



Bethany United Methodist Church
The Church with Open Hearts, Minds, and Doors
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November 20, 2022

11:00 a.m.

**Christ the King Sunday
 Thanksgiving Sunday**

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(s): Josiah Minor (11:00)
 Media: Jeremy Nardozi, Susannah Hogge, Cathy Raines, Kirk Bell, Kim Song
 Altar Guild this month: Jackie Hampton, Patsy Bell, Samantha Hornsby
 Liturgist: Lynne Barnes (11:00)
 Trustee Contact this week: Milton Hudgins
 Ushers: Milton Hudgins, Jon Kent (11:00)
 Greeters: Dawn Cluts, David Ayers (11:00)

— *As the music begins, please quiet your hearts in preparation for worship.* —

Intrada *Come, Thou Almighty King* UMH No. 61
Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending UMH No. 718

Welcome and Announcements, Sharing Joys, Concerns and Updates Pastor Paul Song

***Call to Worship** Lynne Barnes

Leader: Come to Christ, that living stone, rejected by the world, but in God's sight chosen and precious.

Congregation: We have responded to Christ's call, and seek to be built into a spiritual house, a living reminder of God's presence on earth.

Leader: Once we were no people, but now we are God's people, called out of the darkness into God's marvelous light.

Congregation: Therefore we sing with the Church in all ages.

Leader: Blessed be your name, O God, our Redeemer.

Congregation: By your mercy we have been born anew to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

***Hymn** *Now Thank We All Our God* UMH No. 102

***Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles' Creed (Traditional Version) UMH No. 881

Opening Prayer Lynne Barnes

Most gracious God, you crown the year with your goodness. We praise you that you have ever fulfilled your promise that, while earth remains, seedtime and harvest shall not cease.

We bless you for the order and constancy of nature, for the beauty of earth and sky and sea, and for the providence that year by year supplies our need. We thank you for your blessing on the world of those who plowed the soil and sowed the seed, and have not gathered in the fruits of the earth.

And with our thanksgiving for these blessings, accept our praise, O God, for the eternal riches of your grace in Christ our Lord; to whom, with you, O Father, and the Holy Spirit, be all glory and honor and worship, for ever and ever. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Anthem *Autumn Carol* arr. Russell Schulz-Widmar

STEWARDSHIP	Last Sunday
General Fund	5095.53
Capital Improvement	150.00
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	55.00
Altar Flowers	50.00
George Nelson Memorial Concert Series	224.00
Bazaar (bake sale & donation)	125.00
ATTENDANCE	
In-person Worship (Informal 24, Traditional 58)	82
Online Worship (Facebook/YouTube/Drive-In)*	34
Total in Worship	116

COUNTING TEAMS	
11/20	Team 6: Charlotte Cecil, Betty Durette, Clair Hillard
11/27	Team 1: Mary Kaylor, Ann Byrd, Pat Hasty
12/4	Team 2: Bernard Robins, Fred Niethamer, Sandra Harvey
12/11	Team 3: Al Burner, Judy Burner, Donna Andersen

*YouTube information is from two weeks prior to today's service.

BUMC STAFF DIRECTORY

Rev. Moonsup "Paul" Song, Pastor	call/text 703.625.8025, office: 804.642.2110 email: pastor@bethanyumc-gp.org	Tues. thru Fri., 8am-4pm For pastoral emergencies, call/text 703.625.8025
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Carter Roane, Director of Children & Youth Ministries	office 804.642.2110, cell: 804.815.5722 email: youth@bethanyumc-gp.org	Tue./Wed./Thur. 10am-2pm

