

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Bethany Family: Hospitals-** Trident: Jesse Absher  
*Our Christian sympathies to the family of Barbara Hamlen who died Nov. 15.*

### Please note: Revised Information

**On Nov. 29,** There is a meal being served! Friendship Circle is Hosting. The meal menu is a Loaded Baked Potato Soup & Salad. NOW Wednesday night classes and activities for children and youth will be held.

**Each Wednesday during Advent a worship service will be held at 6:15 p.m. in Spell Chapel.**

**On Dec. 6:** there is no meal and this is the LCS dress rehearsal night. A separate meal is being arranged for the cast. NOW Wednesday night classes and activities for children and youth will be held.

**Dec. 13:** dinner will be offered at 5 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall prior to worship. Christian Family & Sue Knight Sunday School classes are hosting. The meal menu is Chicken Marsala on a bed of roasted potatoes and salad with rolls. NOW Wednesday night classes and activities for children and youth will be held. This will be the last night of NOW classes until Jan. 10.

On Dec. 13, the Melody and Wesley choirs will have their Christmas party at Mrs. Robyn's house from 5-7:30 p.m.

Bethany NOW will resume on Jan. 10 with new children's and adult classes. Full information will be in the December Beacon.

### Living Christmas Story

It is just weeks away! The Living Christmas Story will be held Dec. 7 from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Dec 8-9 from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Volunteers are still needed for set-up, food, traffic, security, props and of course, casting and final clean up. Please prayerfully consider signing up in one or more areas.

**Casting** - Please continue to sign up on the casting board downstairs. Even if you have always been there in the past and think we know you are coming, it helps to have it filled out in advance. *\*Holy Families Needed\** We are in need of families with children under 1 year of age to be Mary, Joseph, and the Baby Jesus. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity for your little one. Please sign up down stairs or contact Jennifer Beebe if you are able to participate.

**Orientation** - For those that are new or just need a refresher on what to expect, we will be holding informal orientations Nov. 26, and Dec. 3. The orientations will be in room 119 from 9:50 - 11:10 a.m. Stop by before or after your church service or during Sunday School and we will let you know what to expect and answer any questions you have.

**Sets** - All hands are needed Dec. 2 & 3. Dec. 2 we will be working from 8 a.m.-12 p.m. to set up any sets that do not affect parking. Dec. 3 we will start immediately after the 11:15 service and will go until the sets are completed. At 5 p.m. we will have a soup dinner for all workers outside the Fellowship Hall.

**Security** - Starting next weekend we need to have someone on site during the off hours to make sure everything stays safe. If you can spare a couple hours in the wee morning, please sign up on the board downstairs.

**Traffic** - The police are on scene to help direct the traffic on the road, but we need volunteers to help get the cars in line. Please see the sign up board if you are able to help any of the three nights.

**Costumes** - Dressers are needed to help get the cast members ready to go on set. Please see the sign up board downstairs if you are able to help.

### New Member Class- Dec. 5

New Member Class is coming up on Dec. 5. "Bethany Basics" will be held from 6-7 p.m. If you are interested or know someone who may want to join Bethany UMC, please email [jsehr@bethany-umc.com](mailto:jsehr@bethany-umc.com).

## THIS WEEK...

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

### Sunday, Nov. 26

8 AM WORSHIP, Spell Chapel  
8:45 AM WORSHIP, Sanctuary  
8:45 AM WORD & TABLE, FH  
10 AM Sunday School  
10 AM LCS Orientation Training, Spell Chapel  
11:15 AM WORSHIP, Sanctuary  
5 PM LCS Committee Mtg., Conf. Room

### Monday, Nov. 27

6 PM Care Team, 237  
6:30 PM Singers of Summerville  
6:45 PM Local Missions, Conf. Room  
7:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous, Friendship Circle

### Tuesday, Nov. 28

8:30 AM \$5 Yoga Class  
10 AM Quilters, Blue House  
5:30 PM Boy Scouts Troop 787  
7 PM Alpha Omega, 236  
7 PM Narcotics Anonymous, Cottage

### Wednesday, Nov. 29

5 PM BNOW Dinner  
6 PM BNOW Kid's Classes and Activities

### Thursday, Nov. 30

8:30 AM \$5 Yoga Class

### Friday, Dec. 1

11 am Happy Hearts' Game Day

### Saturday, Dec. 2

*No Activities Scheduled*

### 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](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**.

### Charge Conference- Date Change!

The annual Charge Conference will be held on Monday, Dec. 4 at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Everyone is invited to attend.

