ORDER OF WORSHIP

February 4, 2024 5th Sunday after the Epiphany

Gathering

Prelude Holly Slice

As the prelude begins let us turn our thoughts and hearts to God in prayer and preparation for worship.

* Hymn of Praise

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

UMH 381

*Affirmation of Faith, Apostles' Creed

UMH 881

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,

and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology

UMH 95

Scripture Lesson

Romans 8: 1-11

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Not Guilty

Rev. Mark Barnes

Invitation

Prayer of Humble Access

We do not presume to come to this table,

O merciful Lord,

trust our own righteousness,

but in thy manifold and great mercies.

We are not worthy

so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table.

But thou art the same Lord,
whose property is always to have mercy.
Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,
so to partake of this Sacrament of thy Son Jesus Christ,
that we may walk in newness of life,
may grow into his likeness,
and may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen

Pardon

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Breaking the Bread

Giving the Bread and Cup

Prayer after Receiving

Eternal God, we give thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

*Hymn of Dedication

Have Thine Own Way, Lord

UMH 382

*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

The altar flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of the marriage of Richard Hussey III and Moura Maseha.

^{*} Please stand

Announcements

Souper Bowl Sunday

Today we will be collecting money for Souper Bowl of Caring. All the money raised will go to feed local students in area schools. Please look for kids standing outside the worship service when you leave to donate money or scan the QR code to give directly from your phone. Donate to your favorite Super Bowl team and let's see who raises the most money! Thank you for your support.



Bethany UMC Souper Bowl of Caring

Children's Church

There will be no Children's Church this week due to Communion. There will also be no Children's Church on February 11. February 11 is Kid's Sunday in Word and Table and kids will be involved with all aspects of service.

New Member Sunday

Are you interested in joining our church family? Our next New Member Sunday will be **Sunday**, **Feb. 18** for all services. If you are interested in joining, or for more information, please contact our Membership Director Jack Sehrt, at 843.873.1230 or jsehrt@bethany-umc.com.

Ash Wednesday & Lenten Services

Ash Wednesday, **February 14**, is the beginning of the Lenten season. Worship services will be offered at 7 am in Spell Chapel and 6:15 pm in the Sanctuary. Each Wednesday night during Lent, we will have guest ministers preaching for our Lenten services in Spell Chapel at 6:15pm.

February 21: Rev. Richard Hogue February 28: Rev. Jo Locklair March 6: Rev. Burton Ott March 13: Rev. Mitch Houston

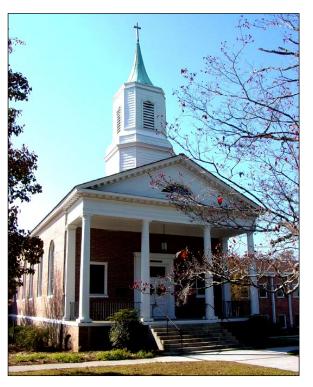
March 20: Rev. Bob Lee

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

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