

BETHANY BEACON

July 2021



O God, keep us safe as we travel or as people travel to us. Please grant us traveling mercies and protect us from any and all harm. May we have Your restorative rest so that we may return awakened and refreshed to do Your will. Help us to remember that wherever we are that we are loved and called by You. As we travel, ignite in us a passion to be beacons of hope and to bring Your Gospel message to everyone we meet. Wherever we are, give us hearts' like Yours and grant us Your peace that transcends all understanding no matter what befalls. In You we move. In you we trust. In Your name we pray, Jesus. Amen.

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Battle Hymn of the Republic – arr. Mark Hayes –
Chancel Choir

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Pentecost

Jesus, The Very Thought of Thee; arr. Eric Thiman;
Michael Miente, bass

July 18, 2021 – Prosper 11 – Eighth Sunday After
Pentecost

Solo: Shelby Krallman, mezzo-soprano

July 25, 2021 – Prosper 12 – Ninth Sunday After
Pentecost

Quintet; Janice Waters, Melanie Hay, Elizabeth Honan,
Michael Lopez, Jacob Turner



Sunday Worship Times:

Spell Chapel 8 am

Word & Table 8:45 am

Sanctuary 8:45 am

Sunday School 10-11 am

Sanctuary 11:15 am

Here's another way to put it:
You're here to be light, bringing
out the God-colors in the world.
God is not a secret to be kept.
We're going public with this, as
public as a city on a hill. If I make
you light-bearers, you don't think
I'm going to hide you under a
bucket, do you? I'm putting you
on a light stand. Now that I've
put you there on a hilltop, on a
light stand—shine!

- Matthew 5:14-15

**You can watch the 8:45 am
Word & Table Worship and
the 11:15am Sanctuary
Worship Live-streamed on
our website (www.bethany-umc.com), Facebook, and
YouTube.**



Bethany wifi

The Bethany Guest Wi-Fi
password has changed. It is now
bethanywelcome,
changed from guest2015.

Bethany Memorial Garden



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

The Bethany Memorial Garden is available for Bethany members and their families.

The cost of a single niche is \$1700, and a double niche is \$2700. This is an all-inclusive price, comprising of the niche space, 1 or 2 urns, the name inscription on the front, and the opening and closing of the niche at time of inurnment. There is also a maintenance fund that will ensure that the property is well taken care of.

As another part of the fee, all purchasers have access to Remember My Journey, an online tribute page. This memorial page allows family and friends to upload and view the obituary, photos, videos and share memories. Families can know that their loved one's life will have a place to be memorialized for generations to come.

If you would like more information about the Memorial Garden or are interested in purchasing a niche, please contact Emily Vick at evick@bethany-umc.com to set an appointment. The process is very easy, and only takes about 30 minutes.

Child Development Center



While these may be the “dog days of summer,” the new school year will be here before we know it and the CDC staff is busy getting ready for another great year. We are delighted to announce that we will be back to “business as usual.” 😊 All our classes will be open, and we will return to a full teaching staff. We will provide lunch bunch, re-open art & music classes, and invite parents back into our halls and classrooms. We are thankful for the new season God has provided!

One of the most exciting parts about this return to normal is that we can once again enjoy traditional programs including Meet the Teacher in August, our Christmas program in December, Donuts with Dads in January, and Mother’s Day Teas in May. These touchstones provide opportunities for our entire Bethany CDC family to connect and celebrate throughout the school year and we are all looking forward to the fellowship and joy that coming from being together again.

We will be adding some new teachers and assistant teachers to our CDC staff this year and we are always looking for great substitute teachers. If you or someone you know is interested in an awesome part-time job in a preschool full of wonderful students & dedicated teachers (with low student to teacher ratios and a friendly, Christian environment!), feel free to contact Toni Pinkard at 843-821-1946 or tpinkard@bethany-umc.com.

*To everything there is a season &
a time to every purpose under heaven.*
ECCLESIASTES 3:1

KidsCare News

July is a great time to be at KidsCare! We had a blast in Vacation Bible School this summer and are so thankful to all those who had a part in Knights of North Castle! It was a lot of fun and the kids got to know more about Jesus.

Our country turns another year older and we pray it gains more wisdom as we go forward with God's plan for us as Americans and as Christians. There is so much division in this world, but we know who the ultimate healer is! We thank God for this country and this church! Let us all be humble enough to call on God's mercies for our country and our people. May we all shine the light of the Lord for all people!

