

**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, September 1, 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		
<b>Sunday, September 1</b>	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
<b>Monday, September 2</b>	5:30 pm	Office Closed
<b>Tuesday, September 3</b>	10:00 am	Nominations and Leadership Development
	7:00 pm	Joy Circle
<b>Wednesday, September 4</b>	1:00 pm	Music Camp
	6:00 pm	Staff/ Pastor- Parish Relations
	7:00 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
<b>Thursday, September 5</b>	9:00 am	Bazaar Workshop
	6:30 pm	House of Prayer
	7:00 pm	Bethany Bible Study (BBS)
<b>Friday, September 6</b>	9:00 am– 3:30 pm	HMAG
<b>Sunday, September 8</b>	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

**CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK! Join us in the fellowship hall at 9:30 for fellowship and celebration!**

**Birthdays**

- 9/1 Clare Hall, Alliyson Alligood, Troy Andersen, Dave Ayers, Janice Drexler
- 9/2 Julie Rogers
- 9/3 Nan Leigh, Chip Dize
- 9/4 Paul Martin, David Daniel
- 9/6 Mary Linda Brooks, Will Neikirk, Annie Mackey Simmons
- 9/7 Dean Tillage, Robert Leigh

**Anniversaries**

- 9/1 Al & Judy Burner, 56
- 9/4 Alan & Sandra Harvey, 30
- 9/5 Rob & Jen Naquin, 26
- 9/7 Richard & Susan Boyette, 49

**Altar Flowers** are given to the glory of God by Judy and Al Burner in celebration of their 56<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**Christian Sympathy** is extended to Carol, Ed, Bain, William and Nathan on the passing of Don Schultz. Don’s obituary may be found at [andrewfuneralservices.com](http://andrewfuneralservices.com).

**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.

Our **Fifth Sunday Luncheon is September 29<sup>th</sup>**. (REMEMBER ONLY ONE SERVICE THAT DAY AT 10:00 AM). Our United Methodist Men will sponsor a Potato Bar after the service as a fundraiser. Tickets are \$9 for adults and \$5 for children under 12. This will be a special treat as we have not had a Potato Bar in a long time! Mark you calendar now and come out and support our UMM.

**Calendar Notes:**

- Joy Circle meets on Tuesday, 9/3 at 7:00 pm. Guest speaker will be Hamilton Williams who will talk about Guinea Heritage. All ladies of the church are welcome.
- The Nominations and Lay Leadership committee meets on Tuesday, 9/3 at 10:00 am.
- The Music Camp Committee meets on Wednesday, 9/4 at 1:00 pm.
- The Staff and Parish Relations Committee meets on Wednesday, 9/4 at 6:00 pm.
- Bethany Bible Study (BBS) resumes on Thursday, 9/5 at 7:00 pm and meets each Thursday, studying John, chapter 13.

