

| Bethany UMC Prayer List | BETHANY FAMILY | 5.19.24 |
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| CANCER/CHEMO: Darlene Bauschatz, Krista Chase, Carol Johnson, Sue Leed, Fred Niethamer, Linwood Rowe, Gwen Wesson, Larry Whitfield GRIEVING: Families of Chuck Ashe, Cliff Beach, Iva Belvin, Lonnie Byrd, Jim Durette, Kira Fox, Judy Hudgins HEALTH ISSUES: David Cecil, Billy Davis, Debra Farrow, Estelle Harris, David Hoover, Milton Hudgins, Kathy Jacobs, Paul & Nancy Kendall, Bonnie Lewis, Joy Long, Dennis Mitchell, Patsy Morales, Alice Northam, Richard Parkes, Peggy Peterman (NC), Rosemarie Tong Judy Vaughan HOMEBOUND: Linda Booth, Ruth Wallace, Lavalie Wilson HOSPITALIZED: PARKINSON'S: Mike Andersen, David Chapin, Kathleen Greene, Yvonne White RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Patsy Bell, Dylan Chapin, Terri Childre, Jackie Hampton, Alice Northam, M.E. Thomas | | |
| BETHANY FRIENDS | | |
| CANCER/CHEMO: Clint Alexander, Peyton Arthur, Fran Bonnaville, Kendall Walthall Caton, Jack Cawthorn, Kyle Cooper, Barbara Crim, Wanda Dowell, Traci Greene, Dale Handley, Zachary Hoover, Connie Hutchinson (MI), Sissi Mise, Chauntea Shield, Mason Staley, Kent Stevens, Jeff Suntken, David Trottier (UT), Bobby Tucker (TX), Shalini Upadhyaya, Jill Ward, Bob Wharen GRIEVING: Families of Jacqueline Emerson, Rev. Manning Berry Harrell, Leo Thomas Hogge, Zachary Thomas Hoover, Terry Houston, Sarah Jacobs, Pat Miller, Gordon Scott, Melissa Sutton, Josh Wilson HEALTH/OTHER ISSUES: Connie Bowler, Kathryn Bjers, Juanita Duncan, Jack Gibson, Dewayne Haywood, Laura Hodges, Val Hopkins, Adie Kurth, Jean Moon, Dylan Moore family, Sylvia Motley, Alicia Lynn Williams Naples, Ken Pierkowski, Phillip Presson, Mary Ann Shackelford, Dixie Sharp, Tim Sullivan, Mildred Townsend, Sandie Wharen, Sabrina Wikle, Robin Willman, Randy Wilson HOSPICE: Selma, Mary Smith HOSPITAL/REHAB: Siiri Jonasch, Tracy Weingard (ICU) PARKINSON'S: Janet Burch (KY) RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Terry Corbin, Pat Hall, Silvia Howerton, Natalie Long, Mildred Townsend UPCOMING SURGERY: Eric Bunch OTHER PRAYERS: Ukraine, Israel & Middle East, United Methodist Church | | |
| 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, Ben Szulgit, 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 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, May 19, 2024

****WELCOME, VISITORS! We are happy to have you join us in worship today.****
Please be sure to sign the Welcome card found in the pew pocket and place it in the offering plate or hand to an usher. Thank you!

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 | | |
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| Sunday, May 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 for all ages |
| | 6:00 p.m. | Common Thread (WBFH) |
| Monday, May 20 | 5:30 p.m. | Praise Team Rehearsal (Mary Lotsey) |
| Tuesday, May 21 | 5:30 p.m. | York River Villas (Friendship) |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Administrative Council (WBFH) |
| Wednesday, May 22 | 9:30 a.m. | Prime Timers Outing |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary) |
| Thursday, May 23 | 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. | Bazaar Workshop (WBFH) |
| Saturday, May 25 | 1:00 p.m. | Baby Shower for Julia Middleton (WBFH) |
| Sunday, May 26 | 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 |

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

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

| <u>Birthdays</u> | | <u>Anniversaries</u> | |
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| 5/19 | Shanah-Ann Kendall Bair | 5/20 | Ron Ervi & Loreen Paiva (24) |
| 5/20 | Bob Blubaugh | 5/20 | Mike & Bunny Ekdahl (10) |
| 5/21 | Mark LeMay; Karen Ambrose Demyanovich | 5/22 | Wilford & Kelly Kale (31) |
| 5/22 | Kayla McDade | | |
| 5/23 | Kris Baker; Sharon Smith | | |
| 5/24 | Alexander Kendall | | |
| 5/25 | Laura Vaughan | | |

CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, MAY 27 IN OBSERVANCE OF MEMORIAL DAY.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A special thanks to Reverend Doug Watson for bringing our message today and filling in for Pastor Paul, who is out of the office enjoying time with his family. Pastor Paul will return to worship on Sunday, June 2.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God by Loreen Paiva for blessings of our 24th wedding anniversary.

