



Bethany United Methodist Church

The Church with Open Hearts, Minds, and Doors
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STEWARDSHIP	5/12
General Fund Total	4992.50
Capital Improvement	180.00
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	110.00
Mission Fund	175.00
Easter Flowers	30.00
Cemetery Fund	50.00
COUNTING TEAMS	May
3-Burner, Burner, Andersen	19
4-Riggin, Blubaugh, Blubaugh	26

SUNDAY WORSHIP	5/12
8:30 Sanctuary	45
11:00 Sanctuary	123
11:00 Nursery	1
11:00 Children's Church (included in Total Worship)	9
TOTAL in Worship	169
SUNDAY SCHOOL	
Adults	33
Youth	5
Children	9
TOTAL in SS	47

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!

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS		
Interested in serving as a Nursery Volunteer? <u>We need two individuals each hour.</u> Please sign up outside the nursery or contact Kris Kent (804-815-4246).		
Date	Sunday School Hour	11:00 a.m.
May 19	Nany Wilburn, Nancy Smith	Cat White, Shannon Roane
May 26	Donna Lane	Joy Wike, Sarah Hillard
June 2		Laura Glaze, Polly Harrison
June 9	Judy Burner, Shannon Minor	Joy Wike

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 Alexis Dishman
Sound Room: 8:30 Chip Neikirk 11:00 Jeremy Nardozzi
May Altar Guild: Kathy Jacobs, Sandra Harvey, Mike Harrison
Trustee Contact for this Week: Marsha Germek

BETHANY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

May 19, 2019

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.



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

WELCOME Pastor Mike

PRELUDE *He Is Our Peace* Kandela Groves
 Loretta Leigh, pianist

CHORAL INTROIT (11:00) *When in Our Music God Is Glorified* UMH No. 68

***OPENING HYMN** *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*, odd verses UMH No. 57

SHARING OF OUR PRAYER CONCERNS & MORNING PRAYER Pastor Mike

UNISON PRAYER Baum Hogge

O God, you create us in your image, and yet we rebel against your love. You pour out your Spirit upon us, and yet we resist your gifts. Teach us the way of humility and partnership. Through the power of the cross, have mercy on us, and forgive us.

Silent prayer.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RENEWED STRENGTH Pastor Mike
THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH No. 895

CHORAL RESPONSE (11:00) *Amen* UMH No. 898

THE ANTHEM *I Pledge Allegiance to the Lamb* Ray Boltz
 In honor of Charlotte Cecil and Peggy Lewis Doe Breen, soloist

GRADUATE RECOGNITION (11:00) Kris Kent / Pastor Mike

PRAYER FOR OUR GRADUATES

Everlasting God, you empower us with knowledge, skills, personality, and talents to aid one another as we live out our lives. As we recall your grace and kindness to these young lives and celebrate the endings and beginnings of the opportunities You provide, empower all of us to live lives worthy of the callings you offer, that we may strengthen one another and your creation as we walk together with You through this life. In Jesus Christ’s name we pray, Amen.

CHILDREN’S STORY

Pastor Mike

RECEIVING GOD’S TITHES, GIFTS AND MORNING OFFERING

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Baum Hogge

Lord, we return to you what is already yours. You provide so much for us, so many blessings pressed down, shaken together, running over. Thank you for giving us abilities and ways to meet so many different kinds of needs, and cheerful hearts to do it. We do so in your name, Amen.

THE OFFERTORY

The Power of Your Love

Geoff Bullock

***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.

***HYMN OF PREPARATION**

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

UMH No. 381

***SCRIPTURE**

Psalm 71:17

Baum Hogge

The Word of God for the people of God.

Pew Bible OT, pg. 512

Thanks be to God.

