

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bethany NOW Spring Schedule

Wednesday night activities begins with a meal in the Fellowship Hall at 5 P.M. The meal for this week is Lemon Pepper Chicken served on a bed of vegetables and pasta. The Sunday School class that is hosting is Friendship Circle.

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).

Vision for the Kingdom

Bishop Mushtaq from the Vision for the Kingdom in Pakistan will be here today to talk about the work he is doing there. Bishop Mushtaq will be in the Fellowship Hall at 10 a.m., during the Sunday School hour. Please join him for an informative talk about how our support is growing God's kingdom.

Epworth is our Ministry

Did you know that in the last year Epworth Children's Home gave 184 children a safe and loving place to call home? Each of these children had this opportunity because people and church's like us embrace and provide for this wonderful ministry for the children and families in South Carolina. We will participate in the annual Mother's Day Offering on Sunday, May 13, to benefit the children who call Epworth home. Please be in prayerful consideration of what God is calling you to give to this valuable and life changing ministry. For more information about Epworth Children's Home, you can visit them online at www.epworthchildrenshome.org.

Sign-up TODAY! 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 by **April 23 at NOON!**

Happy Hearts' Luncheon

Bethany Happy Hearts' Luncheon will be on Friday, April 27 at 12 P.M. in the Fellowship Hall. Our guests will be The Zoo Keepers, a 7-piece musical/vocal band. You can expect melodies of bluegrass, country, gospel, and don't be surprised if they throw in a few silly songs too. The menu will be: Ham, sweet potatoes, green beans, fruit salad, pecan pie, rolls/butter, iced tea with lemon, & water. Bethany Happy Hearts' Luncheon is open to any adult regardless of age that would like to attend, but reservations are required. To make reservations, please call Linda Field 843.832.9925 or email her at fieldmw@hotmail.com by Tuesday, April 24.

Family Support Group

Do you have a loved one with an addiction? Do you want to find other people going through similar situations? Bethany UMC is starting a Family Support Group to reach out to those people that are looking for hope, understanding and support. We will begin our weekly meetings on Thursday, May 3 at 6:30 p.m. in room 240. For more information, contact Greg Hallinan 843.323.2592 or ghallinan@sc.rr.com.

Sunday School and Bible Study Teacher

We are in need of some adult help in various areas of the student ministry! We are looking for adults to go on the teaching rotation in the high school Sunday school class. Also, we are looking for some ladies to co-lead a Middle School Girls Bible study this summer! If you are interested or want more information, talk to Rachel Carter in the church office! Thank you!

THIS WEEK...

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

Sunday, April 22

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
3 PM Confirmation
5 PM Ascend Youth

Monday, April 23

7 PM Local Missions Committee,
Conf. Room
7:30 PM AA, Open Discussion, FC

Tuesday, April 24

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, April 25

5 PM Bethany NOW Meal,
Fellowship Hall
6 PM NOW Children's Programs
6:15 PM NOW Youth Programs
6:15 PM Beyond the Broken Heart
Bereavement Group, 240

Thursday, April 26

8:30 AM \$5 Yoga class, GYM
9:30 AM Covenant Bible Study, 118

Friday, April 27

9 AM Ladies Bible Study, 239
12 PM Happy Hearts' Luncheon

Saturday, April 28

8 AM Bethany Golf Tournament,
Miler Country Club

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.

Recording/Videotaping

Worship services are recorded/videotaped and made available for viewing on our web site. As a worshiper, you will not be identified in the video 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**.

Wifi Access

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

Graduation Sunday

If you have a 2018 high school graduate, please email rcarter@bethany-umc.com with student name, high school, college attending, and parent contact information.

Summer Sports Camp

Go online to bethanygym.siplay.com and check out our Summer Sports Camps! You can register today!

Coach Kurt's Basketball Camp (ages 6-13) June 4-8: Co-Ed
Coach Leonard's Volleyball Camp (grades 4th-9th) June 18-22
Coach Elliot's Basketball Camp (ages 6-13) July 9-13: Co-Ed

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.

