

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Calling All Bethany Women

The United Methodist Women will have a Mission Work Day **today** from 2-4:30 pm to benefit Epworth Children's Center Foster Care Program. Fabric has been purchased and 100 blankets and duffle bags have been prepared for completion. We need your help to be successful! No sewing required, just cut, tie, and lace! Come and enjoy Christian fellowship and catch up with all your friends while we all work together. You do not need to be a member of UMW and we encourage you to bring a friend. In addition, please bring donations for the Period Project. We will also be preparing packets for school age children and youth who cannot afford sanitary supplies. These packets keep them from missing school each month. Donations of individually wrapped pads, liners, and feminine hygiene wipes are needed.

UMCOR

Every dollar you give goes directly to the people in need when you give through the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR). Through our Connectional giving, the United Methodist Church pays the administrative costs. Please write your checks to Bethany for Ida to give to our US Disaster Response and to Haiti for International Disaster Response. Most of all, we join in praying for perseverance and peace during these troubling times. Lord hear our prayers.

Living Water Ministry

We would like to invite to serve at the Summerville Family YMCA's Flowertown Festival Oct. 8-10. During the festival, Bethany will again provide a refreshing Oasis with a free bottle of "Living Water" and a cross, as people visit our "Oasis/Picnic Area." You can be a part of this outreach ministry by making a donation in the offering plate, church office, or in the container on the display table near the kitchen entrance to the Fellowship Hall. Please clearly mark your check for "Living Water." Volunteers are needed to welcome our guests, hand out the "Living Water," answer questions, and pray. Look for sign-ups coming soon!

All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast

The Local Missions Committee will host its annual All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, Oct. 9 in the Fellowship Hall from 7-10 a.m. Tickets are \$5 each and are available in the church business office, from Local Missions Committee members, or at the door. Join us to enjoy pancakes, sausage, coffee and milk. Proceeds will benefit Local Missions.

Happy Hearts

Our free September 24th meeting will be Tim Lowry, the storyteller. We will NOT have a meal and we will meet at 1:00 p.m. so you will have time to eat before coming. We strongly recommend wearing a mask.

Third Grade Bible Presentation

Third Graders and their families are invited to join us for a special Bible presentation Sunday, September 26 at 8:45 & 11:15 traditional services and 8:45 Word & Table service. Please contact Emily Vick at evick@bethany-umc.com if you would like to participate or have any questions

Youth Needs

We need YOU! Youth Ascend is in need of volunteers. 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.

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 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!

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 the church office (843.873.1230), 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 Password

If you would like to connect to Wi-Fi while on church property, please use the guest connection and password **Obethanywelcome**.

Text to Give Option

It's easier than ever to give now! Simply text: bethanyumc to 833.245.8417. This is a safe and convenient way to give!

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.

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.

BETHANY United Methodist Church

September 12, 2021
8:45 am and 11:15 am 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, Director of Student Ministries
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

Order of Worship

September 12, 2021
16th 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

Pavane

Robert Elmore

As the prelude begins, let us turn our thoughts and hearts to God in prayer and prepare for worship.

Welcome and Parish Concerns

*Processional Hymn, No. 578

UNSER HERRSCHER

God of Love and God of Power

Call to Prayer

Minister: The Lord be with you

People: And also with you.

Minister: Let us pray.

Morning Prayer 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.

Offertory

Nearer, My God, to Thee

arr. Dan Forrest

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology, No. 95

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Hymn of Assurance, No. 571

LANCASHIRE

Go, Make of All Disciples

(8:45 - At this time children may leave for Children's Church ~ ages K5 thru 2nd grade ~ **in room 214 of the Youth Wing.** Please remember to attach a Children's Church sticker to your child and pick them up ASAP.)

*The Gospel Lesson

John 6:24-34

NT Pg. 98

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

How Great Thou Art
Women's Ensemble
"See hymn No. 77 for lyrics"

arr. Dan Forrest

Sermon

"Who Is the Son of Man"

Rev. Mitch Houston

*Affirmation of Faith, No. 881

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, No. 70

Glory Be to the Father

MEINEKE

*Hymn of Dedication, No. 400

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

*Blessing of the People

*Postlude

Rondeau

Joseph Mouret

*Please Stand

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 apportionment dollars 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 www.epworthchildrenshome.org where you can also choose to make a secure credit card donation.

WELCOME

We welcome all guests to our service today. If you are visiting with us, please allow us to further acknowledge your presence by signing the attendance registration pad when it is passed to you. A nursery is available for infants and toddlers in our Child Development Center on the first floor. An usher will be happy to give you directions. Also, please ask about our Sunday School hour at 10 a.m. with classes for all ages. 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. 31.

CELL PHONES/ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Hearing devices are available for our members and guests who are hearing impaired. If you need help hearing the worship service, please ask an usher for a hearing device.

In order to not distract your fellow worshipers, please **turn off** 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 memory of Charlene Clark DuPuis by Trudy and Steve Zobel and Family.

SERVING THIS SUNDAY

Ushers

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

11:15 ~ Team Leader: David Morris; Bart Burford, Greg Elliott, Jimmy Jackson, Gerry Purvis, Bob Minus, Steve Wilson, Justin Goethe, Gerry Purvis

Audio/Video Support

Technical Ministries Team

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

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

Gifts (*Figures for Sept. 5, 2021. These figures are unverified.)

*Budget Contributions\$ 33,971.68

*Budget Funds Contributed to Date 1,173,082.43

*Non-Budgeted Mission and Ministry Gifts to Date 42,610.82

Capital Campaign (Figures for Sept. 5, 2021)

*Capital Campaign Contributions 3,923.00

*Total Campaign Gifts Year to Date..... 91,714.02

Presence (Sept. 5, 2021)

8 am Worship – 30; Word & Table Worship – 77; Sanctuary Worship - 310;

Virtual Worship – 703; Sunday School – 274; No Youth last week