Bethany United Methodist Church

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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	4/7
General Fund Total	10,744.81
Capital Improvement Fund	50.00
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	91.00
Easter Flowers 414	
COUNTING TEAMS	April
5-Luther, D. Robins, Rollins	14
6-Hampton, Morecock, Thomas	21
7-Cecil, Durrette, Hillard	28

SUNDAY WORSHIP	4/7
8:30 Sanctuary	42
11:00 Sanctuary	92
11:00 Nursery	1
11:00 Children's Church (included in Total Worship)	4
TOTAL: 14/ L:	
TOTAL in Worship	135
SUNDAY SCHOOL	135
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SUNDAY SCHOOL	
SUNDAY SCHOOL Adults	39
SUNDAY SCHOOL Adults Youth	39

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.
April 14	Tiina & Miranda Shackelford/Kris Kent	Laura Glaze, Marion Dixon
April 21	Tiina & Miranda Shackelford/Kris Kent	OPEN (2 needed)
April 28 Dawn Bontrager, OPEN (1 needed) Polly H		Polly Harrison, Sarah Hillard
May 5 Jane Niethamer, Janet Chapin Betty Neikirk, Jane Nieth		Betty Neikirk, Jane Niethamer

Pastor: Mike Derflinger

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

Acolytes: 8:30 Stella White 11:00 Baum Hogge Sound Room: 8:30 Kirk Bell 11:00 Adam White

April Altar Guild: Peggy Lewis, Nancy Wilburn, Laura Glaze, Cathy Raines

Trustee Contact for this Week: M. E. Thomas

BETHANY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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PALM SUNDAY Lenten Series: Atonement

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 O the Lamb UMH No. 300

WELCOME Pastor Mike

VOLUNTARYSweelinck Variations
In memory of Bob Nardozzi
Rudy Shackelford
(composed 1976)

"O sacred Head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down, Now scornfully surrounded with thorns, Thine only crown.

How pale Thou art with anguish, with sore abuse and scorn!

How does that visage languish which once was bright as morn!"

- Passion Chorale (UMH No. 286)

CHORAL INTROIT (11:00) Shout to God Joseph M. Martin

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN Hosanna, Loud Hosanna UMH No. 278

SHARING OF OUR PRAYER CONCERNS & MORNING PRAYER UNISON PRAYER

Pastor Mike Cole McDade

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Gentle Guardian of my soul, it's so easy for me to be distracted and let my attention move here and there. I get busy with all sorts of things, and that's partly the kind of life I've fashioned for myself, and partly the life that You have given me. Show me how to find Your presence this Holy Week. By your grace, teach me and your Church to open ourselves daily to the adoration of Palm Sunday, the love of the Last Supper on Holy Thursday, the humiliation and pain of Good Friday, and the surprise and victory of Easter.

THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH No. 895
CHORAL RESPONSE (11:00) Amen UMH No. 898

THE ANTHEM (8:30) Rise Again Dallas Holm

Carol Johnson

(11:00) The Palms Jean-Baptiste Faure

Chancel Choir

CHILDREN'S STORY Kris Kent

RECEIVING GOD'S TITHES, GIFTS AND MORNING OFFERING

OFFERTORY PRAYER Cole McDade

The crowds offered you their coats to walk on. They waved palm branches and cheered words of faithfulness, honoring Your presence. Today we honor You, Lord, with our tithes and offerings. We lay these gifts before you. Humble tokens of our love. To see your Kingdom come. A public display of affection for our King of Kings. Amen.

THE OFFERTORY Chorale Fantasy on "All Glory, Laud, and Honor," BWV 736 Johann Sebastian Bach
Based upon UMH No. 280 (21 March 1685-1750)

*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.

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	Penal Substitution Views of Christ's Atoner	nent
Scripture	Mark 10:32-34	Pastor Mike, pew Bible NT, p. 44
Pastor Mike		
Song	What Wondrous Love is This, vv. 1,2	UMH No. 292
Scripture	Isaiah 53:4-6; 1 Peter 3:18	Cole McDade, pew Bible OT, p. 648
		pew Bible NT, p. 218
Pastor Mike		
Song	O Sacred Head Now Wounded, vv. 1,2	UMH No. 286
Scripture	John 15:12-14	Cole McDade, pew Bible NT, p. 104
Pastor Mike		
Song	Ah, Holy Jesus, vv. 1,2,3	UMH No. 289

*CLOSING SONG You Alone Are Holy TFWS No. 2077

*CLOSING UNISON BLESSING

THE MESSAGE

Sisters and Brothers in Christ, we have a commission, to take the life and love we have celebrated here out into our daily lives, our everyday world. We are not called to go out as those who are perfect, or who have all the answers, but as those who share the struggles and the achievements, and have found a deep spring to fortify and sustain us. So, go from this community with the abundant love of God, the blessed companionship of Jesus Christ, and the faithful and empowering guidance of the Holy Spirit. Amen!

