

Bethany Beacon

The monthly newsletter for Bethany United Methodist Church

The Pastors and Staff of Bethany United Methodist Church would like to wish all of you, many blessings in this New Year.





We would like to extend our Christian sympathy to the family of Coach John McKissick, who died on November 28, 2019



Bethany Cookbooks are available for \$15.00

If you are interested in purchasing, text Donna Brasher at 843-442-9070 or call the church office at 843-873-1230.

The cookbooks are full of delicious recipes from our members and the Tea Room!

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Submission for the February Issue is January 15. You may be early and not wait until the deadline to submit your news! Please email information to: ddominianni@bethanyumc.com

Submissions received after the deadline of the 15th may be held for the following month.

Editors reserve the right for submissions to be edited for clarity and space

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Ministry's message of caring is simple, universal, and enduring. We care and want to bring comfort to those in need. The ministry is active here at Bethany UMC. The simple act of giving a shawl enriches both the giver and the receiver. If you would like to join the Prayer Shawl Ministry, please come to our meetings on the first, Monday of

each month in Room 119 at 2pm, or call Marge Veneziano @ 843-607-4519. Shawls are available if you would like one, or know someone who could use a "hug," comfort, or prayer. Recipients are not required to be Bethany Members.

Dates for upcoming meetings:

Jan 6, Feb 3.



January Preaching Schedule

*Subject to Change

January 5th -

Spell—Rev. Jo Locklair 8:45—Word & Table - Rev. Narcie Jeter

8:45—Traditional - Rev. Mitch Houston

11:15— Traditional - Rev. Mitch Houston

January 12th -

Spell— Rev. Mark Barnes 8:45—Word & Table - Rev. Narcie Jeter

8:45—Traditional - Rev. Mitch Houston

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January 19th -

Spell—Rev. Narcie Jeter 8:45—Word & Table - Rev. Narcie Jeter

8:45—Traditional - Rev. Mark Barnes

11:15 — Traditional - Rev. Mark Barnes

January 26th -

Spell—Rev. Mark Barnes 8:45—Word & Table - Rev. Narcie Jeter

8:45—Traditional— Rev. Mitch Houston

11:15—Traditional—Rev. Mitch Houston

Camp Meeting Sundays in January

Bethany Memorial Garden

Blessing and Dedication January 26

Immediately following the 11:15 worship service









Join us for this special service to bless the Memorial Garden.

The Bethany Memorial Garden is a beautiful and dignified space where the cremated remains of the faithful will be kept and where the living can gather to remember their loved ones and offer quiet worship to God.





2020 is going to be an exciting year for Ascend at Bethany!

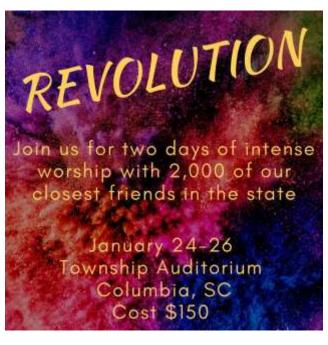
Please keep our senior high youth and college students in your prayers January 17-20. They will experience a weekend of worship, fellowship, and a bit of snow skiing/snowboarding at Teen Valley Ranch in the mountains of North Carolina.

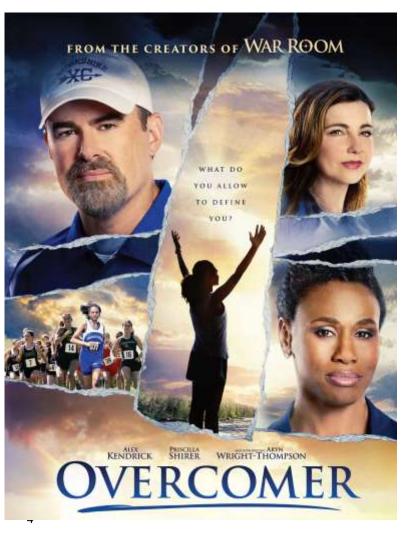
January 24-26 our Middle and High School students will be in Columbia, SC, with 2,000 youth from across the SC Annual Conference for REVOLUTION 2020! Revolution is a dynamic weekend of worship, teaching, fellowship, and a time of spiritual formation.