BREAKFAST AT THE BEACH (Grades 6th-12th) – THIS MORNING AT 9:30

Today we are going to have our annual Breakfast at the Beach at Susannah and Jason Hogge's house (1333 Laurens Rd., Gloucester Point)! This is an opportunity for the youth of the church to gather together for food, Bible study, and a good time!

PRIME TIMERS – May 22, 9:30 a.m. – We are going to “**Custom House**” in old Yorktown. We may get lunch after. Meet at church 9:30-9:45 a.m. to caravan. Contact Dawn Cluts for more info. Also, Prime Timers are planning a **Paint Party** on **Saturday, July 20 at 2:00 p.m.** Cost will be \$10 per person, and we need 10 people to save the date. This is open to anyone.

BETHANY BIBLE STUDY and **HOUSE OF PRAYER** will not meet on May 23 or 31. **We will resume our weekly meetings on Thursday, June 6.**

GRADUATION SUNDAY, June 9 (during 11AM Worship) Submission Deadline -- Friday, May 31.

If you have a family member graduating from high school, college, or graduate school, please email your information to admin@bethanyumc-gp.org or drop off in the church office **no later than May 31**. Information on younger students (middle school and below) who are transitioning to the next level is welcome also. Join us on June 9th to celebrate and pray for these graduates who are transitioning to new careers and schools. We will also recognize our retiring educators.

CONVERSATION ON POST-GENERAL CONFERENCE

Pastor Paul invites you to talk with him any Tuesday in June, if you have questions on any topic regarding General Conference's decision. Please contact him by phone (804-642-2110 office; 703-625-8025 call/text), or come to his office.

In addition, Pastor Paul will host a **Bethany Town Hall Meeting on Sunday, June 9 at 5 p.m.** in the sanctuary to discuss these matters as a church family. All are invited to attend.

JOY CIRCLE is collecting cancelled stamps (with at least ½ inch margin intact) for wounded military veterans (WWII to the present). These are for inpatient and outpatient Veteran facilities that are treating them for various physical and mental rehabilitation. A collection container has been placed on the table outside the Mary Lotsey classroom. Thanks for your help.



Gordon Binkerd – A Remembrance

The eminent American composer Gordon Ware Binkerd was born 22 May 1916 on the Ponca Indian Reservation in Lynch, Nebraska. His parents lived in various small towns in the state before moving to South Dakota, settling on the Rose Bud Sioux Indian Reservation at Gregory. Here Gordon finished high school and left home to attend college at South Dakota Wesleyan, already having won distinction at a national competition as one of the five best young pianists in America.

While precocious as a performer, Binkerd matured late as a composer. Though advanced studies began at the Eastman School of Music in 1940, it was not until he entered Harvard College in 1946, following naval service in World War II, that his talent began to ripen. There, as a student of Walter Piston and a classmate of Leonard Bernstein, he refined his compositional technique and gained a solid foundation in music history. Binkerd left Harvard in 1949 to accept an appointment as professor of composition and theory at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. Academic duties gave him uninterrupted time for creative work only during the summers, which he spent as artist-in-residence at the MacDowell Colony (Peterborough, NH) and Yaddo (Saratoga Springs, NY). There, throughout the 1950s and 1960s, he composed prolifically for symphony orchestras, chamber ensembles, vocal and instrumental soloists, and above all choirs.

In 1971 Binkerd retired from teaching to devote himself exclusively to writing music. During the next quarter century, he composed prodigiously, until the onset of Alzheimer's disease in 1996 brought his creative activity to an end. He died on 5 September 2003 at his home in Urbana, IL at age 87. His wife, Patricia Walker of St. Louis, MO, whom he married there in 1942, passed away in 2017 at age 103.

Our Meditation for Pentecost Sunday is *Listen Sweet Dove unto my Song*. Never published, it was discovered after Gordon Binkerd's death and first performed at Bethany on 5 December 2004.

Its title is the first line of the poem *Whitsunday* (or Pentecost) by George Herbert, one of that 17th-century school of English “metaphysical” poets whose best-known member was John Donne. The music of Binkerd's enchanting tone-poem is based on a call-and-response motif that evokes the echoing song of doves in the forest. It breathes a purity and devotional fervor that recalls the *a cappella* choral music of Renaissance masters such as Josquin des Pres, Palestrina, and William Byrd, which also profoundly influenced the many works Gordon Binkerd composed for human voice.

— Rudy Shackelford, student and friend

The **Hospitality Committee** would like to thank all those who helped with the reception for Judy Hudgins. We so appreciate all the food and the abundance of helpers. Thank you for showing your support to Milton and his family.

Dear Pastor Paul & Bethany Church family,
Thank you for the prayers, calls, flowers, visits and other acts of kindness during my recent surgery and recovery. My recovery is going well and I am so glad to have this now behind me. I appreciate your kindness and thoughtfulness so much. I am so blessed to be part of this wonderful church family.
Sincerely, **Nan Evans**