

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Second Sunday of Easter

April 8, 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, pianist

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. 304

Easter People, Raise Your Voices

* Psalter ~ Psalm 133

Behold, how good and pleasant it is
when we live together in unity!

It is like the precious oil upon the head,

running down upon the beard,

upon the beard of Aaron,

running down on the collar of his robes!

It is like the dew of Hermon

which falls on the mountains of Zion!

For there the Lord has commanded the blessing,

life for evermore.

* 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

John 20:19-31

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

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Sermon

BECAUSE HE LIVES

Rev. Bob Lee

* Hymn of Dedication

UM Hymnal, No. 364

Because He Lives

* Benediction

* Postlude

**Please stand*

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bethany NOW Spring Schedule

Wednesday night activities resume on April 11. NOW begins with a meal in the Fellowship Hall at 5 P.M. The meal for this week is breakfast for dinner! The Sunday School class that is hosting is Connection/Lift.

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).

Happy Hearts' Game Day

Bethany Happy Hearts' Games Day will meet Friday, April 13 in Room 118 at 11:30 a.m. Bring a lunch and beverage, so we can eat together before we begin playing games. We play several different games "Hand and Foot", RummyCube", "Mexican Train", "Pegs and Jokers", "Skip-Bo", and we have other games available, but if you have a special game you would like to play, bring it with you. Don't worry if you don't know how to play these games, someone will teach you. The object is to have fun. Everyone that enjoys playing card or board games is welcome to join us. If you have questions, please call Bob or Bethann Erwin at 843.291.2892/843.291.1666. Come join the fun.

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 Mary Kay Wrenn 843.821.3123, Denis Tsukalas 843.871.0381 or Carmie Wagaman 843.414.7026.

Grief Support Group

You are invited to attend Bethany's Bereavement Support Group, "Beyond the Broken Heart", starting this Wednesday from 6:15-7:15 p.m. in Room 240. You can contact Susan Keifer with any questions 843.830.6314.

Bethany Annual Golf Tournament

The Annual Bethany Golf Tournament will be held on April 28 at Miler Country Club of Summerville. All members of Bethany and their friends are invited to participate in a day of golf, good food and fellowship. There is a shotgun start at 8 AM and the format is Captain's Choice. The price is \$50 for Miler members and \$55 for non-members. The price includes golf, lunch and prizes! To make reservations, please call 843.873.1230.

Upcycling/Plarning Needs

For April, we are collecting *blue, yellow, and white* plastic shopping bags. Please drop off your clean and empty bags to the Welcome Center.



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

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