

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

November 19, 2023  
25<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

### Gathering

### Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

### Invocation

\*Hymn of Praise          We Gather Together          No. 131

\*The Responsive Reading~          Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the lands!

Serve the Lord with gladness!

**Come into God's presence with singing!**

Know that the Lord, who made us, is God.

**We are the Lord's;**

**we are the people of God,**

**the sheep of God's pasture.**

Enter God's gates with thanksgiving,

and God's courts with praise!

**Give thanks and bless God's name!**

For the Lord is good;

**God's steadfast love endures for ever;**

**God's faithfulness to all generations.**

\*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          Ephesians 5:20

The Word of God for the people of God.

*Thanks be to God.*

Sermon          Thanksgiving          Rev. Michael Ritter

\*Hymn of Dedication          Come, Ye Thankful People, Come          No. 694

\*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

*"Whatever disunites man from God, also disunites man from man."*

**Edmund Burke**

### 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.



### 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!

### Operation Christmas Child

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this wonderful ministry! We are happy to announce that we have exceeded our goal of 323 with over 425 boxes!

### Wednesday Bethany NOW

There will be no BNOW on November 22. You are invited to attend the Hanging of the Greens service at 6:15pm beginning in Word & Table on November 29. Beginning Wednesday, November 29 through December 13 there will be dinner, regular children's activities, and Advent worship for Youth and Adults.

### 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](mailto: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.

### Scan to Give Option

It's easier than ever to give now! Simply scan this QR Code and you will be directed to PushPay, our online giving platform. You can also text 833.245.8417 and give right from your phone!



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

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