

Bethany United Methodist Church
*The Church with Open Hearts,
 Minds, and Doors*
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The *Salvation Army* has an ongoing need for the following items: **Household cleaners, paper products, over the counter medicines, and personal hygiene items.**

Please place donations in the baskets beside the church office and in the narthex. Thanks!

STEWARDSHIP	1/20
General Fund Total	5210.00
Capital Improvements	80.00
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	10.00
Altar Flowers	45.00
Choir/Music Fund (IHO G. & J. Harrell's anniversary)	75.00
UMCOR	150.00
COUNTING TEAMS	January
1-Kaylor, Byrd, Hasty	27

SUNDAY WORSHIP	1/20
8:30 Sanctuary	41
11:00 Sanctuary	76
11:00 Nursery	0
11:00 Children's Church (already included in Total Worship)	2
TOTAL in Worship	117
SUNDAY SCHOOL	
Adults	35
Youth	2
Children	10
TOTAL in SS	47

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

Interested in serving as a Nursery Volunteer? We need two individuals each hour.
Please sign up outside the nursery or contact Kris Kent (804-815-4246).

Date	Sunday School Hour	11:00 a.m.
January 27	Betty Neikirk, Donna Lane	Laura Glaze, Shannon Roane
February 3		

Pastor: Mike Derflinger

Church Office Administrator: Dee Dee Wike **Chaplain in Residence:** Carol Johnson
Director of Children & Youth Ministries: Kris Kent **Lay Leader:** Judy Burner
Director of Music: Sandra Fox **Organist:** Dr. Rudy Shackelford

Acolytes: 8:30 Kate Neikirk 11:00 Shelby Jacobs

Sound Room: 8:30 Chip Neikirk 11:00 Jeremy Nardoizzi

January Altar Guild: Ann Byrd, Betty Durette, Sylvia Ransone, Paul Kendall

Trustee Contact for this Week: Marsha Germek



BETHANY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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JANUARY 27, 2019

8:30 a.m.

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Series: The Good Samaritan

WELCOME, GUESTS! We are delighted to worship with you today and invite you to participate as fully as you feel comfortable.

AVAILABLE FOR YOUR USE: Please ask an usher for assistance if you require a large print hymnal, large print bulletin, or hearing aid.

CELL PHONES: Please remember to silence your cell phone before the service begins. Thank you.

Please greet one another before our worship begins.

***Please stand as you are able. And it's okay to sit.**

CHIMING OF THE HOUR *Alleluia, from "Exsultate, Jubilate"* Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

WELCOME Pastor Mike

***HYMN** *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* UMH No. 384

***HYMN** *The Gift of Love* UMH No. 408

SHARING OF OUR PRAYER CONCERNS & MORNING PRAYER Pastor Mike

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION Kate Neikirk

Watching God, they may not be beaten down or lying by the road, but there are people we pass by. Some are family and friends we take so much for granted we cannot see how we have stripped them. Others are our neighbors who have been left half-dead by crushing work, despair, addiction, and abandonment. As we make our confession, we pray too for our neighbors, especially those in poverty.

THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH No. 895

ANTHEM *Redeeming Love* Bill and Gloria Gaither
 Steve Wike, soloist

CHILDREN'S STORY Kris Kent

RECEIVING GOD'S TITHES, GIFTS AND MORNING OFFERING OFFERTORY PRAYER Kate Neikirk

Eternal God, we give in grateful thanksgiving for all You have given to us. You show we measure our wealth not only by what we have, but what we can give away. So, we give away generously in this offering to bless Your Name and Church, our neighbors, and Your creation. In Jesus' name. Amen.

THE OFFERTORY

“Turkish Rondo,” from Sonata No. 11 in A Major

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
(27 January 1756-1791)

Transcribed for organ by Rudy Shackelford
celebrating Mozart’s 263rd birthday
“Play skillfully with a loud noise.” – *Psalm* 33:3

***THE 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.**

***SCRIPTURE READING**

Luke 10:25-37

Kate Neikirk

The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

THE MESSAGE

The Good Samaritan, 3 of 3

Pastor Mike

***HYMN**

Jesus, United by Thy Grace (vv. 1,2,6)

UMH No. 561

***BENEDICTION**

Pastor Mike

***CLOSING**

What Child is This (refrain)