Concerns and Prayer of Intercession, Petition “Lord, hear our 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.		
Meditation	<i>Triumphal March on “Now Thank We All Our God,”</i> from <i>Sixty-Six Chorale Improvisations</i> Based on UMH No. 102	Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933)
Offering and Offertory Prayer		Pastor Paul Song
Offertory Music	<i>Voluntary on the Old 100th Psalm Tune</i> Based on UMH No. 95	Henry Purcell (1659-1695)
*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.		
Prayer of Illumination		Lynne Barnes
Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of the Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.		
*Gospel Reading	Luke 17:11-19	Lynne Barnes
The Word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.		
Sermon	“Thankfulness as Life Style”	Pastor Paul Song
*Hymn	<i>Sent Forth by God’s Blessing</i>	UMH No. 664
*Benediction		Pastor Paul Song
*Closing Chorus	<i>Shalom to You</i>	UMH No. 666
	Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends. May God’s full mercies bless you, my friends. In all your living and through your loving, Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.	
Exodus	<i>Rejoice, the Lord Is King</i>	UMH No. 715

ADVENT BEGINS NEXT SUNDAY — ADVENT DEVOTIONALS from Society of St. Andrew are available at the sanctuary entrances this morning. You are encouraged to take a copy with you, or download the full booklet to read on your computer or mobile device by visiting our website and clicking on the Advent Devotionals link at the top of the home page. We hope you will take advantage of this resource during Advent.

Bethany UMC Prayer List	BETHANY FAMILY	11.20.22
CANCER/CHEMO: Darlene Bauschatz, Krista Chase, Carol Johnson, Linwood Rowe, Bob Wharen		
GRIEVING: Family of Marshall Lewis		
HEALTH ISSUES: Chuck Ashe, Cliff Beach, Charlotte Cecil, Billy Davis, Jimmy Greene, Sandra Hollins, Jon Kent, Bonnie Lewis, Patsy Morales, Sue Morecock, Kim Paiva, Richard Parkes, Peggy Peterman (NC), Rosemarie Tong, Judy Vaughan, Sandie Wharen		
HOMEBOUND: Linda Booth, Sid Dixon, Jack & Ruth Wallace		
HOSPICE: Alice McGee		
HOSPITALIZED: Paul McFarland (Riverside Regional)		
PARKINSON’S: Mike Andersen, David Chapin, Doris Courtney, Kathleen Greene, Fred Townsend, Yvonne White		
RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Jean Heywood, Nan Leigh, Joy Long, Rev. Debbie Marion, Alice Northam		
UPCOMING SURGERY: Richard Parkes (11/30)		
BETHANY FRIENDS		
CANCER/CHEMO: Clint Alexander, Fran Bonnville, Tammy Bourgoyne (LA), Kendell Walthall Caton, Jack Cawthorn, Kyle Cooper, Barbara Crim, Wanda Dowell, Dallas “Butch” Folk (ME), Jackie Gibbs, Nell Goldstein, Traci Greene, Zachary Hoover, Jeff Leiffer, Sissi Mise, Randy Riffe, Laine Seely, Chauntea Shield, Jill Ward, Susan Williams		
GRIEVING: Families of Jean Bassett (NC), Joe Downes, “Granny” King, Angie Williams		
HEALTH/OTHER ISSUES: Charles & Mary Black, Connie Bowler, Cathie Brown, Esther Dawson, Dwayne Haywood, Matt Iddings (PA) Norah Ivesson, Scott Leiffer, Donna Messersmith, Glen Null, Tucker Sharp, Tim Sullivan, Evie Sutton, Mildred Townsend, Sabrina Wikle, Tim Williford (TN), Terry Wilson		
HOSPICE: William Ervi, Selma		
PARKINSON’S: Janet Burch (KY)		
RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Joe Byrne, Jim Flansberg, Donna Hogge, Norman Spaleny		
OTHER PRAYERS: Randy Wilson, Kwame & Juliet Annorbah-Sarpei, Alli Razzaghi, Kasie Hall, Hurricane Victims and Relief Workers; Ukraine		
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 305 Jean Heywood, Rm 110 Bessie Conner, Rm 102	
Heron Cove, 7409 Heron Cove Way, Gloucester 23061	Bonnie Lewis, Rm 13 Judy Hudgins, Bldg 2, Rm 29	
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	
The Hamilton Assisted Living, 113 Battle Rd., Yorktown, VA 23692	Sue Morecock, Rm 214	

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS AT BETHANY

Thursday-Friday, November 24-25

Church Office will be Closed (Thanksgiving Holiday)

Saturday, November 26

Decorating of Chrismon Tree, 11:00 a.m.

