



Bethany United Methodist Church

The Church with Open Hearts, Minds, and Doors

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June 18, 2023

11:00 a.m.

**Third Sunday after Pentecost
Father's Day**

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

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| Acolyte(s): | Josiah Minor (11:00) |
| Media: | Jeremy Nardozi, Susannah Hogge, Cathy Raines, Kim Song, Chip Neikirk |
| Altar Guild this month: | Peggy Lewis, Laura Glaze, Laura Vaughan |
| Liturgist: | Shannon Minor (11:00) |
| Trustee Contact this week: | Diana Simmons |
| Ushers: | Milton Hudgins, Rick Wilson, Kirk Bell (11:00) |
| Greeters: | Nancy Cooper, David Ayers (11:00) |

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

Intrada *Lift Every Voice and Sing* UMH No. 519
Celebrating Juneteenth National Independence Day (19 June 1865 – the official end of slavery in the USA)

Welcome, Announcements, and Introduction Pastor Paul Song

***Call to Worship** Shannon Minor

Leader: Welcoming God, we gather here today to worship and praise you.

Congregation: We gather in this sacred place where, over many generations, our forebears have gathered to worship God.

Leader: Responsive God, you hear our prayers, our sighs, our doubts and all our fears.

Congregation: We give you our thanks for your loving awareness and care of us all.

Leader: We gather to again fulfill our commitments to our God in the presence of your people.

Congregation: We offer our sacrifice, our homage, our gifts of praise and thankfulness to our God. Amen.

—Based on Psalm 116: 1-2, 12-29, Joan Stott—

***Hymn** *The God of Abraham Praise* UMH No. 116

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

Opening Prayer Shannon Minor

**O God, Almighty God the Father,
We were far from home. We had squandered our inheritance; we had sinned against you; we were not worthy to be called your children. Though we run so far away, we are never lost from you. Though we take everything for granted and dismiss your grace, you never leave us or forsake us. O Lord, we confess our tendencies to wander and to forget that all good things come from you. We become so self-absorbed that we don't see you sitting right next to us, desiring to wrap your arms around us. But now, O God, we have come home. Open our eyes to your presence. Free us from the desire to take life into our own hands. Thank you for always welcoming us home, when we choose to trust our own ways and make our own paths. We choose today to follow only you. Let your Spirit dwell within us, Lord, so that when you seek us, you shall find us where you would have us be. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.**

| STEWARDSHIP | Last Sunday |
|---|-------------|
| General Fund | 3349.00 |
| Capital Improvement | 120.00 |
| Pastor's Discretionary Fund | 5.00 |
| Endowment Fund | 60.00 |
| Altar Flowers | 50.00 |
| ATTENDANCE | |
| In-person Worship (8:30-35; 11:00-76) | 111 |
| Online Worship (Facebook/YouTube/Drive-In)* | 76 |
| Total in Worship | 187 |

| COUNTING TEAMS | |
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| 6/18 | Team 6: Charlotte Cecil, Betty Durette, Clair Hillard |
| 6/25 | Team 1: Mary Kaylor, Ann Byrd, Pat Hasty |
| 7/2 | Team 2: Betty Neikirk, Chip Neikirk, Sandra Harvey |
| 7/9 | Team 3: Al Burner, Judy Burner, Donna Andersen |

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

BUMC STAFF DIRECTORY

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| 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 |
| Dee Dee Wike, Church Office Administrator | office 804.642.2110, cell: 901.831.8534 email: admin@bethanyumc-gp.org | Tues. thru Fri., 8am-4pm (Closed 12-1pm for lunch) |
| Sandra Fox, Director of Music | call/text 757.329.6128 email: rfox6@cox.net | Works from home, by appt. |
| Dr. Rudy Shackelford, Organist | home 804.642.5938, cell 804.413.0211 | By appt. |
| 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 |

