ORDER OF WORSHIP

May 14, 2023 6th Sunday of Easter

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."

Prelude

Holly Slice, pianist

As the prelude begins let us turn our thoughts and hearts to God in prayer and preparation for worship.

Welcome and Announcements

Invocation

*Hymn of Praise

UMH No. 380

There's Within My Heart a Melody

*The Responsive Reading~ Psalm 67: 1-7 UMH No. 791

O God, be gracious to us and bless us and make your face to shine upon us,

that your way may be known upon earth, your saving power among all nations.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

The earth has yielded its increase;

God, our God, has blessed us.

God has blessed us;

let all the ends of the earth fear God!

*Gloria Patri

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.

The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology UMH No. 95

Scripture Lesson John 19: 25-27, 2 Timothy 1:5 The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon Cast Iron Skillets & Recipes Rev. Mark Barnes

*Hymn of Dedication UMH No. 399
Take My Life, and Let It Be

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

Irish Blessing

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.

*Postlude

* Please stand

The altar flowers today are given to the Glory of God.

Announcements

Today We Give to the Epworth Mother's Day Offering!

Today our church will receive the Annual Epworth Mother's Day Offering to provide loving care, safety, and services for the children at Epworth Children's Home. Please find information about Epworth and the Mother's Day Offering on the bulletin insert. Epworth does not receive apportionments from the United Methodist Conference. This offering is our opportunity to support this vital ministry. Give generously by using the envelope provided for you in the bulletin. For more information about Epworth Children's Home, visit them online at www.epworthchildrenshome.org where you can also choose to make a secure credit card donation or enroll for monthly contributions.

Men of Bethany Dinner in Honor of Mother's Day

The Men of Bethany will host a dinner in honor of Mother's Day on Monday, May 15 at 7pm in the Fellowship Hall. The cost is \$12 per person (cash only) at the door. Sign up sheets will be available in each Sunday School room and the front desk at the Welcome Center.

Happy Hearts

Happy Hearts next monthly luncheon will be Friday, May 26 at noon in the Fellowship Hall. The meal will be smoked chicken, macaroni and cheese, mixed vegetables, dessert, and a drink for \$8. The guest speaker will be Racena Bowen from Middleton Place Plantation, a National Historic Landmark, home to the oldest landscaped gardens in America and an enduring, vibrant, and essential part of the Charleston and American experience. All ages are welcome! For meal reservations, please contact Dot at 843.343.5450 or dmprevatte@yahoo.com by May 21.

Time and Talent Form

The 2024 Time and Talent form is now available. We are asking everyone to please take the time to complete one. Hard copies can be found after service in the Narthex, in the Business Office, Sunday school classrooms and around the church. **Please turn completed forms in to the Business Office at your earliest convenience!** Forms can also be completed online by visiting www.bethany-umc.com. The gift or your time and talent is vital to the success of our church and its ministries!

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.



Bethany United Methodist Church Spell Chapel ~ 8 o'clock a.m.

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