

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Ascension Sunday/Mother's Day
May 13, 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. 92

For the Beauty of the Earth

*** Psalter ~ Psalm 1**

Blessed are those

who do not walk in the counsel of the wicked;

or stand in the way of sinners,

or sit in the seat of scoffers;

but their delight is in the law of the Lord,

and on God's law they meditate day and night.

They are like trees

planted by streams of water

that yield their fruit in season,

and their leaves do not wither.

In all that they do, they prosper.

The wicked are not so,

but are like chaff which the wind drives away.

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment;

nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

for the Lord knows the way of the righteous,

but the way of the wicked will perish.

*** 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

Acts 1:1-8

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

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Sermon

Rev. Scott Adams

"Waiting on the Edge of a Miracle"

*** Hymn of Dedication**

UM Hymnal, No. 580

Lead On, O King Eternal

*** Benediction**

*** Postlude**

**Please stand*

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



Bethany Family: (as of May 9)

Hospitals: MUSC- Don Hudson

Roper- Ed Chinnis

Epworth Mother's Day Offering

Today our church will receive the Annual Epworth Mother's Day Offering to provide loving care for the children at Epworth Children's Home. Please find information about Epworth and the Mother's Day Offering on the bulletin insert. Epworth does not receive apportionments from the United Methodist Conference. This offering is our opportunity to support this vital ministry. Give generously by using the envelope provided for you in the bulletin. For more information about Epworth Children's Home, visit them online at www.epworthchildrenshome.org where you can also choose to make a secure credit card donation or enroll for monthly contributions.

Technical Ministries Work Day

Technical Ministries is having a workday at the church on Saturday, May 19 from 8:30 A.M.- 3 PM. No experience necessary! We will be pulling wire and other "Non-Technical" things that doesn't require experience. If you have any questions, please contact Danny Trump at techsupport@bethany-umc.com.

Happy Hearts' Luncheon

The next luncheon meeting of Bethany Happy Hearts will be on Friday, May 25 at 12 P.M. in the Fellowship Hall. Our guest will be Ralph "Stoney" Bates, Sr. Major (Ret.) Bates served in Vietnam as a lieutenant, as a small unit infantry leader, and as the commander of a criminal investigations detachment. The menu will pork chops, cheesy potato casserole, stewed tomatoes and okra, peach cobbler, rolls/butter, iced tea with lemon, coffee & 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 Sunday May 20

Memorial Day "Poppies"

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. 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 for your support.

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.



***Bethany United Methodist Church
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