

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Bethany NOW

Join us for Bethany NOW Wednesday night activities during Lent. NOW begins with a meal in the Fellowship Hall at 5 p.m. The meal for this week will be Goulash, rolls and butter, salad bar and Samoa Bundt cake. Spiritual Growth Sunday school class will be hosting.

### Requiem by John Rutter

The Chancel Choir of Bethany UMC will present John Rutter's beautiful work, *Requiem* on Sunday, April 14 at 4 p.m. in the Sanctuary. The Chancel Choir, conducted by Valerie Bullock, will be accompanied by a Chamber Instrumental Ensemble from the Charleston Symphony Orchestra. The work is approximately 40 minutes in length and features texts from the Psalms as well as other biblical sources. The concert is free and open to the public.

### Lenten Services & Holy Week Worship Times

Bethany offers many special worship services during the Lenten season and Holy Week. It is a time of reflection and a reminder of God's grace and love for us all.

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

***There will be no regular Adult classes, all adults are encouraged to attend the worship services. All children's classes will meet as usual.***

**Wednesday Lenten Service, April 10:** Guest Kelly Snelgrove

**Maundy Thursday, April 18:** Sanctuary 7 p.m.

**Good Friday, April 19:** Youth lead worship service in the Sanctuary at 7 p.m.

**Easter Sunday, April 21:**

- 6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service at Azalea Park\* – please bring your lawn chair  
\*(in case of rain we will move to Spell Chapel)
- 8 a.m. Worship in Spell Chapel
- 8:45 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary\*\*
- 8:45 a.m. Word and Table Contemporary Services in the Fellowship Hall\*\*  
\*\* A Nursery will be provided

### The Flowering Cross

The flowering cross is an especially striking and beautiful way to represent the new life that emerges from the death of Christ on Good Friday. Please help us adorn the cross with flowers on Easter Sunday, as we celebrate the transformation on the rugged cross into a symbol of life and a new beginning. All children's Sunday school classes will visit the cross during the Sunday school hour.

Please join us on Easter morning in adorning the cross outside the Sanctuary by bringing cut flowers. As you come to church, place the flowers on the cross to affirm with all of us that Christ has conquered death and is alive. We look forward to celebrating God's great gift with you on Easter.

## EASTER LILY ORDER FORM

The Spell Chapel, the Sanctuary and Word & Table will be beautifully decorated with Easter Lilies for Easter Services. Easter Lily purchases can be made using this form. Orders and payment must be in the church office by Monday, April 8. Payment is required with order.

***Make checks payable to Bethany UMC. Please kindly do not include your money for Easter Lilies on the same check as your offering.***

Number of Easter Lilies, \$18.25 per plant: \_\_\_\_\_

In memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

Given by: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I will pick up my lily after the 11:15 a.m. service on Sunday, April 21.

*Return this form with payment in the offering plate or to the church business office.*

## THIS WEEK...

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

### Sunday, April 7

*4th Sunday in Lent*

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

### Monday, April 8

10 AM Planning, 122  
 7 PM Alcoholics Anonymous,  
 Friendship Circle

### Tuesday, April 9

8:30 AM \$5 Yoga Class, Gym  
 10 AM Quilters, Blue House  
 6 PM Boy Scout Troop 787, FH  
 6:30 PM Stephen Ministry Training,  
 118  
 6:30 PM Cub Scouts, 121  
 7 PM Global Missions, 127  
 7 PM UMW Exe. Board Mtg., 118  
 7 PM Girl Scouts Troop 197, 242,  
 243, 244, 246, 248

### Wednesday, April 10

*Lenten Service*

*BNOW Dinner Youth Classes*

5 PM Bethany NOW Meal, FH  
 6 PM NOW Children's Programs  
 6:15 PM NOW Youth Programs  
 6:15 PM Lenten Service, Spell  
 7 PM Chancel Choir  
 8:50 PM Chamber Singers Rehearsal

### Thursday, April 11

8:30 AM \$5 Yoga Class, Gym  
 9:30 AM Namesake Bible Study, 118  
 5:30 PM Celebrate Recovery  
 Planning Meeting, 240  
 6:30 PM Family Support Group, 240  
 6:30 PM Trustees, Conf. Room

### Friday, April 12

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

### Saturday, April 13

*Annual Easter Egg Hunt*

10 AM VITA Tax Aid, 126,127,128  
 10 AM Easter Egg Hunt  
 6 PM China Outreach Global  
 Ministry, 115

### Wi-Fi Access

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

### Traffic Flow for Today

When leaving today, please exit by Spell Chapel to help with the Festival traffic flow.

