

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	2/10
General Fund Total	8444.00
Capital Improvement Fund	130.00
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	35.00
Youth	50.00
Upper Room	4.00
COUNTING TEAMS	February
3-Burner, Burner, Andersen	10
4-Riggin, Blubaugh, Blubaugh	17
5-Luther, D.Robins, Rollins	24

SUNDAY WORSHIP	2/10
8:30 Sanctuary	50
11:00 Sanctuary	118
11:00 Nursery	1
11:00 Children's Church (already included in Total Worship)	10
TOTAL in Worship	169
SUNDAY SCHOOL	
Adults	44
Youth	5
Children	13
TOTAL in SS	62

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS		
Interested in serving as a Nursery Volunteer? We need two individuals each hour. Please sign up outside the nursery or contact Patricia Kidd (804-654-0530).		
Date	Sunday School Hour	11:00 a.m.
February 17	Nancy Kendall, Patsy Bell	Laura Glaze, Marion Dixon
February 24	Mike Andersen, Nancy Smith	
March 3	Dawn Bontrager, Cat White	Polly Harrison, Betty Neikirk
March 10	Tiina and Miranda Shackelford	Judy Hudgins, Donna Lane

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 Alix Shackelford 11:00 Alexis Dishman
Sound Room: 8:30 Chip Neikirk 11:00 Adam White
February Altar Guild: Patsy Bell, Clare Hall, Jackie Hampton
Trustee Contact for this Week: M. E. Thomas



BETHANY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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FEBRUARY 17, 2019

8:30 & 11:00 a.m

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

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 *The Star-Spangled Banner* Our National Anthem
 Celebrating Presidents' Day

WELCOME Pastor Mike

VOLUNTARY *The Battle of Trenton* James Hewitt (1770-1827)
 A Favourite Historical Military Sonata dedicated to General George Washington

1. Introduction
2. *Washington's March*
3. Grief of the Americans for the Loss of their Comrades, killed in the Engagement
4. *Yankee Doodle* (with Drums & Fifes)
5. Trumpets of Victory
6. General Rejoicing

CHORAL INTROIT (11:00) *A Celtic Introit and Blessing* Kevin Thomson

***HYMN** *Jesus Shall Reign*—vv. 1,3,5 UMH No. 157

***HYMN** *Come, Christians, Join to Sing* UMH No. 158

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *A Modern Affirmation* Polly Harrison
 (UMH No. 885)

SHARING OF OUR PRAYER CONCERNS & MORNING PRAYER Pastor Mike
CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER Polly Harrison

Eternal God, we live with the hope and confidence that all we do, and all we say, will take root in this world and help express your love and character. We pray for our special session of General Conference and that your will be done. By your grace, continue to help us so that all we think and all we offer will be expressions of your mission and your heart for us and all your creation.

THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH No. 895

CHORAL RESPONSE (11:00) *Amen* UMH No. 900

THE ANTHEM (8:30) *The First Song of Isaiah* Jack Noble White
 Janet Chapin, soloist
 (11:00) *With the Sound of Joyous Singing* Joseph and Pamela Martin
 Chancel Choir

CHILDREN’S STORY Pastor Mike

RECEIVING GOD’S TITHES, GIFTS AND MORNING OFFERING
OFFERTORY PRAYER Polly Harrison

We work for you, Jesus, in whatever we do, wherever we are in this great country. Paid labor, volunteer work, our home life – all our time we spend for you. Thank you for jobs which provide us income and purpose. We share the fruit of our labor with you, knowing that you are the Great Provider. Use these offerings in your kingdom work, as you provide Good News, healing, and hope to all people. In Jesus’ name. Amen.

THE OFFERTORY *The Washington Post* John Philip Sousa (1854-1932)

“To the memory of the man, first in war, first in peace, and first in the hearts of his countrymen.”
 — Henry “Light Horse Harry” Lee,
 Virginia Congressman honoring President George Washington
 at his death on Friday, 14 December 1799

***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** *Psalm 1:1-3* Polly Harrison
 Pew Bible OT, page 473

THE MESSAGE *God’s Invitation to Happiness, Part 1 of 2* Pastor Mike

***CLOSING HYMN** *Beams of Heaven as I Go* UMH No. 524

***BENEDICTION**
***CLOSING CHORUS** *Through It All* UMH No. 507

*Through it all, through it all, I’ve learned to trust in Jesus, I’ve learned to trust in God;
 Through it all, through it all, I’ve learned to depend upon God’s word.*

