

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

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.

VBS Volunteer 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.

Host Families Needed

We are looking for Bethany host families to host teenagers on June 17, returning them to the church on June 18. They will arrive at 4 pm on the 17th. There will be 22 teens coming from Salt Lake City for the Wesley Bell Ringers Concert. If you are willing to host a few of them, please contact Michael Lopez at mlopez@bethany-umc.com.

Stephen Ministry

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, June 4

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

Monday, June 5

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
5:30 PM KidsCare Board, 127
7 PM Alcoholics Anonymous, 115

Tuesday, June 6

8:30 AM YOGA, Gym
10 AM Quilters, Blue House
5:30 PM Stephen Ministry Leaders, Conf. Room
6 PM Stephen Ministry Peer Groups, Music Hall
6:30 PM VBS Kick-Off Dinner, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, June 7

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

Thursday, June 8

7 AM Men's Prayer Group, Youth House
8:30 AM YOGA, Gym
9:30 AM Bible Study, 239
1:30 PM Care Team Comm., 127
6 PM Handbells, 234
6:30 PM Adult Pickleball, Gym
6:30 PM Trustees, Conf. Room
7 PM Grace Circle, 126

Friday, June 9

6:30 AM Men's Devotion Study, 127

Saturday, June 10

No Activities Scheduled

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.

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
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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.

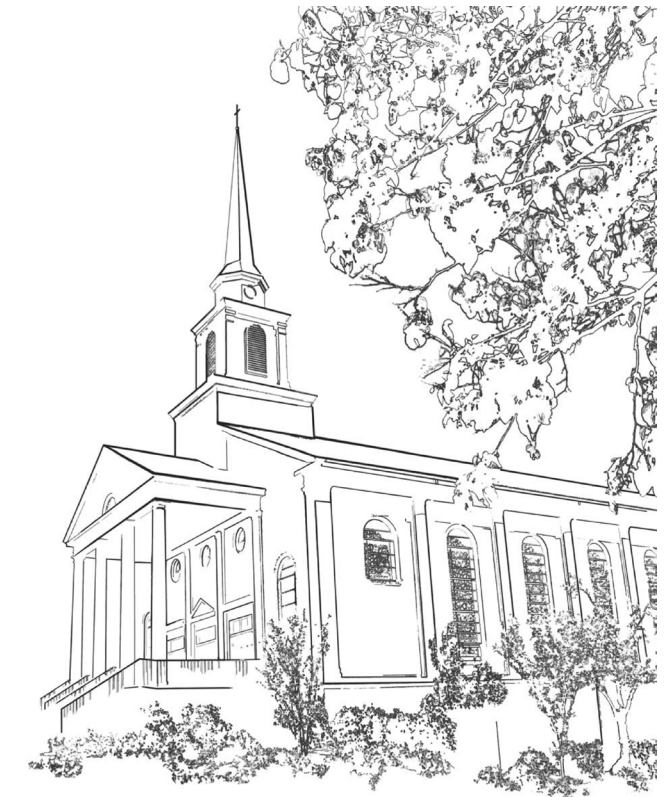
Emergency Phone

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**.

June 4, 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
Haley Jobe, Duke Intern
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

Trinity Sunday

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."

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** No. 62
All Creatures of Our God and King

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

* **Gloria Patri** 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.

Anthem Draw us in the Spirit's Tether Harold W. Friedell
Chancel Choir- Shelby Krallman, conductor

First Lesson 2 Corinthians 13: 11-13 NT pg. 186

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 My Jesus, I Love Thee arr. Dan Forrest
Michael Lopez, piano

* **Doxology** 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.

* **Second Lesson** Matthew 28: 16-20 NT Pg. 34
Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.
People: *Thanks be to God.*

Sermon A Mysterious God Rev. Michael Ritter

The Sacrament of Holy Communion No. 12
Gluten-free option available upon request.
(No Children's Church on Communion Sunday)

* **Hymn of Dedication** No. 64
Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

* 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 are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of the 53rd wedding anniversaries of Frank and Betsy Grubb and Kenny and Susan Richter on June 6.

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: Rett Fowler, Jerry Bateman, Kevin Carter, William DeLong, Rick Farthing, Gene Smith, David Zoellner, Ben Perkins

11:15 ~ Team Leader: Henry Thompson, Tim Shepherd, Mary K. Shepherd, Gil Hager, Chris English, Michelle English, Hoa Pham, Michelle Pham, Bruce Bohon, Ellen Bohon, Sarah Warren

Communion Servers

8:45 – Bill and Janice Onusko

11:15 – JC & Peggy Ridgeway

Liturgist

8:45 & 11:15 – Mr. David Powell

Acolytes

8:45 –

11:15 –

Crucifers

8:45 –

11:15 –

Audio/Video Support

Technical Ministries Team

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

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

Gifts (*Figures for May 28, 2023. These figures are unverified.)

*Operating Contributions..... \$ 34,959.74

*Operating Funds Contributed to Date..... 786,306.62

*Operating Needs Year to Date..... 850,973.30

*Non-Budgeted Mission and Ministry Gifts to Date..... 205,450.68

Capital Campaign (Figures for May 28, 2023)

*Capital Campaign Contributions 1,163.00

*Total Campaign Gifts Year to Date 58,259.38

*Capital Campaign Needs Year to Date..... 73,237.49

Presence (May 28, 2023)

8 am Spell – 48; Word & Table Worship – 100; Sanctuary Worship 426; Sunday School – 316; Online – 379

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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!

