

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Camp Meeting Sundays!

Bethany will hold a series of Camp Meetings throughout the month of January. Camp Meetings will be held periodically in recognition of the United Methodist Church's tradition that dates back to the 1800's.

Worship services during Camp Meetings are informal and less ceremonial than usual, so lose the tie and come as you are on Camp Meeting Sundays.

### Bethany NOW

Wednesday night activities resume on Jan. 9 with a class for everyone. NOW begins with a meal in the Fellowship Hall at 5 P.M. Children classes begin at 6 p.m. and adult classes at 6:15 p.m. To find more details and class descriptions, please look in the January edition of the *Bethany Beacon*. The meal for this week is breakfast for dinner! Daily Bread/Providence will be hosting. **Meals are \$7 for adults and \$4 for children, with a family maximum of \$20.**

### Offering Envelopes

Please pick up your 2019 offering envelopes located in the Welcome Center Hallway by the elevator.

### Oyster Roast

Bethany's Global Missions group will be sending teams back to Ecuador this summer. This year's expenses are expected to be greater than in years past as we will be working to construct 2 buildings for classrooms expected to house 7th – 12th grades. To help offset some of those expenses, Global Missions is sponsoring an Oyster Roast Fundraiser to be held at Summerville Country Club on Jan. 26 from 5pm-9pm. For those that don't like oysters there will be BBQ! Tickets are \$35 in advance and \$40 at the door, and are available from Global Mission Committee and Team members as well as the front desk in the Welcome Center.

### 2019 Ecuador Mission Trip

The Ecuador Mission Trip is scheduled for the end of June, beginning of July. Planning is well underway with flight reservations being made. If you are interested in participating on the trip this year, please contact Stephen Bishop (f1skier@comcast.net, 843.696.6938). VBS, construction, basic dental care, and in home visits are planned this year. No experience is necessary. Philippians 4:13 says I can do all this through him who gives me strength. Matthew 17:20 says "Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you." Know this, participating on the mission trip will leave you feeling blessed. We hope to see you on this trip.

### Bethany Happy Hearts Games Day – Friday, January 11

You are welcome to join Happy Hearts' Game Day on Friday, Jan. 11 in Room 118 starting at 11:30 a.m. Bring a lunch and beverage, so we can eat together before we begin playing games. Everyone that enjoys playing card or board games is welcome to join us. If you have questions, call Bob or Bethann Erwin at 843.291.2892, or email at erwbare@yahoo.com. Come join the fun.

### Informational Meeting

Bethany will have a church wide **informational** meeting on Sunday, January 27, 2019 at 4 pm. A special called General Conference is going to be held February 23-26, 2019 in St. Louis and will be dealing with legislation that The Commission on the Way Forward proposed. The Rev. Kathy James, our SC Annual Conference Director of Connectional Ministries will be here to present and further explain each plan. Please keep our church, denomination and delegates in your prayers.

## THIS WEEK...

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

### Sunday, Jan. 6

#### *Camp Meeting*

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  
5:30 PM Ascend Youth

### Monday, Jan. 7

9 AM Upcycling, 122  
2 PM Prayer Shawl Meeting  
7:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous,  
Friendship Circle

### Tuesday, Jan. 8

10 AM Quilters, Blue House  
6 PM Boy Scout Troop 787,  
Fellowship Hall  
6:30 PM Cub Scouts, 121  
6:30 PM Stephen Ministry Training,  
7 PM UMW Executive Board  
Meeting, 118  
7 PM Girl Scouts Troop 197, 242,  
243, 244, 246, 248  
7 PM Narcotics Anonymous,  
Cottage

### Wednesday, Jan. 9

#### *BNOW Dinner and Classes*

5 PM Bethany NOW Meal,  
Fellowship Hall  
6 PM NOW Children's Programs  
6:15 PM NOW Youth Programs  
6:15 PM NOW Adult Classes  
6:15 PM Care Giver Bible Study, 245  
6:15 PM Men's Ensemble Rehearsal  
7 PM Chancel Choir  
8:50 PM Chamber Singers Rehearsal

### Thursday, Jan. 10

9:30 AM Covenant Bible Study, 239  
5:30 PM Celebrate Recovery  
Planning Meeting, 240  
6:30 PM Family Support Group, 240  
6:30 PM Trustees, Conf. Room

### Friday, Jan. 11

9 AM Ladies Bible Study, 239  
11 AM Happy Hearts' Game Day

### Saturday, Jan. 12

*No Activities Scheduled*

### Tech. Ministries Work Day

Volunteers are needed for the Technical Ministries word day on Saturday, Jan. 19 starting at 8:30 a.m. No experience is necessary, instructions will be given. Please contact Danny Trump at techsupport@bethany-umc.com.