Registration for Confirmation 2020 is still open. If your 7th grader (or older youth who has not participated in confirmation before) has yet to register please do so soon. We are excited take the next steps of faith and spiritual growth with the youth of Bethany during confirmation.











Overcomer

Friday, January 31, 2020 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall





ONE PERSON, ONE ITEM = ONE LIFE CHANGED ASHLEY RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

JANUARY 2020

Bethany United Methodist Women and Del Webb at Nexton will be collecting food for Ashley Ridge High School Food Pantry.

Ashley Ridge High School is committed to providing educational opportunities in a safe, supportive environment which fosters pride, inspires excellence, promotes respect and builds strong relationships. Unfortunately, some students come to school hungry and worry about being without food on the weekend. These students may need to bring home food for the weekend. The items will need to fit easily in their backpacks. Some parents will come and pick up food at school. The items most requested are:

Spaghetti & sauce Seasoned boxes rice, potatoes & other pasta

Canned meats Hamburger helper/Macaroni & Cheese

Energy & breakfast bars Ravioli/Soup & crackers

Let's show our love by making sure these students are not hungry on the weekend!! Remember the more you give the better you feel!

Drop at Bethany UMC, Rm 118 or Del Webb Nexton Activity Center

Sincerely,

Sue Smith, Program Coordinator Joe Laferte, Del Webb at Nexton Coordinator

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CLASS PREP

This wonderful ministry is being offered to you at this tremendous discount for only \$25.00! Narcie Jeter will be teaching this class January 8th through March 4th 2020 during Wednesday night BNOW. To register for this class please contact Narcie Jeter by e-mail at

Njeter@bethany-umc.com with your name, email & phone number.

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Bethany New Members December 2019

Jessica, Elizabeth and Scott White William (Bill) and Janice Onusko Timothy (Tim), Kelly and Addison Cone Rosemary Hartis
Kim Kinney
Megan Campbell
Reed and Martha Atkinson
Scott, Millie, Mayson and Callie Runyon

THANK YOU!!!

Local Mission would like to thank everyone that participated in the Angel Tree.

155 children were served this Christmas!



KidsCare News

January always brings new. New Year, New Resolutions, New Beginnings, New Experiences! For us at KidsCare it brings new opportunities to reach children for Christ and to teach them about His love, His provision and His Promises!

We are excited to begin a new year with the expectation of having a newness to our hearts that gives our children a glimpse of what it

means to be washed clean or made anew!

Jesus told us that as soon as we confess our sin and accept His provision for eternal life that our old life has passed away and we are born again! Praise The Lord for forgiveness of sin and Praise Him all the more for the opportunity to begin anew. A new person in search of the New way He would have us live our lives! Will you agree with us in prayer that we remain faithful to God's call to "train them up in the way they should go and when they are old they shall not depart from it!"?

This is our tireless journey as we are called according to His Purpose.

Bethany Happy Hearts

Bethany Happy Hearts Luncheon – Friday, January 24th The next luncheon meeting of Bethany Happy Hearts will be on Friday, January 24th at 12:00 noon. The guests will Ellie Brown and "The Joy Steppers" Tap Dancers, along with vocalist.

Bethany Happy Hearts Luncheon is always open to all Bethany Members and their guests who would like to attend, but <u>reservations are required</u>. Both members and guests must call Linda Field at 843-832-9925 or email her at <u>fieldmw@hotmail.com</u> to make reservations by Sunday, January 19th. Our menu for the January meeting includes meatloaf, gravy with mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, sugar cream pie for dessert, roll w/butter, and tea/water, with lemon. The cost of the meal is \$8 per person.

Bethany Happy Hearts Games Day - Friday, January 10th

"Bethany Happy Hearts Games Day" has been a success. We meet on the 2nd Friday of each month at the church in Room 118 from 11:30 a.m. until Bring a lunch and beverage, so we can eat together before we begin playing games. We play several different games "Hand and Foot," "RummyCube," "Mexican Train," "Pegs and Jokers," "Skip-Bo," and we have other games available. If you have a special game you would like to play, bring it with you. Don't worry if you don't know how to play these games, someone will teach you. The object is to have fun. Everyone that enjoys playing card or board games is welcome to join us. If you have questions, call Bob or Bethann Erwin at 843-291-2892, or email at erwbare@vahoo.com. Come join the fun!