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God in appreciation for Sandy Fox, Rudy Shackelford, the choir, and all others who provide music throughout the year.
 Thank you for your dedication and for the joy you bring. – *Bev Kearney*

Bethany UMC Prayer List		BETHANY FAMILY	
CANCER/CHEMO: Krista Chase, Carol Johnson, David Lewis, Bob Nardozi			
HEALTH ISSUES: Charlotte Cecil, Marsha Germek, Paige Mitchell, Nancy Smith, Nadine Tatum			
HOMEBOUND: Annette Adams, Katherine Jordan, Alice McGee, Mary Dale Williams			
RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Charles Enroughty, Loreen Paiva, Debbie Tilley (Riverside Regional)			
UPCOMING SURGERY/TESTS: Mike Ek Dahl (2/26)			
		BETHANY FRIENDS	
CANCER/CHEMO: Bill Ambrose, Ann Dickerson, Brenda France, Rustie (GA)			
CHILDREN & YOUTH: Charlotte & Silas Agee, Adora Hanssen’s family, Luke Wilcox			
GRIEVING: Families of Lisa Breen, Coach Dan, Greg Duerksen, Laymon Jacobs (TN), Hazel Jenkins, Paula Lankford, Arthur Paiva, Sharon Sutton, H.H. Thacker			
HEALTH ISSUES: Jan Breen, Rebecca Dodelin, Deborah Eriksen, Beth Schiber, Snyder family of PA (Andrew, Ashley & unborn baby)			
HOSPITALIZED: Allen Derflinger (Winchester Regional), John Finney (Riverside Regional), Mary Margaret Kuivinen			
PARKINSON’S: Duane Burnett			
RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Delores Goode, Bishop Sharma Lewis, Pitt Roane, Donna Toler, Mildred Townsend			
UPCOMING SURGERY/TESTS: Mark Doyle, 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	
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.			

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY are extended to the family of **Laymon Jacobs**, father of Kevin Jacobs, who died on January 19 at his home in Tennessee. Please pray for Kevin’s mom Sarah, his sister Holly and all the Jacobs family.

NOTE ON MUSIC FOR PRESIDENTS' DAY

At this juncture in American history, as we pray that our Heavenly Father will grant us unity and peace, it is fitting to pay homage to President George Washington, "the father of our country," for his shining example of dignity, courage, and wisdom.

Washington's pivotal rôle in the Revolutionary War is depicted in *The Battle of Trenton*, an impressive program sonata by British expatriate James Hewitt, published in 1797. The Battle of Trenton, on 26 December 1776, was one of the first decisive victories of the American army under General Washington. Crossing the Delaware River, they surprised a group of German mercenaries in the service of the British, fatigued by their Christmas celebrations. The brief excerpts offered today as our organ Voluntary are representative of *The Battle of Trenton*, a complete performance of which was presented, with narration by George Nelson, in the Gloucester 350th Anniversary celebration at Bethany UMC on 18 November 2001.

In 1889 the proprietors of an enterprising newspaper, the *Washington Post*, asked John Philip Sousa to compose a piece of music to promote an essay contest they were sponsoring. He responded with a march he titled simply *The Washington Post*, and it was soon the number one hit tune in both American and Europe! The eponymous newspaper was vaulted into prominence, and Sousa became known as the "March King."

— Rudy Shackelford

QUARTERLY STATEMENTS — In an effort to be better stewards of our postage funds, we will no longer mail the quarterly Faith Promise statements. If you still wish to receive your quarterly statement via mail please contact Bernard Robins. If you are not sure that we have your updated email address please send it to Dee Dee at bethanyumc3@verizon.net. Year-end statements will still be mailed, unless you request otherwise. Thank you for your understanding and help in this matter.

CONGRATULATIONS — **Hunter Martin**, son of Stacie and Paul Martin, brother of Christian Martin and grandson of Nan and Bobby Leigh, has been named to the Fall Semester Dean's list at Hampden- Sydney College.

DID YOU REMEMBER TO TURN IN YOUR SUBMISSIONS FOR THE MARCH BANNER? February 15 was the deadline for the March issue. If you have not turned in your announcements or articles for the March newsletter please submit them in writing (drop off in church office or email to bethanyumc3@verizon.net) no later than noon on Tuesday, 2/19, to ensure publication and timely delivery. Thank you.

