



Bethany United Methodist Church

The Church with Open Hearts, Minds, and Doors
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STEWARDSHIP	7/28
General Fund Total	3017.35
Capital Improvement Fund	55.00
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	10.00
Endowment Fund (B. Tucker)	35.00
Homebound Ministries	50.00
Rise Against Hunger	40.00
COUNTING TEAMS	August
7-Cecil, Durette, Hillard	4
1-Kaylor, Byrd, Hasty	11
2-B. Robins, Harvey, Niethamer	18
3-Burner, Burner, Andersen	25

SUNDAY WORSHIP	7/28
8:30 Sanctuary	38
11:00 Sanctuary	125
11:00 Nursery	2
11:00 Children's Church (included in Total Worship)	
TOTAL in Worship	165
SUNDAY SCHOOL	
Adults	19
Youth	0
Children	3
TOTAL in SS	22

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 HELPERS		
Interested in serving as a Nursery Helper? <u>We need one helper each hour.</u> Please contact Joy Wike (901-651-0834) if you can help. Thanks!		
Date	Sunday School Hour	10:45 a.m.
August 4	Shannon Minor	Sandra Harvey or Shannon Roane
August 11	1 helper needed	Shannon Minor or Rob Raines
August 18	1 helper needed	1 helper needed
August 25	1 helper needed	1 helper needed

Pastor: Mike Derflinger

Church Office Administrator: Dee Dee Wike **Chaplain in Residence:** Carol Johnson
Director of Music: Sandra Fox **Lay Leader:** Judy Burner
Organist: Dr. Rudy Shackelford **Nursery Director:** Joy Wike
Acolytes: 8:30 Justus Minor 11:00 Alec and Ellannah Daniel
Sound Room: 8:30 Kirk Bell 11:00 Adam White
August Altar Guild: Jackie Hampton, Patsy Bell, Clare Hall
Trustee Contact for this Week: Don Thomas

August 4, 2019

BETHANY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

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 *Moon River*, from "Breakfast at Tiffany's" Henry Mancini
 Celebrating the 50th anniversary of Apollo 11, the first lunar landing on 20 July 1969

WELCOME Pastor Mike

WELCOMING PRAYER FOR A NEW STAFF MEMBER

Today we welcome Joy Wike, our newly hired Nursery Director who begins today.

Gracious God, we thank you for Joy, whom we have hired to be our Nursery Director. We know that the beginning of a new position and ministry is normally an anxious time, but we ask that Your peace will fill her as she builds relationships with children, parents, and second person helpers, and that this will be a happy and exciting time for Joy and everyone. We thank you for this answer to our prayers, as we pray in Your name, Amen.

***OPENING HYMN** *All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine*, vv. 1,3,5 UMH 166

***RESPONSIVE READING** *Canticle of Christ's Obedience, response 1* (UMH 167) Marsha Germek

SHARING OF OUR PRAYER CONCERNS Pastor Mike
MORNING PRAYER, ASSURANCE OF PARDON, AND THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

VOLUNTARY *Hymn: "Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above (Amsterdam)"* Charles Wesley (UMH No. 96)
Concerto on "Amsterdam," from CHARLES WESLEY ORGANBOOK Rudy Shackelford (composed 2007)
 Written at the request of Rev. Steve Young to celebrate Charles Wesley's 300th birthday and Bethany's 120th anniversary. Published in 2015 by Paraclete Press.

CHILDREN'S STORY Pastor Mike

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

Marsha Germek

Lord Jesus Christ, we give because we believe you, and we believe in you. You are Son of God and Son of man, the Gift of the Father's unending grace, the Foundation of our hope, and the Promise of our deliverance from sin and death. May our tithes and offerings reflect our prayer and our thankfulness. We pray in your name. Amen.

THE ANTHEM *I Believe* Ervin Drake, Irvin Graham
 Carol Johnson, soloist Jimmy Shirl, Al Stillman
 UMH 95

***THE DOXOLOGY**
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** 2 Corinthians 11:24-27 Marsha Germek
 The Word of God for the people of God. Pew Bible NT, pg. 175
Thanks be to God.

