

**Bethany United Methodist Church***The Church with Open Hearts, Minds, and Doors*

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Email: admin@bethanyumc-gp.orgWebsite: www.bethanyumc-gp.org**135th Anniversary Celebration****Sunday, September 18, 2022****10:00 a.m.****WELCOME, GUESTS!** We're glad you are worshiping with us today!*CELL PHONES: Please remember to silence your phones before the service.
HEARING DEVICES AVAILABLE: Please see an usher if you need a hearing device.***Please stand as you are able.***VOLUNTEERS SERVING TODAY**

Acolyte:	Ella and Emily Ward
Media:	Jeremy Nardozzi, Beth Cook, Susannah Hogge, Cathy Raines, Kirk Bell, Kim Song
Altar Guild this month:	Pauline Reimold, Paul Kendall, Lynne Barnes
Liturgist:	Pastor Paul Song
Trustee Contact this week:	Don Thomas
Ushers:	Milton Hudgins, Jon Kent
Greeters:	Donna Andersen, Jane Sterling, David Ayers
Counting Team:	Al Burner, Judy Burner, Donna Andersen

— As the music begins, please quiet your hearts in preparation for worship. —**Intrada** *Hail Thee, Festival Day* UMH No. 324**Welcome and Announcements, Sharing Joys, Concerns and Updates** Pastor Paul Song
Judy Burner**Choral Invocation** *The Church Victorious* John Carter
Chancel Choir with Jeff Haney, Trumpet and Rudy Shackelford, Piano***Call to Worship** Pastor Paul Song

Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary;

Congregation: praise God in his mighty firmament!

Leader: Praise God for his mighty deeds;

Congregation: praise God for his exceeding greatness!

Leader: Praise God with trumpet sound;

Congregation: praise God with all musical instruments.

Leader: Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!

All: Praise the Lord!***Hymn** *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* UMH No. 110***Confirmation of Faith** *A Modern Affirmation* UMH No. 885**Dedication of Audio/Video Upgrades** Jeremy Nardozzi**Prayer** Pastor Paul Song**The Lord's Prayer** UMH No. 895**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.**

STEWARDSHIP	Last Sunday
General Fund	5857.00
Capital Improvement	250.00
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	80.00
Altar Flowers	50.00
Homebound Ministries	50.00
Upper Room	3.00
ATTENDANCE	
In-person Worship (total both services)	91
Online Worship (Facebook/YouTube/Drive-In)	32
Total in Worship	123

UPCOMING COUNTING TEAMS	
9/25	Team 4: Doris Luther, Debbie Robins, Susan Rollins
10/2	Team 5: Jackie Hampton, Don Thomas, Donna Lane
10/9	Team 6: Charlotte Cecil, Betty Durette, Clair Hillard
10/16	Team 1: Mary Kaylor, Ann Byrd, Pat Hasty

BUMC STAFF DIRECTORY

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Dr. Rudy Shackelford, Organist	home 804.642.5938, cell 804.413.0211	By appt.

Meditation	<i>“The Difficult Decision”</i> : Finale from <i>String Quartet No. 16 in F Major</i> , Opus 135 Transcribed for organ-piano duet by Rudy Shackelford Celebrating Bethany’s 135th anniversary	Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)
Time of Reminiscing (video)		
Anthem	<i>Precious Memories</i>	credited to J.B.F. Wright, 1925
Children’s Song	<i>The Power Shuffle</i>	Jay Stocker
Introduction of Guest Speaker		Jane Niethamer
*Scripture Reading	John 15:1-11	Pastor Paul
Psalter Reading	Psalms 46 (Response 1)	UMH No. 780
Special Music	<i>Were It Not for Grace</i> Steve Wike	David Hamilton and Phil McHugh
Sermon	“We Who Remain”	Reverend Debbie Marion
Special Music	<i>I Can Only Imagine</i> Carter Roane	Bart Millard
Offering and Offertory Prayer		Pastor Paul Song
Offertory Music	<i>Thou Art the Rock (Tu es Petra)</i> , from “ <i>Byzantine Sketches</i> ” Transcribed for organ-piano duet by Rudy Shackelford <i>Performance in honor of Rev. Debbie Marion</i> “Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.” — <i>Matthew</i> 16: 18	Henri Mulet (1878-1967)
*Doxology		UMH No. 95
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.		
Special Music	<i>Sheep May Safely Graze</i> Violins: Sandra Byrd, Anne Baltrusaitis, John Hatchard, Mary Shipko, John Shipko Cellos: Nancy Wilson, Virginia Roane	Johann Sebastian Bach
*Closing Hymn	<i>Go Forth for God</i>	UMH No. 670
*Blessing of Meal and Benediction		Pastor Paul Song

