

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).

Bethany Blessing Box

The Bethany Blessing Box is low on supplies and in need of donations! We will accept any foods but here are our needs at this time. You can bring them to the Business Office or put them on the shelf outside the office.

Green Beans	Corn
Peas	Mixed Veggies
Can Stew	Tuna
Chicken	Cereal
Jelly	Mash potatoes
Pasta and Sauce	

Thank you for your support!

Today We Give to the Epworth Work Day Offering!

Today our church will receive the Annual Epworth Work Day Offering to invest in the comprehensive care we are called by God to provide for the children at Epworth Children's Home, our church's ministry to God's children. Please find information about Epworth and the Work Day Offering on the bulletin insert. Epworth does not receive apportionments from the United Methodist Conference. This offering is our opportunity to support this vital ministry. Give generously by using the envelope provided for you in the bulletin. For more information about Epworth Children's Home, visit them on the web at www.epworthchildrenshome.org where you can also choose to make a secure credit card donation.

2020 Tea Room

Due to Covid 19 issues, our traditional Autumn Tea Room will not be taking place this year. However, we are excited to announce that a virtual gift shop and online silent auction will take place Oct. 11-16. Once available, a link will be on the website to access the online gift shop as well as the option to give monetary donations.

Donations of handmade crafts and projects are needed and can be dropped off at the Business Office Sept. 1-20.

Our Local Mission partners need our support now more than ever, and with your donations and purchases, we can continue to support them!

The Return

Global Day of Repentance and Prayer

On Saturday, Sept. 26, the doors to the Fellowship Hall will open at 8:30 am.

8:45 am – Welcome & Prayer (Rev. Narcie Jeter)

9:00-11:30 am - Worship, Scripture, Prayers (Simulcast)

12:00-3:30 pm - Worship, Scripture, Prayers (Simulcast)

The event at Bethany will end at 3:30 pm, however, in Washington it continues until 9:00 pm. You may watch the rest of the event at home. It's a drop in and all are welcome to attend.

Bottled water and prewrapped snacks will be provided. We will maintain social distancing and masks will be required.

Text to Give Option

It's easier than ever to give now! Simply text: [bethanyumc to 77977](tel:8438737797). This is a safe and convenient way to give!

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**.

Wi-Fi Access

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

BETHANY

United Methodist Church

September 13, 2020
8:45 and 10:30 a.m. Worship Services



Rev. Mitch Houston, Senior Pastor
Rev. Narcie Jeter, Associate Pastor
Rev. Mark Barnes, Minister of Congregational Care
Rev. Josephine Locklair, Spell Chapel
Rev. James Alewine, Pastor Emeritus
Ms. Emily Vick, Creative Ministries Director
Ms. Stephanie Mitchum, Children's Program Director
Mr. Mike Jeter, Youth Director
Ms. Barbara Bassett, Interim 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

September 13, 2020
ORDER OF WORSHIP
15th Sunday After Pentecost

Gathering

We will remain seated for the first hymn out of respect for the wishes of our music community and others.

Prelude *Take My Life and Let It Be* arr. Marilyn Arison
As the prelude begins, let us turn our thoughts and hearts to God in prayer and prepare for worship.

Welcome and Parish Concerns

Hymn in Procession

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!

All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heaven reflect thy rays,
stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,
well-spring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother, all who live in love are thine;
teach of how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

Mortals, join the mighty chorus which the morning stars began;
love divine is reigning o'er us, binding all within its span.
Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife;
joyful music leads us sunward, in the triumph song of life.

Presentation of Bibles (see insert)

Call to Prayer

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Minister: 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.*

The Scripture Lesson

Psalm 119:8-16

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

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Anthem *Holy, Mighty, Worthy* arr. Dan Forrest

Sermon "Good Seed" Rev. Mitch Houston

Affirmation of Faith 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.

Hymn of Dedication

Jesus Love Me

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong.

Refrain: Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes,
Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me! This I know, as he loved so long ago,
taking children on his knee, saying, "Let them come to me."

Refrain

Jesus loves me still today, walking with me on my way,
wanting as a friend to give light and love to all who live. **Refrain**

Blessing of the People

Postlude *Holy, Holy, Holy* arr. Hal Hopson

Quartet

8:45 ~ Jim Paxton, Maurice Burgess, Greg Spires, Brad Davis

10:30 ~ Maurice Burgess, Jordan Graffis, Frank Monterisi,
Jacob Turner

WELCOME

We welcome all guests to our service today. If you would like more information about Bethany or becoming a member of our church, please contact Jack Sehart, Membership Director, at jsehart@bethany-umc.com or 843.873.1230, ext. 1837.

CELL PHONES AND ELECTRONIC DEVICES

In order to not distract your fellow worshippers, please **silence** cell phones and other electronic devices before the worship service begins. Thank you.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers today are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of John Lemen by Joan, Amanda and Tim Lemen.

SERVING THIS SUNDAY

Ushers

8:45 - Team Leader: Bill Phillips; Ron Clayton, Brian Collier, Jim Emery,
Bob Iannace, Tim McConnell, Ed Muckenfuss, Scott Muckenfuss,
Marion Thompson

10:30 - Team Leader: David Morris; Bart Burford, Greg Elliott, Gerry Purvis,
Jimmy Jackson, Bob Minus, Steve Wilson, Justin Goethe

Audio/Video Support

Technical Ministries Team

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

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

Gifts (*Figures for Sept. 6, 2020. These figures are unverified.)

*Budget Contributions	\$ 31,656.06
*Budget Funds Contributed to Date.....	1,170,844.25
*Non-Budgeted Mission and Ministry Gifts to Date	33,578.65

Capital Campaign (*Figures for Sept. 6, 2020)

*Capital Campaign Contributions	3,180.44
*Total Campaign Gifts Year to Date	96,286.80

Holy, Mighty, Worthy

Words: Chris Anderson; Music: Greg Habegger;

"Holy, holy, holy!" Seraph choirs extol Thee,
Bending wings, they humbly sing of Thy lofty majesty!
Thou along art holy! Who on earth is like Thee?
Grant that we, like Thee, may be Holy, holy, holy!

"Mighty, mighty mighty!" Sun and stars declare Thee.
All creation joins to sing of Thy pow'r and deity!
Thou along art mighty! Naught was made without Thee!
Grant that we Thy pow'r may see, Mighty, mighty, mighty!

"Worthy, worthy, worthy!" Saints in heav'n exalt Thee.
Lamb, once slain, now raised to reign: Savior, Judge and conq'ring King!
Thou along art worthy! All was made to please Thee,
Grant that we in heav'n may sing, "Worthy, worthy, worthy!"

"Glory, glory, glory!" We, the church, adore Thee.
Called by grace to bring Thee praise; Trophies of Thy pow'r to save!
None shall share Thy glory! All shall bow before Thee.
Father, Son and Spirit: One! "Glory, glory, glory!" Amen.