THE MESSAGE Vision: A Precedent for Passion Pastor Mike

Paul could endure because he had a _____ to fulfill a _____.

1. We have a precedent for this passion, such as from _____.

2. God has given the Church a _____ for vision, but we must _____ it.

3. Vision usually is _____ and tailored to circumstances.

4. Vision comes with _____.

5. Vision usually _____ the visionary.

6. Vision reveals a _____.

HOLY COMMUNION UMH, pp. 12-15

Receiving the Bread and Cup

*Gifts of money left at the altar rail during Communion are designated for the
 Pastor’s Discretionary Fund to help people in crisis in our church family and our community.*

Music during Communion

Clair de Lune (Moonlight), from “Suite Bergamasque” Claude Debussy (22 August 1862-1918)
 Remembering Marie Baldwin, Organist of Bethany UMC from 1954 to 1972; died 6 August 2006

***CLOSING HYMN** *Here I Am, Lord* UMH 593

***BENEDICTION** Pastor Mike

ALTAR FLOWERS are given for the glory of God by Judy and Milton Hudgins—
 “Grateful for a beautiful summer & all the blessings that we share.”

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	
HEALTH ISSUES: Woody Brown, Judy Burner, Dawn Cluts, Kathleen Greene, Jeannie Harrell, Archie Leigh, Jennie Lipscomb, Paige Mitchell, Peggy Peterman (NC), 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, Gerlinde Stevens, M.E. Thomas, Rosemarie Tong	
SURGERY/TESTS:	
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, Ellen McDade, Darla K. Robertson, Rustie Ruiz (GA), George Skinner	
CHILDREN & YOUTH: Braydyn Hysell, Makenna Jobes (FL), Ian Simmons, Jacob Staley, Judah Swenson, Brooke Taylor, Luke Wilcox, Sawyer, Willa, GHS football team	
EMPLOYMENT/TRAVEL: Lamont Johnson	
GRIEVING: Family of Corey Blubaugh, Dorothy Corbin, Joan French, Johann Kulik, Mary Linsenbigler, Sue Miller, Marsha Pohorence, Donnie Ridinger, Jack Ridinger, Mary Alice Tillotson, Betty Tucker, Pat Whitten (NC)	
HEALTH/OTHER ISSUES: Bob Baughman (PA), Lee Beach, Joe Blake, Molly Brawley, Jan Breen, Mr. & Mrs. Scott Brittle, Denzil Cook, Allen Derflinger, Jon Erik, Deborah Eriksen, Marsha Gillis & husband, Trudy Grimm, Allen Hines, Wally Iddings (PA), Diana Lee, Fred Leigh, Kevin Malone, Connie Mershon, Vance Miller, Jean Morris (FL), Linwood Rowe, Sylvia Rowe, Mary Jo Smith (NC), Vicky Whitney	
HOSPICE: Buck Walton	
HOSPITALIZED: Buddy Bland, Joan Martin (Riverside Regional CCU), Amelita Thomas	
PARKINSON’S: Duane Burnett	
RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Trudy Grimm (NJ), Tonia Kyker, Bishop Sharma Lewis, Lynn Martin, Thia Martin, Laurie Minor, Duane Smith, Ray Sparrer, Suzanne Trio	
SURGERY/TESTS: Mark Doyle, Mary Gallimore	
BUMC’S ACTIVE MILITARY AND THEIR FAMILIES (<i>italics—Bethany friends</i>)	
<i>Edward Bailey, Michael Brown, Peter Demetriades, Meagan Demetriades, Laine Fay, 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
OUR MISSIONARY – Clara Biswas, Cambodia.	

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

“Malnutrition is the single largest contributor to disease in the world.”

