



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

11:00 a.m.

**2nd Sunday in Lent
 Communion Sunday**

WELCOME, EVERYONE! Thank you for 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): Christian Martin (11:00)
 Media: Jeremy Nardozi, Susannah Hogge, Cathy Raines, Kim Song, Chip Neikirk
 Altar Guild this month: Ann Byrd, Betty Durette, Sylvia Ransone
 Liturgist: Regina Berry (11:00)
 Trustee Contact this week: Don Thomas
 Ushers: Milton Hudgins, Rick Wilson (11:00)
 Greeters: Jim and Betty Durette, David Ayers (11:00)

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

Intrada *O Love, How Deep (Deo Gracias)* UMH No. 267

Welcome, Announcements, and Introduction Pastor Paul Song

***Call to Worship** Regina Berry

Leader: Welcome, pilgrims on the way to the cross.

Congregation: We are learning to follow Jesus.

Leader: When God says, “Go!” without telling us the destination,

Congregation: Show us, Christ, how to go forward in faith.

Leader: When re-birth is the impossible way forward,

Congregation: Christ, be our midwife as we accept God’s call to be reborn.

Leader: When we find ourselves in the in-between of where we’ve been and where we’re going,

Congregation: Christ, meet us on the way and bless us in the going.

Leader: Pilgrims on the way, come let us worship God!

All: We come to worship God as we learn to live inside out! Amen.

***Hymn** *Lift High the Cross* UMH No. 159

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

Opening Prayer Regina Berry

O Lord, your wondrous birth means nothing unless we are born again. Your death and sacrifice mean nothing unless we die to sin; your resurrection means nothing if you be risen alone.

Raise and exalt us, O Savior, both now to the estate of grace and hereafter to the state of glory; where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, God for ever and ever.

In your precious name, we pray. Amen.

Anthem *In Remembrance of Me* Buryl Red and Ragan Courtney arr. by Mark Brymer

Children’s Time Carter Roane

STEWARDSHIP	Last Sunday
General Fund	8,632.17
Pastor’s Discretionary Fund (Wallace \$50; Townsend \$25)	80.00
Hospitality	76.00
United Methodist Men (Ladies Night)	8.00
In-person Worship (8:30-28; 11:00-59)	87
Online Worship (Facebook/YouTube/Drive-In)*	48
Total in Worship	135

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

COUNTING TEAMS	
3/5	Team 3: Al Burner, Judy Burner, Donna Andersen
3/12	Team 4: Bernard Robins, Debbie Robins, Doris Luther
3/19	Team 5: Jackie Hampton, Don Thomas, Donna Lane
3/26	Team 6: Charlotte Cecil, Betty Durette, Clair Hillard

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Prayer of Illumination Regina Berry
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 Genesis 12:1-4a Regina Berry
***Gospel Reading** John 3:1-17
The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon "Revival!" 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 *March: Song of the Lark, from "The Seasons"* Peter Tchaikovsky
Transcribed for organ by Rudy Shackelford (1840-1893)

"O little lark, you need not fly
To meet your Master in the sky,
He treads our native sod.

Why should you sing aloft, apart?
Sing to the heaven of my heart:
In me, in me, in me is God!"

-- Anna Bunston de Bary, *A Basque Peasant Returning from Church*

***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

Chorale: "O Man, Lament Thy Grievous Fall" Sebald Heyd (1525)

Prelude on "O Man, Lament Thy Grievous Fall," Johann Sebastian Bach
from *The Little Organ Book*, BWV 622 (1685-1750)

"O man, lament thy grievous fall,
for which Christ left His Father's hall
And came to earth from heaven.
He of a virgin maiden pure
Was born, of man the Savior sure,
And came earth's ills to leaven.

The dead He raised again to life,
The sick He loosed from pain and strife,
Until the time appointed
That He for us should shed His blood
And take on Him our sin's dark load,
Stretched on the cross accursed."

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** *To God Be the Glory* UMH No. 98

***Benediction** Pastor Paul Song

Exodus *O the Depth of Love Divine* UMH No. 627
