



Bethany United Methodist Church

The Church with Open Hearts, Minds, and Doors
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STEWARDSHIP	7/14
General Fund Total	4542.04
Capital Improvement Fund	54.04
Pastor’s Discretionary Fund (Altar)	50.00
VBS/Mission Project	9.23
Homebound Ministries	70.00
Rise Against Hunger (\$30 Bob & Sally Nardozzi)	440.00
COUNTING TEAMS	July
5-Luther, D. Robins, Rollins	21
6-Hampton, Morecock, Thomas	28

SUNDAY WORSHIP	7/14
8:30 Sanctuary	36
11:00 Sanctuary	90
11:00 Nursery	1
11:00 Children’s Church (included in Total Worship)	4
TOTAL in Worship	127
SUNDAY SCHOOL	
Adults	35
Youth	1
Children	3
TOTAL in SS	39

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	10:45 a.m.
July 21	Tiina and Miranda Shackelford	Polly Harrison, Stacie Martin
July 28		Shannon Minor, Laura Glaze
August 4	Shannon Minor	Sandra Harvey, Shannon Roane
August 11		Shannon Minor, Rob Raines

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 Baum Hogge 11:00 Austin Kent
Sound Room: 8:30 Chip Neikirk 11:00 Adam White
July Altar Guild: Ann Byrd, Betty Durette, Sylvia Ransone, Paul Kendall
Trustee Contact for this Week: Donna Andersen

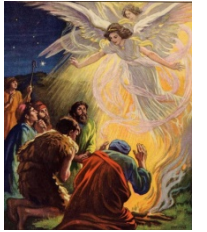
July 21, 2019

BETHANY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.



**SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
CHRISTMAS IN JULY**



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 *Sing We Now of Christmas* (French Carol) UMH 237

WELCOME Pastor Mike

VOLUNTARY
Hymn: “Savior of the Nations, Come” UMH 214
Prelude on “Savior of the Nations, Come” Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–28 July 1750)
 Transcribed for piano by Ferruccio Busoni

CHORAL INTROIT (11:00) *This Is the Day the Lord Has Made* Hal Hopson

***OPENING HYMNS**
What Child Is This, vv. 1,3 UMH 219
Blessed Be the God of Israel UMH 209

***RESPONSIVE READING** *Canticle of Mary, no refrain* (UMH 199) Mike Harrison

SHARING OF OUR PRAYER CONCERNS & MORNING PRAYER Pastor Mike
UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION Mike Harrison

God of Joseph, Mary, and Jesus, we confess that we have bushelled the Light that has come into the world. We confess our own need for control is often more compelling than being with You. We confess that often we don’t make the journey, and miss Christ.

By your grace, we want to be counted among those who dropped all they were doing and traveled to worship Jesus. We want to be among those who rearranged schedules, who answered the call to go on behalf of others, to make the long and arduous journey from our weekdays to Sunday, to adore you and praise you with gifts befitting the King of all creation.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Pastor Mike
THE LORD’S PRAYER UMH 895

CHORAL RESPONSE (11:00) *Amen* UMH 899

THE ANTHEM (8:30) *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* UMH 211
 Dawn Bontrager, soloist
 (11:00) *A Little Light Was Born* Joseph M. Martin
 Chancel Choir

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE Pastor Mike

RECEIVING GOD’S TITHES, GIFTS AND MORNING OFFERING

OFFERTORY PRAYER Mike Harrison

Precious Savior, connect our hands with our time. Our hearts with our pockets. Our health with your mission. Be the pacemaker which fills us with the steady rhythm of grace, generosity, and gladness. We pray in through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE OFFERTORY *Swiss Noël* Louis-Claude Daquin (1694-1772)
 Daquin was appointed Organist of Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris in 1755

***THE DOXOLOGY** UMH 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.**

***CHRISTMAS MEDLEY** *He Is Born*, refrain, v.1, refrain UMH 228
Infant Holy, Infant Lowly, v.1 UMH 229
O Little Town of Bethlehem, v. 1 UMH 230
When Christmas Morn Is Dawning, vv. 1,3 UMH 232

