

Bethany UMC Prayer List	BETHANY FAMILY	12.24.23
CANCER/CHEMO: Darlene Bauschatz, Krista Chase, Carol Johnson, Sue Leed, Fred Niethamer, Linwood Rowe, Gwen Wesson, Larry Whitfield		
GRIEVING: Families of Lonnie Byrd, Charlotte Cecil, Sid Dixon, Kira Fox, Sandra Hollins, Sue Morecock		
HEALTH ISSUES: Chuck Ashe, Cliff Beach, David Cecil, Billy Davis, Debra Farrow, Estelle Harris, David Hoover, Milton Hudgins, Kathy Jacobs, Bonnie Lewis, Joy Long, Dennis Mitchell, Patsy Morales, Alice Northam, Richard Parkes, Peggy Peterman (NC), Rosemarie Tong, Judy Vaughan		
HOSPITALIZED/REHAB: Bessie Conner (Sanders Rm. 1214)		
HOMEBOUND: Linda Booth, Ruth Wallace, Lavelle Wilson		
PARKINSON'S: Mike Andersen, David Chapin, Kathleen Greene, Yvonne White		
RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Dylan Chapin, Krista Chase, Billy Davis, Paul Kendall, Cathy Raines		

BETHANY FRIENDS
CANCER/CHEMO: Clint Alexander, Peyton Arthur, Fran Bonnaville, Kendell Walthall Caton, Jack Cawthorn, Kyle Cooper, Barbara Crim, Wanda Dowell, Dallas "Butch" Folk (ME), Traci Greene, Zachary Hoover, Erin Kate (Dooley) McGuire, Sissi Mise, Chauntea Shield, Mason Staley, Kent Stevens, Jeff Suntken, Shalini Upadhyaya, Jill Ward, Bob Wharen, Susan Williams, Tim Williford (TN)
GRIEVING: Families of Jerry Hall, Ellis Hogge, Capt. Christopher W. P. Naquin, Josh Wilson
HEALTH/OTHER ISSUES: Connie Bowler, Kathryn Bjers, Dewayne Haywood, Laura Hodges, Val Hopkins, Adie Kurth, Lewis Marion, Sylvia Motley, Alicia Lynn Williams Naples, Ken Pierkowski, Phillip Presson, Mary Ann Shackelford, Dixie Sharp, Tim Sullivan, Mildred Townsend, Sandie Wharen, Sabrina Wikle, Marian Williford (TN), Randy Wilson
HOSPICE: Selma
HOSPITAL/REHAB: Pastor John Dooley, 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
UPCOMING SURGERY: Eric Bunch
OTHER PRAYERS: War-torn areas around the world, victims of natural disasters

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
Heron Cove, 7409 Heron Cove Way, Gloucester 23061 (Sid & Marion Dixon's mailing address: PO Box 36, Gloucester Point, VA 23062)	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

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Sunday, December 24, 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.

THIS WEEK AT BETHANY (<i>subject to change</i>)		
TODAY	9:30 a.m.	Celebrations & Fellowship (WBFH)
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
	11:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship
	7:00 p.m.	Family Christmas Eve Service with Candlelight & Communion
Monday-Tuesday, December 25-26		CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS <i>Merry Christmas to all of you!</i>
Thursday, December 28	6:30 p.m.	House of Prayer (Sanctuary)
	7:00 p.m.	Bethany Bible Study/BBS (Lacey Martin)
Friday, December 29	12:00 p.m.	OFFICE CLOSING AT NOON (New Year's Holiday)
Saturday, December 30	11:00 a.m.	Memorial Service for Sid Dixon
Sunday, December 31	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 for all ages
	Afternoon	G.U.E.S.T. Set-up (WBFH)
Monday, January 1-8		G.U.E.S.T. Shelter Week at Bethany

Bethany to Serve as Homeless Shelter January 1 through January 8 Volunteers are still needed. Will you help?

It is volunteers like you who enable the GUEST program to meet the needs of and bring relief to the homeless population in our community. Since January of this year the GUEST program has helped 99 individuals (68 adults, 31 children) receive shelter through motel vouchers. Note that with assistance from the GUEST program 86 of the shelter participants have moved into permanent housing. Please consider being the hands and feet of Christ serving our brothers and sisters in need. If you can help in any way, please sign up online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4DA4AC2AA1FEC16-46940543-winter#/> or write your name on the sign-up sheets in the narthex or main hallway. Feel free to call Al (804-413-4444) or Judy (804-413-8888) Burner if any questions or to find out how you might participate.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There will be no Choir, Handbells, or Praise Team rehearsals this week.

“Special Congregational Call for Prayer,” begins January 4, for eighteen weeks, meeting each Thursday night at 6:30pm at the sanctuary. Please join and pray for you, family, friends, church, and for God’s will through the General Conference of the United Methodist Church, which will be held on April 23-May 3, 2024.



FAMILY & COMMUNITY GAME NIGHT Friday, January 12, 5:30—8 p.m.

Please join us for dinner and games.
Bring your favorite board game and be ready to join the fun!
For more information, contact Cathy Raines at 410-599-6493.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to the family of **Sid Dixon**, husband of Marion Dixon, who passed on December 15. Please remember Marion and their family in your prayers. Marion’s mailing address is PO Box 36, Gloucester Point, VA 23062.

Sid’s funeral service will be held at Bethany UMC on Saturday, December 30 at 11:00 a.m., followed by a catered reception in the fellowship hall.

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

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

Birthdays:

12/24 Jeffrey Leigh, Catherine Leigh, Tanner Bayly, Shelby Jacobs, Baum Hogge
12/26 Doug Wheat
12/27 Katie Burner Barnett
12/28 Amanda Maples
12/29 Kaiten Cooper, Carter Roane, Gerri Wilson

Anniversaries

12/26 Clair & Sarah Hillard (56)
12/27 Bobby & Nan Leigh (65)
12/28 Warren & Candy Douglas (49)
12/28 Philip & Sylvia Ransone (60)
12/29 Jim & Jane Sterling (68)



BIRDIE’S CLOSET

Please help us fill the closet with new or like new clothing for children in Foster Care.



Choose a “birdie” (Or two!) from the tree, purchase the items noted and return them Unwrapped to the box in the fellowship hall.

birdie’s closet will be a resource that can provide clean, appropriate clothing to each child in need. children entering into foster care arrive into the system with very little.

We will gather clothing, personal hygiene items, toys, school supplies, and other items that children & teens might otherwise not have. We also hope that we can provide each child a suitcase, duffel bag or backpack. no child should have to pack up all of their things into a trash bag.