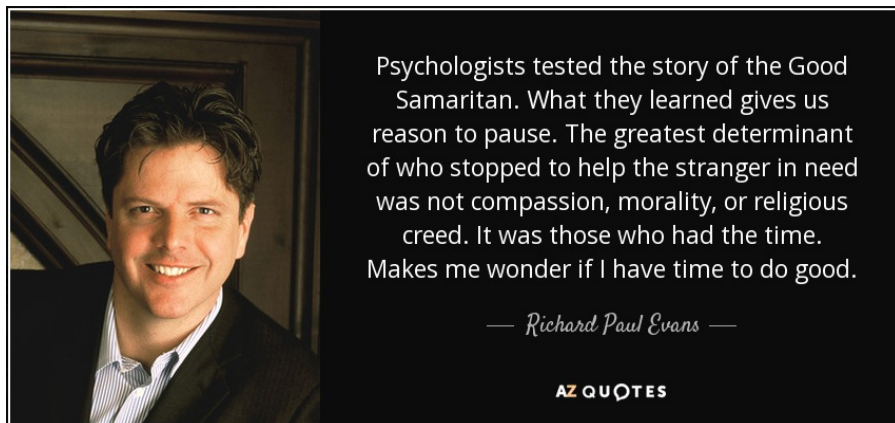
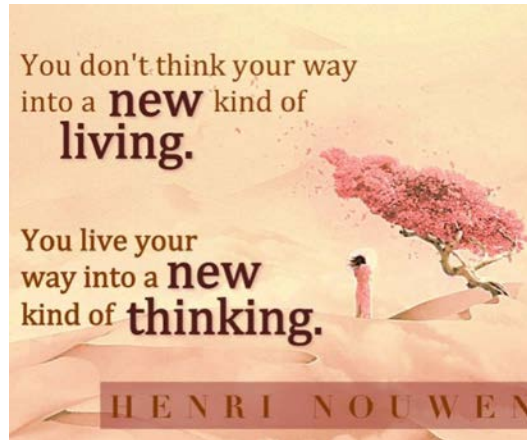
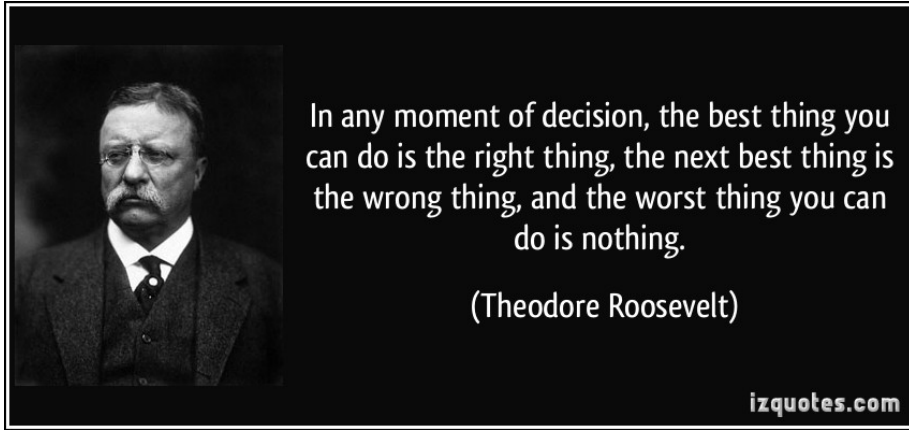
UMH No. 219

*This, this is Christ the King, whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Mary.*

ALTAR FLOWERS are dedicated in love, thankfulness, and appreciation for all those who participated throughout the year in our church-wide Bethany Bazaar.

*The following Sundays are open for donating altar flowers: 2/17 and 2/24.
Please sign the chart in the main hallway or contact the church office for more information.*

