

ORDER OF WORSHIP
July 26, 2020
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering

As the congregation gathers, please take a moment to wave 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.

Greeting

Opening Hymn *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*

What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms; what a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms.

Refrain: Leaning (on Jesus), leaning (on Jesus), safe and secure from all alarms; leaning (on Jesus), leaning (on Jesus), leaning on the everlasting arms.

O how sweet to walk in the pilgrim way, leaning on the everlasting arms; O how bright the path grows from day to day, leaning on the everlasting arms. **Refrain**

What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms? I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting arms. **Refrain**

Responsive Reading

Psalm 27:1-6

The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom shall I fear?

**The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
of whom shall I be afraid?**

When evildoers assail me, to devour my flesh,
my adversaries and foes shall stumble and fall.

**Though a host encamp against me, my heart shall not fear;
though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.**

One thing I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after:

**that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,
to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in the Lord's
temple.**

The Lord will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble,
will conceal me under the cover of his tent, and will set me high
upon a rock.

**And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies round about
me;
and I will offer sacrifices in the Lord's tent with shouts of joy;
I will sing and make melody to the Lord.**

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Minister: Let us pray.

The Lord's Prayer

The Scripture Lesson

James 1:9-18

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

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Sermon

"Tempted or Tested?"

Rev. Mark Barnes

Hymn of Dedication

Here I Am, Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.

I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Refrain: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them. They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.

I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? **Refrain**

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame, I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them.

Whom shall I send? **Refrain**

Benediction

Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship Sign Up

*Each Monday registration will open for the following Sunday.
There are three ways you can sign up.*

- 1) Go to www.bethany-umc.com- click on worship sign up button
- 2) Use link on Bethany UMC Facebook page
- 3) Use link sent to you in E-links weekly email

This will open the registration form, your contact information should automatically fill in. If it does not, complete your contact information.

Choose the service you wish to attend and indicate how many are in your party. If registration is full, you will be unable to choose that service, you then may pick a different service to attend.

Also, answer the question in regards to elevator usage. Hit submit and your registration is complete. You will receive a confirmation email when completed. You may also sign up by calling the church office at 843.873.1230 during business hours (8:30 am - 4:30 pm).

Donations for Hands of Christ School-Supply Ministry

The Hands of Christ school supply ministry needs your donations! This ministry provides schools supplies to children in several Dorchester District 2 and a couple of Dorchester District 4 schools, including Williams Memorial Elementary and Harleyville-Ridgeville Elementary.

The deadline for donations is **Sunday, August 2.**

Monetary donations are preferred at this time.

Bethany Blessing Box

The Bethany Blessing Box is low on supplies and in need of donations! Summer months are especially hard on those in need. You can place your donations directly in the Blessing Box that is located in front of the playground beside the Gazebo, or in the boxes located within the church. There is a green box upstairs in the Welcome Center and red bin located downstairs by the Welcome Desk. Thank you for your support!

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.

Text to Give Option

It's easier than ever to give now! Simply **text: bethanyumc to 77977.**
This is a safe and convenient way to give!



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