

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

August 29, 2021

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

### 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

Michelle Larsen, guest pianist

### Greeting

**\*Opening Hymn**     *My Hope Is Built*     UM Hymnal, No. 368

**\*The Responsive Reading** ~ Psalm 135:1-7

Praise the Lord!

Praise the name of the Lord!

**Give praise, O servants of the Lord,  
you that stand in the house of the Lord,  
in the courts of the house of our God!**

Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good;  
sing to the Lord's name, for the Lord is gracious!

**For the Lord has chosen Jacob as God's own,  
Israel as God's own possession.**

For I know that the Lord is great,  
**and that our Lord is above all gods.**

Whatever the Lord pleases, the Lord does,  
in heaven and on earth,  
in the seas and all deeps.

**It is the Lord who makes the clouds rise at the end of the earth,  
makes lightnings for the rain  
and brings wind from the storehouse of God.**

**\*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.*

### Presentation of Tithes and Offering

**\*Doxology**

UM Hymnal, No. 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

Exodus 1

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

**People:** *Thanks be to God.*

**Sermon**

"Call the Midwife"

Rev. Mark Barnes

**\*Hymn of Dedication**

UM Hymnal, No. 526

*What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

**\*Benediction**

**\*Postlude**

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\*Please stand

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Sympathy:** We extend Christian Sympathy to Effie Hatchett and family on the death Harvey Hatchett. Harvey died Monday, August 23.

### **Children and Youth Needs**

**We need YOU!** Both our Children Ministry Team and Youth Ascend are in need of volunteers. For Ascend, we need help with small group leaders, trip chaperons, Sunday school teachers, prayer partners and small group leaders. If you are interested in serving as an ASCEND Adult Volunteer, please contact Mike Jeter 854.429.1849.

For Children Ministries, we need many volunteers for this coming fall in all our classes, from Preschool to 5th grade, Bethany NOW and Children's Church. If you have questions or comments we would love to hear from you and talk with you. Stephanie Mitchum [smitchum@bethany-umc.com](mailto:smitchum@bethany-umc.com) 843.343.8494 or Emily Vick [evick@bethany-umc.com](mailto:evick@bethany-umc.com) 843.343.2506. We are asking you to prayerfully consider volunteering for our young people.

### **We Want Your Recipes and Crafts!**

Mark your calendars! Bethany's Autumn Tea Room is Oct. 25-29 & Nov. 1-5 and we need recipes for our annual cook book and handmade crafts for the gift shop! Please send recipes for our annual Tea Room Cookbook to [evick@bethany-umc.com](mailto:evick@bethany-umc.com) no later than Aug. 31. These recipes will be added to the existing cookbook from 2019. Start getting ideas and working on those crafts now!

**OPEN DOORS FOR CHILDREN IN NEED.** Epworth Children's Home goes above and beyond providing food and shelter for children who have experienced abuse, neglect, and tragedy. It provides children with tutoring, counseling, health care, fun activities, and the spiritual formation they need to heal and gain a sense of belonging. Through the ministry of Epworth Children's Home, we open our doors to these children, surround them with comprehensive care and provide them with the opportunity to transform their lives. On Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup> our congregation will stand with Epworth to break the cycle of abuse, neglect, and shame through our collection of the Annual Epworth Work Day Offering. Without the support of churches like ours, Epworth could not provide transformational care for children in need. We invite you to give generously to the children who are served by Epworth. For more information, please visit Epworth at [www.epworthchildrenshome.org](http://www.epworthchildrenshome.org).



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

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