Bethany UMC Prayer List		BETHANY FAMILY	
CANCER/CHEMO: Krista Chase, Bob Nardozzi			
GRIEVING:			
HEALTH ISSUES: Marsha Germek, David & Peggy Lewis, Nancy Smith			
HOMEBOUND: Annette Adams, Katherine Jordan, Alice McGee, Mary Dale Williams			
HOSPITALIZED:			
RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Loreen Paiva			
UPCOMING SURGERY/TESTS: Mike Ekdahl (2/26), Debbie Tilley (2/5)			
BETHANY FRIENDS			
CANCER/CHEMO: Coach Dan, Ann Dickerson, Brenda France, Rustie (GA)			
CHILDREN & YOUTH: Charlotte & Silas Agee, Adora Hanssen’s family, Luke Wilcox			
GRIEVING: Families of Lisa Breen, Hazel Jenkins, Paula Lankford, Arthur Paiva, Sharon Sutton, H.H. Thacker			
HEALTH ISSUES: Jessica Agee, Bill Ambrose, Rebecca Dodelin, Deborah Eriksen, Michelle & grandparents, Janet Wike, Robin Wilburn			
HOSPICE:			
HOSPITALIZED: John Finney (Riverside Regional)			
PARKINSON’S: Duane Burnett			
RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Delores Goode, Bishop Sharma Lewis, Pitt Roane			
UPCOMING SURGERY/TESTS: Duane Smith			
BUMC’S MILITARY AND THEIR FAMILIES (<i>italics—Bethany friends</i>)			
<i>Edward Bailey, Michael Brown, Peter Demetriades, Meagan Demetriades, Laine Fay, Thomas Howse, Kevin Jacobs, Bernard Johnson, Lamont Johnson, Jim Minor, all members of the military.</i>			
ASSISTED LIVING (<i>italics-Bethany friends</i>)			
c/o Lee & Silma Kuivinen , 3717 Wren Ln., Rolling Meadows, IL 80008-2863		<i>Mary Margaret Kuivinen</i>	
Gayton Terrace , 12041 Gayton Rd., Richmond, VA 23238		Dorothy Critzer, Room 418	
Gloucester House , 7657 Meredith Dr., Gloucester 23061		Lorraine Brown, Room 107 Jean Heywood, Room 110 Esther Marie Jordan, Room 509	
Heron Cove at Sanders , 7385 Walker Ave., Gloucester 23061		<i>Mildred Townsend</i> , Room 10 Gerlinde Stevens, Room 11	
Sanders Assisted Living , 7407 Walker Ave., Gloucester 23061		<i>Ellis Hall</i> , Room 106	
Sunrise Senior Living , 2015 Cranbeck Rd., Richmond 23235		Pauline Harris, Apt. 130	
York Convalescent & Rehab Center , 113 Battle Rd., Yorktown, VA 23692		Mary Poland, Rm 27A Alice Doggett, Rm 27B	
OUR MISSIONARY – Clara Biswas, Cambodia.			



Our Sunday School meets from 9:45-10:45 each Sunday morning with several different classes for adults, one class for youth, three classes for children, and a nursery for infants & toddlers.

Our Nursery — For the convenience of parents with small children, a nursery is provided for infants through 3-year-olds during our 11:00 service, as well as during the Sunday school hour.

Our Children's Church is during 11:00 worship only. Children ages 4 and older sit with parents until dismissed to Children's Church following the Children's Message.

For more information please visit www.bethanyumc-gp.org.

THIS WEEK AT BETHANY UMC		
8:25 a.m. Prayer Time (Mary Lotsey); 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Worship; 9:45 Sunday School		
TODAY	THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY	
	11:00 a.m.	Worship & Distribution of Bazaar Donations
	12:15 p.m.	Celebration Luncheon (WBFH)
Monday, January 28	7:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study (TBD) Women's Bible Study (Connected)
Tuesday, January 29	9:00 a.m.	AARP Setup (Lacey Martin)
	6:30 p.m.	United Methodist Men (Sal's)
Wednesday, January 30	9:30 a.m.	C.A.R.E. Ministry
	6:30 p.m.	Troop 75
	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir
Thursday, January 31	9:30 a.m.	Nominations Committee (Friendship)
	10:00 a.m.	House of Prayer (Sanctuary)
Sunday, February 3	COMMUNION SUNDAY	
	12:15 p.m.	UMYF

DISTRIBUTION OF BAZAAR DONATIONS AND COVERED-DISH LUNCHEON TODAY

All are invited to join us at 11:00 this morning for a time of worship and celebration as we distribute the funds raised in our 2018 bazaar to 23 organizations. Immediately following the service we will gather in the fellowship hall for a covered-dish luncheon honoring the recipient organizations and their representatives.

UNITED METHODIST MEN will hold their first meeting of 2019 on Tuesday, January 29 at 6:30 p.m. at Sal's. Guest speaker will be Katie Gilman of REISA, Network of Independent Educators for Food Sovereignty. She and her partner Erick Torres work with small communities in Guatemala and are launching agricultural and ecological education programming aimed at providing hands on training especially for 15 to 25-year-olds about ways they can improve their family lives and the environment. Come join us for a time of great food and fellowship and an interesting presentation on this exciting new project! Contact Alan Harvey or Milton Hudgins by Monday, January 28 if you plan to attend.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY NEWS

All men are invited to join us for **Men's Bible Study on Monday nights** from 7:00–8:00 p.m. in the TBD classroom. On **Monday, January 21st** the men began a new study on the book ***Heaven (Finding Our True Home)*** by LifeGuide. It's not too late to join us! For more information contact David Chapin, 642-6822.

Ladies, we invite you to our **Monday night Women's Bible Study** at 7:00 p.m. in the Connected classroom! We are finishing up our current study and are excited to announce that beginning in mid-February (date TBD) we will begin the study, ***David (Seeking a Heart Like His)*** by Beth Moore. Although we won't be using the companion video for this study, we know that you will be blessed by Beth's in-depth look into the life of David and how his walk with God still serves as example for us today. Bible study books are \$16 each, and this will be a 6-8 month study. If interested, please contact Doe Breen at 642-0933.

