



Bethany United Methodist Church
The Church with Open Hearts, Minds, and Doors
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February 5, 2023

11:00 a.m.

**5th Sunday after Epiphany
 Communion Sunday**

WELCOME, EVERYONE! Thank you for worshipping 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): Aidan Dumbrocyo (11:00)
 Media: Jeremy Nardozi, Susannah Hogge, Cathy Raines, Kim Song, Chip Neikirk
 Altar Guild this month: Pauline Reimold, Paul Kendall, Lynne Barnes
 Liturgist: Scott Glaze (11:00)
 Trustee Contact this week: Donna Andersen
 Ushers: Milton Hudgins, Jon Kent, Rick Wilson (11:00)
 Greeters: Fred and Jane Niethamer, David Ayers (11:00)

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

Intrada *On Wings of Song* Felix Mendelssohn
 Celebrating Mendelssohn's 214th birthday! (3 Feb. 1809-1847)

Welcome, Announcements, and Introduction Pastor Paul Song

***Call to Worship** Scott Glaze

Leader: We are called to bring a new understanding of God: that God so loves the world.

Congregation: We are the salt of the earth.

Leader: We are called to bring a new hope in God: that God gives us new life.

Congregation: We are the light of the world.

Leader: We are called to follow the commandments and the law.

Congregation: The Law of God is to love God and to love one another.

Leader: Come, let us be the salt of the earth, the light of the world.

Congregation: Come, let us love one another with the love of God.

All: Let us join together in our love of God to worship and follow Jesus.

***Hymn** *For the Healing of the Nations* UMH No. 428

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

Opening Prayer Scott Glaze

God of mystery and of judgment, who has made us to be salt and light in a tasteless, shadowed world, guide us in this time of worship. Grant us understanding and spiritual discernment so that others may see your good works through us, give you the glory, and be moved to serve you. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Anthem *Contemplative Spiritual* arr. by Donald Moore

Children's Time Carter Roane

STEWARDSHIP	Last Sunday
General Fund (\$50 Wallace)	3,129.00
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	5.00
Capital Improvement	150.00
Altar Flowers	50.00
In-person Worship (8:30-30; 11:00-49)	79
Online Worship (Facebook/YouTube/Drive-In)*	84
Total in Worship	163

COUNTING TEAMS	
2/5	Team 5: Jackie Hampton, Don Thomas, Donna Lane
2/12	Team 6: Charlotte Cecil, Betty Durette, Clair Hillard
2/19	Team 1: Mary Kaylor, Ann Byrd, Pat Hasty
2/26	Team 2: Betty Neikirk, Chip Neikirk, Sandra Harvey

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

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Prayer of Illumination Scott Glaze
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.

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 58:1-9a Scott Glaze
***Gospel Reading** Matthew 5:13-20
The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon Salty and Shiny Pastor Paul Song

Concerns and Prayer of Intercession, Petition "Lord, hear our prayer."

Holy Communion

Invitation to Table Pastor Paul Song

Confession and Pardon (on screen)

All: Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Leader: 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!

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

All: Glory to God. Amen.

Offering and Offertory Prayer Pastor Paul Song

Offertory Music *Duet, from "Songs without Words"* Felix Mendelssohn

"When our two souls stand up erect and strong, face to face, silent, drawing nigh and nigher,
Until the lengthening wings break into fire at either curving point, -- what bitter wrong
Can the earth do us, that we should not long be here contented? Think! In mounting higher,
The angels would press on us, and aspire to drop some golden orb of perfect song
Into our deep, dear silence. Let us stay rather on earth, Belovèd -- where the unfit
Contrarious moods of men recoil away and isolate pure spirits, and permit
A place to stand and love in for a day, with darkness and the death-hour rounding it."
— Elizabeth Barrett Browning, *Sonnets from the Portuguese*

***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.**

The Great Thanksgiving (on the screen)

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.

Giving the Bread and Cup (Bread and cup will be served at the communion rail.)

Music during Communion

Andante cantabile, from Piano Sonata No. 10 Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
(27 Jan. 1756-1791)

The Prayer of Thanksgiving after Communion (on screen)

Eternal God, we give you 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** *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* UMH No. 206

***Benediction** Pastor Paul Song

Exodus *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* Felix Mendelssohn

"Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
Risen with healing in his wings."

Kim and I express our thanks to the congregation for your thoughts and prayers during my illness. — *Pastor Paul*