

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY- NOVEMBER 5

Bethany UMC will honor our church family who became Saints this past year. We will recognize their names on Sunday, November 5 during all services. The All Saints' Banner will be in the back of the Fellowship Hall each Sunday until All Saints' Day. Please write the names of loved ones you want to be remembered on this special day. If you have a name that you want on the banner and you are not here, you can call or email the office to have it added.

THANKSGIVING FOOD BAGS

Local Missions is now accepting monetary donations to provide turkeys/bags of food to Dorchester County families in need. 415 families were recipients in 2022! DONATE by Nov. 12 through the offering plate, online, or by mail. Please note that the funds are for Thanksgiving bags. Please give generously, as costs continue to increase.

SCARECROWNS ON THE SQUARE

Kids Care will be displaying their 2023 Scarecrow on the Square starting today. Last year they earned 2nd place, so they are really aiming for 1st place this year! Please don't forget to vote starting October 23. Votes are \$0.25 each and will be collected at Guerin's Pharmacy, Simple Treasures, Cuppa Manna Cafe, and Wine & Tapas Bar.

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.



Safety and Assistance Emergency number available on Sunday mornings from 7:30am-12:30pm 854.429.1839.

Welcome to

Word & Table

A Godly Imitation & Reputation

1 Thess. 1: 1-10
Rev. Michael Ritter

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE

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• ORDER OF WORSHIP •

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONGS OF FAITH

OFFERING

SONG OF FAITH

KIDS' MOMENT

STEPHEN MINISTER TESTIMONY

PASTORAL PRAYER

SCRIPTURE: 1 THESSALONIANS 1: 1-10

MESSAGE: "A GODLY IMITATION AND REPUTATION"

COMMUNION

SONG OF FAITH

BENEDICTION

1 Thessalonians 1: 1-10 (NIV)

Paul, Silas and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace and peace to you.

We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers. We remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.

For we know, brothers and sisters loved by God, that he has chosen you, because our gospel came to you not simply with words but also with power, with the Holy Spirit and deep conviction. You know how we lived among you for your sake. You became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you welcomed the message in the midst of severe suffering with the joy given by the Holy Spirit. And so you became a model to all the believers in Macedonia and Achaia. The Lord's message rang out from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia—your faith in God has become known everywhere. Therefore we do not need to say anything about it, for they themselves report what kind of reception you gave us. They tell how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath.

"I have never yet known the Spirit of God to work where the Lord's people were divided." Dwight L. Moody

SPELL CHAPEL OPEN FOR PRAYER

As part of the discernment process, the prayer subcommittee encourages you to visit Spell Chapel for a time of unity prayer. Spell Chapel will be open on Sunday mornings from 9-11:15 am and on Wednesday evenings from 4-7 pm. This is a time of quiet reflection and prayer, to help our church as we move forward.

NO WORD & TABLE SERVICE ON OCT. 29

Due to the Bethany Gift and Gourmet Market going on in the Fellowship Hall, we will not be having a Word & Table service next Sunday.

We hope you will join us in Spell Chapel at 8 am or in the Sanctuary at 8:45 am or 11:15 am for Children's Sabbath.

FALL FESTIVAL

Next Sunday is our Fall Festival from 2-4pm in the parking lot. Set-up will begin as soon as the 11:15 service is over. We are still looking for individuals and groups to do trunks for Trunk or Treat. If you would like to do a trunk, please contact Emily Vick at evick@bethany-umc. Also needed are bottled sodas of all sizes and flavors for the Drink Toss game. Please drop off donations at the table by the Bridges room or by the Welcome Desk downstairs.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Bethany Global Missions is still accepting monetary donations, you can make a check out to Bethany UMC and in the memo line write Global Missions. Please drop off any checks to the Business office. Filled boxes are due November 13, but can be dropped off early. There is a table by the downstairs Welcome Center with a sign to drop filled boxes off. If you have any questions, please contact Shawn Kahn at 609.319.6271. Empty individual boxes to fill are still available after each service.

CHARGE CONFERENCE

The annual Charge Conference will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 14 at 7 pm in the Sanctuary. Everyone is invited to attend!