

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Camp Meeting Returns

Camp Meeting services will run through August 8. This is a special time at Bethany UMC, as we recognize our time-honored roots in the Christian faith dating back to the 19th Century. This is a time we can relax and be less formal. So dress comfortably and casually.

### Team Members Needed for Children's Ministry

Children's Ministry Team is searching for new team members. We would love to have you join our team. This important team meets to plan, implement, and evaluate all children's classes and programs. Please consider joining us as we will begin to plan for fall Sunday school, Children's church, Bethany NOW, Children's Sabbath, Fall Festival and more! We meet once a month for an hour. Our meeting time and place is TBA. Joining our team does not commit you to teach a class or volunteer in our programs. By joining this team, you will be a part of the planning process that we hope will be a blessing to Bethany's children. Our Special Needs Ministry, The Bridges Program, is also in need of volunteers.

### Bethany's Children - NEED YOU!

Bethany's Children's Ministry exists to create a safe environment in which to bring children into age-appropriate worship where they can belong to the family of God, grow in their relationship with Christ, be inspired to serve and then share in the world. To do this, it takes a village! For all classes we have teams for each grade and age level – so a commitment to teach, is never one you will be on your own with. We provide everything you need to be successful – curriculum, supplies, activities, and everything ready for you when you arrive to your class. We also will email you the lesson the week prior to give you time to review the material.

We need many volunteers for this coming fall in all our classes, from Preschool to 5<sup>th</sup> grade, Bethany NOW and Children's Church. We are asking you to prayerfully consider volunteering for Children's Ministry. If you have questions or comments we would love to hear from you and talk with you. Stephanie Mitchum smitchum@bethany-umc.com 843.343.8494 or Emily Vick evick@bethany-umc.com 843.343.2506.

### Tea Room-Save the Date!

Save the date for Bethany's Autumn Tea Room.  
October 25-29 & November 1-5.

### Blessing of the Backpacks & Promotion Sunday

Sunday, August 15 will be Promotion Sunday and the Blessing of the Backpacks. Bring your backpacks to church and receive a special blessing before school starts. We will also be handing out tags for the kids to attach to their backpacks to remember that their church family is praying for them and that Jesus is always with them!

### Donations for Hands of Christ School-Supply Ministry

The Hands of Christ school supply ministry needs your monetary donations for the 2021-22 school year! This ministry provides schools supplies to 3,089 children in several Dorchester District 2 and a couple of Dorchester District 4 schools. Please feel free to leave your donation in the offering plate or drop off at the church office.

### 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, **43.425.1069**.

### Wi-fi Password

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

### 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.

### Katie's Krops Desserts

Twice a month, Bethany provides desserts for Katie's Krops, who provides food for the hungry in Summerville. Our next date is Thursday, July 29. Please be sure to sign up and drop the desserts off Thursday by 11 am on the cart by the Business Office. Thank you!

### 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

July 18, 2021  
8:45 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. 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  
Mrs. Emily Vick, Creative Ministries Director  
Mrs. 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

July 18, 2021

Camp Meeting/Eighth 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

*What A Friend* arr. Gary Prim  
Susan Cadwell, guest pianist

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

## Welcome and Parish Concerns

### \*Opening Hymn, No. 77 HOW GREAT THOU ART

*How Great Thou Art*

O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder  
consider all the worlds thy worlds thy hands have made,  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,  
thy power throughout the universe displayed.

**Refrain:** Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee;  
how great thou art, how great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee;  
how great thou art, how great thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander,  
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur  
and hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze; **Refrain**

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,  
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in;  
that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,  
he bled and died to take away my sin; **Refrain**

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart.  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,  
and there proclaim, my God, how great thou art! **Refrain**

## Reception of New Members (11:15)

### 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** *Shall We Gather at the River* arr. Mark Hayes  
*Near to the Heart of God*

## Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

\***Doxology, No.94** LASST UNS ERFREUEN

\***Hymn of Assurance** George A. Minor

*Bringing in the Sheaves*

Sowing in the morning, sowing seeds of kindness,  
Sowing in the noontide and the dewy eve;  
Waiting for the harvest, and the time of reaping,  
We shall come rejoicing, bring in the sheaves.

**Refrain:** Bringing in the sheaves, bringing in the sheaves,  
We shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves.

Sowing in the sunshine, sowing in the shadows,  
Fearing neither clouds nor winter's chilling breeze;  
By and by the harvest, and the labor ended,  
We shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves. **Refrain**

Going forth with weeping; sowing for the Master,  
Tho' the loss sustained our spirit often grieves;  
When our weeping's over, He will bid us welcome,  
We shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves. **Refrain**

**The Scripture Lesson** John 1:35-42

Minister: The word of God for the people of God.  
**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Congregational Response, No. 601** THY WORD

*Thy Word Is a Lamp*

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.  
When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way,  
still you're there right beside me,  
and nothing will I fear as long as you are near.  
Please be near me to the end.  
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

**Anthem** *Give Me Jesus* arr. Moses Hogan  
Shelby Krallman, mezzo-soprano

**Sermon** "Andrew" Rev. Mitch Houston

\***Hymn of Dedication, No. 370** *Victory in Jesus* HARTFORD

I heard an old, old story, how a Savior came from glory,  
how he gave his life on Calvary to save a wretch like me;  
I heard about his groaning, of his precious blood's atoning,  
then I repented of my sins and won the victory.

**Refrain:** O victory in Jesus, my Savior forever!  
He sought me and bought me with his redeeming blood;  
he loved me ere I knew him, and all my love is due him;  
he plunged me to victory beneath the cleansing flood.

I heard about his healing, of his cleansing power revealing,  
how he made the lame to walk again and caused the blind to see;  
and then I cried, "Dear Jesus, come and heal my broken spirit,"  
and somehow Jesus came and brought to me the victory. **Refrain**

I heard about a mansion he has built for me in glory,  
and I heard about the streets of gold beyond the crystal sea;  
about the angels singing and the old redemption story,  
and some sweet day I'll sing up there the song of victory. **Refrain**

## \*Blessing of the People

\***Postlude** *Jesus Is Calling* George C. Stebbins

\*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 Sehrt, Membership Director, at [jsehrt@bethany-umc.com](mailto:jsehrt@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 Katrina Patton and Luke Biggs by Karen and George Howard.

## SERVING THIS SUNDAY

### Ushers

**8:45** ~ Team Leader: Tom Brown; Ernie Brockman, Bob Johnson, Larry McKeenan, Jim Parrish, Hank Sieling, Tom Tatum, Phil Richardson, Pat Sullivan, David Martin

**11:15** ~ Team Leader: Sam Dorr; Buford Boyd, Claude Rowe, Tim Rowe, Joe Ivonowski

### Audio/Video Support

Technical Ministries Team

## STEWARDSHIP REPORT

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

**Gifts** (\*Figures for July 11, 2021. These figures are unverified.)

*Budget Contributions .....	\$ 27,436.54
*Budget Funds Contributed to Date .....	930,133.55
*Non-Budgeted Mission and Ministry Gifts to Date .....	20,553.32

**Capital Campaign** (Figures for July 11, 2021)

*Capital Campaign Contributions .....	2,018.44
*Total Campaign Gifts Year to Date.....	68,212.50

**Presence** (July 11, 2021)

8 am Worship – 40; Word & Table Worship – 103;  
Sanctuary Worship 330; Sunday School - 314