

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Love Offering for Rev. Narcie & Mike Jeter

As you know, BUMC is losing two huge members of our leadership team with Narcie's appointment to Disciples UMC in Greenville. Over the last 7 years, the Jeter Family has been representative of the heartbeat of Bethany in many roles. Narcie's last Sunday at Bethany will be June 11. We are preparing to have a reception for the family after the combined 10 am service. We are asking the congregation to share their memories of the Jeter Family on note cards that will be presented at the reception. The blank cards are located at several locations around the church. We are also accepting donations for a love offering that will be presented to the family as they move to the Upstate. You may drop either by the Business Office or leave in the collection plate.

Combined 10 am Service- June 11

On Sunday, June 11, in addition to the 8am Spell service, there will be one combined worship service at 10 am, followed by a reception in the Fellowship Hall to honor Rev. Narcie Jeter and Mike Jeter for their ministry here at Bethany. Please join us to honor the Jeter family on this special occasion.

Hands of Christ Supply Drive

Monetary donations are being collected to provide much needed school supplies for the 2023-24 DD2 schools and Williams Elementary, a DD4 school. We are also collecting book bags. Our goal is to collect 200 book bags which can be dropped off in the Business Office. The book bags that we donate will have our Bethany backpack tags. The more we receive, the less we spend out of Hands of Christ monetary donations. Monetary donations may be made online, placed in the offering plate on Sunday, or dropped off at the Business Office. Please put in the memo line "Hands of Christ."

VBS Decorating has Begun

Have you noticed the hallways slowly changing? We are already starting to decorate for VBS – it will take us that long to get it all done. Decorating is happening Monday through Thursday from 9:30 am – 3:30 pm. Even if you only have an hour or so, we can use you! Just come to the Children's Ministries office and we will give you all the supplies and instructions so you can help transform them building into Hero Hotline!

Children's Church

Children's Church will end on Sunday, June 11 to take a break for the summer. We will resume on Sunday, August 20 at 8:45am.

Teen Helpers for VBS

VBS is looking for teen volunteers! Teens are used in each classroom and Special Area as a set of extra hands. They help the leaders with craft, snack, classroom control, and lots of other things. Over 40 teens are needed, so anyone 7th through 12th grades is welcome. VBS is June 12-16 from 9 am - 12:30 pm, with volunteers needing to be here from about 8:45 am - 12:45 pm. If you are interested in helping, please let Stephanie Mitchum know at smitchum@bethany-umc.com.

Stephen Ministers- Paving the Way

We all have times when a kind, non-judgmental listener would be a blessing. Many friends and fellow Bethany members have found encouragement, strength, and support from a Stephen Minister. Please be mindful when someone you know is facing challenges, then help pave the way by sharing about Stephen Ministry and asking permission to refer him or her. For more info contact (for women): Marti Johnson 843.442.1675 or Leah Martin 404.408.5457 and (for men): Denis Tsukalas 843.729.5348 or Pastor Mark Barnes 843.873.1230.

THIS WEEK...

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

Sunday, May 28

8 AM **WORSHIP**, Spell Chapel
8:45 AM **WORSHIP**, Sanctuary
8:45 AM **WORD & TABLE**, FH
10 AM Sunday School
10 AM Ecuador Planning, 126
11:15 AM **WORSHIP**, Sanctuary

Monday, May 29

Memorial Day- Church Office Closed

10 AM Adult Pickleball, Gym
10 AM Plarning/Upcycling, 122
12:30 PM Men's Book Buddies, Youth House
3 PM Bethany Golf League, Miler
7 PM Alcoholics Anonymous, 115

Tuesday, May 30

8:30 AM YOGA, Gym
10 AM Quilters, Blue House

Wednesday, May 31

5:30 AM Men's Prayer Group, 215
6:30 AM Prayer Time, Spell Chapel
9 AM Bridge Group, 118
4 PM Safety & Assistance, Conference Room
6:15 PM Prayer Bfast Review, Conf. Room
7 PM Chancel Choir, 234

Thursday, June 1

7 AM Men's Prayer Group, Youth House
8:30 AM YOGA, Gym
9:30 AM Bible Study, 239
10 AM Adult Pickleball, Gym
10 AM Market Planning Mtg., Conf. Room
6 PM Handbells, 234

Friday, June 2

6:30 AM Men's Devotion Study, 127

Saturday, June 3

No Activities Scheduled

Church Office Closed

The church office will be closed Monday, May 29 for Memorial Day.

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.