Sunday, November 27

Advent Worship, 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Sunday, December 4

Advent Worship, 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Courthouse Community Orchestra Christmas Concert, 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 11

Advent Worship, 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Rudy Shackelford Organ/Piano Concert, 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 18

Christmas Fellowship Breakfast, 9:00 a.m.

Advent Worship Service with Choir Cantata, 10:00 a.m.

(One service only; no Sunday school)

Friday, December 23

Church Office Closed (Christmas Holiday)

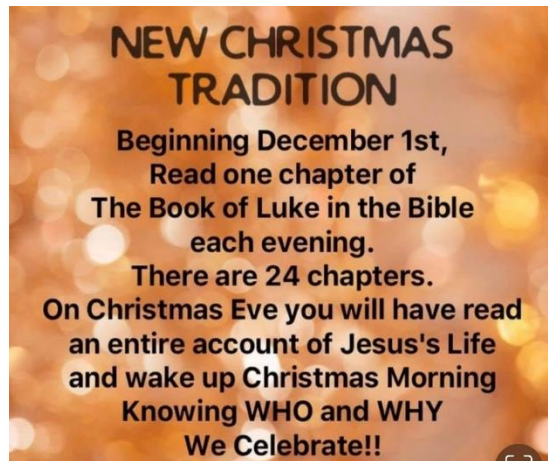
Saturday, December 24

Christmas Eve Family Candlelight Communion Service, 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 25

Christmas Day Service of Lessons & Carols, 10:00 a.m.

(One service only; no Sunday school)



ALTAR FLOWERS — In lieu of altar flowers, our Harvest Table has been beautifully arranged by Nancy Wilburn as a grateful reflection of God’s bountiful blessings to each of us.

Lord, make us truly thankful for the blessings and gifts You give. May we generously share those gifts with others through acts of kindness and service for Your glory.

NURSERY is available for infants to 3-year-olds during the Sunday school hour and 11:00 service.

We need volunteers in order to be able to offer this ministry to our Bethany family and guests.

WILL YOU HELP? To sign-up, write your name/phone on the list outside the nursery door. Thanks!

THIS WEEK AT BETHANY		
TODAY	2:30 p.m.	Joshua Spiritual Formation Group (Mary Lotsey)
	4:00 p.m.	GUEST Training (Sanctuary)
Monday, November 21	9:30 a.m.	Homebound Ministries (WBFH)
	6:00 p.m.	The Points HOA (WBFH)
Thursday-Friday, November 24-25	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED (HAPPY THANKSGIVING!)	
Saturday, November 26	11:00 a.m.	Chrismon Tree Decorating (Sanctuary)
Sunday, November 27		1st SUNDAY IN ADVENT

TODAY WE CELEBRATE THE FOLLOWING BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES DURING OUR FELLOWSHIP TIME:

Birthdays:

- 11/20 Ruth Wallace, Madison Hogge, Charles Enroughty
- 11/21 Gretchen Wood
- 11/22 Todd Bontrager
- 11/23 Martha Forrest, Betty Durette, Richard Poland, Mark Goetz
- 11/24 Bain Schultz, Rick Wilson
- 11/25 Susan Boyette, Hannah Wilburn, Kennedy Wilburn, Connor Mahoney, Sandra Hollins
- 11/26 Iva Belvin

Anniversaries:

- 11/22 Chris & Clare Hall (18)
- 11/25 Aaron & Nancy Wilburn (51)

BIBLE READING PLAN

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
11/21 1 Jn 1-3	11/22 1 Jn 4-5	11/23 2 Jn; 3 Jn; Jude 1	11/24 Rev 1-4	11/25 Rev 5-7	11/26 Rev 8-10

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOSHUA SPIRITUAL FORMATION GROUP will meet **TODAY at 4 PM** in the Mary Lotsey classroom.

