### WEDNESDAY NIGHT BNOW RESUMES

Join us on Wednesday nights for activities and classes for everyone. BNOW begins with a meal in the Fellowship Hall at 5 pm. The meal for this week (April 19) will be BBQ chicken breast sandwich, potato salad, baked beans and salad bar. The Sunday School class that will be hosting is Friendship Circle.

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.

## 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 this QR Code and you will be directed to PushPay, our online giving platform.

You can also text 833-245-8417 and give right from your phone! If you would prefer to give the traditional way, giving envelopes can be found in your pew for cash and check donations.

Thank you for your generosity!



# Welcome to Word & Table



# We're Glad You're Here

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## John 20: 19-31

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord. Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. 25 So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them.

Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" 27 Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my

hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."

Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. 31 But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

## BETHANY SAFETY & ASSISTANCE TEAM

Bethany has started a Safety and Assistance program that will require a large number of volunteers to be successful. You may have already seen some of our core members providing assistance on Sundays last month. Our initial plan is to have two shifts on Sunday mornings that will need two outside and two inside people for each shift. This is open to men and women and is ideal for couples. To find out more, visit one of our drop-in sessions that will be held in April. Sessions will be on Wednesdays at 5pm in the Welcome Center Conference Room before BNOW, and on Sundays at 11:15am in the Searchers Sunday School class (Room 118). Please contact Gus Holladay with any questions at gholl1148@att.net.

#### 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.