THE MESSAGE

Retirement

Pastor Mike

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

BAPTISM AND RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (11:00)

UMH No. 34

Rick and Gerri Wilson

***CLOSING HYMN**

Happy the Home When God Is There

UMH No. 445

During the singing of the hymn, you are invited to come forward and pray over the handmade coverings being presented to the following recipients: Prayer Shawls— Tonia Kyker, Annette Adams, Connie Mershon, Mary Linsenbigler, Diana Lee; Lap Robes—Ben Lankford, Jack Ridinger

***BENEDICTION**

Pastor Mike

The Prayer for our Graduates is from Rev. Michael H. from Hope Lutheran Church, Everly, IA, posted on www.synodresourcecenter.org.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given for the glory of God by Ronald Ervi and Loreen Paiva in thanksgiving for 19 beautiful years of marriage.

Bethany UMC Prayer List		BETHANY FAMILY	
CANCER/CHEMO: Annette Adams, Krista Chase, Carol Johnson, David Lewis, Ted Peterman (NC), Matt Shackelford			
GRIEVING: Family of Bob Nardozi, Tong family			
HEALTH ISSUES: Woody Brown, Judy Burner, David Chapin, Dawn Cluts, Kathleen Greene, Gene Harrell, Jean Heywood, Jennie Lipscomb, Paige Mitchell, Joni Neal, Peggy Peterman (NC), Nancy Smith, Rosemarie Tong			
HOMEBOUND: Linda Booth, Katherine Jordan, Alice McGee, Mary Dale Williams			
RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Connor Brooks, Irene Brown, Loreen Paiva, Matt Shackelford, Rosemarie Tong			
UPCOMING SURGERY/TESTS: David Chapin (6/12), Gerlinde Stevens (5/21)			
BETHANY FRIENDS			
CANCER/CHEMO: Bill Ambrose, Pap Connell, Ann Dickerson, Elizabeth Flowers (NC), Brenda France, Donna Franklin, Ben Lankford, Mary Linsenbigler, Ellen McDade, Rustie Ruiz (GA), Pat Whitten (NC)			
CHILDREN & YOUTH: Charlotte & Silas Agee (TN), Makenna Jobes (FL), Jacob Staley, Judah Swenson, Brooke Taylor, Luke Wilcox			
HEALTH ISSUES: Lee Beach, Mimi Beckwith, Molly Brawley, Jan Breen, Denzil Cook, Allen Derflinger, Deborah Eriksen, Diana Lee, Thom Ligon, Kevin Malone, Jean Morris (FL), Jack Ridinger, Linwood Rowe, Sylvia Rowe			
HOSPICE: Lynn Hudson			
HOSPITALIZED: Trudy Grimm (NJ), Connie Mershon (Riverside Regional)			
PARKINSON’S: Duane Burnett			
RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Bishop Sharma Lewis, Jeff Lindquist, Lynn Martin, Laurie Minor, Duane Smith, Ray Sparrer, Suzanne Trio, Donna Toler			
UPCOMING SURGERY/TESTS: Bob Baughman (PA), Mark Doyle, Wally Iddings (PA), Tonia Kyker (6/23)			
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 Bonnie Ballenger , 11228 Church Grove Ct., Henrico, VA 23233		Dorothy “Dot” Critzer	
Gloucester House , 7657 Meredith Dr., Gloucester 23061		Lorraine Brown, Rm 107 Jean Heywood, Rm 110 Esther Marie Jordan, Rm 509	
Magnolia Manor , 101 John Rolfe Dr., Smithfield, VA 23430		<i>Les Breen</i>	
ManorCare , 715 W. Central Rd., Room 253B, Arlington Heights, IL 60005		<i>Mary Margaret Kuivinen</i>	
Sanders Assisted Living , 7407 Walker Ave., Gloucester 23061		<i>Ellis Hall</i> , 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	
York Convalescent & Rehab Center , 113 Battle Rd., Yorktown, VA 23692		Mary Poland, Rm 27A Alice Doggett, Rm 27B	
OUR MISSIONARY – Clara Biswas, Cambodia.			

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION -- The Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) will be recognizing one of our staff members each quarter. This quarter the SPRC is calling your attention to Dee Dee Wike, our Church Office Administrator, in a 3-part interview conducted by SPRC member Alan Harvey.