**HAPPY LABOR DAY!**

**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.

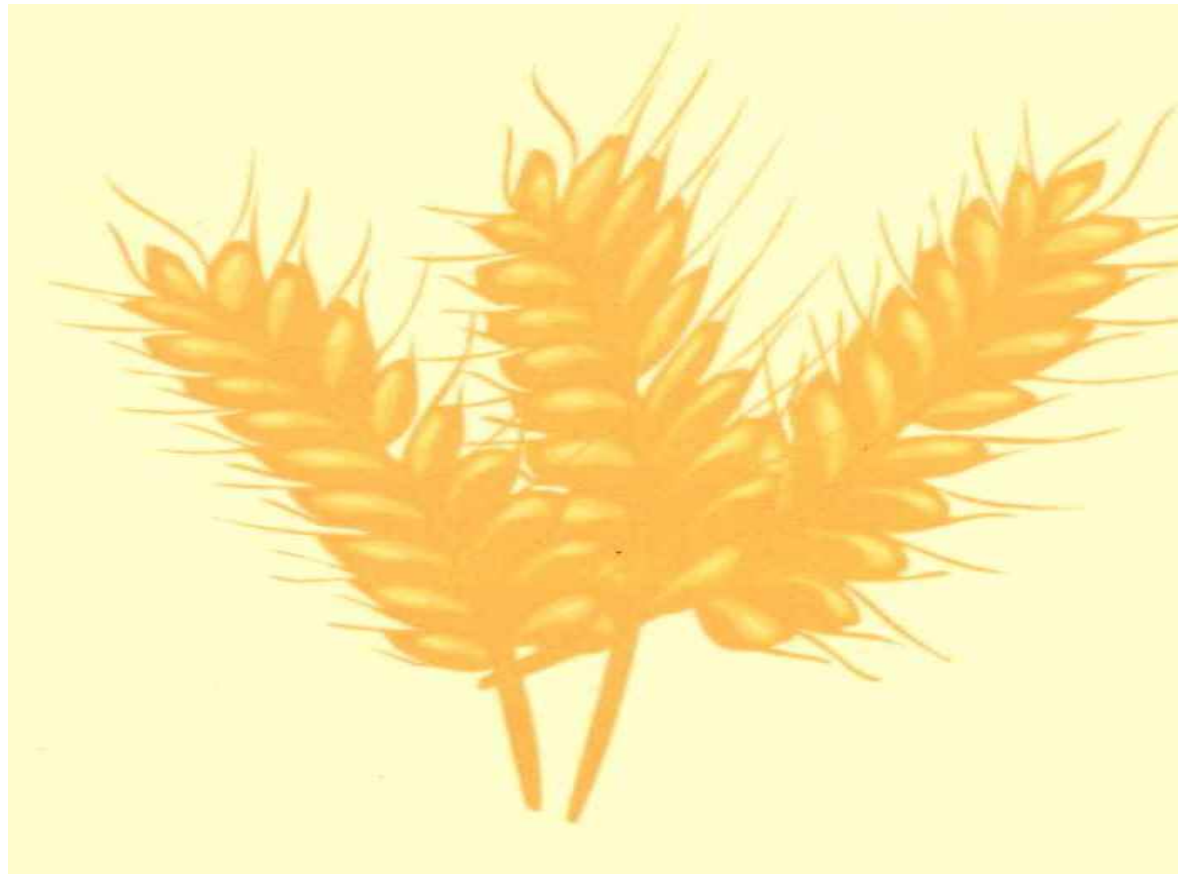
The ministry and mission of Bethany happens because of those who believe that giving to the Church is an investment in God’s Kingdom here on earth. Today we are asking for your continued support.

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
<b>CANCER/CHEMO:</b> Darlene Bauschatz, Krista Chase, Carol Johnson, Sue Leed, Fred Niethamer, Linwood Rowe, Larry Whitfield		
<b>GRIEVING:</b> Families of Chuck Ashe, Cliff Beach, Iva Belvin, Lonnie Byrd, Jim Durette, Kira Fox, Judy Hudgins, Larry A. Johnson, Larry Kelty, Debbie Durette Potter		
<b>HEALTH ISSUES:</b> 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		
<b>HOMEBOUND:</b> Linda Booth, Ruth Wallace, Lavelle Wilson		
<b>PARKINSON’S:</b> Mike Andersen, David Chapin, Kathleen Greene, Yvonne White		
<b>RECOVERING FROM SURGERY:</b> Mary Linda Brooks, Dylan Chapin, Betty Durette, M.E. Thomas		
BETHANY FRIENDS		
<b>CANCER/CHEMO:</b> 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		
<b>GRIEVING:</b> Families of Jacqueline Emerson, Anthony “Unk” Green, Rev. Manning Berry Harrell, Leo Thomas Hogge, Zachary Thomas Hoover, Terry Houston, Sarah Jacobs, Pat Miller, Gordon Scott, Melissa Sutton, Josh Wilson,		
<b>HEALTH/OTHER ISSUES:</b> 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,		
<b>HOSPICE:</b> Selma, Mary Smith		
<b>PARKINSON’S:</b> Janet Burch (KY)		
<b>RECOVERING FROM SURGERY:</b> Terry Corbin, Jack Gibson, Pat Hall, Silvia Howerton, Natalie Long, Mildred Townsend		
<b>OTHER PRAYERS:</b> 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	