### 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.

### 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**.

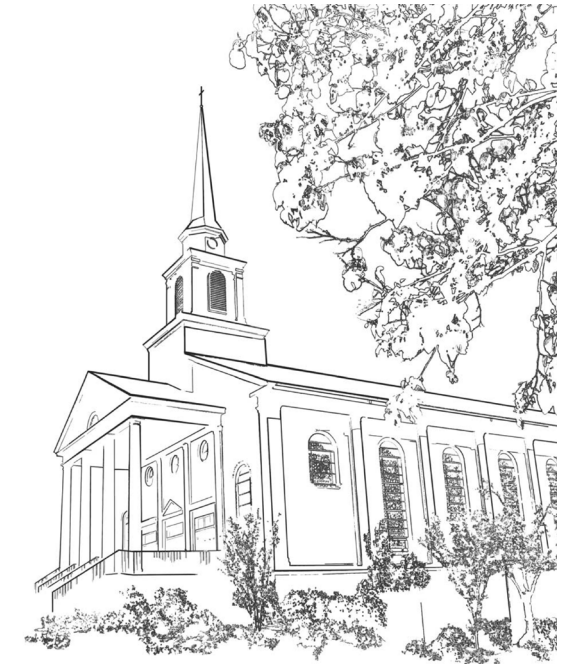
### Egg hunt- April 13

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held Saturday, Apr. 13. Hunts will start promptly at 10 a.m., so don't be late! Up to 4 years old will hunt eggs on the playground. K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade will hunt eggs in Azalea Park. 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade will meet in the Youth House for an "Eggs"-scape room! The Easter Bunny will be there, too!

April 7, 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. Mark Barnes, Pastor 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.***

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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## Fifth Sunday in Lent

### 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

Lenten Idyll

Franklin Ashdown

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

### Welcome and Parish Concerns

### Time of Friendship

### \* Hymn in Procession, No. 723

Shall We Gather at the River

HANSON PLACE

### 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.

**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

### The First Lesson

Isaiah 43:16-21

OT Pg. 672

Leader: The word of the Lord.

**People:** *Thanks be to God.*

### Offertory

Psalm 23

Z. Randall Stroope

Women's Ensemble with

Jessica Hull-Dambaugh, flute and Zac Hammond, oboe

### \* Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

### \* Doxology, No. 94

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### \* Hymn of Assurance, No. 599

BREAD OF LIFE

*Break Thou the Bread of Life*

(8:45 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 Gospel Lesson

John 12:1-8

NT Pg. 106

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

**People:** *Thanks be to God.*

### Anthem

Agnus Dei from Requiem

John Rutter

Chancel Choir with

Jessica Hull-Dambaugh, flute and Zac Hammond, oboe

### Sermon

"A New Thing"

Rev. Mitch Houston

### Prayer of Humble Access (to be prayed in unison)

*We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to partake of this Sacrament of thy Son Jesus Christ, that we may walk in newness of life, may grow into his likeness, and may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.*

### Prayer of Consecration

### 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. 700

Abide with Me

EVENTIDE

### \* Blessing of the People

### \* Postlude Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above arr. David Hegarty

\* 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](mailto: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 GREENS

The Altar Greens today are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of Thomas W. Mitchell, Jr. by Wes and Marcie Mitchell.

## SERVING THIS SUNDAY

### Greeters

8:45 – Mike and Linda Field

11:15 – Rob and Kerry Walters

### Acolytes and Crucifers

8:45 – Chandler Roark

11:15 – Hope Young, Abby Taylor

### Ushers

8:45 - Team Leader: Billy Hay; Laurence Clair, Wayne Courtney, Stuart Courtney, Jack Cross, Steve Davis, Jim McElheny, Jonathan Patterson

11:45 - Team Leader: David Huffman; Marty Eubanks, Tom Venezino, Debra Towe, Donna Richter, Bill Figard, David Chamberlain, Rick Yochim,

### Liturgist

8:45 – Mr. Kevin Carter

11:15 – Mrs. Linda Huffman

### Communion Servers

8:45 – Will and Cathy Wilbur

11:15 – Sunny and Linda Grant

### Audio/Video Support

Technical Ministries Team

## STEWARDSHIP REPORT

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

### Gifts (\*Figures for March 31, 2019. These figures are unverified.)

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| *Budget Contributions.....                            | \$ 34,611.54 |
| *Budget Funds Contributed to Date.....                | 444,010.24   |
| *Non-Budgeted Mission and Ministry Gifts to Date..... | 93,856.63    |

### Capital Campaign (Figures for March 31, 2019)

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| *Capital Campaign Contributions .....    | 1,774.00  |
| *Total Campaign Gifts Year to Date ..... | 40,143.52 |

### Presence (March 31, 2019)

8 am Spell Worship – 37; Word & Table Worship – 178; Sanctuary Worship – 621; Ascend (Youth) 63; Sunday School – 507