***SCRIPTURE** Matthew 2:1-6 Mike Harrison
 The Word of God for the people of God. Pew Bible NT, pg. 1
Thanks be to God.

THE MESSAGE Celebrating Christ and Keeping Christmas Pastor Mike

***CLOSING HYMN** *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*, vv. 1,3 UMH 240

***BENEDICTION** Pastor Mike

***CLOSING CHORUS** *Shalom to You* UMH 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.*

ALTAR FLOWERS are given for the glory of God by Gene Harrell. “I really lucked out when God gave me a woman to marry who brought a daughter and a granddaughter into my life. They all have birthdays this month: Liz, the 26th; Dawn, 30th; and my wonderful wife Jeannie, the 23rd. My billfold and heart take wings. Full of love for you ladies.—Gene”

Bethany UMC Prayer List		BETHANY FAMILY	
CANCER/CHEMO: Krista Chase, Gene Harrell, Carol Johnson, David Lewis, Ted Peterman (NC), Matt Shackelford			
GRIEVING: Family of Annette Adams, Bob Nardozi, Tong family			
HEALTH ISSUES: Woody Brown, Judy Burner, Dawn Cluts, Kathleen Greene, Jean Heywood, Archie Leigh, Jennie Lipscomb, Paige Mitchell, Peggy Peterman (NC), Pauline Reimold, Nancy Smith			
HOMEBOUND: Linda Booth, Katherine Jordan, Alice McGee, Mary Dale Williams			
RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Irene Brown, David Chapin, Paul McFarland, Loreen Paiva, Marsha Poland, Rudy Shackelford, Gerlinde Stevens, Rosemarie Tong			
BETHANY FRIENDS			
CANCER/CHEMO: Cleveland Cameron, Pap Connell, Patrick Cooney, Jr., Dave Cooper, Alice Cruz, Ann Dickerson, Elizabeth Flowers (NC), Brenda France, Donna Franklin, Ben Lankford, Mary Linsenbigler, Ellen McDade, Darla K. Robertson, Rustie Ruiz (GA), George Skinner			
CHILDREN & YOUTH: Makenna Jobes (FL), Ian Simmons, Jacob Staley, Judah Swenson, Brooke Taylor, Luke Wilcox, Sawyer, Willa			
GRIEVING: Families of Corey Blubaugh, Dorothy Corbin, Joan French, Sue Miller, Marsha Pohorence, Donnie Ridinger, Jack Ridinger, Mary Alice Tillotson, Betty Tucker, Pat Whitten (NC), Janet Wike, Wooten niece			
HEALTH/OTHER ISSUES: Bob Baughman (PA), Lee Beach, Joe Blake, Molly Brawley, Jan Breen, Denzil Cook, Allen Derflinger, Jon Erik, Deborah Eriksen, Marsha Gillis & husband, Trudy Grimm, Allen Hines, Wally Iddings (PA), Diana Lee, Kevin Malone, Connie Mershon, Vance Miller, Jean Morris (FL), Linwood Rowe, Sylvia Rowe, Mary Jo Smith (NC), Vicky Whitney			
HOSPICE: Buck Walker			
HOSPITALIZED: Joan Martin (Riverside Regional)			
PARKINSON’S: Duane Burnett			
RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Trudy Grimm (NJ), Tonia Kyker, Bishop Sharma Lewis, Lynn Martin, Laurie Minor, Duane Smith, Ray Sparrer, Suzanne Trio			
SURGERY/TESTS: Mark Doyle, Mary Gallimore, Thia Martin			
BUMC’S ACTIVE MILITARY AND THEIR FAMILIES (<i>italics—Bethany friends</i>)			
<i>Edward Bailey, Michael Brown, Peter Demetriades, Meagan Demetriades, Laine Fay, Thomas Howse, Kevin Jacobs (deployed), Jim Minor (deployed), all members of the military.</i>			
ASSISTED LIVING (<i>italics-Bethany friends</i>)			
Atlantic Shores Rehab		<i>Thom Ligon</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	
Heron Cove , 7385 Walker Ave., Gloucester 23061		Norma Sage, Bldg. 1 Rm 7	
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	
York Convalescent & Rehab Center , 113 Battle Rd., Yorktown, VA 23692		Mary Poland, Rm 27A Alice Doggett, Rm 27B M.E. Thomas, Rm C5	
OUR MISSIONARY – Clara Biswas, Cambodia.			

