

ORDER OF WORSHIP

February 9, 2020

Fifth 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 in preparation for worship.

Thy Word Is a Lamp

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way, still you're there right beside me, and nothing will I fear as long as you are near. Please be near me to the end.

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

Greeting

* **Opening Hymn** *My Hope is Built* UM Hymnal, Pg. 368

* **Responsive Reading** ~ Psalm 63:1-4 UM Hymnal, Pg. 788

O God, you are my God, I seek you,
my soul thirsts for you;
my flesh faints for you,
as in a dry and weary land where no water is.

**So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary,
beholding your power and glory.**

Because your steadfast love is better than life,
my lips will praise you.

**So I will bless you as long as I live;
I will lift up my hands and call on your name.**

* **Gloria Patri** *Glory Be to the Father* UM Hymnal, Pg. 70

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

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

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Sermon

"God's Pruning"

Rev. Mark Barnes

* **Hymn of Dedication**

UM Hymnal, Pg. 400

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

* **Benediction**

* **Postlude**

* Please stand.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BNOW Wednesday Night Activities Winter/Spring 2020

The new Winter/Spring session of Bethany NOW has started and there are classes and activities for everyone! Supper is served at 5 pm and classes at 6:15 pm! The meal for this week is braised pork shoulder, pineapple sesame broccoli served over a bed of rice, rolls and a salad bar. A children's menu will also be served. Christian Family & Sue Knight school classes will be hosting.

Meals are \$7 for adults and \$4 for children, family max \$20.

Happy Hearts' Game Day- Feb. 14

Happy Hearts' Game Day meets on the 2nd Friday of each month at the church in Room 118 starting at 11:30 am. **The next Game Day is Friday, Feb. 14.** Feel free to bring a lunch and beverage so we can have lunch together before we begin playing games. Several different games are played, but if you have a special game you would like to play, bring it with you. Everyone that enjoys playing cards or board games is welcome to join us. If you have questions, call Bob or Bethann Erwin at 843.291.2892, or email at erwbare@yahoo.com.

Epworth Volunteers Needed

Our Epworth Partner is looking for volunteers to help with childcare during family training sessions on Saturday, Feb. 15 & 29 and Saturday, March 14 & 28, and Thursday, Feb. 20. These are mandatory trainings for foster families, so it is vital that childcare be available for parents to be able to attend. Each session runs 9am - 2pm and childcare will be in our nursery rooms. Lunch will be provided for children and volunteers. Please contact Amanda Winnen at 843.970.3960 if you can help with any of the dates for this important event.

Ash Wednesday and Lenten Services

Ash Wednesday, Feb. 26, is the beginning of the Lenten season. A worship service will be offered at 7am with Rev. Narcie Jeter in Spell Chapel and 6:15 pm in the Sanctuary. Wednesday night Lenten services will be in Spell Chapel at 6:15 pm

Book Signing

Bethany members Laura Knotts and Joe Stasiukaitis will once again be signing books this Sunday, Feb. 9 as well as on Wednesday, Feb. 12, and Sunday, Feb. 16 outside the Fellowship Hall. This inspiring book is based on the events of our beloved member, Joe Stasiukaitis. The book is \$15. Proceeds will go towards the Bahamas Relief.

File Taxes for FREE!

IRS certified volunteers will be preparing and e-filing federal and state returns every Saturday beginning Jan. 25 from 10am-2pm here at Bethany. If you have questions, please contact Blair Stewart at 843.270.3001 or bhsbtb@gmail.com.



Bethany United Methodist Church

Spell Chapel ~ 8 o'clock a.m.

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