NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER- BREAKFAST

Bethany will host a National Day of Prayer Breakfast on Thursday, May 4 in the Fellowship Hall. The breakfast will be from 6:30am - 7am and the program will be from 7am - 8:15 am. Tickets are \$20 and can be found by visiting www.summervilleymca.org.

STEPHEN MINISTRY

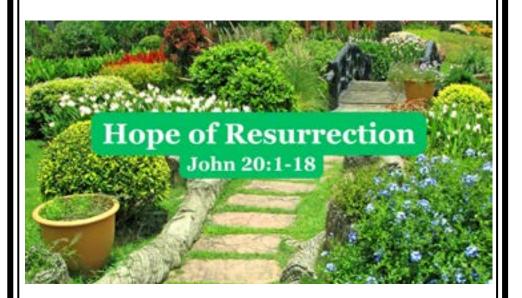
"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God." Philippians 4:6
You can unload your worries by talking them out with a trained Stephen Minister. Accept this gift of a caring, listening and non-judgmental friend. Please reach out today with a note placed in the "Care Mail" boxes in the SS building; or give a call to one of these: for women: Leah Martin 404.408.5457 or Marti Johnson 843.442.1675 for men: Denis Tsukalas 843.729.5348 or Mark Barnes 843.873.2130.

SCAN TO GIVE OPTION

It's easier than ever to give now! Simply scan the QR Code and you will be directed to PushPay, our online giving platform, for the opportunity to give!



Welcome to Word & Table



We're Glad You're Here

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April 9, 2023

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John 20: 1-18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus's head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed, for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb, and she saw two angels in white sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not touch me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord," and she told them that he had said these things to her.

WELCOME

It is Easter morning; the single most important day in the life of Christian people. We are delighted that you have chosen to spend this day with us and welcome you in the name of the Risen Christ.

FLOWERING CROSS

The flowering cross is an especially striking and beautiful way to represent the new life that emerges from the death of Christ on Good Friday. Please help us adorn the cross with flowers on Easter Sunday, as we celebrate the transformation of the rugged cross into a symbol of life and new beginning. All children's Sunday School classes will visit the cross during the Sunday School hour. If it is raining, the cross will be moved inside by the elevator downstairs.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

A new directory for our membership is in process. We need all members participating to ensure that the new directory will be complete. Those photographed will receive a free 8x10 portrait. Appointments for April are now available!! Please visit the Bethany website to reserve your spot! Appointments are on a first-serve basis, so SIGN UP TODAY!

FOSTER PARENT APPRECIATION BASKETS

The Epworth Children's Home Lowcountry Hub, housed right here at Bethany, is asking churches to help provide baskets for their foster homes. May is Foster Parent Appreciation month, and these baskets will help show how much the homes are needed and valued. Bethany will complete 10 baskets for Epworth and we are accepting monetary donations to purchase the basket items. You can place your donation in the offering plate or bring it to the Business office (please mark it for Epworth Baskets).

NEW MEMBER SUNDAY

Are you interested in joining our church family? Our next New Member Sunday will be Sunday, May 7 for all services. If you are interested in joining, or for more information, please contact our Membership Director Jack Sehrt, at 843.873.1230 or jsehrt@bethany-umc.com.