Corey Blubaugh, son of Bob & Lynda Blubaugh, passed on July 15.

Donnie Ridinger, nephew of Bonnie Ridinger Cecil, passed on July 15.

HUGS MINISTRY

My sincere thanks to the HUGS ministry for the beautiful prayer shawl. The shawl, along with Bethany members' cards and prayers, have provided me much comfort as I recover from surgery.

With a grateful heart, Marsha Poland

Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for your healing prayers to help me during my illness. Please know I will enjoy the lovely prayer shawl and will remember your thoughtfulness. I am blessed to have such caring friends who sent prayers for healing when I needed them. Many blessings to you all!

Jean Morris (sister of Judy Vaughan)

BETHANY BANNER – Beginning in September, our church newsletter, *Bethany Banner*, will be published bi-monthly rather than monthly.

Why the change? The Communications Committee recently reviewed our communication tools (bulletin, *Banner*, website, email blast, etc.) to determine what works best and how we can communicate more efficiently and cost-effectively with our church family. We all agreed that we should continue to publish the *Banner* in print, especially for those who do not have access to a computer or may be unable to attend church regularly. However, with a variety of communication methods already in place, we felt that it would be prudent at this time to publish the newsletter on a bi-monthly schedule. Each bi-monthly issue will contain two months' worth of calendars and birthday/anniversaries, as well as announcements about upcoming events.

The August *Banner* will be published as scheduled, with the due date for submission on July 15.

The deadline schedule for subsequent issues will be:

August 15 for the September/October newsletter

October 15 for the November/December newsletter

If you have questions or need up-to-date information on scheduled events, please visit our website (www.bethanyumc-gp.org) to download the latest bulletin or contact the church office between 9 a.m. & 3 p.m., Monday through Friday. I'll be more than happy to help you!

We believe this change will be a benefit to all. **If you are not already receiving the *Banner* by mail or reading it on our website, we encourage you to contact the church office to subscribe.**

— Dee Dee Wike, Chairperson of Communications (804.642.2110 or bethanyumc3@verizon.net)

WE HAVE LOST CONTACT WITH THESE MEMBERS. Information on these members in our pictorial directory is no longer accurate. Dennisa Booth, Katie Boyette, Lisa Boyette (may still be Lisa Boyette Braswell), Karleen Frederick, Jennifer Coates Harbuck, Christopher Holder, Nikki (may go by Dominique) Holder, George and Sara Joyner, Lisa Marie Krukovsky, Jonathan Loase, Tricia Thomas Manning, Stephanie Wood McGowen, Brian Paulino, Ashley Reynolds, Tristan Reynolds, Jeri Stelson, Michael and Jennifer Stumph, Michelle Ann Ward, Glenn West, Gina White, Johnathan Wood, Stephanie Wood. Please contact Pastor Mike with any information you may have. Thank you!

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, July 21	CHRISTMAS IN JULY	
Monday, July 22	9:30 a.m.	Homebound Ministries (Kitchen/WBFH)
Tuesday, July 23	1:00–7:00 p.m.	Bethany Red Cross Blood Drive (WBFH)
Wednesday, July 24	9:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	C.A.R.E. Ministry (Lacey Martin) Troop 75 (Education Wing) Chancel Choir
Thursday, July 25	10:00 a.m.	House of Prayer (Sanctuary)
Saturday, July 27	Bob Nardozzi Celebration of Life 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Visitation (Sanctuary) Memorial Service (Sanctuary) Graveside Service (Glo. Pt. Cemetery) BBQ Reception (WBFH)
Sunday, July 28	4:00–7:00 p.m.	Summer Youth Pool Party

NEXT SUNDAY Pastor Mike begins a new message series on Vision. We will look ahead to our third year together. What is Vision? What does the Bible have to say about God's Vision? What is the difference between Mission and Vision? Does a Vision change over time? We will talk about a Vision for Bethany. As you worship, ask God, and ask God now, to give you a vision of what your life should be like over the next twelve months.