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| Anthem | <i>This Is My Father's World</i> (based on the hymn tune "Terra beata" by Franklin L. Sheppard) When directed, congregation will sing verses 1 & 2 of UMH No. 144, "This Is My Father's World" | arr. Robert Lau |
| Children's Time | | Carter Roane |
| Concerns and Prayer of Intercession, Petition "Lord, hear our prayer." The Lord's Prayer 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. | | Pastor Paul Song UMH No. 895 |
| Meditation | <i>"Our Father" – Hymn with Four Variations</i> from <i>Sonata in D Minor</i> , Opus 65, No. 6 In memory of Ray Doggett and George Nelson "Our Father, Thou in heaven above, who biddest us to dwell in love, as brethren of one family, And cry for all we need to Thee: Teach us to mean the words we say, and from our inmost heart to pray." — Martin Luther (1539) | Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847) |
| Offering and Offertory Prayer Offertory Music | <i>The Entertainer</i> Transcribed for organ-piano duet by Rudy Shackelford In memory of John Hasty and Jack Wallace | Pastor Paul Song Scott Joplin (1868-1917) |
| *Doxology 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. | | UMH No. 95 |
| Prayer of Illumination 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. | | Shannon Minor |
| *Gospel Reading The Word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God. | Luke 15:11-32 | Shannon Minor |
| Sermon | "Fatherly Love of God" | Pastor Paul Song |
| *Hymn | <i>Children of the Heavenly Father</i> | UMH No. 141 |
| *Benediction | | Pastor Paul Song |
| *Closing Chorus | <i>Shalom to You</i> 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. | UMH No. 666 |
| Exodus | <i>Father, We Thank You</i> | UMH No. 565 |

| Bethany UMC Prayer List | BETHANY FAMILY | 6.18.23 |
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| CANCER/CHEMO: Darlene Bauschatz, Krista Chase, Carol Johnson, Linwood Rowe, Gwen Wesson, Bob Wharen | | |
| GRIEVING: Families of Doris Courtney, Jimmy Greene, Jack Rollins | | |
| HEALTH ISSUES: Chuck Ashe, Cliff Beach, Charlotte Cecil, David Cecil, Billy Davis, Estelle Harris, Sandra Hollins, David Hoover, Kathy Jacobs, Jon Kent, Bonnie Lewis, Joy Long, Patsy Morales, Sue Morecock, Richard Parkes, Peggy Peterman (NC), Sandy Riggan, Rosemarie Tong, Judy Vaughan, Sandie Wharen | | |
| HOMEBOUND: Linda Booth, Sid and Marion Dixon, Ruth Wallace | | |
| HOSPICE: Alice McGee | | |
| PARKINSON'S: Mike Andersen, David Chapin, Kathleen Greene, Yvonne White | | |
| RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Billy Davis, Clare Hall, Alan Harvey, Baum Hogge, Nancy Kendall, Gwen Wesson | | |
| UPCOMING SURGERY: Dylan Chapin (TBD) | | |
| BETHANY FRIENDS | | |
| CANCER/CHEMO: Clint Alexander, Fran Bonnaville, Kendell Walthall Caton, Jack Cawthorn, Kyle Cooper, Barbara Crim, Wanda Dowell, Dallas "Butch" Folk (ME), Carol Gibbs, Traci Greene, Ginny Groff, Zachary Hoover, Jeff Leiffer, Erin Kate (Dooley) McGuire, Sissi Mise, John Sheppard, Chauntea Shield, Mason Staley, Jill Ward, Larry Whitfield, Susan Williams | | |
| GRIEVING: Families of Nell Goldstein, Laine Seely, Tommy Wesson (FL) | | |
| HEALTH/OTHER ISSUES: Connie Bowler, Sandy Brinker (PA), Esther Dawson, Dewayne Haywood, Laura Hodges, Adie Kurth, Don Kurth, Scott Leiffer, Donna Messersmith, Sylvia Motley, Dottie Myers (PA), Kelley Parkes, Kent Stevens (FL), Tim Sullivan, Evie Sutton, Mildred Townsend, Sabrina Wikle | | |
| HOSPICE: William Ervi, Selma | | |
| HOSPITAL/REHAB: Jan Flansberg, Laura Hodges (Virginia Health Center, Arlington) | | |
| PARKINSON'S: Janet Burch (KY) | | |
| RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Terry Corbin, Pat Hall, Silvia Howerton, Becky Wadsworth-Knowles (FL), Marcia Mickle, Howard Moore | | |
| OTHER PRAYERS: Ukraine, Randy Wilson | | |
| 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 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 | |