



Bethany United Methodist Church
The Church with Open Hearts, Minds, and Doors
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VOLUNTEERS SERVING TODAY

Acolyte: Aidan Dumbrocyo
 Media: Jeremy Nardozi, Susannah Hogge, Cathy Raines, Kim Song, Aidan Dumbrocyo
 Altar Guild this month: Jackie Hampton, Patsy Bell, Samantha Hornsby
 Liturgist: Susannah Hogge
 Trustee Contact this week: Dianna Simmons
 Ushers: Milton Hudgins, Kirk Bell
 Greeters: Sandra Byrd, David Ayers

STEWARDSHIP	9/1
General Fund	5929.94
Capital Improvement Fund	120.00
Endowment Fund	105.00
ATTENDANCE	9/1
In-person Worship - 8:30	39
In-person Worship – 11:00	58
Online Worship (Facebook/YouTube)	79
Total in Worship	176

COUNTING TEAMS	
9/8	Team 4: Bernard Robins, Debbie Robins, Doris Luther
9/15	Team 5: Jackie Hampton, Don Thomas, Donna Lane
9/22	Team 6: Dawn Cluts, Betty Durette, Clair Hillard
9/29	Team 1: Mary Kaylor, Ann Byrd, Pat Hasty

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., 9am-3pm For pastoral emergencies, call/text 703.625.8025
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September 8, 2024

11:00 a.m.

Bethany United Methodist Church
16th Sunday After Pentecost

WELCOME EVERYONE! Thank you for worshipping with us!

HEARING DEVICES AVAILABLE: Please see an usher.
**Please stand as you are able and please silence your mobile devices.*

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

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The Liberty Bell

John Philip Sousa

“These heroes are dead. They died for liberty – they died for us. (1854-1932)

They are at rest. They sleep in the land they made free, under the flag
 they rendered stainless. In the midst of battle, in the roar of conflict,
 they found the serenity of death.”

- Robert Ingersoll

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Paul Song

***Call to Worship**

Susannah Hogge

Leader: we are called to worship this morning to praise God, to admit our inadequate faith, to hear God’s Word for us; but most especially to glorify God with our thanksgiving.

Congregation: God is not only our Creator and our Provider, but our Redeemer. We are thankful, knowing this to be the will of God in Jesus Christ.

***Hymn**

For the Fruits of This Creation

UMH 97

***Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostle’s Creed

UMH No. 881

Opening Prayer

Susannah Hogge

O Heavenly God, in this world where we live, there are many voices; help us to keep our ears turned to your voice. Though we are yours, we are also part of this world. Demands are always present that divide our loyalties and call our attention to lesser things. Give us peace, serenity, and dignity, which- in turn- offer opportunities of service; not only to those with whom we walk daily, but with that one who travels alone amidst turmoil and anxieties.

Grant that our lives, as they touch others, will glorify you. Hear our prayer and give us those things that will glorify Christ, for it is in Christ’s name we pray. Amen.

Anthem STORIES OF JESUS-*Tell Me the Old, Old, Story/I Love to Tell the Story/*

We’ve a Story to Tell to the Nations arr. by Page and Shafferman

Time with Children

Brad Thomas

Concerns and Prayers 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

Elegy

George Thalben-Ball

Remembering the victims of 11 September 2001

(1896-1987)

Offering and Offertory Prayer

Pastor Paul Song

Stewardship Time

Gwen Wesson

*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

Susannah Hogge

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.

Scripture Reading

2 Corinthians 9: 1-15

Susannah Hogge

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Blessed are the Generous”

Pastor Paul Song

*Hymn

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

UMH 402

*Benediction

Pastor Paul Song

*Closing Chorus

Shalom to You

UMH No. 666

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

Let There Be Peace on Earth

UMH 431

A MESSAGE TO THE MEN OF BETHANY

I hope you have had a nice summer break. We will resume our regular monthly meetings at Nick’s on Tuesday, September 24th.

We will also sponsor a Potato Bar Luncheon on the fifth Sunday this month (9/29), following the 10:00 am worship service. I urge you all to attend our meeting on the 24th so that we can make final plans for the Potato Bar.

The leadership of the United Methodist Men for 2024 is as follows: President, Alan Harvey; Vice-President, Milton Hudgins; Secretary, Tom Barnard; and Treasurer, Clair Hillard. You may contact any of us for questions or suggestions.

The UMM meets monthly on the last Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm at Nick’s Restaurant. We do not meet during the summer months of June, July and August. In February, we host a Ladies Night at Bethany in place of our regular meeting.

I hope that if you have been active in the UMM in the past, you will strongly consider doing so in the future. If you have not been attending in the past, we hope you will consider joining. Milton always has interesting speakers for our meetings, which are fairly brief following a nice meal. We do take up an offering so that we may maintain a balance in our bank account, which allows us to offer an occasional gift to a guest speaker’s cause or to a local charity. If your wife is interested in hearing the guest speaker, she is certainly welcome to attend with you. In the meantime, I pray God will continue to bless our organization and our church family.

-- In His Name, Alan Harvey