-- Food and Agriculture Organization of the United States



BASEBALL TICKETS AVAILABLE – Alan Harvey has 18 undated tickets for the Peninsula Pilots baseball games at War Memorial Stadium, leftover from the United Methodist Men Night at the Ballgame in July. If you are interested in attending an upcoming game, please contact Alan at 804-684-2790 for more information.

GUEST DAY SHELTER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED — The GUEST Day Shelter remains open on Tuesdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. each week. Anyone who is homeless is welcome to come in and cool down from the heat, take a shower, get lunch, wash laundry, access free WiFi, and meet with our Housing Resource Advocate to learn more about housing assistance.

Since April 1 of this year, the Day Shelter has assisted 73 individuals and we continue to see multiple needs each week. If you are available to help on Tuesdays and Fridays, we would be grateful to see your smiling face!

The August signup genius link is <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0c4daea62fabfe3-guest33>.

The partitions for class 4 (previously labeled 'Friendship Class') should be left in the folded position (space open) for now, even for Sunday School. That is the set of partitions nearest the front parking lot (partitions to the left if viewed from the kitchen). The Friendship class will move to the middle vacant classroom contained within the partitions nearest the playground. Leaving class 4 partitions in the folded position will reduce wear and tear of moving them for various events held in the WBFH (fellowship hall). Thank you. —Al Burner, Trustees Chair

WE HAVE LOST CONTACT WITH THESE MEMBERS. Information on these members in our pictorial directory is no longer accurate. Michael and Jennifer Barber, Dennisa Booth, Katie Boyette, Lisa Boyette (may still be Lisa Boyette Braswell), Carl Melvin “Chip” Dize, Jr., 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, Dorothy Pillow, 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. 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, August 4	12:15 p.m.	Ladies Lunch Bunch (Olivia’s Restaurant)
Monday, August 5	7:00 p.m.	Women’s Bible Study (Connected)
Wednesday, August 7	9:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	C.A.R.E. Ministry (Lacey Martin) Troop 75 (Education Wing)
Thursday, August 8	10:00 a.m.	House of Prayer (Sanctuary)
Saturday, August 10	10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.	River Country Quilters (WBFH)
Sunday, August 11	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School Breakfast (WBFH)

ATTENTION LADIES—Join us today for lunch at Olivia's following 11:00 a.m. service.
See Sue Morecock or Dawn Cluts to carpool, or meet us there.

SECOND TUESDAY VISITATION – August 13 at 2 p.m. – Meet in Mary Lotsey classroom.

HOME BOUND MINISTRIES - 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.

Christian love and sympathy are extended to the families of:

Johann Kulik, aunt of Doe Breen, who passed on July 26 in New York.

Nancy Lynn Smith Belvin Thomas Jenkins, wife of David Lee Jenkins, who passed away on May 19, 2019. Nancy joined BUMC on April 4, 1971 during the ministry of Rev. Arthur Ayers.

SOME CHANGES IN WORSHIP. Beginning today through the end of September, we'll be trying some different things in both worship services. The reason is to get our congregation more involved earlier in the service. They are as follows:

- We'll continue having a Children's Story at both services. I'm forming a rotation of people to participate in this ministry that will include the new Children's Director. If you're interested, please speak with me.
- The Voluntary is being moved to another time in the service. Rudy continues to select this piece of music.
- While our choir is taking a break through Labor Day, we'll use a variety of options for a Choral Response to Prayer. It may be an instrumental or vocal solo, duet or trio, Rudy's Voluntary, a time of silence, or a congregational hymn. If you're interested, please speak with Sandy or myself. Beginning September 8th, when our choir returns, our choir will resume the choral response to prayer.
- Singing a few verses of hymns and medleys has been well-received. We'll continue this.
- Our last 5th Sunday Song and Prayer Service was well-received. We'll do so on our next 5th Sunday, September 30th.

