

EPWORTH WORK DAY OFFERING, SEPTEMBER 10TH

Where do children go when DSS has taken them from their families because of abuse or neglect? Epworth is currently serving over 350 children and families through their Residential and Independent Living programs, statewide Foster Care program, the Epworth Center for Counseling, the Early Intervention Center, and prevention services. Each of these children have found refuge in the ministry we share in SC. Epworth Children's Home has been welcoming children in Christ's name for 127 years through the generous support of churches like ours! We will participate in the annual Work Day Offering on Sunday, September 10, to benefit the children who are served by Epworth. Please be in prayerful consideration of what God is calling you to give to this valuable and life changing ministry. For more information about Epworth Children's Home, visit www.epworthchildrenshome.org.

BLESSING BOX- DONATIONS ON HOLD, PLEASE!

Bethany's Blessing Box has been overwhelmed by your donations. We are asking that you hold off on donating so we will be able to use the current donated food in a timely manner. We will put a plea out to the congregation as the donations begin to get low.

YOUNG FAMILIES SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS AUGUST 20

A new Sunday School class is forming for parents of young children starting today. Anyone is welcome, but this class will be geared to adults who are 25-40 years old. The class will meet on Sunday mornings at 10am (during the Sunday School hour) in room 239. We invite anyone who might be interested in finding out more to join us to help create a dynamic and interesting class.

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

All Aboard

MARK 9: 33-41
Rev. Mark Barnes

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE

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August 20, 2023

● ORDER OF WORSHIP ●

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONGS OF FAITH

OFFERING

KIDS' MOMENT

PASTORAL PRAYER

SCRIPTURE

MARK 9: 33-41 NIV

MESSAGE

"ALL ABOARD"

COMMUNION

SONG OF FAITH

BENEDICTION

Mark 9: 33-41

33 They came to Capernaum. When he was in the house, he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the road?" 34 But they kept quiet because on the way they had argued about who was the greatest.

35 Sitting down, Jesus called the Twelve and said, "Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last, and the servant of all."

36 He took a little child whom he placed among them. Taking the child in his arms, he said to them, 37 "Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the one who sent me."

38 "Teacher," said John, "we saw someone driving out demons in your name and we told him to stop, because he was not one of us."

39 "Do not stop him," Jesus said. "For no one who does a miracle in my name can in the next moment say anything bad about me, 40 for whoever is not against us is for us. 41 Truly I tell you, anyone who gives you a cup of water in my name because you belong to the Messiah will certainly not lose their reward.

BACKPACK BLESSINGS

Today we are blessing backpacks and school bags for everyone heading off to school. Please bring your bag to the front of the sanctuary prior to worship beginning. We will be placing a tag on your bag and saying a special blessing over them. You may pick up your bag at the conclusion of worship. Have a great first day of school!

PROMOTION SUNDAY

Today is Promotion Sunday. Children will begin their new grade level Sunday school class. Please sign your child in to the next grade level.

Preschool (3-4 year old) - will sign in and out in Room 110.

Kindergarten - will sign in and out in Room 244.

Grades 1st -5th - will sign in Room 213.

1st Grade - sign out in Room 245

2nd Grade - sign out in Room 248

3rd Grade - sign out in Room 242

4th and 5th Grades - sign out in 214

6th-12th Grade - Youth House

Children's Church will also resume today at both 8:45 am services. Children's Church is for children Kindergarten - 2nd grade. Children start in worship (either in the Sanctuary or Word and Table) and will be escorted by an adult volunteer to the Children's Church room, 213. If you would like to help with escorting children to Children's Church, leading or assisting Children's Church, or helping with Sunday school rotation- please email Stephanie Mitchum smitchum@bethany-umc.com.

PARKING LOT PALOOZA!

All 6th-12th graders are invited to our Ascend Kick-Off "Parking Lot Palooza" this evening from 6:30-8 pm in the Youth House Parking Lot.

HAPPY HEARTS

Storyteller Tim Lowry will entertain us at the Aug. 25 Happy Hearts luncheon. A meal of cold salad trio on lettuce, chips, croissant, drink, with Boston cream pie for dessert will be served at 12 pm for \$8.

Please contact Dot by TODAY at 843.343.5450 or dmprevatte@yahoo.com to make your meal reservation.

ALL AGES ARE WELCOME.