

WELCOME, VISITORS! We are happy to have you join us in worship today.

*Please sign the Welcome Card found in the pew pocket
and place it in the offering plate or hand to an usher. Thank you!*



ANNOUNCEMENTS – Sunday, August 25, 2024

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		
Sunday, August 25	8:30 & 11:00 am	Worship (8:30 Informal; 11:00 Traditional)
	9:30 am	Celebrations and Fellowship
	9:45 am	Sunday School for all ages
	2:00 pm	Joshua Spiritual Formation Group
Monday, August 26	5:30 pm	Praise Team
Tuesday, August 27	10:00 am	Nominations and Leadership Development
Thursday, August 29	9:00 am	Bazaar Workshop
	6:30 pm	House of Prayer
Friday, August 30	2:00 pm	HMAG Open House
Sunday, September 1	8:30 & 11:00 am	Worship (8:30 Informal; 11:00 Traditional)
	9:30 am	Celebrations and Fellowship
	9:45 am	Sunday School for all ages
	6:00 pm	Common Thread

Vision of Methodist Church after the 2020 General Conference is a new sermon series that Pastor Paul will preach this summer:

August 25 – “Ultimate Concerns.” – John 15:1-11

Cancelled Stamps – JOY Circle is still collecting cancelled stamps for mental and physical rehabilitation of military veterans. There is a collection jar on the table in front of the church office.

School Supplies - The Naomi and JOY Circles are collecting school supplies for our local schools and those we know that will need supplies to start school. There is a container outside the Church office. Thank you.

THE LIBRARIES ARE OPEN! Thanks to the tireless efforts of Tony and Barbara Holtry, both the Adult and Children’s libraries have been completely reorganized and catalogued. If you and your children or grandchildren are looking for some exceptional summer reading, there are countless interesting and inspirational books in these libraries. Books may be checked out on the honor system. **THANK YOU TONY and BARBARA!**

Church Directory - Please contact Vicki Williams at 804-815-4108 if you still wish to purchase a directory.

The **Joshua Spiritual Formation Group** is meeting today at 2:00 pm.

BBS (Bethany Bible Study), begins on September 5th (Thursday), 7:00 pm in the Adult Sunday School room.

The Nomination and Lay Leadership Development Committee meets on August 27th (Tuesday), 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall.

The Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) meets on September 4th (Wednesday), 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

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

Birthdays

- 8/27 Dawne Sawyer
- 8/28 David Belvin, Jack Whitmore
- 8/29 Kristin Poulin, Donna Lane
- 8/30 McKenzie Hasty
- 8/31 Tom Bernard

Anniversaries

- 8/28 Billy & Wendy Hogge, 48
- 8/29 Rev. Braxton & Cathie Alport, 60
- 8/31 Lewis & Rev. Debbie Marion, 28

Faith Promise Message – Thank you for your faithful support of our ministry and missions through Faith Promise this year. You have invested in the ministry and missions of our community.