The Gospel of John: Finding Identity and Purpose Bible Study

We will begin a study on January 9 and it will continue until March 25. Books will cost \$10. We will be meeting in room 239 on Thursdays at 9:30 until 11:00. This Bible Study is for men and women. There are 12 passages from the book of John which will be studied in depth during those 12-weeks.

If you are interested in participating, please contact Joan Naugle at 843-875-2850 or joannaugle3@gmail.com.



NOW Adult Classes for Winter/Spring 2020

All Classes for NOW will meet on Jan. 8, 15, 22, 29, Feb. 5, 12, 19, 26 Apr. 22, 29, May 6 March 4,11,18,25, Apr.1 Lenten Services will be held instead of classes for adults. Children's classes will still be held.

David Powell Room 237 The Beatitudes

This study is based on and supported by various scripture both in the New testament and the Old Testament It's important to understand just what being "blessed" means in our relationship with God. Without that understanding the Beatitudes lack true meaning and understanding.

Disciple II – Into the Word, Into the World Marc Jacques Room 238

This is a condensed version of the 36-week Disciple II Bible Study. Genesis and Exodus were studied in depth during the 12 weeks in the Fall. Luke and Acts will be studied in depth during the 12 weeks in the Spring. Participants will purchase their study books and use their own Bibles. This is perfect for those who wish to study these books more deeply. Even if you did not attend in the Fall, you may still join in the Spring.

Financial Peace Narcie Jeter Room 239

This tried and true financial planning program will help you get out of debt and help you avoid getting into debt! Based on Biblical principles, you will learn to take control of your spending and eliminate money-related worries in your life. Planning for the future and paying off the past will help you live at peace with your financial status.

Peggy and JC Ridgeway **Back of Fellowship Hall** Line Dancing

This class is fun and great exercise! Peggy and JC are excellent teachers who love to dance and know plenty of different dances. You will learn new dances and enjoy the ones you have learned previously.

Plarning/Up-Cycling **Clara Stonner**

Room 122

The Up-Cycling ministry crochets sleeping mats for homeless Veterans. Ordinary recycled plastic grocery bags are cut into loops to make plastic yarn {PLARN} that is used to crochet the mats. Crochet tote bags will also be made using PLARN. Come join in and learn how to do this.

Aging Wisely: Navigating the complicated world of Senior Care **Various Speakers Room 240**

If you are a care-giver or anticipate becoming one at some time for a parent or spouse, this information will be extremely valuable. Topics to be covered include: Elder Law, Home Health Care, Stages of aging to include independent living, assisted living and skilled nursing care, Hospice, Social Workers, VA Assistance, The Ark, Stephen Ministries, and Geriatric Medicine, Downsizing and talking to your parents. See separate list of speakers. Come to all or some of the classes that interest you.

Children's Activities for BNOW Wednesday Night

6:00-6:45 6:45-7:30

Birth – 3 years Nursery Nursery

(turn 3 after Sept. 1)

Ages 3 & 4 Cherub Choir Sprouts – Growing in Faith

(Must be 3 by Sept. 1)

Kindergarten – 2nd grade Melody Choir Crafting Faith

Or

Homework Hotspot

3rd – 5th grades Crafting Faith Wesley Choir

Or

Homework Hotspot

Preschool Options

Cherub Choir Friendship Circle Room

Choir for children 3 years old through pre-K 5 year olds. They learn basic Bible songs while incorporating movement. The Cherub choir sings at both the Word & Table and traditional 8:45 services on a regular basis.

Sprouts – Growing in Faith

Room 110

Bible story time for children 3 years through pre-K 5 year olds. They hear basic Bible stories combined with playtime.

Elementary Options

Melody Choir Sanctuary

Choir for Kindergartners through 2nd graders. This group learns songs to enhance their faith. The Melody Choir sings at both the Word & Table and traditional services on a regular basis.

Wesley Choir Sanctuary

Choir for 3rd – 5th graders. This group learns more advanced songs of the Christian faith. The Wesley Choir sings at both the Word & Table and traditional services on a regular basis.

Homework Hotspot Room 127

An alternative to choir and a place for kids to catch up on homework. There will be a volunteer in the room.

Crafting Faith Room 121 (Art Room)

A brief Bible study with an Arts & Crafts component.

