

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### All Saints' Sunday – Next Sunday

Bethany UMC will honor our church family who became Saints this past year. We will recognize their names on Sunday, November 7 during all services

### Ecuador 2022 Mission Trip

Ecuador 2022 mission trip is being planned for June 2022. Covid vaccinations are at 79% of the population (older than 16) with plans to vaccinate youth between 5 and 16 beginning mid October. Because of the vaccination level, the Methodist Church in Ecuador is able to once again support mission groups. If you are interested in participating in the Ecuador 2022 mission trip, please contact Steve Bishop at f1skier@comcast.net or 843.696.6938 and/or attend the information meeting being planned for November 7 at 10 am (during the Sunday school hour) in room 126.

### Bethany Ball

Registration is now open for Bethany Ball and will close on Nov. 19. The season will conclude the week of March 7. There will be one practice a week and games will be on Saturdays. Coaches are needed! The cost is \$100 and you can register online at [www.bethany-umc.com](http://www.bethany-umc.com).

### Join the Stephen Ministry Team

Are you a good listener? Do you have a caring spirit? Do you like one-on-one relationships? If you answer yes...then SAY YES to STEPHEN MINISTRY! A new training class is forming for January 2022. Apply NOW to be a part of the helping team of Bethany Stephen Ministers. Classes consist of one weeknight class per week; January – May. All materials provided. Please find applications in the Welcome Center or you may get an application from Pastor Mark Barnes. Deadline for applications is Nov. 30.

### Thanksgiving Food Bags

Monetary donations are now being collected to provide turkey/bags of food to Dorchester County families in need. 352 families were recipients in 2020! Please donate to those in need by Nov. 7 thru offering, mail or drop off at the church. If you or someone you know would like a Thanksgiving Food Bag, please call Pastor Narcie at 854.429.1848 no later than Nov. 7.

### Women of Bethany- You're Invited!!

Katie Stagliano from Katie's Krops is coming to speak to the New Hope UMW Circle as a guest speaker on Tuesday, Nov. 16 at 6:30 pm in Room 240. All women, teens and girls are encouraged to attend to hear her inspiring story. Katie's Krops provides food for the hungry in the Summerville area and Bethany UMC donates desserts to this amazing organization. Dessert donations are always needed! The next dates are Nov. 11, Nov. 18, Dec. 2 and Dec. 16.

### 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.

### Angel Tree

Make a child's Christmas wish come true! The online tree will go live on Nov. 19. Gifts will be dropped off Dec. 1-12 in the Business Office. Contact Pastor Narcie with any names of people in need that you want to add to the Angel Tree by Nov. 5.

### Gift Shop & Bake Sale

We are still accepting baked goods for the Gift Shop and Bake Sale. If you would like to provide a dessert for our Bake Sale, contact Kim Lucius at 843.821.2368.

### 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!

### 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](mailto: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**.

### Wifi Access

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

# BETHANY United Methodist Church

October 31, 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

October 31, 2021

Twenty-Third 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

*Jubiloso* Karen Lakey Buckwalter  
Chancel Bells; Josh Bohl, percussion

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. 384

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

BEECHER

## 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

*If God Be for Us*  
Men's Ensemble

Joseph M. Martin

If God be for us, who can be against us?

God is our refuge, God is our strength!

God is Love, and from our sin redeems us,

God's mercy shall never end.

God alone is our foundation. God alone is our salvation.

I am persuaded, if God be for us who can be against us?

If God be for us, who can be against us?

God is our splendor, God is our light!

God will shine the glory all around us.

Then, why should we fear the night?

God alone is our sustainer. God alone is our defender.

I am persuaded, if God be for us who can be against us?

The Lord of life is with us. The Lord is ever near.

God's mighty arm will save us, release your doubt and fear.

What pow'r could ever take us? We're safe in His embrace.

No word can sound against us, for we are saved by grace.

If God be for us, who can be against us,

God is our rock in a weary land!

God is strong, and by His pow'r, defends us.

He shelters us in His hand.

God alone is our creator. God alone is our sustainer.

I am persuaded, if God be for us who can be against us? Amen

## Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

### \*Doxology, No. 95

OLD HUNDREDTH

### \*Hymn of Assurance, No. 114

KATHERINE

*Many Gifts, One Spirit*

(8:45 - At this time children may leave for Children's Church ~ ages K5 thru 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 Scripture Lesson Ruth 1:1-18, 4:13-17

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### Anthem

*...and the wind blows*  
(based on John 3:8)  
Chancel Bells

Matthew Compton

### Sermon

"Ruth's Faithfulness"

Rev. Narcie Jeter

### \*Affirmation of Faith, No. 881

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, No. 70

*Glory Be to the Father*

MEINEKE

### \*Hymn of Dedication, No. 519

LIFT EVERY VOICE

*Lift Every Voice and Sing*

### \*Blessing of the People

### \*Postlude

*Toccata in D minor, BWV 565*

J. S. Bach

\*Please Stand

## 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 Sehr, Membership Director, at [jsehr@bethany-umc.com](mailto:jsehr@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 honor of our 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary by Kevin and Brenda Byrd.

## SERVING THIS SUNDAY

### Ushers

8:45 ~ Team Leader: Billy Hay; Laurence Clair, Stuart Courtney, Jack Cross, Steve Davis, Jim McElheny, Jonathan Patterson

11:15 - Team Leader: David Huffman; Marty Eubanks, Debra Towe, Bill Figard, Rick Yochim

### Audio/Video Support

Technical Ministries Team

## STEWARDSHIP REPORT

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

**Gifts** (\*Figures for Oct. 24, 2021. These figures are unverified.)

\*Budget Contributions .....\$ 26,529.87

\*Budget Funds Contributed to Date ..... 1,365,130.38

\*Non-Budgeted Mission and Ministry Gifts to Date ..... 64,470.49

**Capital Campaign** (Figures for Oct. 24, 2021)

\*Capital Campaign Contributions ..... 1,758.38

\*Total Campaign Gifts Year to Date..... 105,341.60

**Presence** (Oct. 24, 2021)

8 am Worship – 51; Word & Table Worship – 78; Sanctuary Worship - 351;  
Virtual Worship – 450; Sunday School – 297; Youth – 72