2 Chronicles 7:14 says, "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."



Children's Ministries

VBS WRAP UP

The castle is quiet and the Knights have completed their quest. What a week it was!! Bethany's doors opened to 350 children, half of whom are not Bethany members. What a great way to reach out to the community. God's hand was in everything we did, and we give Him all the glory!

HUGE THANKS to all of the volunteers who helped to bring the word of God to these precious children. Over 100 adults and teens worked each day to make it special. Every single act of service was vital to the success of the ministry, and we could not have done it without all of you.

The children arrived each day ready to put on the Armor of God. They sang, enjoyed tasty treats, created beautiful projects and learned the good news. The sight of the hallways and classrooms filled with children learning of God's love was spectacular.

During Mission Time, the Knights learned about the Bethany Blessing Box. Each class heard from some of the ladies that developed and started the Blessing Box.

They told the history of the box and how the children can be a part of it daily.

Children also brought in food each day to donate to the Blessing Box – and you should see the overflowing shelves!! What a sight! We will be able to fill the Blessing Box for weeks. The children also made banks to take home so that they can save money and use it to purchase food to stock the box.

Again, thank you to everyone at Bethany for supporting VBS and helping to make it a fantastic week. We are blessed to have the encouragement and help of all of you.



Children's Ministries

Nursery

The nursery is open for the 8:45 and 11:15 worship services each Sunday. Nursery is for children from birth through pre-kindergarten 5 year old's.



Bring your backpacks for a blessing and to receive a special gift for your backpack. This will be at all worship services. Promotion Sunday is also on August 15. At this time, all children will move up to their new grade level.

Look for more information soon on our Wednesday night Bethany NOW plans!

Sunday School

Elementary children will remain in large group during Sunday School for the remainder of the summer. They meet in room 214. Preschool will continue as usual in room 102.

We are looking for teaching teams to help in 2021-22. Each grade has a team of four who rotate teaching duties, so this is not an every week commitment. We provide all curriculum, supplies and materials. This is a great way to get involved at Bethany and make a difference in the lives of our children. If you would like to help with this, please contact Stephanie Mltchum at smitchum@bethany-umc.com or stop by the Children's Ministries office any time.

STUDENT MINISTRIES



ASCEND STUDENT MINISTRIES
Bethany United Methodist Church

July

SCHEDULE OF YOUTH EVENTS

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| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 |

- Sunday School, 10 am at the Youth House
- Monday Groups, 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm Meet at Bethany UMC
- ASCEND Movie @ the Youth House, 7pm - 9:30pm
- Open Youth House 6:30pm - 10:00pm



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MONDAY GROUPS

6 P M - 7 : 3 0 P M

Wear sneakers and bring water!



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THE YOUTH HOUSE WILL BE OPEN FOR ALL MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH TO COME OUT AND SPEND AN EVENING IN FELLOWSHIP.



YOUTH HOUSE OPEN HANG 6:30 PM - 10 PM

SPEND THE EVENING HANGING WITH ASCEND

ASCEND STUDENT MINISTRIES

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED

MIDDLE SCHOOL

HIGH SCHOOL

Lessons provided each week!

SUNDAY SCHOOL RETURNS MAY 23! WE STILL NEED VOLUNTEERS TO LEAD YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL!

Contact Mike Jeter if you would like to serve as part of the rotation of our Youth Sunday School Teachers.
mjeter@bethany-umc.com

ASCEND STUDENT MINISTRIES



ASCEND UPDATES

Announcements, sign-ups, calendar, devotions, and so much more!

SIGN UP FOR WEEKLY ASCEND UPDATES





ASCEND STUDENT MINISTRIES

INDIANA JONES and the RAIDERS of the LOST ARK



MOVIE NIGHT

THURSDAY, JULY 8
7PM - 9:30PM
IN THE YOUTH HOUSE

MOVIE SNACKS WILL BE PROVIDED. FREE EVENT



ASCEND STUDENT MINISTRIES

SUNDAY SCHOOL REBOOT

Middle & High School Classes

MAY 23 | 10 AM
THE YOUTH HOUSE

Did you know??

REMEMBER OUR INHERITANCE

We often take for granted the facilities we enjoy here at Bethany because most of them were here when we arrived. Have you ever stopped to wonder at the prayer, the commitment and the sacrifice that must have been made to provide for what we have so generously inherited?