****Weekly deadline for bulletin submissions is 3 p.m. on Tuesday.**
Deadline for Banner submissions is the 15th of the month.**



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	12:15 p.m.-2:00	UMYF
	2:00 p.m.	Special Presentation re: General Conference
Monday, February 18	OFFICE CLOSED – PRESIDENTS' DAY	
	7:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study (TBD) Women's Bible Study (Connected)
Tuesday, February 19	10:00 a.m.	Sunrise Service Planning (Mary Lotsey)
	7:00 p.m.	Administrative Council (Friendship)
Wednesday, February 20	9:30 a.m.	C.A.R.E. Ministry
	9:30 a.m.	Homebound Ministries (WBFH/Kitchen)
	10:00 a.m.	Candidacy Mentor Group (Mary Lotsey)
	10:00 a.m.-4:00	AARP Tax Aide (Education Wing)
	6:30 p.m.	Troop 75 (Education Wing)
	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir
Thursday, February 21	9:00 a.m.-noon	Crazy Crafty Chicks (WBFH)
	10:00 a.m.	House of Prayer (Sanctuary)
	10:30 a.m.	Naomi Circle (Mary Lotsey)
	7:00 p.m.	GUEST Training (Sanctuary)
Friday, February 22	6:00-10:30 p.m.	UMYF TEEN NIGHT (event has changed, see announcement)
	6:30 p.m.	UMM Ladies Night (WBFH)
Sunday, February 24	12:00-2:30 p.m.	Bible Buddies Bowling Bash
	4:00 p.m.	George Nelson Concert: The Gurleys
	7:00 p.m.	GUEST Setup

TODAY AT 2PM: PRESENTATION OF THE PLANS AND DISCUSSION OF THE ISSUES BEFORE OUR GENERAL CONFERENCE. We'll view a series of video clips for each plan in our sanctuary. This will be the first of civil congregational conversational forums where information is shared, questions asked, and grace shown as we move forward together. All are welcome to attend and bring friends. Please pray for our General Conference which meets February 23-26 in St. Louis.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS – Today, the Friendship Class will begin a 15-week study by James W. Moore. *"Some Folks Feel the Rain...Others Just Get Wet."* All adults are welcome.

Also today, the TBD class welcomes special guest, Mary Shipko, author of *Aviatrix* and the first female pilot to fly with Hughes Airwest, as she speaks about her adventures. She and her husband Gary have recently moved to Gloucester Point and visited Bethany to hear the December Cantata. All are welcome to attend!

HOME BOUND MINISTRIES —Join us on **Wednesday, February 20 at 9:30 a.m.** as we cook, prepare and deliver meals to our shut-ins. If you know of someone that we should add to our list, please let Judy Burner know.

CRAZY CRAFTY CHICKS — **Our first crafting session will be Thursday, February 21, at 9 a.m. in the WBFH.** Bring anything you'd like to work on and we'll craft together, share ideas, and fellowship with one another. For more information, contact Judy Burner (642-6016).

NAOMI CIRCLE invites all ladies to attend our meeting on **February 21st at 10:30 a.m. in the Mary Lotsey room.** Our program will be "Women Investing in Shalom." Join us and learn about the mission work being done by United Methodist Women. For more information on United Methodist Women, contact Dawn Cluts at 804-684-5340.

**AN IMPORTANT UPDATE FOR BUMC YOUTH AND PARENTS:
The previously scheduled LOCK-IN event has been changed to an extended
TEEN NIGHT from 6:00-10:30 p.m. THIS Friday, February 22!**

We will gather in the fellowship hall for a MYO (make-your-own) Pizza dinner with Chef Steve, a mission project to assist our friends with the local "Helping the Homeless" Ministry, "Minute to Win It" games, music, and a movie! Friends are invited but we absolutely need your RSVP by Thursday, 2/21 at 5:00 p.m. Volunteers are still needed.

Thanks for your kind heart and flexibility as we change gears for a fun night of fellowship.

We look forward to seeing you on Friday!!!

Contact Ms. Kris at 804-815-4246 for more information or to volunteer.

GEORGE NELSON MEMORIAL CONCERT SERIES presents **THE GURLEYS** next Sunday, February 24 at 4:00 p.m. Bill and Pam Gurley have been singing together since their first date, much to the delight of audiences from Maine to the Caribbean. They have recorded several CDs over the years, working with some of the best musicians in the area. The Gurleys' mix of folk, bluegrass, blues, and a good dose of humor makes for a fun evening of music not to be missed! Make plans now to attend & bring a friend!



