

ANNOUNCEMENTS

In both services you will receive a Mission Promise Card. Upon joining The United Methodist Church we promised to “faithfully participate in its ministries by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service and our witness.” Will you join us as we trust the Lord to bring about the Harvest? This is an opportunity to give above our regular tithes and offerings. You will be asked to prayerfully consider how God has called us to claim abundance as we seek to proclaim the good news with compassion, as we trust in the Lord. An anonymous donor has stepped forward and will double the amount on the Mission Promise Cards.

Lenten Services

Join us this Lenten season with Wednesday night Lenten services (**Mar.1, 8, 15, 22 & 29**) at 6:15 pm in Spell Chapel.

Calling all Healthcare Professionals

Bethany in conjunction with our new Safety and Assistance Committee, setting up an emergency is setting up an emergency response team that will be available during worship and Sunday school times (8 am-1230 pm). As part of the emergency response team, we are asking any healthcare trained individuals that are interested and willing to consider being part of the team. We would like to have 1 or 2 healthcare trained individuals who are willing to be on standby for each service and during the Sunday school hour.

Our definition of a healthcare trained individual is a Physician, Nurse Practitioner, Physician Assistant, Nurse, EMT, and Paramedic. If you are willing to share as part of this team, please reach out to Roanna Payne at roanna1958@bellsouth.net.

Kid’s Sunday

Kid’s Sunday at Word & Table will be Sunday, March 12. Kid’s 3 years old through 5th grade will be participating in the service as ushers, readers, and communion servers. We will “Grow In God” at this very special service. If you would like for your child to participate, please contact Emily Vick at evick@bethany-umc.com. It will surely be an extraordinary day at Bethany!

Wednesday Night BNOW

BNOW will continue during Lent with dinner, Children’s Activities and Lenten Worship. Dinner will be from 5-6 pm, with Children’s Activities starting at 6 pm. Lenten Worship will be at 6:15 pm in Spell Chapel.

The meal for this week (**March 1**) will be homemade pizza (cheese, pepperoni, supreme) and salad bar. 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 no longer required.

Ecuador Mission Trip

Ever wondered what we do on our Ecuador Mission Trips or what goes into the planning of an international mission trip? Been curious what it is like to participate on a mission trip, wondered if you could do it, or what is required to participate? There is an informational meeting Sunday, March 5 at 10am in Room 126. In addition to sharing past experiences and accomplishments, we will be discussing what we expect to be working on this year as well as do some group planning to discuss dates, possible travel itineraries and any other items as it relates to this year’s trip. If you would like more information but are unable to attend the meeting, reach out to Stephen Bishop 843.696.6938 or flskier@comcast.net.

THIS WEEK...

Not all activities are included here. Look for the most up-to-date calendar posted throughout the church.

Sunday, February 26

Missions Possible

- 8 AM **WORSHIP**, Spell Chapel
- 8:45 AM **WORSHIP**, Sanctuary
- 8:45 AM **WORD & TABLE**, FH
- 10 AM Sunday School
- 11:15 AM **WORSHIP**, Sanctuary
- 4:30 PM Confirmation Class, Youth House
- 7 PM Last Supper Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Monday, February 27

- 10 AM Adult Pickleball, Gym
- 10 AM Plarning/Upcycling, 122
- 2 PM Bethany Golf League, Miler
- 5:30 PM Bethany Ball, Gym
- 6 PM Mary & Martha Circle, 124
- 6 PM Care Team Visitation, 127
- 7 PM Alcoholics Anonymous, Friendship Circle

Tuesday, February 28

- 8:30 AM YOGA, Gym
- 10 AM Quilters, Blue House
- 5:30 PM Bethany Ball, Gym

Wednesday, March 1

Wednesday Lenten Service

- 5:30 AM Men’s Prayer Group, 215
- 9 AM Bridge Group, Friendship Circle
- 5-6 PM BNOW Meal, Fellowship Hall
- 6 PM BNOW Children’s Programs
- 6:15 PM Lenten Wednesday Service, Spell Chapel

Thursday, March 2

- 7 AM Men’s Prayer Group, Youth House
- 8:30 AM YOGA, Gym
- 9:30 AM Bible Study, 239
- 10 AM Adult Pickleball, Gym
- 6 PM Handbells, 234
- 6:30 PM Tech Ministries, Conf. Room

Friday, March 3

Confirmation Retreat

- 6:30 AM Men’s Devotion Study, 127
- 9 AM Women’s Bible Study, 239

Saturday, March 4

Confirmation Retreat

- 10 AM VITA Tax Preparation, 118

Support Youth Missions

You are invited to support the youth missions through our envelope extravaganza fundraiser. Downstairs, next to the Fellowship Hall, on the youth bulletin board are envelopes numbered 1-212. We ask you to choose an envelope and donate the amount of money matching the number on your chosen envelope (#7 = \$7). Then return your envelope to the business office. These funds will allow for greater scholarships and allow more youth to participate in our mission trips.

Bethany Kids!

