

ANNOUNCEMENT

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 **TODAY** offering, mail or drop off at the church

Thanksgiving Eve Service

Our annual Thanksgiving Eve Service will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 24 at 6:30 pm in the Spell.

Charge Conference

The annual Charge Conference will be held on Thursday, Nov. 18 at 7 pm in the Fellowship Hall. This meeting will be available virtually as well as in person. Everyone is invited to attend.

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.

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.

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.

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.

The Living Christmas Story

The Living Christmas Story will be held
Dec. 9 from 6:30 pm - *8 pm
Dec. 10 from 6:30 pm - *8 pm
Dec. 11 from 5:30 pm - *8 pm
(* last car in line by 8 pm).

Each night, over 50 volunteers are needed to bring the production to life.

Sign-up for casting begins TODAY.

You can sign-up in person at the church, or online at

<https://bethanyumc.ccbchurch.com/goto/scheduling/22/public>

We look forward to sharing this wonderful gift to the community!

KidsCare

Bethany KidsCare is looking for counselors and bus drivers. If you are interested in joining the KidsCare team at Bethany please contact Tom Thurman at kidscare@bethany-umc.com or at 854.429.1842.

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), 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

November 7, 2021

8:45 and 11:15 a.m. Worship Services



Juanita Toomer Kennedy

June H. Byers

Herman Louis Koester

John Sutusky

Reginald Cross, Sr.

Janet Ray French

Gary Wayne Bailey

Elizabeth Beebe

Lindsay Bustle Farris

Phyllis Helen Scheierman

Donald Wayne Hudson

Carolyn Seastrunk English

Carolyn Leigh English

Ellen Ruth Wiley

Thomas Michael Veneziano

Bruce Alan Weber

W. Tolman Salisbury, Sr.

Dolores Teater

Phillis Nester Smith

Douglas Bradford Stalb

Ruth Bradley Baggett

Gerald "Jerry" Blackwell

Louise Rush Beckmann

Patricia Whitaker Davis

Jerome "Jerry" Johnson

Patricia Ann Pinkard

Judson "Sonny" Pinkard

Janice Smith Lyman

Albert Edward Wright

Thomas Gabriel Loftus

Mary Miller

Brownie McLeod Calvert

John Lee Lamar

Dorothy Smith Free

Ted Vernon Cooper

Margaret Porter

Donald Lee Webb

Donna Aubrey Pound

Charles Roger Maynard

Patricia Irick Banks

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*We are a Stephen Ministry Church, a Safe Sanctuaries
Congregation and a Welcoming Church.*

CALLED TO CARE

November 7, 2021
ORDER OF WORSHIP
All Saints' Sunday

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 *Sound the Trumpet* Henry Purcell
Susan Messersmith and Todd Smith, trumpets;
Michael Lopez, organ

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

***Hymn, No. 711** *For All the Saints* SINE NOMINE

Roll Call of the Saints (pray responsively)

Ever living God, this day revives in us memories of loved ones. What happiness we shared when they walked among us. What joy, when, loving and being loved, we lived our lives together.

THEIR MEMORY IS A BLESSING FOR EVER.

Months or years have passed, and still we feel near to them. Our hearts yearn for them. Though the bitter grief has softened, a duller pain abides; for the place where once they stood is empty now. The links of life are broken, but the links of love and longing cannot break.

THEIR SOULS ARE BOUND UP IN OURS FOR EVER.

We see them now with the eye of memory, their faults forgiven, their virtues grown larger. So does goodness live and weakness fade from sight. We remember them with gratitude and bless their names.

THEIR MEMORY IS A BLESSING FOR EVER.

And we remember as well the members who but yesterday were part of our congregation and community. To all who cared for us and labored for all people, we pay tribute. May we prove worthy of carrying on the tradition of our faith, for now the task is ours.

THEIR SOULS ARE BOUND UP IN OURS FOR EVER.

We give you thanks that they now live and reign with you. As a great cloud of witnesses, they surround us with their blessings and offer you hymns of praise and thanksgiving.

THEY ARE ALIVE FOR EVER MORE. AMEN.

Remembrance

Offertory *Arioso (from Piano Concerto in F minor)* J. S. Bach
Carrie Bates, trombone; Michael Lopez, piano

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

***Doxology, No. 95** OLD HUNDREDTH

***Hymn of Assurance, No. 733** MARCHING TO ZION
Marching to Zion

The Scripture Lesson Luke 23:39-43

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem *Song of the Saints* Pepper Choplin
Chancel Choir; Susan Messersmith and Todd Smith, trumpets;
Carrie Bates, trombone

Tell the loved ones we are safe now.
Tell them we have no more pain.
Do not hurry heaven's journey,
but do not fear it just the same.

All will go through times of grieving,
ev'ry tear must be released;
But live a tribute to our mem'ry,
heal your pain with holy peace.

For our faith was never futile as we trusted in the Lord;
Ev'ry word now has been proven;
all we knew and even more,
All we knew and even more.

Ev'ry promise Chirst has given through
our voyage was proven true.
Christ prepared for us a mansion
and a mansion waits for you.

So do not faint from earthly challenge,
hold your faith and live it strong.
Years on earth are but a moment,
days in heav'n go on and on.

Sermon "Paradise" Rev. Mitch Houston

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Silent Confession

Assurance

Prayer of Consecration

Taking of the Bread and Cup

Prayer after Receiving

***Hymn of Dedication** *I'll Fly Away* Albert E. Brumley
Some glad morning when this life, is o'er, I'll fly away;
To a home on God's celestial shore, I'll fly away.

Refrain: I'll fly away, O glory, I'll fly away;
When I die, Hallelujah, by and by, I'll fly away.

When the shadows of this life have grown, I'll fly away;
Like a bird from prison bars has flown, I'll fly away. **Refrain**

Just a few more weary days and then, I'll fly away;
To a land where joys shall never end, I'll fly away. **Refrain**

***Blessing of the People**

***Postlude** *When the Saints Go Marchin' In* arr. A. Zhulyey

**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 Sehart, Membership Director, at jsehart@bethany-umc.com or 843.873.1230, ext. 31.

CELL PHONES AND 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 by the Friendship Circle Sunday School Class in memory of all the Saints' from Bethany who have joined the church triumphant.

SERVING THIS SUNDAY

Ushers

8:45 ~ Team Leader: Narvie Bilbray, Jr., Jim Barrier, Dennis Bradshaw, Tom Thurman, Jody Dillard, Kevin Slack, Fenn Stallsmith, Matt Lazzaro, Bobby Long, Al Lyman

10:30 ~ Team Leader: Kerry Farmer; Hal Hess, Al Jackson, Barbara Jackson, Gillis McAllister, Mark Phillips, Joyce Stone, Roger McCants

Audio/Video Support

Technical Ministries Team

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

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

Gifts (*Figures for Oct. 31, 2021. These figures are unverified.)

*Budget Contributions.....\$ 25,876.77

*Budget Funds Contributed to Date..... 1,391,007.17

*Non-Budgeted Mission and Ministry Gifts to Date 67,261.49

Capital Campaign (Figures for Oct. 31, 2021)

*Capital Campaign Contributions 1,594.44

*Total Campaign Gifts Year to Date..... 106,936.04

Presence (Oct. 31, 2021)

8 am Worship – 61; Word & Table Worship – 78; Sanctuary Worship - 441;

Virtual Worship – 351; Sunday School – 387;

Camp Bob Cooper (Youth) - 31