

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Sympathies:** We would like to extend our Christian sympathies to the family of Eva Limehouse on her passing.

We would like to extend our Christian sympathies to Kevin and Brenda Byrd on the passing of Brenda's sister, Geraldine from Jacksonville FL.

### Souper Bowl of Caring

Today our Children's Sunday school classes will be collecting money for the Gregg Middle School Food Pantry. Children will be collecting at the 8:45 Traditional and Word and Table services as well as the 11:15 service. Look for our Souper Bowl of Caring Soup Pots! The GMS food pantry feeds families in our community and is now partnering with both Ashley Ridge High School and Summerville High School to meet the needs of kids in our community.

### Bethany NOW

Join us for Bethany NOW Wednesday night activities. We have 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. The meal for this week is ham with scallop potatoes, roll and salad bar. There will also be a special kid's meal available. The hosting Sunday school class is Sam Wood.

*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).*

### 2019 Confirmation

Confirmation 2019 will begin Feb. 27. Confirmation is traditionally for current 7th graders and other students that desire to participate and have not previously been confirmed. Confirmation is a special time for students as they engage in deeper knowledge of their relationship with Jesus Christ. There will be a parent meeting on Feb. 20. Please sign up if your student will be participating in Confirmation. Important dates: Confirmation Retreat: May 3-5 at Lake Junaluska (very important part of Confirmation, cost \$130.) Confirmation Sunday: May 19, 11:15 Traditional Service. For more information, please contact Rachel Carter at rcarter@bethany-umc.com.

### Bethany is going GREEN in 2019!

Bethany's Kitchen is going GREEN! As we transition, you will begin to see eco-friendly products from the kitchen as we continue to use up our traditional products. From cups and straws, to containers and plates. Bethany is going to do its part for the environment with compostable items.

### Loving Hands- Bereavement Committee

Loving Hands is Bethany's Bereavement Committee which provides a meal for family and friends after a funeral. It takes many volunteers to supply the food for such a meal. We currently have teams that are on a rotation. Each team member prepares a food item to serve approximately 4-6 times a year. We are striving to increase our team members. If you could help provide a casserole, salad or dessert please consider joining our mission of Loving Hands. Contact Shirley Scully at 843.821.4750.

### Bethany Basics- New Member Class

Have you thought about joining Bethany UMC? Please join this obligation free meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 27 in Spell Chapel from 6-7 p.m. To reserve your seat, please call Jack Sehart our Membership Director, 843.873.1230 or email jsehart@bethany-umc.com.

### Busy Bags

Busy Bags are available during worship for children who are remaining in worship with their families. Bags can be found in the Narthex or at the entrance to the Fellowship Hall. Please make sure to return the bags to the location at which you got them. If you have accidentally taken a Busy Bag home with you, please return it as soon as possible.

## THIS WEEK...

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

### Sunday, Feb. 3

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  
6 PM Ascend Super Bowl Party

### Monday, Feb. 4

9 AM Upcycling, 122  
6 PM Care Team Meeting, 127  
2 PM Prayer Shawl Meeting  
7:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous, Friendship Circle

### Tuesday, Feb. 5

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

### Wednesday, Feb. 6

#### *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, Feb. 7

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 Stewardship Committee, Conf. Room

### Friday, Feb. 8

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

### Saturday, Feb. 9

9 AM VITA Tax Aid

### Save the Date-VBS

To Mars and Beyond! Explore where God's power can take you!  
June 17-21 from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

### 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, Carmie Wagaman 843.414.7026 or Mary Kay Wrenn 843.323.2130.

### Wi-Fi Access

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

### 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 Debbie Dominianni (843.873.1230, ddominianni@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.

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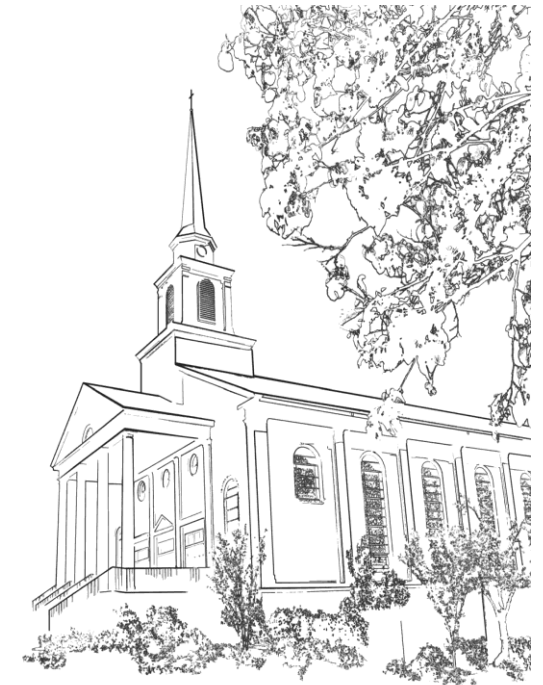
### 2019 Room Requests

If you have a standing room reservation, please resubmit your request by visiting our website at www.bethany-umc.com or by contact Ann Gill at agill@bethany-umc.com. This is very important due to Bethany's Safe Sanctuary Policy. Thank you for your cooperation. For questions or concern, please contact Ann at 843.873.1230 or agill@bethany-umc.com.