JOY CIRCLE —The JOY Circle will meet **Tuesday, February 5 at 7 p.m.** in the Mary Lotsey classroom. Marsha Germek will present our program on "Networking Nonprofits." All ladies of the church are invited to attend this meeting and come see what the JOY Circle is all about!

HEY, BETHANY YOUTH!!!

SAVE THE DATE for two really cool happenings!

#1) BUMC YOUTH LOCK-IN

Friday, February 22nd at 6:30pm thru Saturday, February 23rd at 9:00am.

**We are seeking 1 more overnight male chaperone and some donations.

Please see the Youth Bulletin Board for the details...thanks!**

#2) "THE VERGE"

It's almost time for the Annual York River District Spring Youth Retreat at Camp Piankatank. Woo hoo!

Begins at 7:00pm on Friday, March 8th thru 12:00pm Sunday, March 10th.

YEAR-END AUDIT — **If you are a treasurer for any of our Bethany groups or Sunday school classes, please give your checkbooks and 2018 bank statements to Marcia Hargis as soon as possible.** She will need the January 2018-January 2019 bank statements and the check register (make a copy of your register's last page so you can write checks if necessary before the books come back from audit). Thank you for your help and cooperation in making this year's audit go smoothly.

We are currently scheduling Nursery Assistants for the Sunday School Hour and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service. Two assistants are required for each block of time. Our Volunteer Nursery Coordinator, Patricia Kidd, is looking forward to hearing from you to schedule your time for this rewarding ministry! Please contact Patricia at 804-654-0530 (text or call). You may reach me as well at 804-815-4246.

Most gratefully,
Kris Kent

Bethany will be hosting the GUEST Program again on February 25 – March 4, 2019.

Volunteers can start signing up ahead of time by going to the following site:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0c4daea62fabfe3-bethany>.

Dinners will be provided by Beech Grove Baptist Church and Severn Church.

If you have questions or need assistance please contact Nancy Orth, Volunteer Coordinator, Bethany GUEST program at 804-693-4762 (H), 804-832-2232 (C), north2@cox.net, or nancyorth2@gmail.com.



Do you like to help people in need? Do you enjoy being part of a friend's healing as they experience Christ's love and peace? Stephen Ministry provides one-to-one quality Christian care during times of need. It isn't counseling; it's being equipped with skills to help people experiencing life's difficulties.

An Introductory Workshop for Stephen Ministry in our area:

Saturday, March 23 – Hickory Ridge Community Church

3320 Battlefield Blvd S, Chesapeake VA 23322

\$15 per person or \$50 for a group of four or more. 9:00a.m. to 1 p.m.

Interested? Contact Pastor Mike.

To register, visit <http://www.stephenministry.org/workshop> or call 314.428.2600.

Note: We'll promote additional similar workshops in our area as we become aware of them. If this date doesn't work for you, please consider another one in 2019.

REVERSE ADVENT BAGS have been sorted and delivered to Bread for Life, GUEST Day Shelter, Salvation Army and Union Baptist Church Food Pantry. Whenever the call goes out to Bethany members you always respond and this time was no different. We collected 80 bags filled with food, cleaning products, paper products and much love! Thanks to all who participated and to all that sorted and delivered the items. WHAT A SUCCESSFUL PROJECT!!

THANKS for the prayers, cards, food and love shown to Al and I while we've been sick. How fortunate we are to be a part of the Bethany family! We love you! Judy and Al Burner

Luke 10, 25-37

Series: The Good Samaritan

January 27, 2019

Title: The Good Samaritan, Part 3 of 3

Today we emphasize the themes of Goodness and Love.

The heart refers to the _____

Soul refers to _____

Strength refers to _____, _____, and _____

Mind refers to _____ and thinking through all the steps in the process.

Three movements of Goodness and Love by the Samaritan led to the sufferer's healing:

Reflections

A typical lesson of this parable is, *Be like the Samaritan* but we would do well not to demonize the priest and the Levite. Jesus did not choose the priest and the Levite because they were the worst but because they were the best and had a record of serving God faithfully. If they are terrible people, the parable loses its force.

We would also do well to remember the good reasons why we pass by on the other side. Can you recall a time when you saw the need to help someone but were already on the way to another urgent situation?

Just as we know little about the victim, we know little about the Samaritan. To what extent does information play a role in helping and loving others? What type of information?

Helping strangers in need and intentional discipleship can be a powerful combo ministry. Why do you think intentional help with practical needs can pave the way for a spiritual conversation?
