

ORDER OF WORSHIP

July 16, 2023
7th Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering

Prelude Sanctuary Holly Slice, pianist
*Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true;
with Thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.*

Welcome and Announcements

Invocation

***Hymn of Praise** UMH No. 133
Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

***The Responsive Reading~** Psalm 25: 1-5 UMH No. 757

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

O my God, in you I trust,

let me not be put to shame;

let not my enemies exult over me.

Let none that wait for you be put to shame;

let them be ashamed who are clothed with treachery.

Make me to know your ways, O Lord;

teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth, and teach me,

for you are the God of my salvation;

for you I wait all the day long.

*Gloria Patri

Congregational Prayer and 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 Romans 8: 1-11

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon Spirit Alive Ms. Haley Jobe

***Hymn of Dedication** UMH No. 504
The Old Rugged Cross

*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

Men of Bethany

The Men of Bethany will have their monthly meeting July 17 at 7 pm. If you would like to attend, please use the sign up sheets located in the Sunday School classrooms and at the Welcome Center front desk. The meal will be \$12 and will consist of salad, prime rib, starch, vegetable and dessert. If you are available to help prepare the meal, please show up in the kitchen any time after 3 pm.

For more information, please text Rodney McKanna 843.709.0953 or Bill Jones 843.607.6671.

Bereavement Ministry

The Bereavement Ministry needs co-chairs and team members for this important ministry. The co-leaders would coordinate with the bereavement team leaders to help prepare and serve meals for Bethany families after a funeral. Please let Rev. Mark Barnes know at 843.873.1230 if you are interested or would like more information on this ministry.

Bethany Path Forward

The Path Forward Committee has prepared a presentation to provide factual unbiased information about the current schism within the United Methodist Church and what this means for Bethany. This information was presented to three small groups on Sunday, June 25 and will be provided to Sunday School classes. To continue efforts to provide this information to all Bethany members, the next round of small group meetings has been scheduled for Sunday, July 30 at 4 pm at Bethany. If you would like to attend one of these small group meetings, please respond by email to Meg Courtney (ChurchCouncil@bethany-umc.com) and provide your name, preferred email address, and phone number so that we may contact you with the schedule once it is finalized. Additionally, we can schedule in-home "cottage" style meetings. If you are interested in an in-home meeting, please respond to Meg Courtney at the address provided above.

Happy Hearts

Local, talented, and very gifted musician, Mr. Jesse Cockcroft, the strolling accordion player, will be performing for the Happy Hearts meeting on July 28. A meal of lasagna, garlic bread, tossed Italian salad, with cheesecake for dessert will be served at 12 pm for \$8. Please contact Dot by July 23 at 843.343.5450 or dmprevatte@yahoo.com to make your meal reservation.

Hands of Christ Supply Drive

Monetary donations are being collected as well as back packs for the 2023-24 school year. 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. 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."



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

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