While some evidence exists that there may have been Methodist services in Summerville prior to 1850, Bethany's real birth began in 1887 when Reverend Davis Derrick, a retired minister living near Summerville, was asked to help organize a new "society." It began as the Summerville Methodist Episcopal Church and was the smallest of the eleven churches in what was then called the Cypress Circuit. From an initial membership of only seventeen people, the Church grew to forty-four members; and, in 1861 the first building program was undertaken when a small sanctuary was built on West Richland Street.

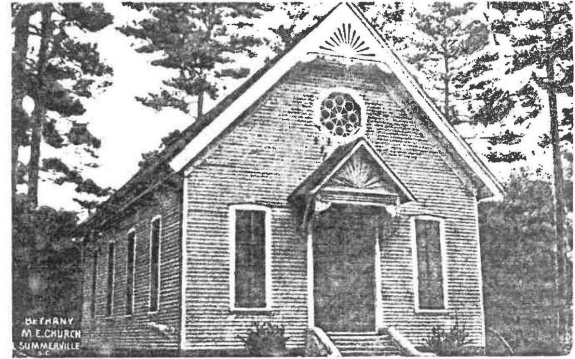
By 1867, the church had grown to a membership of sixty-seven; but by 1878, the Church and Methodism in Summerville was facing a crisis. Membership had dwindled to only twenty-nine and the church was in need of a full time minister. Although no salary could be promised him, the Reverend Sidi Hamet Brown agreed to travel from Columbia and preach two services a week in Summerville. With his guidance and God's blessing, the Church began a steady

growth that caused its trustees in 1881 to make the difficult decision to build a new church. Land was acquired from the S.C. Railroad in 1882, and the old church building was sold for \$350. In 1883, a new \$3,000 building was erected on the present site. It faced Blackjack Street which then ran under where the present educational building now stands.

With a new building, membership soared to eighty-two, and in just one year, the Church's debt had been paid in full. On April 20, 1884, Bishop A.W. Wilson, in charge of the Charleston district, preached the dedication to "an auditorium that was crowded and the choir of mixed voices were never better."

The Church's growth continued, and the one acre adjoining the Church property was acquired for \$300 to build "a place of residence for preachers." A parsonage was built in 1885 for \$2500. It was mortgaged in 1886 for \$900, perhaps to help with repairs from a severe earthquake which struck the Charleston and Summerville areas on August 31, 1886. We know, nevertheless, a hen house had to be built for the parsonage as a result of the disaster!

Now called Bethany, the Church's membership in 1887 had grown to 123, and more room was needed. With regular services being preached in a house in Stallville by Andrew Green, one of Bethany's original members, funds began to be collected to add on to the new Church. One year later twenty new members had joined Bethany's congregation.



Growth continued at the turn of the century and, in 1913, a two story building was added to the side of the Church to provide for much needed Sunday School rooms and a library. In 1926, the original "Hut" was built and changes were made in the classrooms to help ease the crowded conditions. (The "Hut" was later torn down to make way for the present Fellowship Hall.)

By 1945 membership was 500, and Bethany was presently in great need of still more room. Under the leadership of Reverend Herbert Spell the difficult, but necessary, decision was made to build once again. Final services were held in the old building on December 9, 1945. Services were moved

to the Adventure School (formerly the Pine Forest Inn where President Circle is now). With the old sanctuary stripped of its pews, the Women's Society of Christian Service held a fund raising barbeque and contributed \$517 to the building fund.

First services were held in the new sanctuary on Easter Sunday, 1947. There were no pews--only 250 folding chairs. Seeing the need, families and individual Church members began buying pews. In just a little over a year, pews, pulpit furniture, and a new organ were installed. With the Women's Society raising an additional \$3337.54 in just three months, carpeting was installed. In only seven years, Bethany's congregation had paid for its new Church building and dedication services were held on February 6, 1955.

Hardly catching its breath, in 1958 Bethany acquired the land next door and built the existing parsonage. In 1962, the new educational building was constructed. The gym, the latest in over a century long building effort to meet the continuing needs of Bethany's growing Church family, was completed in 1974.

To those Bethany congregations of past and present generations who had the vision and the courage to meet the challenges of their times, we owe our deepest thanks. Now it is our turn. We pray that God will give us the courage to make equal sacrifice so that those generations which follow us will benefit as much.

Missions

THE WAYNE COUNTY NEWS

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Thrives because it serves



Workers from Bethany United Methodist Church in Summerville, S.C. work on the roof of a home at 912 Turner St. Monday morning. The mission group, part of the United Methodist Committee on Relief, is to soon this week working on the home to repair it after storm-damaged damage to it in December 2015.