Please make sure to pick up children NO LATER THAN 7:30 pm each week.

BNOW MEALS January

01/8 Charles Peace & Traditional Hosting

Crispy Chicken Parmesan served over a bed of

Tomato Sauce Garlic Noodles

Tender Broccoli Spears

Garlic Toast & Salad Bar

01/22 Daily Bread Hosting

Breaded Pork Chop & Creamy Potatoe's

Roasted Brussels Sprouts and a Sautéed

Bacon Sauce

Rolls & Butter with Salad Bar

Children's Meal Supplied

01/15 Connections Hosting

Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy

Mixed Vegetable

Rolls & Butter with Salad Bar

01/29 Friendship Circle Hosting

Chicken Wings (Buffalo, Garlic and Parmesan)

Cole Slaw, Baked Beans

Rolls & Butter with Salad Bar

Aging Wisely: Navigating the Complicated World of Senior Care

Dates: Jan 8,15,22,29, Feb. 5,12,19,26, April 22, 29, May 6 (May attend any or all.)

Jan. 8	Shelley All, <u>Elder Law</u>
Jan. 15	Leslie Burton, <u>Home Health Care</u>
Jan 22	Don Bagwell, Lt. Governor's Office on Aging Community Resources, Medicaid.
Jan. 29	Sherry Tevis, <u>Hospice of Charleston</u>
Feb. 5	Vincent Thurman, Social Worker Long-term care, VA Benefits
Feb. 12	Naomi Sills, <u>The Ark</u>
Feb. 19	Gillis McAllister, Stephen Ministries
Feb. 26	Dr. Russ Blackwelder, <u>Geriatric Physician</u>
April 22	Eileyn Sobeck-Bador, <u>The Village at Summerville</u> (Having "The Talk") with your parents
April 29	Libby Avant, Nurse (explaining independent, assisted living, skilled nursing care)
May 6	Elizabeth King, The Village at Summerville Downsizing
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Participants may attend all or some of the classes which interest them.

Bridges Respite

Respite is for our families of children with special needs. This is a chance for the parents to have some time for themselves. We host these children and their siblings for a night of fun. They take place on the Third Friday of each month.

If you would like more information about our Bridges Respite or would like to volunteer, please contact Jennifer Horres at bridges@bethany-umc.com.

Bethany Quilters

Bethany Quilters met for their annual Christmas luncheon December 10, 2019. Joining us were guests, Martha and Mitch Houston, Mark Barnes, and Mike and Narcie Jeter.

We had a special guest, Evelyn Smith, who was a past quilter for many years with Bethany Quilters. In recognizing her many years of quilting, she was presented with a quilt with blocks of outlines of previous and current quilter's hands with their favorite Bible verse. During her visit with us at the Blue House, she recognized a crosstitch that she had made and given the quilters many years ago. It was such a pleasure to know who had done this beautiful piece. Thank you Evelyn!

Our quilters presented twenty quilts that they had made. These quilts will be presented to Project Linus which donates them to children of all ages who are seriously ill or traumatized in some way.

Our group meets each Tuesday from 10-2 at the Blue House across from the welcome center. We invite all quilters who would like to join us regularly or just stop in for a visit to see our current project being quilted. Bring a lunch and join us. Should you have a quilt top you would like us to quilt, contact the church for information.







Stephen Ministry for Life's Storms

JOIN THE STEPHEN MINISTRY TEAM!

Bear One Another's Burdens...

In Galatians 6 Paul tells us to "carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ." At Bethany, our Stephen Ministers have been trained and organized to do just that. They provide one-to-one care, prayer, and support to those going through a difficult time. The Stephen Minister doesn't try to solve problems; rather he or she listens, and helps the care receiver find his or her path to healing and wholeness.

If you would like more information on our Stephen ministry, Please contact Rev. Mark Barnes at the church 843-873-1230.

LOCAL MISSIONS

The local mission team; Jerry Harris, John Lienau, Charlie Davis, Wayne Wilkening, and Barney Duncan built a bicycle shed for the Women's Home of Hope in Summerville. Thank you Bethany congregation for your support of local missions.