February 3, 2019  
8:45 & 11:15 Worship Services

# BETHANY

United Methodist Church



Rev. Mitch Houston, Senior Pastor  
Rev. Narcie Jeter, Associate Pastor  
Rev. James Alewine, Pastor Emeritus  
Mrs. Emily Vick, Director of Children's Ministries  
Mrs. Stephanie Mitchum, Children's Program Director  
Miss 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

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Epiphany

### 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

\*Hymn in Procession, No. 577 CWM RHONDDA  
*God of Grace and God of Glory*

\*Prayer of Confession (to be prayed in unison)

*Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*

### Pardon

Leader: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People: *In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!*

All: *Glory to God. Amen.*

### Call to Prayer

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

### Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offertory *Beautiful Savior* arr. Tom Fettke  
Women's Ensemble

### Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

\*Doxology, No. 94 LASST UNS ERFREUEN

\*Hymn of Assurance, No. 618 LET US BREAK BREAD  
*Let Us Break Bread Together*

8:45 only... At the beginning of this hymn, children may leave for Children's Church ~ ages K5 - 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 Scripture Lessons I Corinthians 13:1-13 NT Pg. 175  
Luke 10:25-28 NT Pg. 71

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

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Anthem *Ubi caritas* Paul Basler  
Chancel Choir, Susan Bocook, French horn

Sermon "Loving Kingdoms" Rev. Mitch Houston

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

*And also with you.*

Lift up your hearts.

*We lift them up to the Lord.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, and blessed is your son Jesus Christ, in whom your Word became flesh and came to dwell among us. Through Jesus' suffering and death you destroyed the power of sin and death. You raised from the dead this same Jesus, who now reigns with you in glory, and poured upon us your Holy Spirit, making us the people of your new covenant.

On the night before meeting with death Jesus took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to the disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over Jesus took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to the disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us, gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that in unity we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by Christ's blood, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at your table for ever. Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

### Breaking of the Bread and Taking of the Cup

The Giving (The ushers will direct the congregation to the table.)

### Prayer after Receiving

\*Hymn of Dedication, No. 568 ITALIAN HYMN  
*Christ for the World We Sing*

### \*Blessing of the People

### \*Postlude

#### *Ubi caritas*

*Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.*

Where Charity and Love are, God is there.

*Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.*

Christ's love has gathered us into one.

*Exsultemus, et in ipso jucundemur.*

Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him.

*Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum.*

Let us fear and let us love the living God.

*Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.*

And may we love each other with a sincere heart.

## 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 Sehart, Membership Director, at [jsehart@bethany-umc.com](mailto:jsehart@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 GREENS

The altar flowers today are given to the glory of God.

## SERVING THIS SUNDAY

### Greeters

8:45 – Fenn and Janet Stallsmith

11:15 – Rob and Kerry Walters

### Ushers

8:45 -Team Leader: Jeremy Dunlap; Jason Baucom, Steve Chellis, Greg Horres, Frank Monterisi, Justin Murrie, Cory Rogers, Michael Wood

11:15 - Team Leader: Mike Field; Linda Field, Bob Fusarini, Bill Jones, Peggy Acord

### Liturgist

8:45 & 11:15 – Mr. Dave Braddon

### Communion Servers

8:45 – Wil and Cathy Wilbur

11:15 – Jay and Marsha Humphreys

### Audio/Video Support

Technical Ministries Team

## STEWARDSHIP REPORT

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

**Gifts** (\*Figures for January 27,2019. These figures are unverified.)

\*Budget Contributions .....\$ 21,420.76

\*Budget Funds Contributed to Date..... 122,948.62

\*Non-Budgeted Mission and Ministry Gifts to Date..... 29,673.35

**Capital Campaign** (Figures for January 27, 2019)

\*Capital Campaign Contributions ..... 1,363.50

\*Total Campaign Gifts Year to Date..... 9,571.16

**Presence** (January 27, 2019)

8 am Worship – 45; Word & Table Worship – 215; Sanctuary Worship – 662; Ascend (Youth) 53; Sunday School – 554