WWJD? Repair home

Mission team from South Carolina arrives to help resident

BY PAUL KEANE
THE WAYNE COUNTY NEWS

Nothing — not even a severe car wreck on the way down — was going to slow down a group of missionaries from repairing a home in Waynesboro this week.

Members of Bethany United Methodist Church in Summerville, S.C., arrived Monday night to begin work on a home at 912 Turner St. that had been heavily damaged in the December 2015 severe storm and flooding. Crews religiously tried to make repairs on the home and eight others in the area in 2016, but a powerwork issue with the house on Turner Street caused a delay. The other eight homes in Buckhanna were repaired during that time.

The paperwork issues were cleared up and plans were made to come in 2020 to make the repairs, but COVID-19 thwarted those efforts.

Finally, the trip was scheduled for this week, but there was still one more hurdle to clear. On the way from South Carolina, one of the vehicles was involved in a wreck in Maryland, with one of the team members suffering a fractured pelvis and a lacerated spine. She is currently in Wash. State at a hospital.

Despite that final challenge, most of the team arrived on Monday morning and immediately began working on fixing the roof and other means to "dry in" the house.

The work is being done through the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) with grants from FEMA and USMMA that are administered through the Wayne County Emergency Management Agency.

UMCOR works in more than 80 countries worldwide, including the United States. Its mission, grounded in the teachings of Jesus, is to alleviate human suffering — whether caused by war, conflict or natural disaster — with open hearts and minds to all people.

UMCOR Volunteer Coordinator Chris Adams, who has spent the week on the job, said the group from Bethany UMC was originally scheduled to go to Ecuador to continue work on a church and school there, but those plans were scuttled by the COVID-19 pandemic this summer.

"We are here to provide disaster recovery for those who are uninsured or underinsured and have been hit by a natural disaster," Adams said. "We finally got this home elevated through the



Crew members work to remove parts of roofing structure of the master bedroom at the home located at 912 Turner St.

Four-wheeler driver being sought by SO

BY PAUL KEANE
THE WAYNE COUNTY NEWS

An investigation into a four-wheeler accident on Friday is well ongoing, and the Wayne County Sheriff's Department is asking for the public's help.

According to Sheriff Andy Ashley, around 4:30 p.m. on Friday he spotted what he called a "racing four-wheeler" traveling at a high rate of speed on Highway 184. He turned his lights on and pursued the vehicle as it headed toward Highway 84.

Deputy John Williams joined the pursuit on Highway 84 and both men witnessed the four-wheeler barrel east in the wooded base of the highway, causing a number of vehicles to swerve out of the way.

The four-wheeler left the highway around the Woodward Switch Road turnoff and headed into a heavily wooded area. The Waynesboro Police Department also assisted.

The four-wheeler is white and the driver was a black male, Ashley said.

Anyone with information on the vehicle or the rider is asked to call 801-735-2353.



Waynesboro PD Fireman Clarence Gray was a hero located at 912 Turner Street after working to extinguish a blaze inside the home Monday afternoon. The fire was quickly controlled, and it was believed the fire started in the kitchen.

Fireworks July 2, 3

Residents of Wayne County can bring in the Fourth of July weekend with a bang by attending a pair of fireworks shows planned for the start of the holiday weekend.

The Wayne County Chamber of Commerce will get the weekend started off with a fireworks show on Friday, July 2. The show is scheduled to begin at 9 p.m.

Fireworks will be able to be seen throughout the downtown area as the pyrotechnics will be fired from the area next to South Side Park and behind the JET Water Park.

The show is free of charge and everyone is invited to attend.

The following night, Saturday, July 3, the Town of Blue Line will conduct its fireworks show. That event is also scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. and will be conducted in the Town Square.

For more information on that event, contact Town Clerk Matt Byrd at 801-848-7755.

Mobile home tax lists to be published July 8

Wayne County Tax Assessor/Collector Debbie Richards is preparing a list of delinquent mobile home taxes and will be publishing it starting on July 8.

Richards said the list will be published for two weeks in the local newspaper, and those with delinquent taxes will have a chance to clear up the matter before further action is taken.

Anyone with delinquent mobile home or personal property taxes are urged to clear the delinquency up by the end of June at the property they will be advertised and fees will be added. Personal property taxes relate to businesses with inventory and equipment.