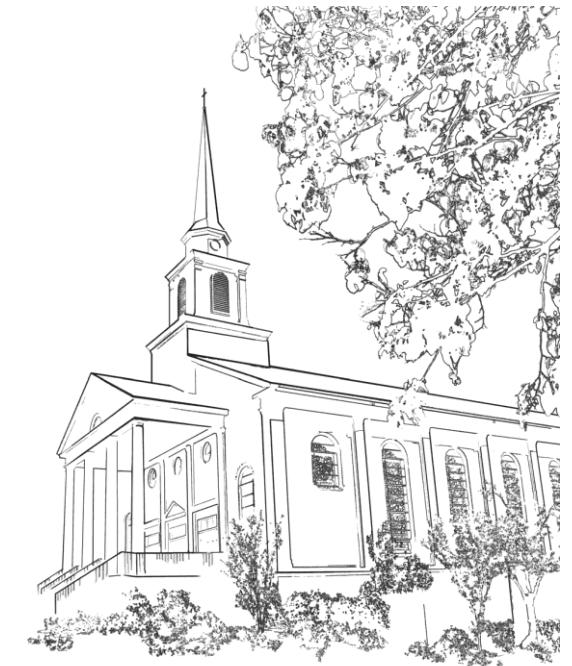
Treasure Island

The Melody and Wesley Children's Choirs will present a Musical, Treasure Island, in the Sanctuary on Sunday May 6 at the 11:15 am service.

April 22, 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
Mrs. Emily Vick, Director of Children's Ministries
Mrs. Stephanie Mitchum, Children's Program Director
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

April 22, 2018
ORDER OF WORSHIP
Fourth Sunday of Easter

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 *Prelude in A Minor* J. S. Bach
 Michael López, organ

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. 715** Darwall's 148th
Rejoice, the Lord Is King

* **Collect** (to be prayed in unison)
 O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people; Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

The First Lesson Psalm 34:2-10 OT Pg. 508
 Leader: The word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

Call to Prayer

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.

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

(8:45) *Time Will Tell* from **Treasure Island** C. Clydesdale
 Wesley and Melody Choirs

(11:15) *Pastorale, Sonata Op.166* Camille Saint-Saëns
 Zac Hammond, oboe

* **Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

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

* **Hymn of Assurance, No. 422** Azmon
Jesus, Thine All-Victorious Love

(8:45 only- At the beginning of this hymn, children may leave for Children's Church- ages K5 thru 2nd grade. Meet the volunteer at the lectern side doors. Children's Church is held 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 Second Lesson Luke 15:4-24 NT Pg. 78

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

(8:45) *Blessed Is the One* from **Treasure Island** C. Clydesdale
 Wesley Choir; Olivia Field, Caroline Wheeler,
 Haylee Shoemake, and Jonah Wilmarth, soloists

(11:15) *The Lord Is My Shepherd* from **Requiem** John Rutter
 Chancel Choir; Zac Hammond, oboe

Sermon Finder of Lost Loves Rev. Scott Adams

***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. 384** *Beecher*
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

* **Blessing of the People**

* **Postlude** Acclamation! C. Tambling
 Michael López, organ

* For those who are able, please stand.



The Parable of the Lost Sheep

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 Sehr, Membership Director, at jsehrt@bethany-umc.com or 843-873-1230, 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 Dona Belle Myers Brandenburg and Hazel and Joe Melia by Annette and Joe Meachum.

SERVING THIS SUNDAY

Greeters

8:45 – Gillis and Martha McAllister

11:15 – Sandy Hyduk

Ushers

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

11:15 – Team Leader: David Huffman; Marty Eubanks, Tom Venezino

Liturgist

8:45 – Rev. Dave Mills

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 April 15, 2018. These figures are unverified.)

*Budget Contributions.....29,991.28

*Budget Funds Contributed to Date.....514,914.96

*Non-Budgeted Mission and Ministry Gifts to Date.....81,383.64

Capital Campaign (Figures for April 15, 2018)

*Capital Campaign Contributions 1,965.00

*Total Campaign Gifts Year to Date 48,434.58

Presence (April 15, 2018)

8 am Spell Worship – 48; Word & Table Worship – 284; Sanctuary Worship – 660;
 Ascend (Youth) 61; Sunday School – 486