Bethany UMC Prayer List BETHANY FAMILY

CANCER/CHEMO: Annette Adams, Krista Chase, Carol Johnson, David Lewis, Ted Peterman (NC)

GRIEVING: Family of Bob Nardozzi, Tong family

HEALTH ISSUES: Woody Brown, Charlotte Cecil, Dawn Cluts, Gene Harrell, Jennie Lipscomb, Paige Mitchell,

Peggy Peterman (NC), Nancy Smith, Rosemarie Tong

HOMEBOUND: Katherine Jordan, Alice McGee, Mary Dale Williams

RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Irene Brown, Bunny Ekdahl, Loreen Paiva, Cathy Raines, Rosemarie Tong

UPCOMING SURGERY/TESTS: Matt Shackelford

BETHANY FRIENDS

CANCER/CHEMO: Bill Ambrose, Ann Dickerson, Elizabeth Flowers (NC), Brenda France, Donna Franklin, Ellen McDade, Rustie Ruiz (GA), Pat Whitten (NC)

CHILDREN & YOUTH: Charlotte & Silas Agee, Keagan and Logan Brooks, Makenna Jobes (FL), Luke Wilcox

GRIEVING: Families of Amy Boykin, Shirley Thomas Brown, Roy Davis, Greg Duerksen, Steve Erickson, Tommy Jones (SC), Leola Hogge, Laymon Jacobs (TN), Paula Lankford, Steve Lynch, Arthur Paiva, Larry Ridinger, Sharon

Sutton, H.H. Thacker

Pastor Mike

HEALTH ISSUES: Adora's grandfather, Molly Brawley, Jan Breen, Denzil Cook, Allen Derflinger, Deborah Eriksen,

Thom Ligon, Laurie Minor

HOSPICE: Lynn Hudson

HOSPITALIZED: Lee Beach (VCU), Trudy Grimm (NJ), Mimi Beckwith (UVA Med. Ctr.)

PARKINSON'S: Duane Burnett

RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Adora Hanssen's grandfather, Bishop Sharma Lewis, Duane Smith, Ray Sparrer,

Suzanne Trio, Donna Toler, Mildred Townsend, Amy Williams

UPCOMING SURGERY/TESTS: Bob Baughman (PA), Mark Doyle, Wally Iddings (PA), Jeannie Morris (FL-4/8)

BUMC'S MILITARY AND THEIR FAMILIES (italics—Bethany friends)

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.

ASSISTED LIVING (italics-Bethany friends) c/o Lee & Silma Kuivinen, 3717 Wren Ln., Rolling Meadows, IL 80008-2863 Mary Margaret Kuivinen c/o Bonnie Ballenger, 11228 Church Grove Ct., Henrico, VA 23233 Dorothy "Dot" Critzer Lorraine Brown, Rm 107 Jean Heywood, Rm 110 Gloucester House, 7657 Meredith Dr., Gloucester 23061 Esther Marie Jordan, Rm 509 Sanders Assisted Living, 7407 Walker Ave., Gloucester 23061 Ellis Hall, Rm 106 Sunrise Senior Living, 2015 Cranbeck Rd., Richmond 23235 Pauline Harris, Apt. 130 Walter Reed Conv. & Rehab Center, 7602 Meredith Dr., Gloucester 23061 Annette Adams, Rm 22 Kathleen Greene, Rm C1 York Convalescent & Rehab Center, 113 Battle Rd., Yorktown, VA 23692 Mary Poland, Rm 27A Alice Doggett, Rm 27B

OUR MISSIONARY – Clara Biswas, Cambodia.

NOTE ON MUSIC FOR PALM SUNDAY

In our Voluntary this morning, we travel back to the late Renaissance era in the company of Dutch composer Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck (1562-1621). As organist of Amsterdam's Oude Kerk (Old Church) for over forty years, he attracted students — and tourists! — from far and wide. While most prolific as a composer of vocal music, including the complete Genevan Psalter, Sweelinck is remembered today by his works for organ, especially the haunting variations on a German song, *Mein junges Leben hat ein End (My Young Life Now Is Ended*).

In his *Sweelinck Variations*, Rudy Shackelford borrowed motifs from this famous piece to construct six new variations on the *Passion Chorale (O Sacred Head, Now Wounded)*, originally a secular love song by Hans Leo Hassler, Sweelinck's German contemporary. The work is a fragment from *The Wound Dresser*, a Civil War oratorio on texts by Walt Whitman which the University of Hartford (Connecticut) commissioned from Shackelford in 1976 to celebrate the USA Bicentennial. *Sweelinck Variations* is published by Belwin-Mills in Melville, New York.

