

May 26, 2019
ORDER OF WORSHIP
Sixth Sunday of Easter

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. 103

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

* **Responsive Reading ~ Psalm 67**

O God, be gracious to us and bless us
and make your face to shine upon us,
**that your way may be known upon earth,
your saving power among all nations.**
Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!
**Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!

**The earth has yielded its increase;
God, our God, has blessed us.**

God has blessed us;
let all the ends of the earth fear God!

* **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

John 15:1-8

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Connected or Not?"

Rev. Bob Lee

* **Hymn of Dedication**

UM Hymnal, Pg. 139

Praise to the Lord

* **Benediction**

* **Postlude**

* Please stand

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Memorial Day “Poppies”

The Friendship Circle Sunday School Class will honor our Veterans today with baskets of Poppies. Proceeds will benefit the Fisher House Charleston. Fisher House Charleston is a home away from home for loved ones whose families are receiving care. Checks may be written as such and ALL donations are tax deductible. Thank you for your support.

Painting Help Needed

We are at the painting stage in getting our 303 Cottage ready for Epworth Children’s Home offices. If you can help with this project, please come! We will be painting on Tuesday, May 28. Meet at the cottage at 9 a.m. with your painting clothes on. We will have supplies there, but bring your favorite paint brush if you’d like. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Emily Vick at 843.873.1230 ext. 13.

Calling All Men...

We need **YOU** to join the Men’s Choir for our Annual Patriotic Sunday during worship services on June 30! Join us at our first rehearsal on June 2 in the Sanctuary immediately following the 8:45 service. Contact vbullock@bethany-umc.com with questions.

Please Wear Red on June 9!!

Pentecost Sunday is June 9. We encourage you to wear **RED** on this day, which symbolizes joy and the fire of the Holy Spirit.

Security at Bethany

Bethany is adding a level of security for our people. The Trustees have voted to have a security presence on Sundays during worship hours. Therefore, from 9a.m.-1p.m. we will have an off duty Summerville Police Officer on our premises. This in no way is a reaction to any problems we have had. We are being proactive in the safety of our Congregation.

Food Drive

Everyone attending the 2019 Conference is asked to conduct a Food Drive for Harvest Hope. Harvest Hope Food Bank is a critical line of support for more than 500 agencies who take feeding missions directly to those who live in the most economically fragile communities. Pop-top canned goods, dry goods and personal care items (toothpaste, shampoo, etc.) are all needed. ***The deadline is May 29. Drop off boxes can be found in the back of the Fellowship Hall and Narthex.***

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 or Mary Kay Wrenn 843.323.2130 or 843.821.3123.



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

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