ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 21, 2021 Fifth Sunday in Lent

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

Lin Harness, guest pianist

Greeting

Opening Hymn When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Price of Glory died, my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my God; all the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down. Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were an offering far too small; love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

Responsive Reading

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

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.

The Scripture Lesson

Ephesians 4:1-6, 25-36

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Be Imitators of God" Rev. Mitch Houston

Hymn of Dedication Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing
Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy
grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest
praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming
tongues above. Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of thy
redeeming love.

Here I raise mine Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

Benediction

Postlude

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

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).

Lenten Services

Lenten worship services will be offered **virtually** at 6:30 pm each Wednesday. You may join via our Facebook page or the website www.bethany-umc.com.

March 24: Lenten Service - Rev. Narcie Jeter

April 1: Maundy Thursday at 6:30 pm In-Person in the Sanctuary

April 2: Good Friday – Noon – Virtual

Blessing Box Needs

Donations for the Blessing Box are needed. You can drop off donations in front of the Business Office door during the week, or on Sundays. The following will be much appreciated:

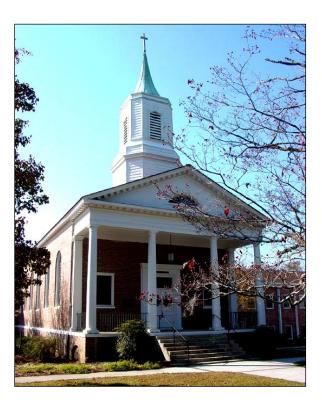
- *Bagged rice *Macaroni and cheese boxes *Spaghetti/pasta jarred or canned sauces *Peanut butter *Jelly *Canned/ready to eat ravioli, stew, chili
- *Fruit (large cans and individual serving cups) *Individual grits packets
- *Granola bars *Snack Pack pudding *Ritz crackers "Fresh Stacks" box.
- *Rice/Pasta/Potato sides in envelopes or boxes

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RightNow Media

Don't forget you have access to tons of video resources - Bible studies, movies, TV shows and more - on RightNow Media. To sign up, simply text Rightnow Bethany message to 41411.



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

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