers of Summerville
7 PM Youth Council, 214
7:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous, Friendship Circle

Tuesday, Oct. 10

Autumn Tea Room & Gift Shop
8:30 AM \$5 Yoga Class
10 AM Quilters, Blue House
7 PM UMW Exe. Board, 237
7 PM Alpha Omega, 236
7 PM Narcotics Anonymous, Cottage

Wednesday, Oct. 11

Autumn Tea Room & Gift Shop
5 PM Bethany NOW Meal, Fellowship Hall
6 PM NOW Children's Programs
6:15 PM NOW Youth Programs
6:15 PM NOW Adult Classes

Thursday, Oct. 12

Autumn Tea Room & Gift Shop
8:30 AM \$5 Yoga Class
9:30 AM Covenant Bible Study, 118
6:30 PM Trustees, Conf. Room
7 PM Global Missions, 237

Friday, Oct. 13

Autumn Tea Room & Gift Shop
9 AM Bible Study, "Finding I Am", 239

Saturday, Oct. 14

No activities scheduled

Wi-fi 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 are hurting, in need of a hand to hold on to or talk thru an issue or problem we are a Stephen Ministry Church and have Stephen Ministers ready to be with you.

Contact Denis Tsukalas 843.871.0381, Annette Goins 843.761.1866 or Mary Kay Wrenn 843.323.2130.

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), 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**.

KidsCare Scarecrow

KidsCare at Bethany-UMC will again be erecting a Scarecrow display in Hutchinson Square the end of Oct. Please cast your vote. Please support them and cast your votes at Guerin's Pharmacy or Cuppa Manna Café.

Directory Photographs

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.

Volunteers Needed for

KidsCare

Volunteers are needed to help the KidsCare after school children with their homework. You have the opportunity to influence the future generation in a very positive way. If you can donate an hour per day of your, it would be greatly appreciated! Please call the church office if you can assist with this need.

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

BETHANY

United Methodist Church



Rev. Mitch Houston, Senior Pastor

Rev. Scott Adams, Minister of Congregational Care

Mr. Will Thompson, Pastor of Student Ministry

Dr. Valerie Bullock, Director of Music Ministries

Mr. Michael López, Organist

Rev. James Alewine, Pastor Emeritus

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

CALLED TO CARE

October 8, 2017
ORDER OF WORSHIP
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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 *Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr* P. Telemann
(All Glory Be To God on High)

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

Welcome and Parish Concerns

Time of Friendship

***Hymn in Procession, No. 64** *Nicaea*
Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

Collect

O Lord, you have taught us that without love whatever we do is worth nothing. Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts your greatest gift, which is love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue, without which whoever lives is accounted dead before you. Grant this for the sake of your only Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen*

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Commendation and Welcome

Pastor: Members of the household of faith, I commend to your love and care *this child*, whom we this day recognize as a member of the family of God. Will you endeavor so to live that *he* may grow in the knowledge and love of God, through our savior Jesus Christ?

People: **With God's help, we will so order our lives after the example of Christ, that *this child* surrounded by steadfast love, may be established in the faith, and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.**

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 *Gnossiennes No. 2* E. Satie
 Michael López, piano

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

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

Honoring Rev. James Alewine (insert)

***Hymn of Assurance, No. 555** St. Gertrude
Forward Through the Ages

(At the beginning of this hymn, children may leave for Children's Church ~ ages K5 thru 2nd grade ~ **in room 214 of the Youth Wing.** Please remember to attach a Children's Church sticker to your child and pick them up ASAP.)

The Gospel Lesson Matthew 5:33-37 NT Pg. 5
 Minister: The Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem
 (8:45) *Fairest Lord Jesus* arr. David Stocker
 Men's Ensemble
 (11:15) *How Firm a Foundation* arr. John Rutter
 Shelby Krallman, soloist
 Chancel Choir

Sermon "Getting Off a Knee" Rev. Mitch 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. 88** Diademata
Maker, in Whom We Live

***Blessing of the People**

***Postlude** *Festal Fanfare* J. Nixon

* For those who are able, please stand.

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 the Fellowship Hall, near the kitchen. If you would like more information about Bethany or becoming a member of our church, please contact Jack Sehart, Membership Director, at jsehart@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 today are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Cary Joseph Limehouse and Cary Joseph "Seph" Limehouse, II. The flower were from the wedding of Lawton I. "Trey" Limehouse, III and Brandy Jacobs who were married Friday, October 6 in our sanctuary.

SERVING THIS SUNDAY

Greeters

8:45 – Phil and Deb Richardson

11:15 – Sunny and Linda Grant

Ushers

8:45 am – Team Leader – Billy Hay; Laurence Clair, Wayne Courtney, Stuart Courtney, Jack Cross, Steve Davis, Jim McElheny, Jonathan Patterson

11:15 am – Team Leader - David Huffman; Marty Eubanks, Ed Hickey, Sandy Hickey, Tom Venezino

Acolyte and Cross Bearer

8:45 – Mary Ruth Horres and Grace Bower

Liturgist

8:45 – Mr. Jack Sehart

11:15 – Rev. Scott Adams

Audio/Video Support

Technical Ministries Team

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Eleanore "Ellie" Morgan McCarty* will receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism during the 8:45 am service. Ellie is the daughter of Kirk and Erica McCarty. Grandparents are Jon and Sharon Washburn of Fredonia, NY and Mike and Pam McCarty of Jackson, TN.

Adeline "Addie" Claire Swindle* will receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism during the 11:15 am service. Addie is the daughter of Robert and Lindsay Swindle. Grandparents are Lisa and Bill Smith of Edgefield, SC and Cheryl and Robert Swindle of Chuluota, FL.

**Please, refrain from flash photography during the Worship service.*

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

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

Gifts (*Figures for October 1, 2017. These figures are unverified.)

*Budget Contributions.....38,764.98

*Budget Funds Contributed to Date.....1,378,226.97

*Non-Budgeted Mission and Ministry Gifts to Date156,460.83

Capital Campaign (Figures for October 1, 2017)

*Capital Campaign Contributions 3,047.00

*Total Campaign Gifts Year to Date.....121,987.80

Presence (October 1, 2017)

8 am Worship – 48; Word & Table Worship – 198; Sanctuary Worship – 597,
 Ascend (Youth) – 119; Sunday School – 501