Bethany UMC Prayer List	BETHANY FAMILY	9.18.22
CANCER/CHEMO: Darlene Bauschatz, Krista Chase, Carol Johnson, Linwood Rowe, Bob Wharen		
GRIEVING: Families of Marshall Lewis		
HEALTH ISSUES: Chuck Ashe, Cliff Beach, Charlotte Cecil, Bessie Conner, Billy Davis, Jimmy Greene, Sandra Hollins, Bonnie Lewis, Patsy Morales, Sue Morecock, Kim Paiva, Peggy Peterman (NC), Rosemarie Tong, Judy Vaughan, Sandie Wharen		
HOMEBOUND: Linda Booth, Sid Dixon, Jack & Ruth Wallace		
HOSPICE: Alice McGee		
HOSPITALIZED: Linwood Rowe (Riverside Regional)		
PARKINSON’S: Mike Andersen, David Chapin, Doris Courtney, Kathleen Greene, Fred Townsend, Yvonne White		
RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Darlene Bauschatz, Nan Leigh, Joy Long, Doris Luther, Alice Northam		
BETHANY FRIENDS		
CANCER/CHEMO: Tammy Bourgoyne (LA), Jack Cawthorn, Kyle Cooper, Barbara Crim, Wanda Dowell, Dallas “Butch” Folk (ME), Jackie Gibbs, Nell Goldstein, Traci Greene, Donna Hogge, Zachary Hoover, Jeff Leiffer, Sissi Mise, Randy Riffe, Angie Williams (NY), Susan Williams		
GRIEVING: Families of Betsy Blubaugh (FL), Rev. Linwood Daniel, Annette Wilburn, Ruth Yoder		
HEALTH/OTHER ISSUES: Jean Bassett (NC), Bob Baughman, Charles & Mary Black, Connie Bowler, Cathie Brown, Esther Dawson, Dewayne Haywood, Matt Iddings (PA) Norah Ivesson, Scott Leiffer, Mary Kerns, Donna Messersmith, Glen Null, Tim Sullivan, Evie Sutton, Mildred Townsend, Tene West, Sabrina Wikle, Terry Wilson		
HOSPICE: William Ervi, Selma		
PARKINSON’S: Janet Burch (KY)		
RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Chuck Baughman, Juanita Duncan, Boone Kohen, Sue McCloy (WV), Dottie Myers (PA), Sandy Taylor, Larry Wilkinson		
UPCOMING SURGERY: Jennifer, Donna Hogge (9/20)		
PRAYERS: Randy Wilson, Kwame & Juliet Annorbah-Sarpei, Alli Razzaghi, Kasie Hall		
BUMC’S ACTIVE MILITARY AND THEIR FAMILIES (<i>italics—Bethany friends</i>)		
<i>Michael Brown, Peter Demetriades, Meagan Demetriades, Kevin Jacobs, Cory Long (Okinawa), Will Neikirk, Bowdy Schrader, Jim Minor, all members of the military.</i>		
ASSISTED LIVING (<i>italics-Bethany friends</i>)		
Gloucester House, 7657 Meredith Dr., Gloucester 23061	Lorraine Brown, Rm 107 Doris Courtney, Rm 105 Jean Heywood, Rm 110 Bessie Conner, Rm 102	
Sanders Assisted Living, 7407 Walker Ave., Gloucester 23061	Carolyn Scott, Rm 206A	
Sunrise Senior Living, 2015 Cranbeck Rd., Richmond 23235	Pauline Harris, Apt. 130	
Riverside Rehab, 672 Gloucester Rd., Saluda, VA, 23149	Jennie Lipscomb	
Heron Cove, 7409 Heron Cove Way, Gloucester 23061	<i>Ellis Hall</i> , Rm 20 Bonnie Lewis, Rm 13	

Christian sympathy is extended to the family of Annette Wilburn, sister of Aaron Wilburn and sister-in-law of Nancy Wilburn, who passed on September 10.