The Tax Assessor/Collector's Office is open from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information on these or other all vehicles or motor vehicle taxes, call 801-735-2388 or 801-735-2588.

Hands of Christ

LOCAL MISSIONS
SCHOOL SUPPLY MINISTRY

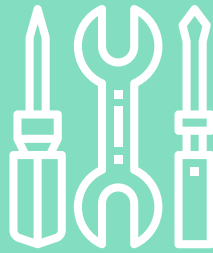
Monetary donations for the 2021-22 school year are now being collected. This ministry provides schools supplies to DD2 and DD 4 schools.

Please leave your donation in the offering plate or drop off at the church office.

Brody Graves raised 32 canned goods and \$90 for the Blessing Box selling lemonade on the 4th of July. Way to go, Brody! Look what we can do TOGETHER!!



If you want to help,
we're still working
at 131 Maxwell Lane.
Thursdays from 8 -
Noon & Saturdays
from 8 - Noon



Katie's Krops Desserts

Twice a month, Bethany provides desserts for Katie's Krops, who provides food for the hungry in Summerville. Our next dates are July 8th and July 29th. Please be sure to sign up and drop the desserts off Thursday by 11 am on the cart by the Business Office. Thank you!



We would like to thank everybody at Vacation Bible School who brought in food to fill up the Blessing Box. See what we can do together? There will still be a cart where you can place your items for the Blessing Box downstairs beside the business office.

Trustees Corner

The Board of Trustees has recommended that Bethany undertake a project to paint most of the exterior of the Church, including the two steeples. The project will also include necessary repairs to areas that may have been damaged by wood rot or moisture and some gutter replacements. It has been a number of years since some of these areas have been painted. The Finance Committee has also approved this project. On May 26th, Church Council approved this project. Work will start on this project in August and will take a few weeks. Our housekeeping team will be working on the floors in CDC and Kids Care in anticipation of the new school year beginning next month. We have also refinished the floor at the Downstairs Welcome Center and the stairs going up to the second floor.

Church Community Builder

We are excited to reintroduce to you our church database from Church Community Builder.

Your Church Community Builder site is a communication hub where members can join groups, register for events, express interest in service opportunities, sign-up for specific needs, communicate with other members, and view event calendars. Most important, we also use this as our church directory.

We are asking you to take the time to create a login and password if you do not already have one.

If you have forgotten your user name and password, you may send a request to get a new one.

Step 1- Go to <https://bethanyumc.ccbchurch.com>

Step 2- click "request account" (under the blue login tab)

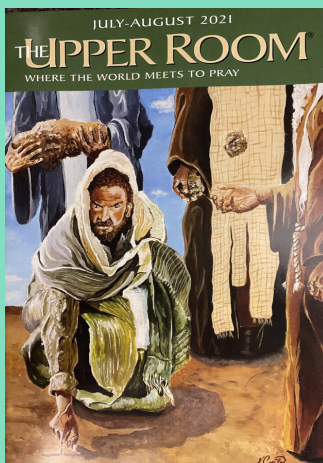
Step 3- Enter your information

Step 4- Once verified, an email will be sent to you to create your login/password.

If you have any questions or need assistance with this, please feel free to contact Mandy Killiri at mkilliri@bethany-umc.com or 854.429.1843.

Thank you!

We look forward to utilizing this database to it's full potential!



Upper Room July/August edition is now available in the business office. Stay connected to the Word of God!

Bethany Care Team

*See what's
new?*



We have an active flower team and prayer shawl ministry. If you are interested in being a part of this ministry or know of someone who needs a bouquet to brighten their day or a prayer shawl to minister to them, please let Donna know at 854-429-1830 or dcrowe@bethany-umc.com.



The Quilters did an AMAZING job on the curtains in the Fellowship Hall! The Word & Table service would like to THANK them for the curtains and beautiful altar cloth! Many gifts, many hands!



Don't forget you have access to tons of Christian video resources - Bible studies, movies, tv and more on RightNow Media. To get your FREE membership by texting Rightnow Bethany to 41411.

Room Request

If you have a standing room reservation, please submit your request by visiting our website at: www.bethany-umc.com or contact Ann Gill at agill@bethany-umc.com.