GLOBAL MISSIONS

Oyster Roast & Silent Auction SAVE THE DATE January 25th



Oyster Roast and Silent Auction at Summerville (Miler) Country Club. The event will be from 6 -9 pm with Live music by the Time Pirates. In addition to the oysters, barbecue and chili will be available. Please come out and support Global Missions as we raise funds to continue the school construction in Pastocalle, Ecuador. Tickets can be purchased by clicking on this link:

https://www.unation.com/ event/975838060

News from The CDC

CDC REGISTRATION BEGINS SOON!

Bethany's Child Development Center provides quality early childhood programs in a loving, nurturing, Christian environment for Toddlers through Kindergarten. With small classes and two teachers in every classroom, your child is provided with everything he or she needs for the best in social, spiritual, intellectual, physical and emotional development.

Preschool programs for toddlers through 4 year olds are two, three, and four or five days a week (depending on age) from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Kindergarten is 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday. Lunch bunch is available until 2 p.m. for two's through Kindergarten.

Registration for the 2020-2021 school year will begin soon. Bethany uses a mail-in registration system in order to be as fair as possible. Please see the registration schedule and calendar of important dates below:

REGISTRATION FORM AVAILABILITY DATES AND POSTMARK DATES

Registration Form Availability Dates and Mail Dates

Forms Available	<u>For</u>	Postmark Dates
January 8	IN HOUSE FAMILIES	January 15
January 15	BETHANY MEMBERS	January 21
January 22	WAIT LIST	January 29
January 29	GENERAL PUBLIC	February 4

Registration forms will be available to first time Bethany families on January 15. *They can not be postmarked before January 21.* It is important to stay on top of the dates, as we have a waiting list every year with many classes filling up before we open to the public. For more information and registration forms please contact the CDC office at 821-1946.

Children's Ministries

Sunday School

During Advent, kids in Sunday School learned about the characters of Christmas and made their very own Nativity sets. This is where all of your paper towel rolls were used! They used a variety of materials to create Mary, Joseph, Gabriel, shepherds, sheep, Baby Jesus, a cow, a donkey and the Wise Men. They turned out so cute.

Children's Ministries Team

We are looking for dedicated team members to help plan all our children's activities. This team meets the first Monday of the month, there is child care available. Meetings consist of evaluating our standing programs such as Sunday School and Bethany NOW, as well as planning special events and programs. We need people who are able to attend meetings as we need your input and opinion. Team members also do hands-on work with special events, such as prep ahead of time, set-up and clean up. We hope that you will prayerfully consider being part of this exciting ministry.



Music Ministries

Epiphany and Camp Meeting January 5

8:45 & 11:15

Offertory: Michael Lopez, piano, TBD

Anthem: Camp Meeting Ensemble, "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" arr. Roy Ringwald

First Sunday after the Epiphany and Camp Meeting January 12

Spell Chapel 8:00 AM

Offertory: Spell Chapel Ensemble, "Spirit of God", Joseph Martin

Sanctuary 8:45 AM

Offertory: Shelby Krallman "My Lord, What a Morning" arr. Mark Hayes Anthem: Women's Ensemble "Lamb of God" Twila Parris arr. Tom Fettke

Sanctuary 11:15 AM

Offertory: Shelby Krallman "My Lord, What a Morning" arr. Mark Hayes

Anthem: Chancel Choir: "Blessed Assurance" arr. Mark Hayes

January 19 Second Sunday after the Epiphany and Camp Meeting

Sanctuary 8:45 AM

Offertory: Chancel Bells "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" Matthew Compton

Anthem: Men's Ensemble "The Morning Trumpet" arr. Mack Wilberg

Sanctuary 11:15 AM

Offertory: Chancel Bells "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" Matthew Compton

Anthem: Chancel Choir, "Just a Closer Walk with Thee" arr. Mark Hayes,

Third Sunday after the Epiphany and Camp Meeting January 26

Sanctuary 8:45 AM

Offertory: Melody and Wesley Choirs, TBA

Anthem: Chamber Singers "Great Day!" arr. Moses Hogan

Sanctuary 11:15 AM

Offertory: Michael Lopez, TBD

Anthem: Chancel Choir, "Courage, My Soul" arr. Rollo Dilworth



Altar Flowers are needed for the 2020 flower calendar. Please contact Donna Crowe at 843.873.1230 or dcrowe@bethany-umc.com. Thank you!

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night, on weekends, or holidays, call 843.425.1069.