### 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 Denis Tsukalas 843.871.0381, Mary Kay Wrenn 843.323.2130 or Carmie Wagaman 843.414.7026.

### Recording/Photography

Portions of Worship services are recorded and made available for viewing on our web site. As a worshiper, you will not be identified in the recording/photos 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 the church office (843.873.1230), 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**.

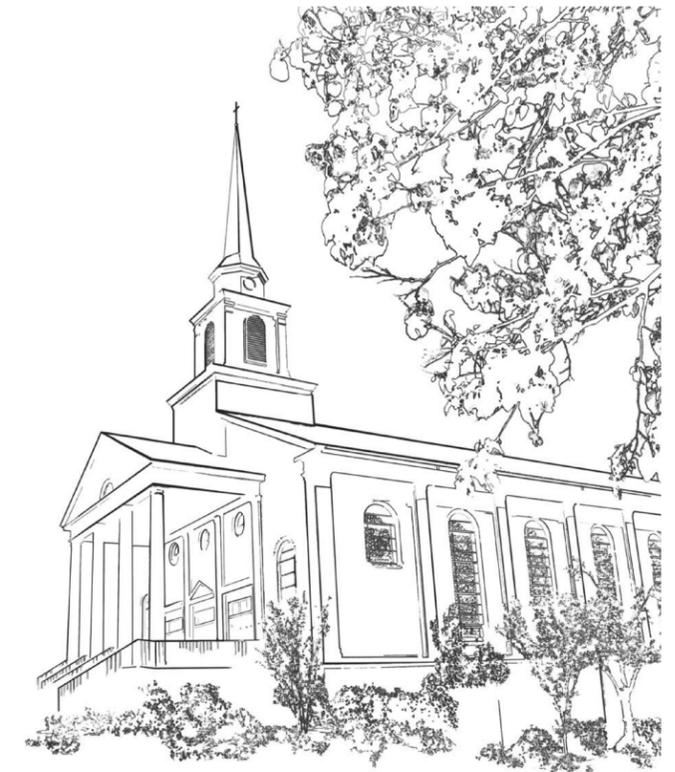
### Columbarium Interest Meeting

The Trustees have voted to move forward with the Columbarium. If you have not already expressed interest in purchasing a niche, please contact Emily Vick at evick@bethany-umc.com. There will be an interest meeting on Sunday, January 20 at 2 p.m. for approximately an hour in the Fellowship Hall.

January 6, 2019  
8:45 and 11:15 a.m. Worship Services

# BETHANY

United Methodist Church



Rev. Mitch Houston, Senior Pastor  
Rev. Narcie Jeter, Associate 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

January 6, 2019  
**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
 Epiphany/Camp Meeting

**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 prepare for worship.*

**Welcome and Parish Concerns**

**Scripture Call to Worship**

**\*Opening Hymn** *Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus* Duffield/Webb

Stand up, stand up for Jesus, ye soldiers of the cross;  
 lift high his royal banner, it must not suffer loss.  
 From victory unto victory, his army shall he lead,  
 till every foe is vanquished, and Christ is Lord indeed.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus, the trumpet call obey;  
 forth to the mighty conflict, in this his glorious day.  
 Ye that are brave now serve him against unnumbered foes;  
 let courage rise with danger, and strength to strength oppose.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus, stand in his strength alone;  
 the arm of flesh will fail you, ye dare not trust your own.  
 Put on the gospel armor, each piece put on with prayer;  
 where duty calls or danger, be never wanting there.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus, the strife will not be long,  
 this day the noise of battle, the next the victor's song.  
 To those who vanquish evil a crown of life shall be;  
 they with the King of Glory shall reign eternally.

**Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer**

**The First Lesson** Isaiah 11:3-7 OT Pg. 640

Minister: The word of God.  
**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Offertory** *Waiting at the Gate* Brewster  
 Long Term Survivors

**Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

**\*Doxology, No. 95** Old 100<sup>th</sup>

**\*Hymn of Assurance** *The First Noel* TRADITIONAL  
*(8:45 am only. At the beginning of this hymn, children may leave for Children's Church ~ ages K5 thru 2<sup>nd</sup> grade ~ 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 first Noel the angels did say was to certain poor shepherds in fields  
 as they lay; in fields where they lay keeping their sheep on a cold  
 winter's night that was so deep.

*Chorus: Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel! Born is the King of Israel!*

They look-ed up and saw a star shining in the east beyond them far; and  
 to the earth it gave great light, and so it continued both day and night.

*Chorus*

And by the light of that same star, three Wise men came from the country  
 far; to seek for a King was their intent, and to follow the star wherever it  
 went. *Chorus.*

This star drew nigh to the north-west, o'er Bethlehem it took it's rest,  
 and there it did both stop and stay, right over the place where Jesus lay.

*Chorus.*

Then entered in those wise men three, full reverently upon their knee,  
 and offered there in his presence, their gold and myrrh and frankincense.

*Chorus.*

**The Gospel Lesson** Matthew 2:1-12 NT Pg. 2

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Congregational Response** UM Hymn #601

*Thy Word Is a Lamp*

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.  
 When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way, still you're there right beside  
 me, and nothing will I fear as long as you are near. Please be near me  
 to the end. Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

**Anthem** *Hobo on a Freight Train to Heaven* Craft  
 Long Term Survivors

**Sermon** "A Child Shall Lead Them" Rev. Mitch Houston

**Sacrament of Holy Communion**

**\*Hymn of Dedication** *Nothing but the Blood* Robert Lowery

What can wash a-way my sin? Nothing but the blood of Je-sus.  
 What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Je-sus.

*Refrain:* O precious is that flow that makes me white as snow;  
 no other fount I know; nothing but the blood of Je-sus. *Refrain.*

For my pardon this I see: nothing but the blood of Je-sus.  
 For my cleansing this my plea: nothing but the blood of Je-sus. *Refrain.*

Nothing can for sin atone: nothing but the blood of Je-sus.  
 Naught of good that I have done: nothing but the blood of Je-sus.  
*Refrain.*

This is all my hope and peace: nothing but the blood of Je-sus.  
 This is all my righteousness: nothing but the blood of Je-sus. *Refrain.*

**\*Blessing of the People**

**\*Postlude**

\* For those who are able, please stand.

**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 jsehr@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 in honor of the 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary of Wayne and Gayle Courtney.

**SERVING THIS SUNDAY**

**Greeters**

**8:45** – Johnny and Maggie Johnson  
**11:15** – Jay and Marsha Humphreys

**Communion Assistants**

**8:45** – Jack Sehr and Eileyn Sobek-Bador  
**11:15** – Bill and Susan Masciangelo

**Liturgist**

**8:45** – Rev. Scott Adams  
**11:15** – Mr. Jack Sehr

**Ushers**

**8:45** - Team Leader: Tom Brown; Ernie Brockman, Jim Hunter, Bob Johnson, Larry McKeenan, Jim Parrish, Hank Sieling, Tom Tatum  
**11:15** – Team Leader: Sam Dorr; Buford Boyd, Ken Buchanan, Claude Rowe, Tim Rowe, Rob Walters, Joe Iwonowski

**Audio/Video Support**

Technical Ministries Team

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

*Stewardship is being loyal to your commitment through presence, prayers, service and gifts.*

**Gifts** (\*Figures for December 30, 2018. These figures are unverified.)

Budget Contributions .....	\$ 36,212.75
Budget Funds Contributed to Date .....	1,885,815.65
Non-Budgeted Mission and Ministry Gifts to Date .....	234,485.08

**Capital Campaign** (Figures for December 30, 2018)

Capital Campaign Contributions .....	7,367.24
Total Campaign Gifts Year to Date.....	158,562.20

**Presence** (December 30, 2018) 10:00 am service - 376