Part 3

- **Since you've been our Office Manager you have changed several things in the office to make it run more efficiently and economically. What is an example of something you are proud of?** Our website. While it's not the most sophisticated "bells and whistles" website out there, I feel it provides helpful tools and information for our members and gives potential visitors a good overview of our ministries and activities.
- **What would you like to see Bethany do better?** Take ownership in our church by getting involved and sharing our gifts and abilities with one another. Join a Sunday school class, the choir, a fellowship group or Bible study! When we become active participants and serve together, our faith in God and friendships with one another will grow, we will find deeper meaning and purpose for our lives, and our joy will attract those who may not know Christ.
- **How can the congregation help make your job easier?** Be proactive in communicating with the office about meetings and events so that I don't have to chase down details, and please make sure to submit your information in writing by the appropriate deadlines. Please don't assume I know what you need or what your group is doing, or that I'll remember what we did last year. My greatest fear is that something important will fall through the cracks because of a breakdown in communication or a wrong assumption.

HUGS MINISTRY

What a nice surprise to receive a call telling me a lap robe was for me! It is beautiful and I look forward to its warmth as it seems I stay chilly. Many thanks and blessings – *Woody Brown*

Thank you for thinking of us and for sending Carley the beautiful handmade prayer quilt. When we use it, we will always think about all the love and prayers from our Bethany family.

Love – *Traci, Jason & Carley Waters*

A thank you note from UMCOR was received for the following donations: \$160 where most needed and \$3,315 to Clara Biswas. *"The dear people you just helped with your gift to UMCOR may never have the opportunity to meet you, but if they did, I am certain their response would be – Thank you! And through your financial support you are serving within a vital network of interactive relationships in the U.S. and in more than 60 countries in which UMCOR and partnering agencies engage in direct ministry to persons in need."*

SERVICE POSITION AVAILABLE — We are currently seeking a Volunteer Nursery Coordinator. This individual would schedule the helpful team of Nursery Attendants who tend the Nursery during our Sunday School and 11:00 Worship Services. Please contact Kris Kent (815-4246) to discuss how you can assist with our littlest happy hearts at Bethany UMC!

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, May 19	11:00 a.m. 12:15 p.m.	Graduate Recognition Cake Reception honoring graduating seniors (WBFH)
Monday, May 20	7:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study (TBD) Women's Bible Study (Connected)
Tuesday, May 21	7:00 p.m.	Administrative Council (Friendship)
Wednesday, May 22	9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	C.A.R.E. Ministry (Lacey Martin) Homebound Ministries (Kitchen) Troop 75 (Education Wing) Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, May 23	10:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 2:00 p.m.	House of Prayer (Sanctuary) Naomi Circle (Mary Lotsey) UMW Board (Lacey Martin)
Monday, May 27	OFFICE CLOSED – MEMORIAL DAY	

HOME BOUND MINISTRIES - Join us on **Wednesday, May 22 at 9:30 a.m.** as we prepare, cook and deliver meals to our shut-ins.

LADIES LUNCH BUNCH -- **June 2nd at 12:15 p.m.** All ladies are invited to join us for lunch the first Sunday of each month. On June 2, we will be carpooling to Riverwalk Restaurant in Yorktown. Please sign up in Narthex or across from church office. Deadline for RSVP is May 26. Come join the fun. We would love to have you.



REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR ATHENS VBS, JUNE 17-21, 9 a.m. til noon
Register online at <https://vbspro.events/p/events/athens-bethanyumc-gp> or by picking up a registration form. Registration deadline is Wednesday, June 12. For more information or to register contact Shannon Roane (804-815-5694, roanes4@yahoo.com).

VOLUNTEERS ARE STILL NEEDED. If you can help with VBS contact Kris Kent at 804-815-4246 or email kentcrew2001@gmail.com.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS!

Morgan Cooper, daughter of Dana & Todd Cooper and niece of Jason & Susannah Hogge, from Gloucester High School. Morgan will attend University of MD Eastern Shore this fall.

Makayla Floyd, daughter of Heather Malique, from Woodside High School in Newport News. Makayla will seek full-time employment and apply to the U.S. Air Force in the fall.

Patrick Glaze, son of Scott & Laura Glaze and grandson of Bev Kearney from York High School. Patrick will attend Virginia Tech Pamplin School of Business this fall.