8:45 Children's Church is geared for kids Kindergarten to 2nd grade. However, all kids Kindergarten and up are welcome to come. Kids come into worship with parents and will be escorted to Room 213 where parents can pick up after service, or they can stay for Sunday school. Please make sure you fill out a Children's Church sticker located in the pew. Preschoolers can be signed into Room 115B at the beginning of 8:45 and 11:15 services. Sunday school for all age kids is 10-11 am. It is an hour of fun, faith development and fellowship.

If you have questions, you can email, call or text us! Emily Vick 843.343.2506 evick@bethany-umc.com
Stephanie Mitchum 843.343.8494 smitchum@bethany-umc.com
Janice Harp 843.607.3493 jharp@bethany-umc.com.

Recording/Photography

Portions of Worship services are recorded and made available for viewing on our website. 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, **843.425.1069**.

February 26, 2023
8:45 and 11:15 a.m. Worship Services

BETHANY

United Methodist Church



Rev. Michael Ritter, Senior Pastor
Rev. Narcie Jeter, Associate Pastor
Rev. Mark Barnes, Minister of Congregational Care
Rev. James Alewine, Pastor Emeritus
Mrs. Emily Vick, Director of Children’s Ministries
Mrs. Stephanie Mitchum, Children’s Program Director
Mr. Mike Jeter, Director of Student Ministries
Dr. Robert Taylor, Director of Music Ministries
Mr. Michael Lopez, Organist

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

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

Love and follow Jesus, invite others on the journey,
joyfully serve in Jesus’ name.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

1st Sunday in Lent

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.”

Chiming of the Trinity

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Messiah Overture
String Quartet

Micah and Rachel Gangwer. Daniel Mumm, Mary Taylor

* Call to Worship

Sanctuary J. Thompson and R. Scruggs

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true; with Thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

* Processional Hymn

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing **No. 57**

* Affirmation of Faith

THE APOSTLES' CREED **No. 881**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

* Gloria Patri **No. 70**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Children's Moment

(8:45 am - At the end of the Children's Moment, children may leave for Children's Church ~ ages K5 thru 2nd grade in **room 214 of the Youth Wing**. Please remember to attach a Children's Church sticker to your child and pick them up ASAP.)

Anthem

Surely He Hath Borne Our Griefs **Handel**
Chancel Choir
String Quartet

First Lesson

Psalm 32 **UMH pg. 766**

Call to Prayer

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: *And also with you.*

Congregational 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

Jesus Paid It All **arr. Howard Helvey**
Women's Ensemble

* Doxology

No. 95

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him,
all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

* Hymn of Assurance

Take My Life, and Let It Be **No. 399**

* Second Lesson

Matthew 28: 1-20 **NT Pg. 33**

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.
People: *Thanks be to God.*

Sermon

He's Alive! What's Next? **Rev. Phil Thrailkill**

* Hymn of Dedication

Here I Am, Lord **No. 593**

* Benediction

* Benediction Response

Irish Blessing **L. Turner**

*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.*

* Chiming of the Trinity

* Postlude

* For those who are able, please stand.



We are thrilled to welcome Pastor Phil Thrailkill as our guest preacher today. He's a retired South Carolina Elder who served all over the state of South Carolina for over 40 years, has extensive experience outside the local church from Emmaus to prison ministries such as Kairos to him still actively teaching in three UM seminaries in Africa (Nigeria, Liberia, Kenya). We welcome back guest organist Susan Cadwell.

WELCOME

We welcome all guests to our service today. If you are visiting with us, please allow us to further greet you 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. Join us for complimentary coffee from 8:45 to 10:00 a.m. every Sunday outside the Fellowship Hall, near the kitchen. 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.

HEARING DEVICES AND CELL PHONES

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 and in celebration of our 50th wedding anniversary by Jerry and Sheryl Todd.

SERVING THIS SUNDAY

Ushers

8:45 ~ Team Leader: Jeremy Dunlap; Greg Horres, Shane Kersting, Travis Wheeler, Justin Murrie, Cory Rogers, Michael Wood, Denny Sullivan

11:15 ~ Team Leader: Mike Field; Bill Jones, Peggy Acord, Bruce and Susan Schreffler, David and Kathy Harris, Mac Burdette, Sarah Warren

Liturgist

8:45 & 11:15 – Rev. Narcie Jeter

Acolytes

8:45 – Caroline Wheeler
11:15 – Emma Brickman

Crucifers

8:45 – Mackenzie Wheeler
11:15 – Harper Phillips

Audio/Video Support

Technical Ministries Team

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

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

Gifts (*Figures for February 19, 2023. These figures are unverified.)

*Budget Contributions..... \$ 30,823.39
*Budget Funds Contributed to Date..... 284,106.79
*Non-Budgeted Mission and Ministry Gifts to Date..... 75,647.45

Capital Campaign (Figures for February 19, 2023)

*Capital Campaign Contributions 1,065.00
*Total Campaign Gifts Year to Date 27,388.53

Presence (February 19, 2023)

8 am Spell – 52; Word & Table Worship – 89; Sanctuary Worship 489;
Sunday School – 404