

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Bethany Family:

**Hospitals:** Trident- Barbara Butler Roper Downtown- Jean Alexander

### SOUPer Bowl Sunday is Today

This morning Bethany's 5th Grade Sunday School class will be collecting money for the Gregg Middle School Food Pantry. Children will be collecting at the 8:45 Traditional and Word and Table services as well as the 11:15 service. Look for our Souper Bowl of Caring Soup Pots! The GMS food pantry feeds families in our community and is now partnering with both Ashley Ridge High School and Summerville High School to meet the needs of kids in our community. Your donations make it possible to distribute food to those in need on a weekly basis.

### Asbury Hills

A representative from Asbury Hills United Methodist Camp will be here on today. They will have information about this summer's programs and be available to answer questions. A display will be set up at the top of the staircase near the elevator the entire morning. During Sunday School, the reps will do a program for our elementary kids to talk to them about camp, play some camp games, sing songs and have a fun hour. Parents are welcome to join us in room 214 during the hour if they would like more information on Asbury Hills.

### Global Impact Celebration Pledge 2018

If you filled out a GIC pledge card for contributing funds above and beyond your tithing, you can submit your contributions starting NOW! You may write "GIC" in the memo subject line & make your contribution weekly, monthly or in one amount.

### Bethany NOW

Join us on Wednesday nights for activities and classes for everyone.

NOW begins with a meal in the Fellowship Hall at 5 P.M. The meal for this week is Chili with corn bread, Southwest corn and Salad bar. The Sunday School class that is hosting is Daily Bread/Providence. *Meals are \$7 for Adults, \$5 for Seniors & \$4 for Children, with a family maximum of \$20 (2 parents and children under 12 that live in the same household).*

### UMW New Hope Circle-Location Change

The United Methodist Women's New Hope Circle will meet on Tues., Feb. 20 at 7 p.m. at the home of Martha Minson, 105 Hutchinson Lane (*please note location change from previous announcements.*) The program, entitled "Learning for a Lifetime: Developing Leaders", will focus on women leaders who have influenced us, as well as our responsibility to equip and mentor other women and girls for leadership. All women are welcome. Contact Donna Waite at 843.879.3395 or donnabwaite@aol.com for more info.

### Global Impact Celebration (GIC)

Missional impacts are important to Bethany. Plans are in the works for our next GIC Celebration. We are looking for more folks to help us and join the committee. If you have a passion for programs/projects & mission work, we need you! The next GIC meeting will be Monday, Feb. 12 in Room 125 at 6:30 p.m. This is the beginning meeting for the next event, and Dr. Duane Brown will join us to help us strategize for future continued successes. Questions? Contact GIC Committee Chair, David Powel at dp4teamh1@aol.com.

### Adult Sunday School Help

The Sue Knight Sunday School class is looking for someone to lead lessons for them on a quarterly basis. They use the Cokesbury Adult literature which includes quarterly studies of biblical topics and books of the Bible. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Emily Vick at evick@bethany-umc.com.

## THIS WEEK...

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

### Sunday, Feb. 4

8 AM WORSHIP, Spell Chapel  
8:45 AM WORSHIP, Sanctuary  
8:45 AM WORD & TABLE, FH  
9:50 AM New Member Class, 215  
10 AM Sunday School  
10 AM Asbury Hills Meeting, 214  
11:15 AM WORSHIP, Sanctuary  
5 PM Ascend Youth

### Monday, Feb. 5

6:30 PM Singers of Summerville,  
Music Room  
7 PM Lieber Kairos Team  
Meeting, 127  
7:30 PM AA, Open Discussion, FC

### Tuesday, Feb. 6

8:30 AM \$5 Yoga class, Gym  
10 AM Quilters, Blue House  
5:30 PM Boy Scouts Troop 787  
6 PM Girl Scouts 197  
7 PM Alpha Omega, 236  
7 PM Narcotics Anonymous,  
Cottage

### Wednesday, Feb. 7

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, Feb. 8

8:30 AM \$5 Yoga class, GYM  
9:30 AM Covenant Bible Study, 118  
6:30 PM Trustees, Conf. Room  
7 PM Global Missions, 237

### Friday, Feb. 9

9 AM Ladies Bible Study, 239  
11:30 AM Happy Hearts' Game Day,  
118

### Saturday, Feb. 10

*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.

### Wi-Fi Access

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

### 2018 Offering Envelopes

Offering envelopes are ready for pick up in the hallway near the Welcome Center. Please help us be a good steward of our finances by picking your envelopes up today.

### 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 Volunteers Needed

KidsCare is in search of dedicated men and women who are willing to volunteer a few hours a week after school Mon.-Thurs to assist with homework. Please contact KidsCare at 843.460.4837 if you can help with this ministry.

### Altar Flowers Needed

Altar flowers are a wonderful way to honor or remember a loved one. Flowers are needed for 2018. Please contact Donna Crowe at dcrowe@bethany-umc.com or 843.873.1230 ext.14 to reserve a date.

