



Bethany United Methodist Church

The Church with Open Hearts, Minds, and Doors

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July 23, 2023

11:00 a.m.

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

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):	Justus Minor (11:00)
Media:	Jeremy Nardozi, Susannah Hogge, Cathy Raines, Kim Song, Chip Neikirk
Altar Guild this month:	Kathy Jacobs, Sandra Harvey, Nancy Kendall, Shannon Roane
Liturgist:	Laura Glaze (11:00)
Trustee Contact this week:	Donna Andersen
Ushers:	Milton Hudgins, Rick Wilson, Kirk Bell (11:00)
Greeters:	Jim and Betty Durette, David Ayers (11:00)

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

Intrada	Hymn: “O God, Our Help in Ages Past (St. Anne)”	UMH No. 117
	Prelude on “St. Anne”	Rudy Shackelford
	Celebrating the Feast of St. Anne, July 26th	

Welcome, Announcements, and Introduction Pastor Paul Song

***Call to Worship** Laura Glaze

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Congregation: This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.

Leader: The hour is coming, and now is, when true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for such the Father seeks to worship him.

Congregation: Enter his gate with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him, bless his name.

All: Let us worship God in spirit and truth.

***Hymn** All Hail the Power (vs. 1, 2, 4, 6) UMH No. 155

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

Opening Prayer Laura Glaze

God of all creation, we come with grateful hearts that you have envisioned a universe that reflects your magnificent glory. When we look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established, who are we by comparison? Yet you formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life.

And so, we gather today not only as your created beings but as your covenant people. We are loved by you and called by you to this house of worship. Thank you for the living presence of Jesus Christ, who transforms our human attempts at prayer and praise into divine worship that pleases you. Thank you for your Spirit who empowers our worship. Lead us to stay in love with you and love each other. We give you glory for who you are, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and for all that you have done. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.

STEWARDSHIP	Last Sunday
General Fund (\$30 J. Fecondo, \$25 A. McGee)	5304.00
Pastor’s Discretionary Fund	5.00
Altar Flowers	100.00
Hospitality (\$100-A. McGee)	120.00
Media Upgrade	250.00
Cemetery Fund (J. Fecondo)	100.00
ATTENDANCE	
In-person Worship (8:30-35; 11:00-66)	101
Online Worship (Facebook/YouTube/Drive-In)*	48
Total in Worship	149

COUNTING TEAMS	
7/23	Team 5: Jackie Hampton, Don Thomas, Donna Lane
7/30	Team 6: Charlotte Cecil, Betty Durette, Clair Hillard
8/6	Team 1: Mary Kaylor, Ann Byrd, Pat Hasty
8/13	Team 2: Betty Neikirk, Chip Neikirk, Sandra Harvey

*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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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

Anthem *He's Got the Whole World in His Hands* Robert Lindon
 v. 1 He's got the whole world in his hands (4x). William Henry
 v. 2 He's got the wind and the rain in his hands (3x)...He's got the whole world in his hands.
 v. 3 He's got the little tiny baby in his hands (3x)...He's got the whole world in his hands.
 v. 4 He's got you and me, brother, in his hands (3x)...He's got the whole world in his hands.
 v. 5 He's got you and me, sister, in his hands (3x)...He's got the whole world in his hands.
 v. 6 He's got everybody here in his hands (3x)...He's got the whole world in his hands.

Children's Time Carter Roane

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 *"Goldberg" Variations, BWV 988* Johann Sebastian Bach
 Variation 5; Variation 6 – Canon at the Second (1685–28 July 1750)

Offering and Offertory Prayer Pastor Paul Song
Offertory Music *"Goldberg" Variations: Variation 7* Johann Sebastian Bach

***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 Laura 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.

New Testament Reading Colossians 2:6-7 Laura Glaze
 The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon Three Simple Rules: "Stay in Love with God" Pastor Paul Song

***Hymn** *The Gift of Love* UMH No. 408

***Benediction** Pastor Paul Song

***Closing Chorus** *Shalom to You* 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 *Jesus, Joy of Our Desiring, from Cantata No. 147* by J.S. Bach UMH No. 644

Bethany UMC Prayer List		BETHANY FAMILY	7.23.23
CANCER/CHEMO: Darlene Bauschatz, Krista Chase, Carol Johnson, Linwood Rowe, Gwen Wesson, Bob Wharen			
GRIEVING: Families of Gregory Boyd Brown, Joan Fecondo, Alice McGee			
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, Dennis MitchPatsy Morales, Sue Morecock, Richard Parkes, Peggy Peterman (NC), Rosemarie Tong, Judy Vaughan, Sandie Wharen			
HOMEBOUND: Linda Booth, Ruth Wallace			
PARKINSON'S: Mike Andersen, David Chapin, Kathleen Greene, Yvonne White			
RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Billy Davis, Clare Hall, Alan Harvey, Cole McDade, Dean Tillage			
UPCOMING SURGERY: Charlotte Cecil (8/1), Dylan Chapin (10/12)			
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, 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, Ginny Groff, 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, Phillip Presson, Kent Stevens (FL), Tim Sullivan, Mildred Townsend, Sabrina Wikle			
HOSPICE: William Ervi, Selma			
HOSPITAL/REHAB: Jan Flansberg			
PARKINSON'S: Janet Burch (KY)			
RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Terry Corbin, Charlene Diggs, Pat Hall, Silvia Howerton, 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 (Sid & Marion Dixon's mailing address is PO Box 36, Gloucester, VA 23061)		Sid Dixon, Bldg 2, Rm 35 Marion Dixon, Bldg 2, Rm 33 Judy Hudgins, Bldg 2, Rm 29 Bonnie Lewis, Rm 13	
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	