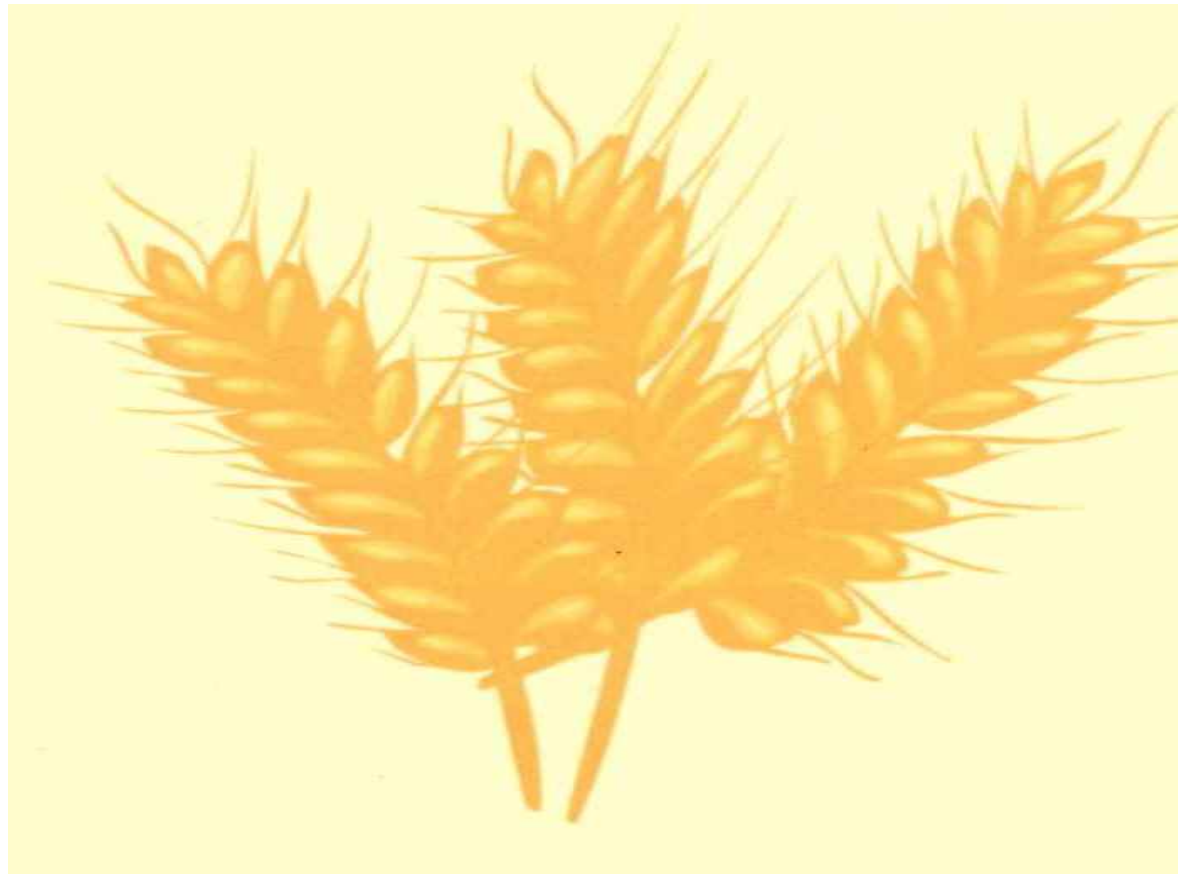
The ministry and mission of Bethany happens because of those who believe that giving to the Church is an investment in God’s Kingdom here on earth. Today we are asking for your continued support.

This the Finance Committee started the 2025 budget process on June 1 by asking committee chairpersons and staff for a narrative 2025 budget request. The Finance Committee is presently compiling those requests.

Now we are requesting the congregation to submit a Faith Promise so we can project the church’s income. The campaign starts today and runs to the end of September.

“Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.” - 2 Corinthians 9:6-7

- Jack Whitmore, Finance Chair



Bethany UMC Prayer List		BETHANY FAMILY	
CANCER/CHEMO: Darlene Bauschatz, Krista Chase, Carol Johnson, Sue Leed, Fred Niethamer, Linwood Rowe, Larry Whitfield			
GRIEVING: Families of Chuck Ashe, Cliff Beach, Iva Belvin, Lonnie Byrd, Jim Durette, Kira Fox, Judy Hudgins, Larry A. Johnson, Larry Kelty, Debbie Durette Potter			
HEALTH ISSUES: David Cecil, Dawn Cluts, Clyde Burton, Billy Davis, John 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			
HOMEBOUND: Linda Booth, Ruth Wallace, Lavelle Wilson			
PARKINSON’S: Mike Andersen, David Chapin, Kathleen Greene, Yvonne White			
RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Mary Linda Brooks, Dylan Chapin, Betty Durette, M.E. Thomas			
BETHANY FRIENDS			
CANCER/CHEMO: Clint Alexander, Peyton Arthur, Fran Bonnaville, Kendall Walthall Caton, Jack Cawthorn, Kyle Cooper, Barbara Crim, Wanda Dowell, John Gordon (brother of Pam Campbell), Traci Greene, Dale Handley, Jennie 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, Marian Williford			
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: Sharon Acree, Connie Bowler, Kathryn Bjers, Juanita Duncan, Dewayne Haywood, Laura Hodges, Val Hopkins, Adie Kurth, Jean Moon, Dylan Moore family, Jennifer Morecock, 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, Tracy Weingard,			
HOSPICE: Selma, Mary Smith			
PARKINSON’S: Janet Burch (KY)			
RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Terry Corbin, Jack Gibson, Pat Hall, Silvia Howerton, Natalie Long, Mildred Townsend			
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		Bonnie Lewis, Rm13	
Sanders Assisted Living, 7407 Walker Ave., Gloucester 23061		Carolyn Scott, Rm 208	
Sunrise Senior Living, 2015 Cranbeck Rd., Richmond 23235		Pauline Harris, Apt. 130	
Riverside Rehab, 672 Gloucester Rd., Saluda, VA, 23149		Jennie Lipscomb	
Warwick Forest, 1000 Old Denbigh Blvd., Newport News, VA 23602		Bessie Conner, Rm 529	