ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

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.

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 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.

Bethany NOW

No BNOW classes or meal on April 17 due to Holy Week. BNOW returns as usual on Wednesday, April 24.

Epworth Partnership

There will be a church-wide meeting on Sunday, April 28 at 4 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall to receive a presentation by representatives of Epworth Children's Home. This will be about a new program they are starting with a grant from the Duke Foundation called *Every Child is a Miracle*. Bethany will have the opportunity to form a partnership with Epworth through this program, and participate in several ways to encourage and support it. Please plan to attend this meeting to help determine Bethany's role in the partnership and how we can support Epworth.

Bethany Annual Golf Tournament

The Annual Bethany Golf Tournament will be held on Saturday, May 4 at Summerville Country Club. All members of Bethany and their friends are invited to participate in a day of golf, good food and fellowship. There is a shot gun start at 8 am and the format is Captain's Choice. The price is \$60 per player. The price includes golf, lunch and prizes! \$100 hole sponsorships are also available. To register, visit Register@bethanygym.siplay.com or call 843.873.7261 or 843.469.5917.

THIS WEEK...

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

Sunday, April 14

Palm Sunday

5:30 PM

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 4 PM Requiem by John Rutter

Ascend

Monday, April 15

10 AM Plarning, 122 6 PM NAMI, 124, 125 7 PM UMM, Fellowship Hall 7 PM AA, Open Discussion, FC

Tuesday, April 16

8:30 AM \$5 Yoga class, Gym
10 AM Quilters, Blue House
6 PM Boy Scouts Troop 787,
Fellowship Hall, 115
6 PM Girl Scouts 197,
242,243,244,246,248
6:30 PM Stephen Ministries, 118
6:30 PM Finance Committee, Conf.
Room

Wednesday, April 17

No Activities Scheduled

Thursday, April 18

Holy Thursday

8:30 AM \$5 Yoga class, GYM
9:30 AM Namesake Bible Study, 118
5:30 PM Celebrate Recovery, 240
6:30 PM Family Support Group, 240
7 PM Church Council, Youth Wing
7 PM Holy Thursday Service, Sanctuary

Friday, April 19

Good Friday

9 AM Ladies Bible Study, 2397 PM Good Friday Service, Sanctuary

Saturday, April 20

No events scheduled

Wi-Fi Access

To connect to Wi-Fi while on church property, please use the guest connection and password guest2015.

Office Closed

Please note that the church office will be closed on Friday, April 19 and Monday, April 22, in observance of Easter. We will resume normal office hours on Tuesday, April 23.

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.

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.

April 14, 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, 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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Palm Sunday

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 All Glory, Laud and Honor arr. David Paxton As the prelude begins, let us turn our thoughts and hearts to God in prayer and

prepare for worship.

Welcome and Parish Concerns

(8:45)

Ho-Ho-Hosannas
Cherub Choir

Anonymous

*Procession of the Palms and Hymn, No. 280 ST. THEODULPH All Glory, Laud and Honor

Prayer of Confession (pray in unison)

Lead on O King Eternal and help us to follow with love and praise. May we never join the crowd of jealousy, gossip and betrayal but forever keep our hearts in you. Thank you for embracing us despite our sins and forgive us as you call us to forgive. Lord Jesus you suffered and died that we, and all the world, might be reconciled to our God, and all may be redeemed by the blood of your suffering. We thank you on this Holy Sunday for loving us and hearing our prayers. In Jesus name, Amen.

Words of Assurance

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.

The First Lesson Philippians 2:5-11 NT. Pg. 197

Leader: The word of the Lord. **People:** *Thanks be to God.*

Call to Prayer

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People:** *And also with you.* Leader: Let us pray.

Prayers of the People and 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

Festival Alleluia

arr. Dan Miller

Michael López, organ

*Doxology, No. 94

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*Hymn of Assurance, No. 277

STORIES OF JESUS

Tell Me the Stories of Jesus

(8:45 - At the beginning of this hymn, children may leave for Children's Church ages K5 thru 2nd grade ~ in room 214 of the Youth Wing. Please attach a Children's Church sticker to your child and pick them up ASAP.)

*The Gospel Lesson Mark 12:12-19 NT Pg. 83

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

(8:45) Life High the Palms of Praise John Nix Wesley and Melody Choir

(11:15) *Sanctus* from **Requiem** John Rutter Chancel Choir with Anthony McCall, glockenspiel

Sermon Jerusalem Rev. Mitch Houston

*Affirmation of Faith, No. 881 The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Gloria Patri, No. 70 Glory Be to the Father MEINEKE

*Hymn of Dedication, No. 287

SELENA

O Love Divine, What Has Thou Done

*Blessing of the People

*Postlude Aria John Dixon

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 Sehrt, Membership Director, at jsehrt@bethany-umc.com or 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 are given to the glory of God in memory of loved ones by Janie Banks.

SERVING THIS SUNDAY

Greeters

8:45 – Rick and Teri Reule

11:15 – Dennis and Margaret Kaltenbach

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

Acolyte and Cross Bearer

8:45 – Ansleigh Tudder

Liturgist

8:45 – Miss Rachel Carter 11:15 – Rev. Narice Jeter

Audio/Video Support

Technical Ministries Team

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

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

Gifts (*Figures for April 7, 2019. These figures are unverified.)	
*Budget Contributions\$	28,657.12
*Budget Funds Contributed to Date	472,667.36
*Non-Budgeted Mission and Ministry Gifts to Date	121,658.63
Capital Campaign (Figures for April 7, 2019)	
*Capital Campaign Contributions	2,925.00

*Total Campaign Gifts Year to Date

Presence (April 7, 2019)

8 am Spell Worship – 42; Word & Table Worship – 156; Sanctuary Worship – 489; Ascend (Youth) - 50; Sunday School – 366.

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^{*}Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

^{*} For those who are able, please stand.