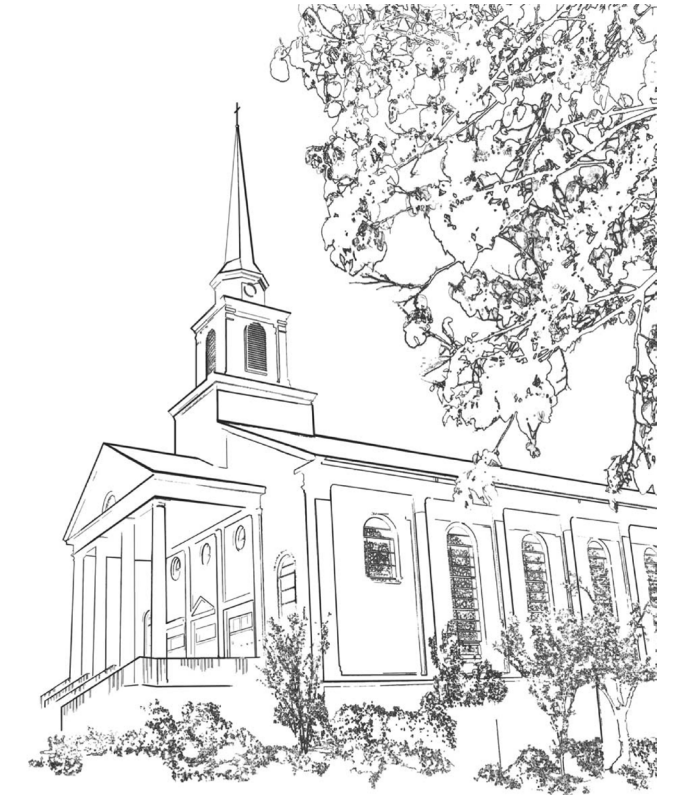
Emergency Phone

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.

May 28, 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

Day of Pentecost

Gathering

Chiming of the Trinity

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

* **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.*

* **Opening Hymn** God of Grace and God of Glory UMH No. 577

* **Affirmation of Faith** THE APOSTLES' CREED UMH No. 881

* **Gloria Patri** UMH 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)

(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 (8:45) For Everyone Born Man, arr. Trenney
Women's Ensemble; Shelby Krallman, conductor

(11:15) Every Time I Feel the Spirit arr. Henry Smith
Chancel Choir; Shelby Krallman, conductor

First Lesson 1 Corinthians 12: 3b-13 NT Pg. 174

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

* **Doxology** UMH 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** Spirit of the Living God No. 393

* **Second Lesson** Acts 2: 1-21 NT Pg. 119
Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.
People: *Thanks be to God.*

Sermon Blazing a Trail Rev. Michael Ritter

* **Hymn of Dedication** O Spirit of the Living God UMH No. 539

* 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.



ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of the 60th wedding anniversary of Fred and Jane Hattabaugh with love from their children.

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.

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 worshippers, please **turn off** cell phones and other electronic devices before the worship service begins. Thank you.

SERVING THIS SUNDAY

Ushers

8:45 ~ Team Leader: Narvie Bilbray, Jr.; Jim Barrier, Dennis Bradshaw, Jody Dillard, Matt Lazzaro, Bobby Long, Al Lyman, Matt Bates, Allen Dobbs

11:15 ~ Team Leader- Roger McCants; Al Jackson, Barbara Jackson, Gillis McAllister, Mark Phillips, Joyce Stone, Chad Urban, Bill & Kathy Wire, Sarah Warren

Liturgist

8:45 & 11:15 – Dr. Frank Monterisi

Acolytes

8:45 – Ann Myers Watson
11:15 – Maysie Runyon

Crucifers

8:45 – Mackenzie Wheeler
11:15 – Callie Runyon

Audio/Video Support

Technical Ministries Team

Thank you to our guest musician, Daniel Mumm (cello).

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

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

Gifts (*Figures for May 21, 2023. These figures are unverified.)

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| *Operating Contributions..... | \$ 23,482.50 |
| *Operating Funds Contributed to Date..... | 751,346.88 |
| *Operating Needs Year to Date..... | 812,293.00 |
| *Non-Budgeted Mission and Ministry Gifts to Date..... | 194,481.66 |

Capital Campaign (Figures for May 21, 2023)

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| *Capital Campaign Contributions | 1,585.50 |
| *Total Campaign Gifts Year to Date | 57,096.38 |
| *Capital Campaign Needs Year to Date..... | 69,909.00 |

Presence (May 21, 2023)

8 am Spell – 59; Word & Table Worship – 78; Sanctuary Worship - 449;
Online Worship - 599; Sunday School – 333

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You can also text 833.245.8417 and give right from your phone!