BETHANY TO SERVE AS HOMELESS SHELTER — Bethany will serve as a week-long overnight homeless shelter starting Monday evening, January 2 and lasting through Monday morning, January 9. (In February 2020, 15 people on average were given overnight accommodations and meals each night for a week in our Warren Belvin Fellowship Hall.) Thanks to the many Bethany volunteers and those from outside our church that make this ministry possible as part of the GUEST (Gloucester United Emergency Shelter Team) program. GUEST is a coalition of churches and community organizations that strives to love, help, and reduce our homeless population. Please consider being the hands and feet of Christ serving our brothers and sisters in need. Signups will be available soon in the narthex and the entrance by the office. **GUEST information and training session will take place TODAY at 4 PM in the Bethany sanctuary.** (If you are unable to attend training this afternoon, an additional training session will be offered **Tuesday, November 29 at 6 PM** at Newington Baptist Church.) Thanks for making a difference!

HOMEBOUND MINISTRIES will be preparing a meal for our shut-ins on **Monday, November 21 at 9:30 a.m.** Come join in the fun!



135 YEARS OF BETHANY HISTORY

Did you know that for many years C. David Burke (d. 2006) was treasurer of Bethany Church as well as treasurer of Gloucester County?

His wife, Ella Gray Burke (d. 2004), a Bethany Sunday School teacher, was employed as a teacher in the Gloucester County school system.

Their home overlooking the York River (next to VIMS) was the setting for many Vacation Bible School picnics in the fifties and early sixties.

PLASTIC ALTAR FLOWER INSERTS NEEDED — If you have donated or received arrangements of altar flowers and have not yet returned the plastic floral inserts they came in, please drop the inserts by the church at your earliest convenience. Gloucester Florist has only a few inserts in the shop and is unable to get them from their supplier.

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS GIVING TRADITIONS AT BUMC



SALVATION ARMY ANGEL TREE — Bethany will again be partnering with Salvation Army to make Christmas brighter for needy children in our community. Please consider participating in this year's drive by taking a tag from the Angel Tree in the Narthex and purchasing gifts for your selected child.

Gifts should be returned **unwrapped** by **no later than Sunday, December 11**, along with the top part of the tag. When you pull a tag, please write the information on the list provided.

Questions? Please call Paul Kendall at 804-832-4357 or the church office at 804-642-2110. Thank you for your participation and generosity!

REVERSE ADVENT BAGS — In the spirit of giving, BUMC encourages each family to pick up a Reverse Advent bag and fill it for a needy family. Treat it as you would a traditional Advent calendar but instead of receiving something each day, add an item to your bag each day until Christmas. Suggested items include non-perishable food and pantry items, paper products, household cleaning, & personal hygiene items. **Bags are available this morning and should be returned to church by December 25.** Bags will be dedicated in our worship service and items collected will be taken to Salvation Army, the G.U.E.S.T. Day Shelter, Union Baptist Church Food Pantry & Bread for Life Food Pantry for distribution. Together we can make a difference for needy families this Christmas!



PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND — We continue to receive requests for help with utilities, rent, and temporary housing due to homelessness and, like many agencies, are experiencing a shortage of funds to help meet these needs. With colder weather just around the corner we anticipate these requests to increase in frequency. Can you help us meet the needs of our less fortunate neighbors by making a donation to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund? Together we can make a difference!

POINSETTIAS – Order forms for this year's poinsettia sale are in today's bulletin and are due by Wednesday, December 7. As always, this is a great way to remember or honor loved ones and support our Youth Ministry. Please enclose payment with your form and return to the church office or place in the offering plate. Thanks!