



Bethany United Methodist Church

The Church with Open Hearts, Minds, and Doors

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February 18, 2024

11:00 a.m.

1ST SUNDAY IN LENT

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:	Ann Byrd, Betty Durette, Sylvia Ransone
Liturgist:	Lynne Barnes (11:00)
Trustee Contact this week:	Donna Lane
Ushers:	Milton Hudgins, Rick Wilson, Kirk Bell (11:00)
Greeters:	Jane Sterling, David Ayers (11:00)

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

Intrada *O Day Of Peace That Dimly Shines (Jerusalem)* UMH No. 729

“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.”

Welcome, Announcements, and Introduction Pastor Paul Song

***Call to Worship** Lynne Barnes

Leader: Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God,

Congregation: let us hold fast to our confession.

Leader: For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses,

Congregation: but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin.

Leader: Let us therefor approach the throne of grace with boldness,

All: so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

***Hymn** *There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood* UMH No. 622

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

Opening Prayer Lynne Barnes

O God, in mystery and silence you are present in our lives, bringing new life out of destruction, hope out of despair, growth out of difficulty. We thank you that you do not leave us alone but labor to make us whole. Help us to perceive your unseen hand in the unfolding of our lives, and to attend to the gentile guidance of your Spirit, that we may know the joy you give your people. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.

Anthem *Behold the Shepherd* Natalie Sleeth

Time with Children Brad Thomas

STEWARDSHIP	2/11	COUNTING TEAMS	
General Fund	3036.24	2/18	Team 5: Jackie Hampton, Don Thomas, Donna Lane
Capital Improvement	75.00	2/25	Team 6: Dawn Cluts, Betty Durette, Clair Hillard
Pastor’s Discretionary Fund (mem. Sue Morecock, Charlotte Cecil)	200.00	3/3	Team 1: Mary Kaylor, Ann Byrd, Pat Hasty
Altar Flowers	70.00	3/10	Team 2: Betty Neikirk, Chip Neikirk, Cheryl Roane
Souper Bowl of Caring	35.00		
ATTENDANCE	2/11		
In-person Worship (8:30am-29; 11am-74)	103		
Online Worship (Facebook/YouTube)	58		
Total in Worship	161		

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	Tues./Thurs. 9:30am-2pm (Mon./Wed. from home)

Concerns and Prayer of Intercession, Petition “Lord, hear our prayer.”

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 *“Wondrous Love”*: *Variations on a Shape-note Hymn* Samuel Barber
(1910-1981)
 “And when from death I’m free, I’ll sing and joyful be, and through eternity I’ll sing on.”
 — Isaac Watts, 1707

Offering and Offertory Prayer Pastor Paul Song
Offertory *“The Washington Post” March* John Philip Sousa
(1854-1932)
 Celebrating Presidents’ Day

***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 Lynne Barnes
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.

***Gospel Reading** Matthew 2:13-23 Lynne Barnes
 The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon Pastor Paul Song
 The Message of Jesus’ Passion: “Born to Die”

***Hymn** UMH No. 626
Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

***Benediction** Pastor Paul Song

***Closing Chorus** UMH No. 666
Shalom to You
 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 Irving Berlin
(1888-1989)
God Bless America

Bethany UMC Prayer List		BETHANY FAMILY	2.18.24
CANCER/CHEMO: Darlene Bauschatz, Krista Chase, Carol Johnson, Sue Leed, Fred Niethamer, Linwood Rowe, Gwen Wesson, Larry Whitfield			
GRIEVING: Families of Lonnie Byrd, Sid Dixon, Kira Fox, Gerlinde Stevens			
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			
HOMEBOUND: Linda Booth, Ruth Wallace, Lavalley Wilson			
HOSPITALIZED:			
PARKINSON’S: Mike Andersen, David Chapin, Kathleen Greene, Yvonne White			
RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Dylan Chapin, Paul Kendall			
UPCOMING SURGERY:			
BETHANY FRIENDS			
CANCER/CHEMO: Clint Alexander, Peyton Arthur, Fran Bonnville, Kendall Walthall Caton, Jack Cawthorn, Robin Coker, Kyle Cooper, Barbara Crim, Wanda Dowell, Dallas “Butch” Folk (ME), Traci Greene, Dale Handley, Zachary Hoover, Connie Hutchinson (MI), Sissi Mise, Chauntea Shield, Mason Staley, Kent Stevens, Jeff Suntken, Shalini Upadhyaya, Jill Ward, Bob Wharen, Tim Williford			
GRIEVING: Families of Denise Dick, Pastor John Dooley, Jacqueline Emerson, Sarah Jacobs, Capt. Christopher W. P. Naquin, Josh Wilson			
HEALTH/OTHER ISSUES: Connie Bowler, Kathryn Bjers, Juanita Duncan, 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, Mary Jo Smith, Tim Sullivan, Mildred Townsend, Sandie Wharen, Sabrina Wickle, Marian Williford (TN), Randy Wilson			
HOSPICE: Selma, Mary Smith			
HOSPITAL/REHAB:			
PARKINSON’S: Janet Burch (KY)			
RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Luke Burner, Terry Corbin, Jaunita Goins, Pat Hall, Silvia Howerton, Natalie Long, Lewis Marion			
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, 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 (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	