



Bethany United Methodist Church

The Church with Open Hearts, Minds, and Doors

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October 22, 2023

11:00 a.m.

21st 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 Aidan Dumbrocyo
Altar Guild this month:	Jackie Hampton, Patsy Bell, Samantha Hornsby
Liturgist:	Susannah Hogge (11:00)
Trustee Contact this week:	Milton Hudgins
Ushers:	Milton Hudgins, Rick Wilson, Kirk Bell (11:00)
Greeters:	Rick Wilson, David Ayers (11:00)

STEWARDSHIP	10/15
General Fund	3988.00
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	105.00
Altar Flowers	50.00
Upper Room	50.00
Bazaar-Upsy Daisy	2000.00
ATTENDANCE	10/15
In-person Worship (8:30-18; 11:00-70)	88
Online Worship (Facebook/YouTube) <i>(YouTube is from two weeks prior to today's service)</i>	54
Total in Worship	142

COUNTING TEAMS	
10/22	Team 6: Betty Durette, Clair Hillard, Dawn Cluts
10/29	Team 1: Mary Kaylor, Ann Byrd, Pat Hasty
11/5	Team 2: Betty Neikirk, Chip Neikirk, Cheryl Roane
11/12	Team 3: Al Burner, Judy Burner, Donna Andersen

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
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.
Brad Thomas, Director of Children & Youth Ministries	Office 804.642.2110, call/text 304.483.3403 Email: youth@bethanyumc-gp.org	Office Hours TBD / By appt.

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

Intrada *Jerusalem* Hubert Parry (1848-1918)
 "May swords of hate fall from our hands, our hearts from envy find release,
 Till by God's grace our warring world shall see Christ's promised reign of peace." – UMH No. 729

Welcome, Announcements, and Introduction Pastor Paul Song

***Call to Worship** Susannah Hogge

Leader: We gather today to remember and proclaim that we are God's people.

Congregation: We are God's people! God's presence is among us!

Leader: Like Moses, we seek an encounter with God's goodness.

Congregation: God, show us your goodness that we may glorify you in all that we do.

Leader: God's goodness passes by us every day in the gracious gifts of creation and in the faces of our neighbors.

Congregation: God, help us notice your goodness in everything and everyone that we meet.

Leader: When we notice God's goodness all around us, we recognize this truth: all things are God's.

All: Let us give to God the things that are God's! Amen.

***Hymn** *Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above* UMH No. 126

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

Opening Prayer Susannah Hogge

Loving, living God, be among us now. Show us your ways. Guide our steps. Live in us, that we may be people of steadfast hope and powerful giving. Help us hear your words, challenging us to give you all the things that are yours. Help us remember that all we are and all we have are gifts from you, gifts to be shared in service and love. Holy One among us, help us be a holy people who receive your word with joy and live your message with love. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Staff Introduction Brad Thomas, Director of Children & Youth Ministries Bernard Robins
Please join us in welcoming Brad, his wife Cristie, S/PPRC Chair
and their children, Levon and Avett

Anthem *The Old Rugged Cross* George Bennard; arr. Vicki Wright
Transcribed by Craig Courtney

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 *October: Autumn Song, from “The Seasons”* Peter Tchaikovsky
Transcribed for organ by Rudy Shackelford (1840-1893)

Offering and Offertory Prayer Pastor Paul Song
Offertory *Yorktown March* C. Harry Kain (1899)
On 19 October 1781, British troops led by Major General Charles Cornwallis surrendered at Yorktown, Virginia, as the Revolutionary War neared its end.

***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 Susannah Hogge
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 Exodus 33:12-23 Susannah Hogge
***Gospel Reading** Matthew 22:15-22
The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon “The Substance of Faith” Pastor Paul Song

***Hymn** *Take My Life, and Let It Be* UMH No. 399

***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 *For the Healing of the Nations* UMH No. 428

Bethany UMC Prayer List	BETHANY FAMILY	10.22.23
CANCER/CHEMO: Darlene Bauschatz, Krista Chase, Carol Johnson, Linwood Rowe, Gwen Wesson, Larry Whitfield		
GRIEVING: Families of Charlotte Cecil, Sandra Hollins, Sue Morecock		
HEALTH ISSUES: Chuck Ashe, Cliff Beach, David Cecil, Billy Davis, Debra Farrow, Estelle Harris, David Hoover, Kathy Jacobs, Bonnie Lewis, Joy Long, Dennis Mitchell, Patsy Morales, Alice Northam, Richard Parkes, Peggy Peterman (NC), Rosemarie Tong, Judy Vaughan		
HOSPITALIZED:		
HOMEBOUND: Linda Booth, Ruth Wallace, Lavalle Wilson		
PARKINSON’S: Mike Andersen, David Chapin, Kathleen Greene, Yvonne White		
RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Dylan Chapin, Krista Chase, Billy Davis, Jon Kent, Jane Niethamer		
UPCOMING SURGERY:		
BETHANY FRIENDS		
CANCER/CHEMO: Clint Alexander, Peyton Arthur, Fran Bonnville, 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, Bob Wharen, Susan Williams		
GRIEVING: Families of Linda Krause Knapp, Don Kurth, Susan Townsend, Joyce Ann Williams		
HEALTH/OTHER ISSUES: Connie Bowler, Sandy Brinker (PA), Esther Dawson, Dewayne Haywood, Laura Hodges, Ellis Hogge, Adie Kurth, Donna Messersmith, Sylvia Motley, Dottie Myers (PA), Ken Pierkowski, Phillip Presson, Dixie Sharp, Jeff Suntken, Tim Sullivan, Mildred Townsend, Sandie Wharen, Sabrina Wickle, Randy Wilson		
HOSPICE: Selma		
HOSPITAL/REHAB: Jan Flansberg, James Page (GA)		
PARKINSON’S: Janet Burch (KY)		
RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Luke Burner, Terry Corbin, Jaunita Goins, Pat Hall, Silvia Howerton, Natalie Long, Howard Moore, Brandon Thomas		
UPCOMING SURGERY:		
OTHER PRAYERS: Afghanistan earthquake victims, Israel and Ukraine		
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 Kathleen Greene, Rm 106 Jean Heywood, Rm 110 Bessie Conner, Rm 102	
Heron Cove, 7409 Heron Cove Way, Gloucester 23061 (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	
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	