Our Offertory is based on the familiar hymn *All Glory, Laud, and Honor* (UMH No. 280). Theodulph, Bishop of Orleans (750-821) wrote this text while in prison. The original Latin hymn, designed for Palm Sunday processions, contrasts Jesus' festive entry into Jerusalem with the foreshadowing of His passion.

Johann Sebastian Bach used the familiar melody by Melchior Teschner (1613) as the basis of an organ fantasy on the contemporary German hymn *Valet will ich dir geben (Farewell, I gladly bid thee, false evil world*). Although this hymn expresses a longing for death, Bach's bold, propulsive setting clearly betokens triumph over death. And it seems as though his interpretation were better suited to the stately tune, which reaches up so proudly.

— Rudy Shackelford

VOLUNTEER NEEDED FOR POWER WASHING — We need a volunteer with a power washer to clean the old brick fence on the southeast corner of the church grounds (corner of Old 17 and Riverpark Road to the front parking lot). Please contact Al Burner at 804-642-6016 or 804-413-4444 to volunteer.

CHANGE IN RECYCLING AT BETHANY — Waste Management will no longer take recyclables from any third party refuse provider that we utilize, such as B & S Refuse. Thus, recycle containers by the kitchen will be removed soon. We ask that each group that uses the kitchen please collect and recycle paper, aluminum, clean plastic (recycle symbol 1 or 2 only), and cans (but no glass) at one of the Waste Convenience Centers. Note that the paper products must be separated from aluminum, plastic, and cans before depositing at a Waste Convenience Center. If each group can collect and recycle themselves, we can make a difference in the amount of waste! We thank Pastor Mike for volunteering to take to the convenience center the recycled paper generated by the office.

LOCKING OF CHURCH DOORS - The doors in the fellowship hall will be locked after Sunday School (the front door with steps and the back hallway door). The handicapped accessible back door and the side door will be locked approximately 11:15-11:20 after the 11:00 worship service has begun. Access to the sanctuary is available from the front door through the Narthex.

The securing of the building (during business, worship and ministry events) is a result of a recent inspection with the Sheriff's department and in line with recommendations for a safety/security/response plan which is under development and will be brought to the Administrative Council for consideration.

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 Worship at 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.; Sunday School for all ages at 9:45 a.m.				
Sunday, April 14	PALM SUNDAY			
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School Break fast (WBFH)		
	12:15-2:00 p.m.	UMYF		
Monday, April 15	BANNER ARTICLES DUE			
	7:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study (TBD)		
	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study (Connected)		
Tuesday, April 16	9:00 a.m.	Easter Egg Stuffing (WBFH)		
Wednesday, April 17	9:30 a.m.	C.A.R.E. Ministry (Lacey Martin)		
	11:30 a.m.	XYZ Club (WBFH)		
	6:30 p.m.	Troop 75		
	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal		
Thursday, April 18	9:00 a.m.	Crazy Crafty Chicks		
	10:00 a.m.	House of Prayer (Sanctuary)		
	10:30 a.m.	Naomi Circle (Mary Lotsey)		
	7:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Tenebrae & Holy Communion		
	8:00 p.m.	Prayer Vigil Begins (Sanctuary until midnight)		
Friday, April 19	GOOD FRIDAY; CHURCH OFFICE WILL CLOSE AT NOON			
-	8:00 a.m.	Prayer Vigil Resumes (Sanctuary until noon)		
	12:00 p.m.	Good Friday Service		
Saturday, April 20	9:00-11:00 a.m.	Easter Egg Hunt		
Sunday, April 21	6:05 a.m.	Community Sunrise Service at VIMS (followed by breakfast at Susanna Wesley UMC)		
	8:30 & 11:00 a.m.	Easter Worship at Bethany (with Sunday School, 9:45)		
Monday, April 22	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSE	ED		
	9:30 a.m.	Homebound Ministries (Kitchen/WBFH)		
	7:00 p.m.	Men's & Women's Bible Studies (TBD/Connected)		

BRING IN THE EASTER CANDY, EASTER BAUBLES AND EASTER BLING! — Please add your contribution of individually wrapped candies and egg-sized items to the box in the Children's Library. The annual Egg Stuffing will be on Tuesday, 4/16 at 9:00 a.m.! The Easter Egg Hunt is at 9:00 a.m. on 4/20. Thank you!

XYZ (eXtra Years of Zest) CLUB—Wednesday, April 17th – 11:30 a.m.

Join us this Wednesday for a covered dish lunch, fellowship, and a special program by guest speaker Nadine Tatum. For more information, contact Ann Byrd (804-693-9850) or Marion Dixon (804-642-5158).

