

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Fifth Sunday in Lent
March 18, 2018

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.

Greeting

* **Opening Hymn** *Lift High the Cross* UN Hymnal No. 159

* **Psalter ~ Psalm 51:1-9**

Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;

**According to your abundant mercy
blot out my transgressions.**

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin!

**For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.**

Against you, you only, have I sinned,
and done that which is evil in your sight,

so that you are justified in your sentence
and blameless in your judgment.

**Behold, I was born into iniquity,
and I have been sinful since my mother conceived me.**

Behold, you desire truth in the inward being;
therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.

**Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow;**

Make me hear with joy and gladness;
Let the bones which you have broken rejoice.

**Hide you face from my sins,
And blot out all my iniquities.**

* **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 2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:2

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Bob Lee

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* **Hymn of Dedication** UM Hymnal No. 172

My Jesus, I Love Thee

* **Benediction**

* **Postlude**

**Please stand*

The Altar Flowers today are given to the Glory of God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bethany Family: *Sympathies: Our Christian sympathies to Nita Ackerman on the death of her daughter, Linda.*

Our Christian sympathies to Louise Beckmann on the death of her husband, Cecil Beckmann, who died on March 10.

2017 Guest Lenten Ministers

Service will be in Spell Chapel and will begin at 6:15 PM

March 21 – Rev. Robert Harper – Knightsville UMC, Summerville, SC

Bethany NOW

Join us on Wednesday nights for dinner and continued classes and activities for the children. We encourage the adults to attend the Lenten Services at 6:15 p.m. in Spell Chapel. NOW begins with a meal in the Fellowship Hall at 5 P.M. The meal for this week is Chicken Parmesan, Garlic Toast, and Caesar Salad. The Sunday School class that is hosting is Charles Peace/Friends in Faith. *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).*

Holy Week Worship Times

Bethany offers many special worship services during the Lenten season and Holy Week. It is a time of reflection and a reminder of God's grace and love for us all.

Maundy Thursday- Sanctuary 7 p.m.

Good Friday- Youth lead worship service in Spell Chapel at 7 p.m.

Easter Sunday

- 6:45 AM Sunrise Service at Azalea Park* – please bring your lawn chair
*(in case of rain we will move to Spell Chapel)
- 8 AM Worship in Spell Chapel
- 8:45 AM and 11:15 AM Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary**
- 8:45 AM and 11:15 AM Word and Table Contemporary Services in the Fellowship Hall**

** A Nursery will be provided

Global Missions Spaghetti Dinner

Please support the Global Missions Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser on Thursday, Apr. 5 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. All donations will help defray the costs on the 2018 Ecuador trip.



Bethany United Methodist Church

Spell Chapel ~ 8 o'clock a.m.

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