### Christmas Trees Needed

Have an old Christmas tree you don't want? We will take them! Children's Ministries needs Christmas Trees for VBS this year. Our theme is Rolling River Rampage and we will be decorating the church to look like the woods. Contact us at evick@bethany-umc.com and let us know. We will even come pick it up.

February 4, 2018  
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**

**Rev. James Alewine, Pastor Emeritus**

**Ms. Rachel Carter, Director of Student Ministries**

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

**Mr. Michael López, Organist**

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

**CALLED TO CARE**

February 4, 2018  
**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
*Camp Meeting*

**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**

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

*Holy, Holy, Holy!* arr. C Tambling

**Welcome and Parish Concerns**

**Scripture Call to Worship**

\* **Opening Hymn** Hymn #77  
*How Great Thou Art*

O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed.

*Refrain:* Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee; how great thou art, how great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee; how great thou art, how great thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander, and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur and hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze;  
*Refrain*

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in; that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, he bled and died to take away my sin; *Refrain*

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart. Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim, my God, how great thou art! *Refrain*

**Reception of New Members**

**Morning Prayer and The Lord's Prayer**

**Offertory** *I Couldn't Hear Nobody Pray* arr. Harry T. Burleigh  
 Matthew Pedelty

\* **Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

\* **Doxology, No. 95** Old 100<sup>th</sup>

**(8:45 only** - At the beginning of the Hymn of Assurance, children may leave for Children's Church ~ ages K5 thru 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.)

\* **Hymn of Assurance** UM Hymn #618  
*Let Us Break Bread Together*

Let us break bread together on our knees, (on our knees) let us break bread together on our knees. (on our knees) When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees, (on our knees) let us drink wine together on our knees. (on our knees) When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us praise God together on our knees, (on our knees) let us praise God together on our knees. (on our knees) When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

\* **The Scripture Lesson** Isaiah 58:3, 5-9, Matthew 7:7-12  
 Minister: The Word of God for the people of God.  
**People: Thanks be to God.**

\* **Congregational Response** Hymn #601  
*Thy Word Is a Lamp*

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.  
 When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way, still you're there right beside me, and nothing will I fear as long as you are near. Please be near me to the end.

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

**Anthem** arr. Andre J. Thomas  
*My Good Lord's Done Been Here*  
 Shelby Krallman, soloist

**Sermon** "Practice Faith" Rev. Mitch Houston

**Sacrament of Holy Communion**

\* **Hymn of Dedication** Hymn #365  
*Grace Greater than Our Sin*

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord, grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt! Yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured, there where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.

*Refrain:* Grace, grace, God's grace, grace that will pardon and cleanse within; grace, grace, God's grace, grace that is greater than all our sin!

Sin and despair, like the sea waves cold, threaten the soul with infinite loss; grace that is greater, yes, grace untold, points to the refuge, the mighty cross. *Refrain*

Dark is the stain that we cannot hide. What can avail to wash it away? Look! There is flowing a crimson tide, brighter than snow you may be today. *Refrain*

Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace, freely bestowed on all who believe! You that are longing to see his face, will you this moment his grace receive? *Refrain*

\* **Blessing of the People**

\* **Postlude** *Victory in Jesus* arr. M. Arison

\* 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 Sehrt, Membership Director, at jsehrt@bethany-umc.com or 873-1230, ext.30.*

**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 pagers before the worship service begins. Thank you.

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Bob Lesch, John Lemen, John Stoioff, Shirley Dent, Sharon Kruger, Jane Nichols and Roberta Weshey by Jean, Jack, Clair, Betsy, Deloris, Dave and Sandy.

**SERVING THIS SUNDAY**

**Greeters**

**8:45** – Mike and Linda Field  
**11:15** – Rob and Kerry Walters

**Ushers**

**8:45** - Team Leader: Jeremy Dunlap; Jason Baucom, Steve Chellis, Greg Horres, Frank Monterisi, Justin Murrie, Cory Rogers, Michael Wood  
**11:15** – Team Leader: Mike Field; Kevin Dubis, Linda Field, Bob Fusarini, Bill Jones, Chip Rogers, Toni Skidmore

**Communion Servers**

**8:45** – Robert & MaryKay Wrenn  
**11:15** – Dave & Sandy Mills

**Liturgist**

**8:45** – Mr. David Powell  
**11:15** – Mr. David Powell

**Audio/Video Support**

Technical Ministries Team

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

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

**Gifts** (\*Figures for January 28, 2018. These figures are unverified.)

\*Budget Contributions .....26,221.50  
 \*Budget Funds Contributed to Date .....112,521.13  
 \*Non-Budgeted Mission and Ministry Gifts to Date .....17,474.00

**Capital Campaign** (Figures for January 28, 2018)

\*Capital Campaign Contributions ..... 2,587.50  
 \*Total Campaign Gifts Year to Date.....12,055.51

**Presence** (January 28, 2018)

8 am Worship –60; Word & Table Worship – 237; Sanctuary Worship – 673  
 UMYF Revelation -37; Sunday School –598