



**Bethany United Methodist Church**

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

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**October 29, 2023**

**11:00 a.m.**

**Reformation Sunday  
22nd 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): Aidan Dumbrocyo (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: Shannon Minor (11:00)  
 Trustee Contact this week: Donna Lane  
 Ushers: Milton Hudgins, Rick Wilson, Kirk Bell (11:00)  
 Greeters: Nancy Cooper, David Ayers (11:00)

STEWARDSHIP	10/22
General Fund (\$75 Cecil; \$75 Morecock)	2598.00
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	5.00
Altar Flowers	50.00
Endowment Fund (\$50 Morecock; \$50 Cecil)	100.00
Hospitality Committee	45.00
ATTENDANCE	10/22
In-person Worship (8:30-35; 11:00-66)	101
Online Worship (Facebook/YouTube) <i>(YouTube is from two weeks prior to today's service)</i>	40
<b>Total in Worship</b>	<b>141</b>

COUNTING TEAMS	
<b>10/29</b>	<b>Team 1:</b> Mary Kaylor, Ann Byrd, Pat Hasty
<b>11/5</b>	<b>Team 2:</b> Betty Neikirk, Chip Neikirk, Cheryl Roane
<b>11/12</b>	<b>Team 3:</b> Al Burner, Judy Burner, Donna Andersen
<b>11/19</b>	<b>Team 2:</b> Betty Neikirk, Chip Neikirk, Cheryl Roane

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

**Intrada** *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* Martin Luther  
 Original version of UMH No. 110 (1483-1546)

**Welcome, Announcements, and Introduction** Pastor Paul Song

**\*Call to Worship** Shannon Minor

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** *There's a Spirit in the Air* UMH No. 192

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

**Opening Prayer** Shannon Minor

**O God, the Giver of life, we pray for the Church throughout the world. Sanctify its life, renew its worship, empower its witness, restore its unity. Remove from your people all pride and every prejudice that dulls their will for unity. Strengthen the work of all those who strive to seek that common obedience that will bind us together. Heal the divisions which separate your children from one another, that they may keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

**Anthem** *The Light Still Shines* Natalie Sleeth  
 In Memory of Bob Nardozi – "We love you, Bob."

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**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**  
*Prelude on “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”*  
 Celebrating Reformation Sunday

Johann Pachelbel  
 (1653-1706)

**Offering and Offertory Prayer**  
**Offertory**  
*Funeral March of a Marionette from “Joan of Arc”*

Pastor Paul Song  
 Charles Gounod  
 (1818-1893)

“Art is long, and Time is fleeting, and our hearts, though stout and brave,  
 Still, like muffled drums, are beating funeral marches to the grave.”  
 — Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, *A Psalm of Life*

**\*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

**Old Testament Reading**  
**\*Gospel Reading**  
 The Word of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Deuteronomy 34:1-12  
 Matthew 22:34-46

Shannon Minor

**Sermon**  
 “A Song of Victory”  
 Pastor Paul Song

**\*Hymn**  
*On Jordan’s Stormy Banks*  
 UMH No. 724

**\*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**  
*Dear Christians, One and All Rejoice*  
 “Dear Christians, one and all rejoice, with exultation springing,  
 And with united heart and voice and holy rapture singing.”  
 Martin Luther

Bethany UMC Prayer List	BETHANY FAMILY	10.29.23
<b>CANCER/CHEMO:</b> Darlene Bauschatz, Krista Chase, Carol Johnson, Linwood Rowe, Gwen Wesson, Larry Whitfield <b>GRIEVING:</b> Families of Charlotte Cecil, Sandra Hollins, Sue Morecock <b>HEALTH ISSUES:</b> 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 <b>HOSPITALIZED:</b> <b>HOMEBOUND:</b> Linda Booth, Ruth Wallace, Lavalle Wilson <b>PARKINSON’S:</b> Mike Andersen, David Chapin, Kathleen Greene, Yvonne White <b>RECOVERING FROM SURGERY:</b> Dylan Chapin, Krista Chase, Billy Davis, Jon Kent, Jane Niethamer <b>UPCOMING SURGERY:</b>		
BETHANY FRIENDS		
<b>CANCER/CHEMO:</b> 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, Kent Stevens, Jill Ward, Bob Wharen, Susan Williams <b>GRIEVING:</b> Families of Aaron Charnick, Don Kurth, Susan Townsend, Joyce Ann Williams <b>HEALTH/OTHER ISSUES:</b> Connie Bowler, Sandy Brinker (PA), Kathryn Bjers, 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 <b>HOSPICE:</b> Selma <b>HOSPITAL/REHAB:</b> Jan Flansberg, James Page (GA) <b>PARKINSON’S:</b> Janet Burch (KY) <b>RECOVERING FROM SURGERY:</b> Luke Burner, Terry Corbin, Jaunita Goins, Pat Hall, Silvia Howerton, Natalie Long, Howard Moore, Brandon Thomas <b>UPCOMING SURGERY:</b> Eric Bunch <b>OTHER PRAYERS:</b> 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> )		
<b>Gloucester House, 7657 Meredith Dr., Gloucester 23061</b>	Lorraine Brown, Rm 107 Kathleen Greene, Rm 106 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	