Text to Give Option

It's easier than ever to give! Simply text "bethanyumc" to 77977. This is a safe and convenient way to give! Or 833-245-8417

Memorials and Honorariums

May 11th to June 18th

Memorials

In Memory of Doug Stalb

By Pat Lindenmeyer

In Memory of Brownie Calvert

By Tony & Brenda Frye

By Anne Rogers

In Memory of Dot Free

By Gaye Meade

By Anna Fritz

By Tony & Brenda Frye

By Mac & Rossie McLaurin

In Memory of Betsy Bailey

By Ollie Lesch

Youth Foundation

In Memory of Janice Lyman

By Bethany Senior Adults

By Gary & Kay Shepherd

Spell Chapel Memorial

In Memory of Thomas Loftus

By Gene & Kathy Smith

Local Missions

In Memory of Dorothy Fountain

By Chip & Holly Hussey

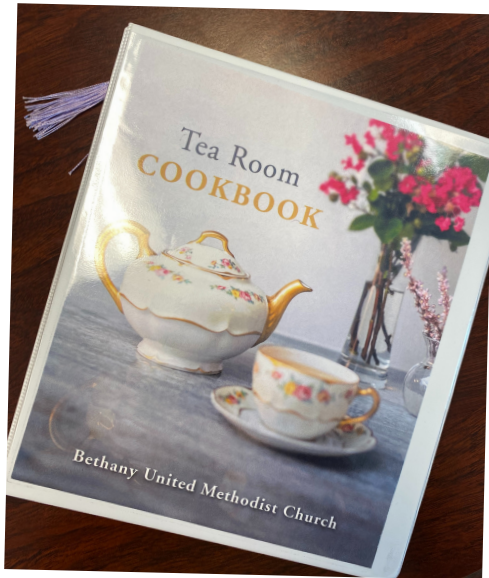
Weber Memorial

In Memory of Bruce Weber

By Keith & Diane Rodwell

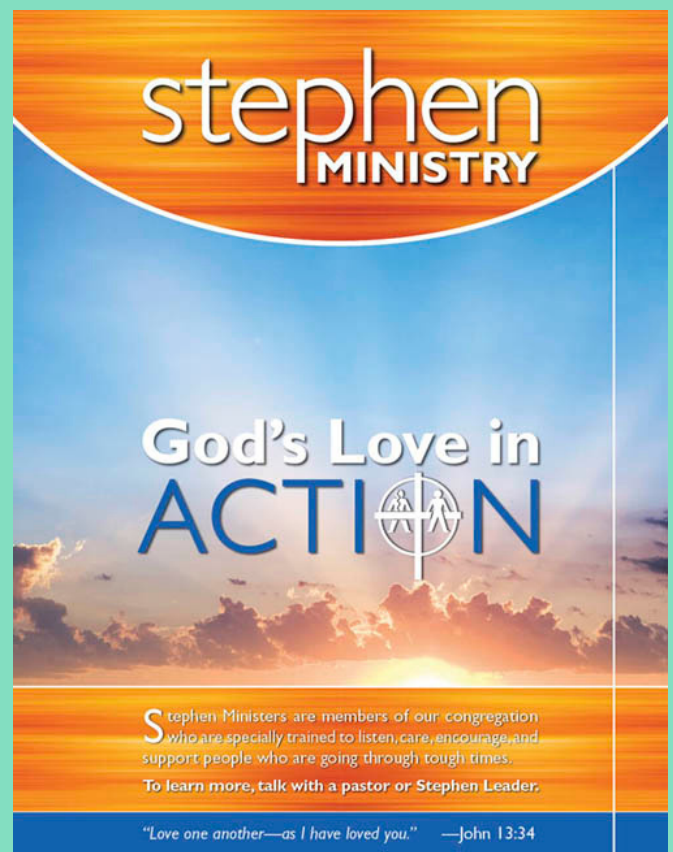
By Gary & Kay Shepherd

Tea Room Cookbook



Please submit new recipes for our annual Tea Room Cookbook! Send recipes to evick@bethany-umc.com. No later than August 31st.

These recipes will be added to the existing cookbook from 2019.



Stephen Ministry

If you are hurting, in need of a hand to hold on to or to talk through an issue or problem, we are a Stephen Ministry Church and have several Stephen Ministers ready to be with you. Contact Denis Tsukalas at 843.871.0381 or Mary Kay Wrenn at 843.323.2130 or 843.821.3123.



Tea Room
Save the Date
October 25-29
& November 1-5



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Child Development Center: 843.821.1946

Emergency Number: If you have an emergency for which you need pastoral care at night, on weekends, or holidays, call 843.425.1069.