### Free Concert

Palmetto Bronze, an auditioned Community Handbell Ensemble, presents "Tis the Season," a free holiday concert at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 3 at Bethel United Methodist Church in historic downtown Charleston at 57 Pitt Street.

### Ecuador 2018 Mission Trip

Mark your calendar for Dec 10 from 10-11 a.m. Come and learn more about the 2018 Mission Trip to Ecuador. This is a yearly trip that helps provide Vacation Bible School, care & comfort, and help with the construction of a school that will provide a Christian education to a remote town. Are you being called? Come learn more.

### Last Chance: Make up Day for Pictures!

If you missed having your membership photo taken for the church directory schedule your photo now for: **Thursday, Dec. 21. Noon to 7pm.** Register through your Bethany Links email or call the church office.

November 26, 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**

November 26, 2017  
**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
*Christ the King Sunday*

**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** *Ubi Caritas* arr. C. Tambling

*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. 154** *Coronation*  
*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

**Prayer for Christ the King**

Almighty and eternal God you make all things new in Christ your Son, the King of heaven and earth. Grant that all creation set free from the slavery of sin, may always pay homage and praise to the King of Kings. We join this day in offering your eternal praise through Jesus. Amen

**The First Lesson** Ephesians 1:15-20 NT Pg. 192

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Call to Prayer**

Minister: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Minister: Let us pray.

**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** *Nocturne* Frédéric Chopin

**Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

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

**\*Hymn of Assurance, No. 173** *Ratisbon*

*Christ, Whose Glory Fill the Skies*

(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** John 3:14-17 NT Pg. 94

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem**

(8:45) *Adoramus te, Christe* by Giovanni da Palestrina  
 Chambers Singers

(11:15) *Rejoice, the Lord is King!* arr. Larry Shackley  
 Chancel Choir, Kelsey McIntyre, trumpet

**Sermon** **King of Heaven and Earth** 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. 73** *Lyons*  
*O Worship the King*

**\*Blessing of the People**

**\* Postlude** *Pedal Exercitum* C.P.E. Bach

\* For those who are able, please stand.

**Adoramus te, Christe** Giovanni da Palestrina

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| <i>Adoramus te, Christe,<br/>             et benedicimus tibi,<br/>             quia per sanctam crucem tuam<br/>             redemisti mundum.<br/>             Qui passus es pro nobis,<br/>             Domine, Domine, miserere nobis.</i> | We adore Thee, O Christ,<br>and we bless Thee,<br>who by Thy Holy Cross<br>hast redeemed the world.<br>He who suffered death for us,<br>O Lord, Lord, have mercy on us. |
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**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 jsehrt@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 in honor of the Living Christmas Story by Kevin and Brenda Byrd.

**SERVING THIS SUNDAY**

**Greeters**

**8:45** – Phil and Deb Richardson

**11:15** – Ben and Denise Brown

**Ushers**

**8:45** – Team Leader – Narvie Bilbray, Jr.; Jim Barrier, Dennis Bradshaw, Jody Dillard, David Kresge, Kevin Slack, Fenn Stallsmith, James Vinson

**11:15** – Team Leader – Kerry Farmer; Bill Eiser, Hal Hess, Al Jackson, Barbara Jackson, Gillis McAllister, Mark Phillips, Jason Whitehead

**Liturgist**

**8:45** – Rev. Dave Mills

**11:15** – Mr. Will Thompson

**Audio/Video Support**

Technical Ministries Team

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

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

**Gifts** (\*Figures for November 19, 2017. These figures are unverified.)

\*Budget Contributions.....32,424.89

\*Budget Funds Contributed to Date.....1,640,284.76

\*Non-Budgeted Mission and Ministry Gifts to Date .....174,878.83

**Capital Campaign** (Figures for November 19, 2017)

\*Capital Campaign Contributions ..... 1,823.00

\*Total Campaign Gifts Year to Date.....159,337.64

**Presence** (November 19, 2017)

8 am Worship – 33; Word & Table Worship –304; Sanctuary Worship – 606;

Ascend (Youth) – 80; Sunday School – 490