

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Fifth Sunday of Easter
April 29, 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

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

Holly Slice, pianist

Welcome to Worship

Greeting

* Opening Hymn

UM Hymnal No. 89

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

* Psalter ~ Psalm 22:25-31

From you comes my praise in the great congregation;
my vows I will pay before those who worship the Lord.

The poor shall eat and be satisfied;
those who seek the Lord shall praise the Lord!
May your hearts live for ever!

All the ends of the earth shall remember
and turn to the Lord;

and all the families of the nations
shall worship before the Lord.

For dominion belongs to the Lord
who rules over the nations.

All who sleep in the earth
shall bow down to the Lord.

All who go down to the dust shall bow before the Lord,
and I shall live for God.

Posterity shall serve the Lord;
each generation shall tell of the Lord,
and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn.
Surely the Lord has done it.

* 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

Yes, My Jesus Loves Me
The Quartet

Mary McDonald

Presentation of Tithes, Gifts & Offerings

* Doxology

UM Hymnal, No. 95

The Scripture Lesson

Colossians 1:9-14

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Saints in the Light"

Rev. Scott Adams

* Hymn of Dedication

UM Hymnal, No. 529

How Firm a Foundation

* Benediction

* Postlude

**Please stand*

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

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 BBQ, Baked Beans, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw and Salad Bar. The Sunday School class that is hosting is Searchers.

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).

Transform a Child's Future

Each year, Epworth Children's Home provides care to children in our own communities who have experienced abuse, neglect, and loss. Epworth's care breaks the destructive cycle and encourages children to aim higher in life. The physical, emotional, academic, and spiritual care they receive transforms lives. On Sunday, May 13, our congregation will support Epworth by collecting the Annual Epworth Mother's Day Offering. We invite you to give generously to the children who call Epworth home. Epworth does not receive apportionments from the United Methodist Conference. This offering is our opportunity to support this vital ministry. For more information, please visit Epworth online at www.epworthchildrenshome.org.

Memorial Day "Poppy Sunday"

The Friendship Circle Sunday School Class will honor our Veterans on Memorial Day Sunday, May 27, with baskets of Poppies. Proceeds will benefit the Fisher House Charleston. Fisher House Charleston is a home away from home for loved ones whose families are receiving care. The contributions of Poppy Day will supply food, laundry, cleaning & toiletry necessities, paper goods and taxi rides to the VA Medical Center for those families who do not have transportation. Checks may be written as such and ALL donations are tax deductible. We are providing this opportunity under the auspices of American Legion Post #166. Thank you all for your continued support in this worthy project.

Thank you!

Joe and June Wilson, David Powell, Pastor Mushtaq, Jerry and Sharon Miner wish to convey their heartfelt and sincere thanks to all who graciously attended Pastor Mushtaq's presentation last Sunday during the Sunday School hour. Thank you so much for your support of the team who is truly in the Lord's work in transforming people into true Disciples of Christ in South Asia.

National Day of Prayer

The Spell Chapel will be open from 7:30 AM-6 PM on Thursday, May 3 for National Day of Prayer.



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

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