# HAPPY HEARTS

There will not be a November meeting. We will meet on December 8 for our Christmas party. The famous host "Chef", Rev. Michael Ritter, will re-create Paula Dean's special Chicken in Wine Sauce to be served over rice, with a vegetable, dessert, and drink for only \$8. To make your reservation, call Dot by December 3 at 843.343.5450 or email her at dmprevatte@yahoo.com.

The instrumental group, Gloryland Trio, will provide entertainment following lunch. This group consisting of Luke Biggs, Charlie Davis, and Jim Griffin will be leading the singing of Christmas carols and as well as other music. This group has been providing down-home music for church events for years.

## ANGEL TREE

Make a child's Christmas wish come true! The Angel Tree is now LIVE. Gifts can be dropped off November 30-December 11 in the Business Office.

Please scan the QR code to choose a child.

#### Wi-fi Password

If you would like to connect to Wi-Fi while on church property, please use the guest connection and password bethanywelcome.

## 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



# We're Glad You're Here

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November 26, 2023

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Welcome & Announcements

Songs of Faith

OFFERING

Songs of Faith

Kids' Moment

PASTORAL PRAYER/BLESSING PRAYER SHAWLS

Scripture Joh

JOHN 1:1-5,14; CORINTHIANS 9:15

Message

"THE GREATEST GIFT"

Communion

Song of Faith

BENEDICTION

# JOHN 1:1-5

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was with God in the beginning. 3 Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. 4 In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. 5 The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome[a] it.

# John 1:14

14 The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

#### 2 Corinthians 9:15

15 Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

# "Whatever disunites man from God, also disunites man from man." Edmund Burke

The Bethany Discernment Committee would like to invite you to join us for a conversation about the issues facing our Church. Open conversation, mutual respect and trust are imperative as we go through this period of Holy Discernment. These conversations will be a chance to share your feelings about the schism within the Church. These discussions are not intended to be a debate regarding the issues, but rather a chance for us to listen to others, speak what is on our hearts, and continue to do God's work here at Bethany. We will continue to provide information that we have to help everyone make an informed decision about the future of our church.

We'd like to invite everyone to a Sunday afternoon conversation at 4pm or 5:15 pm this afternoon in Room 127. These conversations have been very well received and have allowed members to ask questions and have an opportunity to share how they feel and why. During the Advent Season, we will take a break from Discernment and concentrate on preparation for the coming of Our Savior. The Sunday Conversations will resume after the first of the New Year.

## LOCAL MISSIONS SOCK DRIVE

During November Bethany will be collecting men's socks for the clothing closet to be distributed at the warming shelter. Containers with signs will be placed at the entrances/exits for Spell Chapel, the Sanctuary, and the Fellowship Hall. No holy socks please. If you need further information, please contact Barbara Nimocks 843.276.4230 or John Lyons 843.708.9837. Thank you!

### THANK YOU FROM LOCAL MISSIONS!

The Local Missions Committee would like to thank everyone who helped with the Thanksgiving Food Bags and turkeys in any way.
Thank you for your generosity and hard work! We were able to bless 415 families!