

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
July 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

Holly Slice, pianist

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

*He is Lord, he is Lord!
He is risen from the dead and he is Lord!
Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord.*

Greeting

*** Opening Hymn**

UM Hymnal, No. 384

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

*** Psalter ~ Psalm 14**

Fools say in their hearts, "There is no God."

**They are corrupt, they do abominable deeds,
there is none that does good.**

The Lord looks down from heaven on all people,
to see if there are any that are wise, who seek after God.

**They have all gone astray, they are all alike perverse;
there is none that does good, no, not one.**

Have they no knowledge, the evildoers
who eat up my people as they eat bread,
and do not call upon the Lord?

**There they shall be in great terror,
for God is with the generation of the righteous.**

You would confound the plans of the poor,
but the Lord is their refuge.

**O that deliverance for Israel would come from Zion!
When the Lord restores their fortunes,
Jacob shall rejoice and Israel shall be glad!**

*** 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

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

The Scripture Lesson

Genesis 15:1-12, 17, 18

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

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Sermon

"HOLD TIGHT"

Rev. Bob Lee

Hymn of Dedication

UM Hymnal, No. 369

Blessed Assurance

*** Benediction**

*** Postlude**

* Please stand

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Assistance Needed with Hands of Christ School Supplies

Today is the last day to donate supplies for the Hand of Christ School Supply drive. Monetary donations are greatly appreciated!! The Local Missions committee will sort and box the Hands of Christ Back-to-School Supplies **Sunday, Aug. 5** after Sunday school in the Friendship Circle classroom. Please come by and help with this worthy cause! The items will then be distributed to the requesting schools.

Children's Sunday School Teachers Needed

Children's Ministry is looking for Sunday school teachers for the Fall. Promotion Sunday is August 19. We are in need of teachers for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th grades. Each grade has a team of teachers, so it is not a weekly commitment. Children's Ministry staff provides all of the curriculum and supplies needed. If you would like more information, please email Stephanie Mitchum at smitchum@bethany-umc.com.

Family Choir—Camp Meeting Style!

Join us for Family Choir August 5, 12 & 19th during the 11:15 a.m. service. Just come as you are and sit in the Chancel Choir chairs. You can help us lead the hymns during our Camp Meetings! All ages invited!

Chancel Choir Fall Kick-Off

Join the Bethany UMC Chancel Choir as we begin the fall with our Kick-Off on Saturday, Aug. 25 from 9 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Backpack Blessings

Bring your backpacks to church on Sunday, August 19 and receive a special blessing before school starts for DD2 on August 20! Backpacks will be blessed in all services. This date is also Promotion Sunday; more information to follow.

Save the Date- Bethany Autumn Tea Room

Mark your calendars and save the date for The Bethany Autumn Tea Room. Monday-Friday Oct. 1-5 and Oct. 8-12. This year we will have new additions and enhanced flavors to our menu & event.

We Want YOUR Favorite Recipe!

We are in search of savory, mealtime recipes for the Tea Room Recipe Book that is being created. Please submit your favorite recipe by Aug. 1 to czukowski@bethany-umc.com.



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

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