

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

October 2, 2022  
17<sup>th</sup> 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

Holly Slice, pianist

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

### Greeting

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you

*And also with you.*

The risen Christ is with us.

*Praise the Lord!*

### \*Hymn of Praise

UM Hymnal No. 159

*Lift High the Cross*

### Opening Prayer

**Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

### \*Doxology

UM Hymnal No. 95

### \*Scripture Lesson

Luke 22: 7-20

The Word of God for the people of God.

*Thanks be to God.*

### Sermon

"Family Reunion"

Rev. Mark Barnes

### Invitation

### Prayer of Humble Access

**We do not presume to come to this table,  
O merciful Lord,  
trust our own righteousness,  
but in thy manifold and great mercies.**

**We are not worthy  
so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table.**

**But thou art the same Lord,  
whose property is always to have mercy.**

**Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,  
so to partake of this Sacrament of thy Son Jesus Christ,  
that we may walk in newness of life,  
may grow into his likeness,  
and may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen**

### World Communion Celebration

### Pardon

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

***In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!  
Glory to God. Amen.***

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

*And also with you.*

Lift up your hearts.

***We lift them up to the Lord.***

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

***It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

### Breaking the Bread

### Giving the Bread and Cup

### Prayer after Receiving

**Eternal God, we give thanks for this holy mystery  
in which you have given yourself to us.**

**Grant that we may go into the world  
in the strength of your Spirit,  
to give ourselves for others,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

### \*Hymn of Dedication

UM Hymnal No. 393

*Spirit of the Living God*

### \*Benediction

### \*Benediction Response

**Irish Blessing**

**May the road rise to meet you, May the wind blow at your back,  
May the sun shine warmly on your face, May the rain fall softly on your  
field; And until we meet again, until we meet again,  
May God hold you in the palm of his hand. Amen.**

### \*Postlude

---

\* Please stand

## Announcements

### **World Communion Sunday**

Today we celebrate World Communion Day by having some of Bethany's kids dress up and represent different countries from around the world. We will learn a little bit about Christianity from each of these countries. There will be no Children's church so that all children can participate in communion with their families.

### **Wednesday Bethany NOW**

Join us on Wednesday nights for activities and classes for everyone. BNOW begins with a meal in the Fellowship Hall at 5 pm. Each week features a homemade meal that you would eat around your family table. The meal for this week (Oct. 5) will be a chili dog bar with chips and dessert. The Sunday School class that will be hosting is Spiritual Growth. Meals are \$8 for Adults, \$6 for Seniors (over 65) and \$4 for Children (12 and under) with a family maximum of \$20 (2 parents and children under 12 that live in the same household). Meal reservations are required and due by 12 p.m. the Monday prior to each meal. Reservations can be made by calling the church office 843.873.1230.

### **Bethany's Blessing of the Animals**

Bring your pet for a special worship service and blessing on **Sunday, Oct. 9** at 3pm in Azalea Park. Bring a chair and please remember to clean up after your pet!

### **New Member Sunday**

Are you interested in joining our church family? Our next New Member Sunday will be **Sunday, October 23** for all services. This is a celebration Sunday for all our friends who would like to become members.

If you are interested in joining, or for more information, please contact our Membership Director, Jack Sehart, at 843.873.1230 or [jsehart@bethany-umc.com](mailto:jsehart@bethany-umc.com).

### **Visitation Team Meeting**

There will be a visitation team meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 5 at 10 am for those who can come in the morning or at 5:30 pm in the Conference Room. We will be discussing visitation guidelines and questions. Please come even if you are just interested in hearing about this important ministry.

### **Stephen Ministry**

If you are hurting and would like to talk through an issue or problem, we have Stephen Ministers ready to listen and care. Please contact Pastor Mark Barnes or Denis Tsukalas 843.729.5348, Leah Martin 404.408.5457 or Mary Kay Wrenn 843.323.2130 or 843.821.3123.



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

October 2, 2022

*118 West 3rd South Street, Summerville, SC 29483*

*[www.bethany-umc.com](http://www.bethany-umc.com)*

***843-873-1230***