THOUGHTS ON THE ANNIVERSARY MUSIC

By Rudy Shackelford

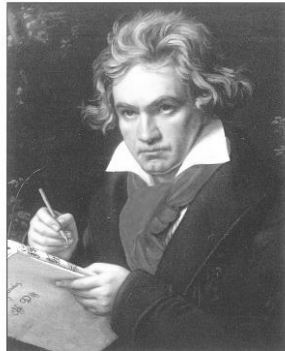
When I joined Bethany’s staff in June 1997, the church was preparing to celebrate its 110th anniversary. By sheer coincidence I was learning a work numbered 110 in the composer’s catalogue: *Piano Sonata in A-flat Major*, Opus 110, by Ludwig van Beethoven. (The Latin noun *opus* means “work,” and compositions given opus numbers are those deemed worthy of being published.) Although lacking any aptitude for math, I could not resist the chance to celebrate Bethany’s 110th milestone by composing a new work based on Beethoven’s Opus 110. The result was *Trumpet Voluntary* for organ, featuring the stop that imitates a trumpet.

My second creative contribution to a Bethany anniversary celebration — the 120th, in 2007 — was the *Charles Wesley Organbook*. This extensive opus, commissioned by Rev. Steve Young, doubled as a 300th birthday tribute to the great Methodist hymn writer. It was published, together with *Trumpet Voluntary*, by Paraclete Press in 2015. Both scores are on display through September in the Mary Lotsey classroom history exhibit.

As my source of inspiration for music to celebrate the 130th and 135th anniversaries, I have returned to the deeply spiritual works of Beethoven’s final creative period. Specifically, from the *String Quartet in B-flat Major*, Opus 130, and the *String Quartet in F Major*, Opus 135, I have transcribed two separate movements (pieces) for organ-piano duet, without changing a single note of this immortal music.

Today, in celebration of Bethany’s 135th anniversary, we present the fourth movement of Beethoven’s Opus 135, the last of his sixteen string quartets and the last work in any genre to receive an opus number. Subtitled “The Difficult Decision,” this movement poses an existential question — “*Muss es sein?*” (“Must it be?”) — and immediately answers “*Es muss sein!*” (“It must be!”). While the question is musically dark and premonitory, Beethoven’s answer flips the motif and the mood, expressing acceptance of the inevitable with childlike joy and the serene wisdom of maturity. Here we have the consummate balance and resolution only the greatest artists achieve at the end of their journey!

Ludwig van Beethoven (1819)



THANK YOU NOTES

Thank you to **Susannah and Jason Hogge** for hosting a surprise get together for me at their home on 9/11. Having some of our youth and their parents there, sharing favorite memories, and seeing our youth have a nice time together was so very special. I loved it! — *Ms. Kris*

Thank you, **Homebound Ministry Team**. We are so lucky having such wonderful friends thinking about us. We really appreciate the meals you prepare and deliver. They are delicious. We love and miss you all. — *Dean & Fred Townsend*

We invite everyone to the Fellowship Hall to enjoy lunch following the service.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given today for the glory of God by Bernard and Debbie Robins in celebration of Bethany’s 135th Anniversary.

THIS WEEK AT BETHANY		
Sunday, September 18 135TH ANNIVERSARY	10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Anniversary Celebration and Worship (Sanctuary) Fellowship Luncheon (WBFH)
Tuesday, September 20	10:00 a.m.	Nominations Committee (WBFH)
	6:00 p.m.	York River Villas (Lacey Martin)
	7:00 p.m.	Administrative Council (WBFH)
Wednesday, September 21	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, September 22	9:00 a.m.-noon	Bazaar Workshop (WBFH)
	5:00 p.m.	Media Upgrade Committee (Mary Lotsey)
Sunday, September 25	8:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Informal Worship (Sanctuary) Coffee & Donuts Fellowship (WBFH) Sunday school for all ages Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
	4:00 p.m.	Joshua Spiritual Formation Group (WBFH, see insert)

OCTOBER BANNER (LATE) SUBMISSIONS are due no later than noon on Tuesday, September 20. Please submit your information in writing to the church office as soon as possible. Thanks!

