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What motivates you to pursue Stephen Ministry training? Make a difference, extend help, and seize the opportunity to learn. If these reasons resonate with you, kindly submit your application today! You may obtain the forms from the church kiosks or call Pastor Mark Barnes at 843.873.2130; call or text Michelle Helton at 843.709.1679 or Brenda Byrd at 912.674.8314. This journey will deepen your faith and involvement in the ministry.

### **LET THE SON SHINE IN!**

Allow HIM and YOUR Stephen Minister to help carry your burdens. It will lighten your life and lift your spirits. Please accept this gift with a note or call to Pastor Mark Barnes at 843.873.2130. Also reach out with a call or text to Sue D. Malphrus at 843.435.9116 or Leah Martin at 404.408.5457.

### **SCAN TO GIVE OPTION**

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on Sunday mornings from 7:30am-12:30pm 854.429.1848.

# Welcome to

# Word & Table



## WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE

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# • ORDER OF WORSHIP •

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONGS OF FAITH

OFFERING

SONG OF FAITH

KIDS' MOMENT

SCRIPTURE: ACTS 27: 13-27, 42-44

MESSAGE: "GOD'S PERFECT PEACE"

COMMUNION

SONG OF FAITH

BENEDICTION

## Acts 27: 13-27, 42-44 (The Message)

When a gentle southerly breeze came up, they weighed anchor, thinking it would be smooth sailing. But they were no sooner out to sea than a gale-force wind, the infamous nor'easter, struck. They lost all control of the ship. It was a cork in the storm. We came under the lee of the small island named Clauda, and managed to get a lifeboat ready and reef the sails. But rocky shoals prevented us from getting close. We only managed to avoid them by throwing out drift anchors. Next day, out on the high seas again and badly damaged now by the storm, we dumped the cargo overboard. The third day the sailors lightened the ship further by throwing off all the tackle and provisions. It had been many days since we had seen either sun or stars. Wind and waves were battering us unmercifully, and we lost all hope of rescue. With our appetite for both food and life long gone, Paul took his place in our midst and said, "Friends, you really should have listened to me back in Crete. We could have avoided all this trouble and trial. But there's no need to dwell on that now. From now on, things are looking up! I can assure you that there'll not be a single drowning among us, although I can't say as much for the ship - the ship itself is doomed. "Last night God's angel stood at my side, an angel of this God I serve, saying to me, 'Don't give up, Paul. You're going to stand before Caesar yet - and everyone sailing with you is also going to make it.' So, dear friends, take heart. I believe God will do exactly what he told me. But we're going to shipwreck on some island or other." On the fourteenth night, adrift somewhere on the Adriatic Sea, at about midnight the sailors sensed that we were approaching land.

The soldiers decided to kill the prisoners so none could escape by swimming, but the centurion, determined to save Paul, stopped them. He gave orders for anyone who could swim to dive in and go for it, and for the rest to grab a plank. Everyone made it to shore safely.

*Our Christian sympathies go out to Ann Burdette and Linda Payne, whose father Robert "Bob" Danner of Florence and Summerville, joined the Church Triumphant on June 18, 2024.*

## VBS- THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who helped with VBS! The halls are empty, and the campers are on their quest to answer God's call. What an amazing week it was! Over 500 children, many who are not Bethany members, heard about God's love for them and how they can make a difference in the world. What a great way to reach out to our community. Around 200 volunteer adults and teens worked to bring the word of God to these precious children. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts to all who had a hand in VBS.

## KINDERGARTEN SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED

We are looking for two more people to complete our four-person Kindergarten team. We have all of the lessons prepared and there is minimal preparation needed; just loving caring souls to teach our Kindergarten class. When we have a team of four, you will be teaching two Sundays per month. If you have questions, please reach out to Stephanie at 843.343.8494.

## RIVER DOGS BASEBALL GAME

Join us for a night of fun, fellowship, and baseball on Sunday, July 14. First pitch starts at 5:05pm. See Emily Vick to purchase your \$10 ticket.

## COVERED DISH LUNCH

On Sunday, July 28 please join us for worship at 8am in Spell Chapel or a combined 10am worship in the Sanctuary followed by a covered dish lunch. Please bring a covered dish with enough to serve your family plus 5 more.

## WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS

Join us on Wednesday evenings in July for Wonderful Wednesdays! Kids and parents are invited to join us for fun and fellowship on July 10, 17, 24, and 31 from 6-7:30 pm. Wednesday, July 10 meet us on the Bethany playground for some outdoor fun. We will have popsicles for everyone to enjoy on our newly renovated playground!