CRAZY CRAFTY CHICKS - April 18 in the WBFH at 9 a.m. - Working on a craft and want to share with friends? Come join in the fun, fellowship and laughter!

TENEBRAE SERVICE AND HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE, Maundy Thursday, April 18 at 7:00 p.m. The chancel choir will perform the Tenebrae service "It Is Finished" by Mary McDonald, with narration by Clair Hillard. Tenebrae, which is Latin for "darkness," originally goes back to the ninth century and symbolizes the approaching darkness of Jesus' death and hopelessness in a world without God. Our service includes the Last Supper (Holy Communion) and ends in silence as we ponder the impact of Christ's crucifixion and await the coming Resurrection.

Our Holy Week Prayer Vigil will begin in the sanctuary following the Tenebrae Service. This is a time of self-directed prayer, Scripture reading, and meditation. Everyone is encouraged to spend an hour in prayer, and you can participate at home or church. Please sign up for a time slot in the narthex (lobby) today. Times are open to any number of people, but it will be best if all time slots are covered by at least two people to ensure continued prayer for the duration of the vigil. If you are unable to sign-up at church today but wish to participate in the vigil, contact Bev Kearney (email r_kearney@cox.net or call 804-694-1129) to request a time.

A Good Friday Service at Noon led by some of our Certified Lay Servants concludes our vigil. All are welcome.

HOMEBOUND MINISTRIES — **Monday, April 22 at 9:30 a.m**. — We need folks to cook, clean-up and deliver. (NOTE: We will not meet on April 15 as originally scheduled.)

CHURCH-WIDE SPRING CLEANING — **Friday, April 26 at 9:00 a.m.**—**Noon**. We can get a lot done with a good turnout!

GEORGE NELSON MEMORIAL CONCERT SERIES – Sunday, April 28 at 4:00 p.m.

Courthouse Community Orchestra will perform in the final concert of the 2018-2019 season. Invite a friend and join us for an afternoon of great music! Concert is free; a love offering will be received.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM – Join us Thursday, May 2 at 10 a.m. in the Sanctuary for "Healthy Living for Your Brain and Body" presented by the Alzheimer's Association. Join us as we learn cutting-edge research in the areas of diet and nutrition, exercise, cognitive activity and social engagement, and incorporate these recommendations into a plan for healthy aging. Sign up in the church narthex, main hallway near the office, or call (800) 272-3900 to register.

HAPPY WANDERERS – Middle Peninsula Historical Home Tour — Friday, May 3! We will meet at the front parking lot of church at 8:30 a.m. Each person is responsible for getting their own ticket. Tickets are \$30 in advance and \$35 the day of the tour. Order online at www.vagardenweek.org, or by mail before April 25 by sending a check payable to The Garden Club of the Middle Peninsula along with a self-addressed, stamped (2 stamps) legal-sized envelope to Mrs. Kelly Gwathmey, 6357 W. River Road., Aylett, 23009. If ordering more than two tickets an additional stamped, self-addressed envelope is required. We will probably pick up lunch at a fast food restaurant so we will have enough time to visit all the homes on the tour. Please let Judy Burner know if you plan to attend so we can arrange for carpooling.

UNITED METHODIST MEN and YOUTH YARD SALE - Saturday, May 4 - SAVE THE DATE!

The 2019 United Methodist Men and Youth Yard Sale will be held on May 4th from 9:00 a.m. til 2:00 p.m. Proceeds go to Missions. We will begin accepting sale items in the fellowship hall from 3-8 p.m., Monday, April 29. Questions? Please see Alan Harvey or Kris Kent.

LADIES LUNCH BUNCH —First Sunday of each month beginning May 5th

Ladies only (sorry guys!) are invited to a monthly lunch outing immediately after the 11:00 service. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall then go to our designated lunch destination. Please sign up in the Narthex or outside the church office no later than April 28 for reservations. Look forward to seeing you! May 5-Mobjack Tavern; June 2-River Walk; July 7- Food For Thought

SPRING 2019 MISSION TRIP — Sunday, May 12 – Friday, May 17 – Edenton, MC

Please contact Jane Niethamer, 757-273-1613 or Al or Judy Burner, 804-642-6016 if you have any questions or are interested in participating.

The Judicial Council of The United Methodist Church, sometimes referred to as our "Supreme Court", meets April 23-26 in Evanston, IL. Four clergy and five laity comprise this diverse and global Council. One of their duties will be to make a declaratory decision and thus determine the constitutionality and legality of the recent General Conference actions and whether these decisions conform to our Book of Discipline. You can learn more about their powers and duties at www.umc.org, to Structure, or Google. Please remember them in your prayers.