HOMEBOUND MINISTRIES - Cooking for shut-ins, Monday, July 22 at 9:30 a.m.

Each month we cook, prepare and deliver 20-30 meals to our shut-ins. This is not a budgeted item. If you would like to donate to this worthwhile ministry it would be greatly appreciated. Just mark on your check Home Bound Ministries or Meals for shut-ins.

**ANNUAL BETHANY UMC RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE -- TUESDAY, JULY 23, 2019
1:00 – 7:00 P.M., WARREN BELVIN FELLOWSHIP HALL**

Volunteer sign-up sheets will be distributed 2 weeks before the event. Hosts and hostesses are needed for 2-hour shifts and sandwich and dessert makers will be recruited. Be sure to check your Sunday bulletins in July for additional information.



To volunteer, or for more information, contact: Sandy Riggin (804-815-0915) or Mary Beth Mayer (757-876-7046). To schedule an appointment online, visit www.redcrossblood.org.

Services for Bob Nardozi will be held at Bethany on Saturday, July 27. Visitation will be at 9:00 a.m., with a Celebration of Life service at 10:00 a.m., graveside service at 11:00 a.m., and a BBQ reception at noon (or shortly before). Special thanks to Josh Morris, who will furnish the BBQ and buns. Congregation is asked to bring side dishes, desserts, and salads. Make plans now to join us for this time of remembrance and celebration.

Let's make a big splash at the
SUMMER YOUTH POOL PARTY – Sunday, July 28 from 4-7 p.m.

All Youth from 6th through 12th grade and their parents are invited to the home of Betty and Chip Neikirk (4364 Gwyn Lane, Hayes) on Sunday, July 28th from 4-7pm. Deli sandwiches and drinks will be provided. **Please contact me by Thursday, 7/25 to RSVP.** Also let me know if you would like to bring a side dish, dessert, or chips. Church appropriate swim wear is requested. Thank you,



Ms. Kris
804-815-4246

Kris Kent is stepping down as Director of Children and Youth Ministries effective July 31 after 14 years of service. Kris will be honored with an appreciation basket on July 28. If you wish to contribute a gift, please bring it with you on the 28th. If you won't be here on the 28th, please contact Polly Harrison or other SPPRC members, or leave your gift in the SPPRC mailbox located outside the church office.

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP sponsored by the Alzheimer's Association will begin at Bethany on **Thursday, August 1 at 10 a.m. in the Mary Lotsey Classroom.** This support group will meet on the first Thursday of each month. These support groups, conducted by trained facilitators, are a safe place for caregivers, family and friends of persons with dementia to: develop a support system, exchange practical information on care giving challenges and possible solutions, talk through issues and ways of coping, share feelings, needs and concerns, and to learn about community resources. Do you know of someone who could benefit from this group? Please let them know of this opportunity.

LADIES LUNCH BUNCH – August 4, 12:15 p.m. at Olivia's, Gloucester Courthouse. Please sign up and join the fun! Sign-up sheets are located in the Narthex and table at office entrance.

RISE AGAINST HUNGER – SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 – 12:15 PM – COME HELP US END HUNGER!

Rise Against Hunger is an international hunger relief organization that distributes food and life-changing aid to the world's 815 million vulnerable people impacted by hunger.

Bethany will be hosting another Rise Against Hunger meal-packaging event on SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 following the 11 a.m. service and we need your help! Here's what we need:

- Volunteers to package meals. This is a family-friendly event for people of all ages. A light sandwich lunch will be served and fun is guaranteed!
- Donations to cover the cost of meals. Thanks to your generosity we are almost there! To contribute, make check payable to Bethany UMC and write "Rise Against Hunger" in the memo line. Come join us! You will be blessed!

