

February 24, 2019
ORDER OF WORSHIP
Seventh 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

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, Pg. 368

My Hope Is Built

* **Responsive Reading ~ Psalm 37:1-7**

Do not be angry because of the wicked,
do not be envious of wrongdoers!

**For they will soon fade like the grass,
and wither like the green herb.**

Trust in the Lord, and do good;
so you will dwell in the land, and enjoy security.

**Take delight in the Lord,
who will give you the desires of your heart.**

Commit your way to the Lord;
trust in God, who will act,
bringing forth your vindication as the light,
and your right as the noonday.

**Be still and wait patiently before the Lord;
do not be angry because of those who prosper in their way,
because of those who carry out evil devices!**

* **Gloria Patri**, UM Hymnal, No.70

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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.*

Offertory

Presentation of Tithes, Gifts & Offerings

* **Doxology**

UM Hymnal, Pg. 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 45:3-11,15

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

People: Thanks be to God.

* **Hymn of Preparation**

UM Hymnal, Pg. 393

Spirit of the Living God

Sermon

Love and Forgiveness

Rev. Mitch Houston

* **Hymn of Dedication**

UM Hymnal, Pg. 545

The Church's One Foundation

* **Benediction**

* **Postlude**

* Please stand

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sympathies: We would like to extend our Christian sympathies to the family and friends of Jane Langston who passed away Tuesday, Feb. 19.

UMM BBQ Fundraiser

The United Methodist Men BBQ Fundraiser is TODAY! Please help support them! Tickets are \$10/plate or \$20/pound BBQ. Plates include baked beans, coleslaw, bread and dessert. The BBQ is prepared by Fire and Smoke BBQ in Monks Corner and all sides prepared by Bethany United Methodist Men. Tickets can be purchased at the door. Tickets are for to-go only. Pick up time is 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. The United Methodist Men meet every 3rd Monday at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Blood Drive Today

Please consider giving the gift on life by donating blood today in the parking lot from 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

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 breaded pork chops and creamy potatoes, sautéed bacon and Brussel sprouts, rolls, salad bar and dessert. There will also be a special kid's meal available. Connection/Lift will be hosting.

*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).

Ash Wednesday and Lenten Services

Ash Wednesday, Mar. 6, is the beginning of the Lenten season. A worship service will be offered at 7 a.m. with Rev. Narcie Jeter in Spell Chapel and 6:15 p.m. with Rev. Mitch Houston in the Sanctuary.

Wednesday night Lenten services will be in Spell Chapel at 6:15 p.m.

March 13: Lenten Service- Angela Renee Johnson

March 20: Lenten Service- Josh McClendon

March 27: Lenten Service- Erik Grayson

April 3: Lenten Service- Regi Thaxton

April 10: Lenten Service- Kelly Gallamore

April 17: Holy Week NO BNOW

A Maundy Thursday service will be held on April 18 at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

A Good Friday service will be held by our youth on April 19 at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary.



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

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