

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. *Note "Hands of Christ" in the memo line.*

YOUTH GROUP

The youth group will be meeting during the summer months on Wednesday nights from 6-8 pm in the youth house. There will be a time for fellowship with a devotion and meal. All middle school and high school students are welcome!

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Children's Church is taking a break over the summer. We will resume on Sunday, August 20 at 8:45am. Busy Bags are located in the back of the Fellowship Hall!

STEPHEN MINISTRIES- 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.

SCAN TO GIVE OPTION

It's easier than ever to give now! Simply scan this QR Code & you will be directed to PushPay, our online giving platform. You can also text 833-245-8417 and give right from your phone! If you would prefer to give the traditional way, giving envelopes can be found in your pew for cash and check donations.



Welcome to

Word & Table



WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE

Bethany United Methodist Church
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● ORDER OF WORSHIP ●

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONGS OF FAITH

OFFERING

SONG OF FAITH

PASTORAL PRAYER

KIDS' MOMENT

SCRIPTURE

ROMANS 7: 15-25, MATTHEW 11: 25-30

MESSAGE

"HEAVY BURDENS"

COMMUNION

BENEDICTION

Romans 7:15-25 (CEB)

I don't know what I'm doing, because I don't do what I want to do. Instead, I do the thing that I hate. But if I'm doing the thing that I don't want to do, I'm agreeing that the Law is right. But now I'm not the one doing it anymore.

Instead, it's sin that lives in me. I know that good doesn't live in me—that is, in my body. The desire to do good is inside of me, but I can't do it. I don't do the good that I want to do, but I do the evil that I don't want to do. But if I do the very thing that I don't want to do, then I'm not the one doing it anymore.

Instead, it is sin that lives in me that is doing it. So I find that, as a rule, when I want to do what is good, evil is right there with me. I gladly agree with the Law on the inside, but I see a different law at work in my body. It wages a war against the law of my mind and takes me prisoner with the law of sin that is in my body. I'm a miserable human being. Who will deliver me from this dead corpse? Thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then I'm a slave to God's Law in my mind, but I'm a slave to sin's law in my body.

Matthew 11:25-30 (CEB)

At that time Jesus said, "I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you've hidden these things from the wise and intelligent and have shown them to babies. Indeed, Father, this brings you happiness. "My Father has handed all things over to me. No one knows the Son except the Father. And nobody knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son wants to reveal him. "Come to me, all you who are struggling hard and carrying heavy loads, and I will give you rest. Put on my yoke, and learn from me. I'm gentle and humble. And you will find rest for yourselves. My yoke is easy to bear, and my burden is light."

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS

Our Wonderful Wednesday this week is *Showtime!* featuring the movie Madagascar. Bring the whole family and join us in the Fellowship Hall at 6pm. Popcorn, drinks and candy will be available (or bring your own snack). Bring a blanket to stretch out if you want and have a fun family night.

PROMOTION SUNDAY & BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

Sunday, August 20 will be Promotion Sunday and the Blessing of the Backpacks. On this Sunday, all children will move up to their new Sunday School class. Bring your backpacks to church and receive a special blessing before school starts. We will also be handing out tags for the kids to attach to their backpacks to remember that their church family is praying for them and that Jesus is always with them!

DIRECTORY PHOTOS

All photos from the directory sessions are in and located in the Business Office. If you have not picked up your pictures, please do so as soon as possible.

RIVERDOGS BASEBALL FAMILY NIGHT

Join us on Sunday, July 30 at the Riverdogs baseball game. We have purchased a group of tickets all together and would love to have you there for a fun evening. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased on the Bethany website or see Emily Vick. Gametime is 5:05pm and parking is free. There will be lots of activities for kids and adults before and during the game.

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. ALL AGES ARE WELCOME.