BETHANY WILL BE HOSTING THE GUEST PROGRAM ON FEBRUARY 25 – MARCH 4, 2019.

To volunteer, sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0c4daea62fabfe3-bethany>. or contact Nancy Orth (804-693-4762, 804-832-2232, rorth2@cox.net, nancyrorth2@gmail.com.)

A training session will be held at Bethany on Thursday, February 21 at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary. If this is your first time to volunteer, or if you simply want a refresher, please plan to attend. Training is required for all who volunteer.

DINNER 8 is kicking off a new year of fellowship with a covered-dish dinner on **Sunday, March 10 at 5:00 p.m. in the Warren Belvin Fellowship Hall.** For more information or to sign up, see the insert in today's bulletin.

CLEAN GLOUCESTER DAY is **Saturday, March 16 from 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon** and we're putting together a team to spruce up our corner of Gloucester County. Regina Berry (reginaberry50@gmail.com, 814-397-6419) is our coordinator. Please contact Regina if you wish to participate. For more information, visit CleanGloucesterDay.com.

PARTITION PERSONNEL NEEDED — Volunteers are needed to handle the moving of partitions for the months of March, April, July, August, October, November, and December. Partition personnel typically serve a month at a time, putting up and taking down partitions for events throughout the month. Training is provided for new volunteers to make sure they are comfortable working with the partitions. If you are willing to volunteer for this ministry, which makes it possible for us to open our facility to organizations like GUEST, Red Cross, and other community groups, please contact Marion Dixon (642-5158) or Al Burner (642-6016). A few hours of your time during the year will make a difference!

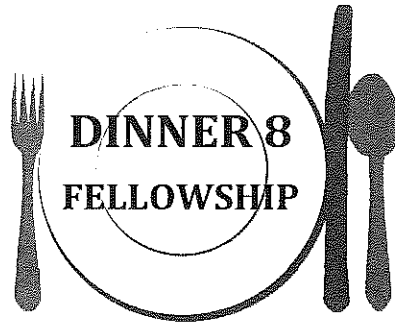
FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Thank you for your continued support of our general budget as well as going the 2nd mile by supporting our designated funds. Since the beginning of 2019 you have given generously to the following designated funds: Capital Improvement, Pastor's Discretionary Fund, Endowment, Initial Envelope Offering, Youth Fund, Upper Room, Music Fund, UMCOR, Altar Flowers and Coast Guard Relief. You are loving and thoughtful people and I am blessed to worship our Lord with you.

At our February finance committee meeting we talked about ways to give to the church other than by cash or check. Bill Pay is a free service offered by your bank. It is simple to set up and use. Once you've set up your account, your bank or credit union will take care of mailing your Faith Promise to Bethany. It really is that simple. If you are on vacation or feeling under the weather or working on Sundays, you are still able to support the ministries and missions of your church without writing a check! For more information please contact your financial institution. We have several members who currently use this service and they love it!

Your Faith Promises are used every day to serve God and His people. Together we are making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

May God bless you as you serve Him.
Dolores Breen, Finance Committee Chair



It's time to SIGN UP for 2019 DINNER 8 FELLOWSHIP!

What is DINNER 8 FELLOWSHIP? DINNER 8 FELLOWSHIP is a fun, relaxing way to get to know other members of the congregation on a more personal level, as you share a meal together.

Who can participate in DINNER 8 FELLOWSHIP? It's open to couples and singles of ALL ages.

How does DINNER 8 FELLOWSHIP work? Participants are divided into groups of 8 and have dinner together in someone's home, a restaurant, a park...anywhere the group decides. When in a home, everyone brings a dish as requested by the hostess. Group members (couple/single) take turns planning and hosting. Each group decides on how often you get together throughout the year (we suggest that you try to get together at least 4 times). Each group's plans are based on the "make-up" of the group (kids, no kids, etc.). When planning with your group, be considerate of others' needs. The most important thing is to use the time together to get to know each other.

What do I do? 1) Complete the information below and drop in the offering plate, and 2) plan to attend the Kick-Off Dinner.

**OFFICIAL DINNER 8 FELLOWSHIP
KICK-OFF COVERED DISH DINNER
SUNDAY MARCH 10, 2019 AT 5:00 P.M.**

After the groups are selected, each group will have their first official meal together. Don't forget to bring your calendar so plans can begin for your 2019 DINNER 8 FELLOWSHIP group.

----- COMPLETE INFO, TEAR & PLACE IN OFFERING PLATE -----

NAME: _____

CONTACT NUMBER: _____