

CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRIES – CHRISMON TREE DECORATING

✨ Join Us for a Joyful Day of Decorating and Celebration!

📅 Date: Saturday, December 2nd

🕒 Time: 3:00 PM

🌲 Event: Chrismon Tree Decoration

📍 Location: Bethany UMC

Bring your holiday spirit and join us as we come together to decorate the Chrismon tree, marking the beginning of the Advent season. We extend a warm invitation to our youth, children, and their families to participate in this festive occasion. Following the joyful decoration of our church, we will gather for a delicious meal to share laughter and celebrate the start of the holiday season.

Let's make this a day filled with warmth, community, and the joy of coming together. We can't wait to see you there!

✨ Calling All Volunteers for Bethany United Methodist Youth Fellowship!

📅 When: Sunday, December 3rd

🕒 Time: 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

We're excited to kick off our Bethany United Methodist Youth Fellowship, a space where students connect, share, and grow together. Our youth group meets on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month, and we're on the lookout for dedicated volunteers to join our journey.

🤝 Volunteer Responsibilities:

As a volunteer, you'll have the unique opportunity to actively participate in our youth activities, engage in meaningful Bible study sessions, and foster fellowship with the awesome students of our church. When you volunteer you have the opportunity to make a positive impact on young lives, foster a sense of community and togetherness and join in the joy of sharing and learning in a supportive environment. We are seeking 1-2 volunteers for each meeting. Your commitment will help shape the experience for our youth, creating lasting memories and meaningful connections.

To volunteer or for more information, please contact Brad Thomas (youth@bethanyumc-gp.org, 304-483-3403). Thank you for being the spark that ignites the flame of fellowship and growth!

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Sunday, November 12, 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 by Steve and Dee Dee Wike, with thanksgiving for all His blessings to our church and our family this year.
"To God be the glory. Great things He hath done!"

THIS WEEK AT BETHANY		
TODAY	8:30 & 11:00 a.m.	Worship (8:30 Informal, 11:00 Traditional)
	9:30 a.m.	Second Sunday Potluck Breakfast (WBFH)** <i>Come join us for breakfast before Sunday school!</i>
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School and Confirmation Class
Monday, November 13	7:00 p.m.	Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Tuesday, November 14	5:00 p.m.	Hand Bell Choir Rehearsal (Lacey Martin)
	7:00 p.m.	Finance Committee (WBFH)
Wednesday, November 15	10:00 a.m.	Advent Bible School Planning Meeting (WBFH)
	5:30 p.m.	GNMCS Committee (Mary Lotsey)
	6:30 p.m.	Cantata & Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
	7:00 p.m.	Program Development Team (WBFH)
Thursday, November 16	9:30 a.m.	Homebound Ministries (WBFH)
	10:30 a.m.	Naomi Circle (Mary Lotsey)
	5:00 p.m.	Media Upgrade Team (Mary Lotsey)
	6:30 p.m.	House of Prayer (Sanctuary)
Friday, November 17	8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	Homeschool Music Academy of Gloucester
Saturday, November 18	5:00 p.m.	HMAG Fall Concert (Sanctuary) <i>All are invited to the Music Academy Concert.</i>
Sunday, November 19	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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BETHANY BIBLE STUDY (BBS) will be taking a three-week sabbatical for rest and reflection. BBS will resume on Thursday, November 30 with a study of Second Corinthians. BBS meets in the Lacey Martin classroom. All adults are welcome to join at any time for this verse-by-verse study of God's Word.

FROM THE TRUSTEES — All outside locks and the choir room will be re-keyed on Tuesday, November 14. **Beginning on Wednesday, November 15, you may come by the church office during our regular business hours (8am-12pm, 1-4pm, Tuesday through Friday) to get a replacement key.** Your name and reason for needing a key will be recorded on the keys check-out sheet. Please be sure to return your old key when requesting a new one.

ADVENT BIBLE SCHOOL – A meeting of all those interested in helping with Advent Bible School will be held on **Wednesday, November 15 at 10:00 a.m.** in the WBFH. If you cannot come to the meeting but want to help, call Nancy Wilburn at 804-642-5820. Advent Bible School will be held on Monday evenings, December 4, 11 & 18 from 6:00-7:30 p.m. This is an outreach event for children ages K-5th grade, so your support is much needed and appreciated.

HOMEBOUND MINISTRIES will meet **November 16 at 9:30 a.m.** in the WBFH. Come join in this worthwhile ministry.

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

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

Birthdays:

11/12 Nancy Kendall
11/13 Greta Rohrback, Kay Uhler, Steve Wike
11/14 Lee Wood, Justus Minor
11/16 Robert Orth
11/17 Kris Kent, Levi Cluts
11/18 Nataleigh Thayer, June West

Anniversaries

11/14 Mark & Ann LeMay (42)
11/16 Bill & Diane Pruitt (55)



Thanksgiving Bake Shop

Sponsored by United Methodist Women (Joy Circle)
Sunday, November 19th in the WBFH

Come purchase baked goods and other goodies for your Thanksgiving feast. The sale will begin at 9:30 a.m. Any unsold items, will be available for purchase following the 11:00 a.m. service.

Anyone wishing to participate by providing baked goods should deliver them to the church Saturday, 11/18 between 10a.m. and noon.
Cash donations are also accepted.
All funds will be used for our mission projects.



A GENTLE REMINDER: With cold and flu season ramping up, we encourage any who may be suffering symptoms of COVID, flu, or feel generally unwell, to worship with us online. Both worship services are livestreamed on our [Facebook page](#) and [YouTube channel](#), as well as our [website](#). While we are not requiring masks at this time, masks are available on top of the mailboxes outside the church office, should you wish to wear one to protect yourself and others. Thank you.