UNITED METHODIST MEN (UMM) – After a brief summer break UMM will meet again at Nick’s Spaghetti & Steakhouse on **Tuesday, September 27 at 6:30 p.m.** Guest speaker will be Diane Garrison, the president of the Mattaponi Healing Eagle Clinic. All men are invited and welcome to bring a guest. Questions? Contact Alan Harvey at 804-684-2790.

HOMEBOUND MINISTRIES — **Wednesday, September 28 at 9:30 a.m.** we will be cooking for our shut-ins. Come join in the fun! Deliverers are always welcome!

****NEW OFFICE HOURS** – Beginning October 1, the church office will be closed on Mondays.** New office hours will be Tuesday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. til 4:00 p.m., closing from noon-1:00 p.m. for lunch and office errands.

Bethany Members – 50 years or more

1937

Catherine White

1945

Jackie Emerson
Pauline Harris

1946

Marion Tillage

1948

Charles Belvin
Barbara Dunston

1950

Laura Walthall

1951

Joan Fecondo
Nan Leigh
Richard Poland
Gladys Spruill

1953

Charles Duncan

1954

M. E. Thomas

1955

Barbara Summerford
Nancy Jenkins

1956

Nancy Hall
Iva Belvin
Jean Heywood

1957

Patsy Morales
Carolyn Broadwell
Donna Andersen
Evelyn Cecil
Diane McFarland
Ralph Parkes
Don Thomas

1958

Mitchell Dunston

1959

Lavalle Wilson

1960

James Huff
Norma Baker
Carolyn Davis
Wade Lewis

1964

Pat Hasty
Dorothy Pillow
Theresa Childre
Milton Hudgins
Judy Hudgins
Wendy Hogge
Sonja Jordan
George Parkes

1965

Charles Ashe
Thomas Mosca, III
Richard Tillage
Philip Ransone
Sylvia Ransone

1966

Scott Andersen
Brenda Ashe
Kirk Bell
James Leigh
Jane Oliver

1967

Edwin Robbins
Bonnie Young Short

1968

Peggy Lewis

1969

Paul McFarland

1970

Marion Dixon
Beth Dixon
Sid Dixon
Elizabeth Breuer
David Dixon
Ann Hogge
Timothy Leigh
Debbie Hasty Rhodes
Kimberly Sterling
David Tillage
William White
Page Strickland
Lewis Strickland
Nancy Kendall
Paul Kendall
Bobby Leigh

1971

Charry Hudgins
Susan Hutchinson
Jimmy Greene
Kelly Kale
Robin Hasty
Brian Lewis
Christi Anne Lewis

1972

Breta Hoover
David Strickland
Nancy Saunders
Charla Barnard
Tom Barnard

A Very Special Thanks to the 135th Anniversary Committee and volunteers who have worked tirelessly for months to coordinate today's very special celebration.

The committee has met regularly to plan, send invitations, provide the history booklets and display, and make sure our church looked its best for this special day!

Committee members are: Donna Andersen, Judy Burner, Sandy Fox, Kris Kent, Jeff and Donna Lane, Debbie Robins, Rudy Shackelford, Diana Simmons, Pastor Paul Song, Don Thomas, and Nina Whitmore.

135 YEARS OF BETHANY HISTORY

Did you know that on October 23, 1983 (one year, nine months, and one week after the fire), Bethany held its first worship service in the new sanctuary? On that Sunday, the Rev. Dabney Walters, then District Superintendent, stated that "church buildings are a visible reminder of the ideals and moral principles that dedicated earlier worshipers have passed along to each later generation." Evening services of devotion and dedication during the week were conducted in thanksgiving that Bethany members had finally "come home."

BETHANY HISTORY DISPLAY

During the month of September and in celebration of Bethany's 135th anniversary, the Mary Lotsey Classroom has been transformed into the History Room. On display are artifacts, photographs, framed pictures, and newspaper clippings related to Bethany's history. Included is the Memory Book with pictures of members who have passed away since our last anniversary in 2017; a treasure trove of items saved by Jean Heywood and placed in scrapbook form; and a book listing all known gifts to the church along with the names of givers.

Please stop by and enjoy Bethany's history throughout the years.

In addition to the History Room, view the images of Bethany's former ministers in the hallway leading to the office area and the framed photographs of the church building as it evolved over the years, exhibited in the back entrance.

Outside the Mary Lotsey Classroom in a basket are booklets updating Bethany's history since 2017. Please pick up a copy for family, friends, and shut-ins.