McKenzie Blair Hasty, daughter of Lisa & Blair Hasty and granddaughter of John & Pat Hasty, from Gloucester High School. McKenzie will attend Rappahannock Community College School of Nursing.

Caroline Kaylor, granddaughter of Mary Kaylor, from Waccamaw High School. Caroline will attend Samford University in the fall.

Olivia Mae McLucas, niece of Rick & Gerri Wilson, from Rustin High School. Olivia will attend University of South Carolina this fall.

Jordan Roane, son of Jason & Shannon Roane and grandson of Pitt & Cheryl Roane, from Gloucester High School. Jordan will attend Rappahannock Community College in the fall.

Mallory Smith, great-granddaughter of Estelle Harris, from Spain Park High School, Birmingham, AL. Mallory will attend Auburn University this fall.

Emma Ziegenfus, daughter of Rob and Deb Ziegenfus, from Gloucester High School. Emma will attend Rappahannock Community College in the fall.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS! Rick and Gerri Wilson are joining Bethany at our 11:00 service by Profession of faith. Rick and Gerri wish to convey their thanks for your welcoming spirit and friendly smiles every time they come to worship. Both were born and spent their youth in Pennsylvania but have spent their adult lives all over the U.S. Rick joined the Navy after high school and then served in the Army, retiring in 2010 after 34 years of combined active duty. He returned to work in 2011 and today works at Ft. Eustis as a Marine Cargo Planner for the Army's Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command (SDDC). Gerri spent many years traveling the country and working trade shows. In 2010, at age 49, Gerri decided to go to college, earning a Bachelor's Degree in History from McKendree University. Her dream of teaching as an Adjunct professor was ended by a bad accident shortly after their arrival in Virginia. Today she is a full-time homemaker and Sheltie mom of two precious pups. Rick and Gerri celebrated their 23rd wedding anniversary on April 6.

Rick and Gerri reside at 3027 Hughes Lane in Hayes. Their home phone number is 804-993-7041 and email address is Jaxgerri@aol.com. Please join us in welcoming Rick and Gerri to our Bethany family!

Congratulations to Our Other Graduates!

Graduate School/College:

Dr. Tiffany Harvey, granddaughter of Alan & Sandra Harvey, from Darden School of Business of the University of Virginia.

Jeremy Derflinger, son of Pastor Mike & Sherri Derflinger, from Longwood University, B.A. in English.

Kirsten Harvey, granddaughter of Alan & Sandra Harvey, from Rappahannock Community College, Nursing Degree.

John Carter Kale, son of Wilford & Kelly Hasty Kale and grandson of John & Pat Hasty, from William & Mary, B.B.A. in Management

Justin Sage, grandson of Norma Sage and nephew of Steve & Dawn McDade, from West Virginia University, Master's Degree.

Middle School:

William Talmadge Ambrose, grandson of Alan & Sandra Harvey, from Aylett Country Day School to St. Anne's.

Shelby Jacobs, daughter of Kevin & Kathy Jacobs, from Peasley Middle School to Gloucester High School.

Alix Shackelford, son of Matt & Tiina Shackelford, from Page Middle School to Gloucester High School.

Elementary/Preschool:

Alexis Grace Dishman, daughter of Shannon & Baron Dishman, from Achilles Elementary to Page Middle School.

Christian Martin, son of Stacie & Paul Martin, brother of Hunter, and grandson of Nan & Bobby Leigh from Botetourt Elementary to Page Middle School.

Cole McDade, son of Steve & Dawn McDade, from Botetourt Elementary.

Justus Minor, son of Jim & Shannon Minor, from Bethel Elementary to Peasley Middle School.

Olivia Garner Naquin and **Ava-Grace McLean Naquin**, daughters of Jennifer & Robert Naquin and granddaughters of Nancy & Tom Smith, from Achilles Elementary to Page Middle School.

Matthew Harvey, grandson of Alan & Sandra Harvey, from Susanna Wesley Preschool.

Cooper White, son of Adam & Cat White, brother of Stella, from Abingdon Elementary to Page Middle School.