Let's try these changes for two months. Your feedback is important to me and to your staff. Our Worship Committee will also meet during this time for input. – *Pastor Mike*

PRAYER REQUESTS – A regular and meaningful part of our worship each Sunday is the sharing of prayer requests at the beginning of our prayer time. To ensure that we accurately convey your request to our church family, please take a moment to fill out one of the pink Prayer Request cards located in the pew pocket. This will give us the correct spelling of names and a way to follow up with you if we have questions. Also, please take a moment to review the prayer list and let us know of any updates to any prayer requests you have previously submitted. Thanks for your assistance!

Correction from 7/28 – Please pray for Fred Leigh, brother of Archie Leigh and Bobby Leigh, who is suffering with shingles.

SCHOOL KIT SUPPLIES NEEDED – Bethany's United Methodist Women are already collecting supplies for the School Kits that will be delivered to Annual Conference in 2020. Can you help? If so, leave items in basket marked "School Kit Supplies" in the Mary Lotsey classroom. Only the items listed below are needed. Thank you!

Needed for each kit are:

- One-subject (70-count) spiral notebooks
- 8 ½ x 11" wide-ruled paper

How does someone say thank you for all the love and many blessings bestowed to them by such a glorious bunch of kids, youth and her brothers and sisters in Christ? She offers the biggest **THANK YOU** that she can! From the bottom of my heart, thank you to all that made last Sunday such a beautiful day which wrapped up my adventurous chapter as an employee of Bethany UMC. I look forward to what the future holds as I continue to serve Christ and worship with you all. See you in September!

With love and gratitude,
Kris

THANK YOU NOTES

It meant so much to us that so many of you took the time to prepare food for us at the time of our mother, Annette Adams', passing. The food provided for our mother's reception was delicious and greatly appreciated! We are so happy to have generous and loving friends and church family by our side. • HUGS Ministry, thank you for providing our mother with the beautiful prayer shawl while she was in hospice care. It brought a smile to her face. We appreciate your support! With grateful hearts, April Mafturak Stephens and Ashley Shackelford

Dear Fred, Dean, and the Bethany Ministry,
I thank you for your home visit and the gift of a lap warming blanket. The blanket is a reminder of God's mind, body, and spirit. The Lord will never let you down.
Sincerely, George Skinner

Thank you so much for the beautiful prayer shawl and prayers. Please keep us in your prayers during this difficult time.
Thank you and God bless, Darla Robertson

ITEMS CURRENTLY BEING COLLECTED AT BUMC – The following organizations are collecting items to help others and our environment. Please contact the office with corrections or additions.

Salvation Army -- Household cleaners, paper products, over the counter medicines, and personal hygiene items. Collection bins in narthex and outside office. Contact: Nancy Orth, 804-693-4762.

United Methodist Women – Canceled postage stamps, Box Tops for Education, and aluminum can ring-tabs (pop tops). Details and collection containers on table outside Mary Lotsey classroom. Contact: Dawn Cluts, 804-684-5340.

JOY Circle – Empty prescription bottles, cleaned and labels removed. Collection basket on table outside Mary Lotsey classroom. Contact: Jane Niethamer, 757-273-1613.

Abingdon Woman's Club – Plastic shopping bags in bundles of 10, to be made into park benches. Collection hampers are located beneath right edge of bulletin board. Contact: Bonnie Lewis, 642-4911.

Director of Children's Ministries – Seeking energetic, creative Christian individual who loves Jesus and children to develop and implement ministries for ages 5-11 (K-5th grade). Must be a self-starter, recruit volunteers, and possess strong organizational and communication skills. This is a part-time position. Salary based on experience and proficiency. Send resume to MikeDerflinger@vaumc.org or mail to Bethany UMC, P.O. Box 527, Gloucester Point, VA 23062.

Director of Youth Ministries – Seeking energetic, creative Christian individual who has a passion for Jesus and for youth to develop and implement ministries for ages 12-18 (6th – 12th grade). Must be a self-starter, recruit volunteers, and possess strong organizational and communication skills. This is a part-time position. Salary based on experience and proficiency. Send resume to MikeDerflinger@vaumc.org or mail to Bethany UMC, P.O. