

<b>Bethany UMC Prayer List</b>	<b>BETHANY FAMILY</b>	<b>9.3.23</b>
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**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 Mitchell, Patsy Morales, Sue Morecock, Alice Northam 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, Jane Niethamer  
**UPCOMING SURGERY:** Steve Wike (9/12), Dylan Chapin (10/12)

<b>BETHANY FRIENDS</b>
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**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, Erin Kate (Dooley) McGuire, Sissi Mise, John Sheppard, Chauntea Shield, Mason Staley, Jill Ward, Larry Whitfield, Susan Williams  
**GRIEVING:** Families of Jeff Leiffer, Susan Townsend  
**HEALTH/OTHER ISSUES:** Connie Bowler, Sandy Brinker (PA), Esther Dawson, Dewayne Haywood, Laura Hodges, Adie Kurth, Don Kurth, Donna Messersmith, Sylvia Motley, Dottie Myers (PA), Kelley Parkes, Phillip Presson, Tim Sullivan, Mildred Townsend, Sabrina Wikle  
**HOSPICE:** 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, Brandon Thomas  
**OTHER PRAYERS:** Ukraine, Randy Wilson

<b>BUMC’S ACTIVE MILITARY AND THEIR FAMILIES (<i>italics—Bethany friends</i>)</b>
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*Michael Brown, Peter Demetriades, Meagan Demetriades, Kevin Jacobs, Cory Long (Okinawa), Will Neikirk, Bowdy Schrader, Jim Minor, all members of the military.*

<b>ASSISTED LIVING (<i>italics-Bethany friends</i>)</b>
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<b>Gloucester House, 7657 Meredith Dr., Gloucester 23061</b>	Lorraine Brown, Rm 107 Kathleen Greene, Rm 207 Jean Heywood, Rm 110 Bessie Conner, Rm 102
<b>Heron Cove, 7409 Heron Cove Way, Gloucester 23061</b> (Sid & Marion Dixon’s mailing address: PO Box 36, Gloucester Point, VA 23062)	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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS – Sunday, September 3, 2023

**NURSERY is available for infants to 3-year-olds during the Sunday school hour and 11:00 service.**  
 The nursery is located in the main hallway between the office and fellowship hall.  
**Nursery volunteers are needed. WILL YOU HELP?** Sign-up sheet is outside the nursery.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** today are given in honor of Carwyn Lewis Dooley's 10th birthday on September 9, 2023, by Peggy Lewis.

<b>THIS WEEK AT BETHANY</b>		
<b>TODAY</b>	8:30 & 11:00 a.m.	Worship (8:30 Informal, 11:00 Traditional)
	9:30 a.m.	Celebrations & Fellowship (WBFH)
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School and Confirmation Class
<b>Tuesday, September 5</b>	7:00 p.m.	JOY Circle (WBFH)
<b>Wednesday, September 6</b>	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
<b>Thursday, September 7</b>	6:30 p.m.	House of Prayer (Sanctuary)
	7:00 p.m.	Bethany Bible Study (BBS) (Lacey Martin)
<b>Friday, September 8</b>	8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	Homeschool Music Academy of Gloucester
<b>Sunday, September 10</b>	8:30 & 11:00 a.m.	Worship (8:30 Informal, 11:00 Traditional) <b>Reception of New Members (11:00 service)</b>
	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Second Sunday Potluck Breakfast (WBFH)</b>
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School and Confirmation Class

**S/PPRC ANNOUNCEMENT — TODAY** during our fellowship time between services, please stop by the fellowship hall as we recognize **Carter Roane** for his service as Children & Youth Ministries Director. Carter resigned effective August 6 to follow God’s will for his life. Please keep Carter in your prayers and join us as we wish him well in his endeavors.

**Next Sunday, we will celebrate reception of new members in our 11:00 service.**

**We will begin Joshua Spiritual Formation Group, 2023-2024, with orientation on Sunday, September 24 at 4:00 PM in the Mary Lotsey classroom. See insert for details and pray about joining us! Questions? Contact Pastor Paul at 804-642-2110 / 703-625-8025.**

**JOY CIRCLE** will meet on **Tuesday, September 5 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Warren Belvin Fellowship Hall. All ladies are welcome!

#### **THURSDAYS AT BUMC**

**House of Prayer – 6:30 p.m.** – Sanctuary is open from 6:30-7:00 for all who wish to come pray.  
**Bethany Bible Study (BBS) – 7:00 p.m.** in Lacey Martin classroom. We are studying 1 Corinthians.

#### **GEORGE NELSON MEMORIAL CONCERT SERIES – SEPTEMBER 17, 4 PM**

Rappahannock Crossing Bluegrass Band will be performing at Bethany on Sunday, September 17 at 4 PM. Rappahannock Crossing was formed in the Fall of 2011 by five seasoned bluegrass musicians and friends from Virginia's Northern Neck and Middle Peninsula who got together for just a "little jam." From that time forward, the band has evolved into one of Virginia's premier bluegrass bands and has performed all over the Eastern region. Rappahannock Crossing's band members include Randy Crittenden (Dobro), Isaac Hyde (Mandolin), Mike Nicely (Guitar), Mitch Tohlson (Bass), and Curtis Brizendine (Banjo). The Band not only performs many bluegrass standards and classics but also original compositions written by the band's members. This performance is free and open to the public.

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#### **UMCOR MISSION TO MAUI**

UMCOR has begun its rescue mission to help the recovery of Maui wildfires, and you can help by donating. Gifts can be made in the following ways:

- Online at <https://umcmmission.org/advance-project/901670>
- By toll-free telephone call: 1-888-252-6174
- By check made out to **Global Ministries/UMCOR** with "Advance #901670-Hawaii" written on the memo line and mailed to:  
Global Ministries/UMCOR, GPO, P.O. Box 9068, New York, NY, 10087-9068
- By check made out to **Global Ministries/UMCOR** with "Advance #901670-Hawaii" written on the memo line and given to any United Methodist church.

#### **CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK**

*Join us in the fellowship hall at 9:30 each Sunday for fellowship and celebration!*

##### **Birthdays:**

9/3 Nan Leigh, Chip Dize  
9/4 Paul Martin, David Daniel  
9/5 Marion Dixon, David Dixon, Nile Cecil  
9/6 Mary Linda Brooks, Will Neikirk  
9/7 Dean Tillage, Robert Leigh  
9/8 Jean Heywood, Mike Thayer, Kristin Morris, Greg Barnes  
9/9 Jane Niethamer, Marie Reynolds, Lynda Blubaugh

##### **Anniversaries – None this Week**

9/4 Alan & Sandra Harvey (29)  
9/5 Rob & Jen Naquin (25)  
9/7 Richard & Susan Boyette (48)

#### **Faith Promise**

The Finance Committee has started planning the 2024 budget. The process began on the 1st of August when the committee sent budget requests to committee chairs and staff members responsible for selected budget categories. Now we need the help of our Bethany family. How? By completing the Faith Promise form in today's bulletin.

Faith Promise giving is a vital part of the budget process because it's one of the tools used to predict income for the coming budget year. Faith Promises are allocated to the General Fund and used for routine operational expenses (water, electricity, general maintenance, insurance, pastor and staff salaries, advertising, supplies, etc.) needed to provide effective ministry to our church and community. Bethany's income and expenses have been impacted in these challenging times, yet the need for ministry and outreach is more important than ever.

Please take a few minutes and prayerfully consider your general fund Faith Promise for 2024, and return your completed form by Sunday, September 10th. (Instructions are on the back of the form.) This will give us time to complete and submit the budget for approval by the Finance Committee and the Administrative Council prior to our Charge Conference.

*"Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." —2 Corinthians 9:7*

—Jack Whitmore, Finance Chairman