

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

June 4, 2023  
Trinity Sunday

## Gathering

### Prelude

Holly Slice, pianist

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

\* **Hymn of Praise** Sweet, Sweet Spirit UMH 334

\* **Affirmation of Faith, Apostles' Creed** UMH 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.**

## The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

**Offertory** Beneath the Cross Spell Ensemble

\* **Doxology** UMH 95

\* **Scripture Lesson** Matthew 28: 16-20

The Word of God for the people of God.  
*Thanks be to God.*

**Sermon** What Now? Rev. Mark Barnes

## Invitation

### Prayer of Humble Access

**We do not presume to come to this table,  
O merciful Lord,  
trust our own righteousness,  
but in thy manifold and great mercies.**

**We are not worthy  
so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table.**

**But thou art the same Lord,  
whose property is always to have mercy.  
Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,  
so to partake of this Sacrament of thy Son Jesus Christ,  
that we may walk in newness of life,  
may grow into his likeness,  
and may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen**

## Pardon

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

*In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!  
Glory to God. Amen.*

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

*And also with you.*

Lift up your hearts.

*We lift them up to the Lord.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

## Breaking the Bread

## Giving the Bread and Cup

## Prayer after Receiving

**Eternal God, we give thanks for this holy mystery  
in which you have given yourself to us.**

**Grant that we may go into the world  
in the strength of your Spirit,  
to give ourselves for others,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

\* **Hymn of Dedication** Where He Leads Me UMH 338

## \*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

### **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.

### **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 Help**

Decorating- Many hands are needed to help finish decorating for VBS. Please come by the Children's Ministries office any day this week and we can put you to work! We will be working on all areas of the building and have all of the supplies and decorations ready to go. This makes such an impact on VBS and the kids are so excited to see everything all decorated. Please come by and help even if just for a little bit.

Snacks- Over 200 volunteers work to make VBS the success that it is, and we want to thank them! Each day we have a snack table for the volunteers so that they can enjoy a homemade treat while their class is having snack. Bring your favorite breakfast item, chip & dip, appetizer, 2 liter drink or anything you think they would enjoy. You can drop off snacks any morning in the kitchen beginning Sunday, June 11.

### **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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