



**Bethany United Methodist Church**

*The Church with Open Hearts, Minds, and Doors*

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July 30, 2023

11:00 a.m.

**Ninth 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):	Ella and Emily Ward (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:	Betty Neikirk (11:00)
Trustee Contact this week:	M. E. Thomas
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.* —

<b>Intrada</b>	<i>Thou Hidden Love of God</i>	UMH No. 414
	<i>Vater Unser</i> , harmonized by Johann Sebastian Bach, 1726	

<b>Welcome, Announcements, and Introduction</b>	Loreen Paiva
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<b>*Call to Worship</b>	Betty Neikirk
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Leader: O Lord, you have given us the gift of land.  
**Congregation: May we ever protect and preserve it.**  
 Leader: O Lord, you have given us the gift of water.  
**Congregation: May we keep it pure and safe.**  
 Leader: O Lord, you have given us the gift of air.  
**Congregation: May we keep it pure and fresh.**  
 Leader: O Lord, you have given us the gift of plants and trees.  
**Congregation: May we ever use and protect them justly.**  
 Leader: O Lord, you have given us the gift of birds and animals.  
**Congregation: May we preserve and enjoy them.**  
 Leader: O Lord, you have given us care of the earth.  
**ALL: O Lord, we accept the care of these gifts as sacred stewardship. Amen.**  
 (Melvin E. West, USA 20<sup>TH</sup> CENT.)

<b>*Hymn</b>	<i>Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing</i>	UMH No. 400
<b>*Affirmation of Faith</b>	The Apostles' Creed (Traditional Version)	UMH No. 881

**Opening Prayer** Betty Neikirk  
**Lord God, we praise you for this morning: The sunrise, our breakfast meal, the love of family and friends, our work, our mission, our health, and the freedom to openly worship you. Guide us in all we do and say. Let your word be a guide to grow the Kingdom of God. Amen.**

<b>Anthem</b>	<i>The Summons</i>	Traditional Scottish, words by John Bell
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<b>Children's Time</b>	Carter Roane
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STEWARDSHIP	Last Sunday
**General Fund (\$220.00 A. McGee)	5312.72
Capital Improvement	25.00
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	5.00
Altar Flowers	50.00
Endowment Fund (A. McGee)	30.00
Cemetery Fund (J. Fecondo)	50.00
Upsy Daisy	1000.00
ATTENDANCE	
In-person Worship (8:30-29; 11:00-65)	94
Online Worship (Facebook/YouTube/Drive-In)*	58
<b>Total in Worship</b>	<b>152</b>

COUNTING TEAMS	
<b>7/30</b>	<b>Team 6:</b> Charlotte Cecil, Betty Durette, Clair Hillard
<b>8/6</b>	<b>Team 1:</b> Mary Kaylor, Ann Byrd, Pat Hasty
<b>8/13</b>	<b>Team 2:</b> Betty Neikirk, Chip Neikirk, Sandra Harvey
<b>8/20</b>	<b>Team 3:</b> Al Burner, Judy Burner, Donna Andersen

\*\*THE GENERAL FUND OFFERING FROM 7/16 INCLUDED A \$2,000 GIFT IN MEMORY OF JOAN FECONDO, WHICH WAS NOT LISTED IN BULLETIN.

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<b>Concerns and Prayer of Intercession, Petition “Lord, hear our prayer.”</b>		Loreen Paiva
<b>The Lord’s Prayer</b>		UMH No. 895
<b>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.</b>		
<b>Meditation</b>	<i>“Goldberg” Variations, BWV 988</i>	Johann Sebastian Bach
	Variation 8; Variation 9 – Canon at the Third	(1685–28 July 1750)
<b>Offering and Offertory Prayer</b>		Loreen Paiva
<b>Offertory Music</b>	<i>“Goldberg” Variations: Variation 10 — Fughetta</i>	Johann Sebastian Bach
<b>*Doxology</b>		UMH No. 95
<b>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.</b>		
<b>Prayer of Illumination</b>		Betty Neikirk
<b>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.</b>		
<b>Old Testament Reading</b>	Leviticus 27: 30-32	Betty Neikirk
<b>*Gospel Reading</b>	Luke 12: 32-34	
The Word of God for the people of God.		
<b>Thanks be to God.</b>		
<b>Sermon</b>	“What to Give?”	Loreen Paiva
<b>*Hymn</b>	<i>We Are Called</i>	TFWS No. 2172
<b>*Benediction</b>		Loreen Paiva
<b>*Closing Chorus</b>	<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.		
<b>Exodus</b>	<i>Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light</i> <i>Ermuntre dich, harmonized by J. S. Bach, 1734</i> Celebrating Christmas in July!	UMH No. 223

<b>Bethany UMC Prayer List</b>	<b>BETHANY FAMILY</b>	<b>7.30.23</b>
<b>CANCER/CHEMO:</b> Darlene Bauschatz, Krista Chase, Carol Johnson, Linwood Rowe, Gwen Wesson, Bob Wharen		
<b>GRIEVING:</b> Families of Gregory Boyd Brown, Joan Fecondo, Alice McGee		
<b>HEALTH ISSUES:</b> 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 Mitchell, Patsy Morales, Sue Morecock, Richard Parkes, Peggy Peterman (NC), Rosemarie Tong, Judy Vaughan, Sandie Wharen		
<b>HOMEBOUND:</b> Linda Booth, Ruth Wallace		
<b>PARKINSON’S:</b> Mike Andersen, David Chapin, Kathleen Greene, Yvonne White		
<b>RECOVERING FROM SURGERY:</b> Billy Davis, Clare Hall, Alan Harvey, Cole McDade, Dean Tillage		
<b>UPCOMING SURGERY:</b> Charlotte Cecil (8/1), Dylan Chapin (10/12)		
<b>BETHANY FRIENDS</b>		
<b>CANCER/CHEMO:</b> 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		
<b>GRIEVING:</b> Families of Nell Goldstein, Ginny Groff, Laine Seely, Tommy Wesson (FL)		
<b>HEALTH/OTHER ISSUES:</b> 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 Wickle, Williford family		
<b>HOSPICE:</b> William Ervi, Selma		
<b>HOSPITAL/REHAB:</b> Jan Flansberg		
<b>PARKINSON’S:</b> Janet Burch (KY)		
<b>RECOVERING FROM SURGERY:</b> Terry Corbin, Charlene Diggs, Pat Hall, Silvia Howerton, Marcia Mickle, Howard Moore		
<b>OTHER PRAYERS:</b> Ukraine, Randy Wilson		
<b>BUMC’S ACTIVE MILITARY AND THEIR FAMILIES (<i>italics—Bethany friends</i>)</b>		
<i>Michael Brown, Peter Demetriades, Meagan Demetriades, Kevin Jacobs, Cory Long (Okinawa), Will Neikirk, Bowdy Schrader, Jim Minor, all members of the military.</i>		
<b>ASSISTED LIVING (<i>italics-Bethany friends</i>)</b>		
<b>Gloucester House, 7657 Meredith Dr., Gloucester 23061</b>	Lorraine Brown, Rm 107 Jean Heywood, Rm 110 Bessie Conner, Rm 102	
<b>Heron Cove, 7409 Heron Cove Way, Gloucester 23061</b> (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	
<b>Sanders Assisted Living, 7407 Walker Ave., Gloucester 23061</b>	Carolyn Scott, Rm 206A	
<b>Sunrise Senior Living, 2015 Cranbeck Rd., Richmond 23235</b>	Pauline Harris, Apt. 130	
<b>Riverside Rehab, 672 Gloucester Rd., Saluda, VA, 23149</b>	Jennie Lipscomb	
<b>The Hamilton Assisted Living, 113 Battle Rd., Yorktown, VA 23692</b>	Sue Morecock, Rm 214	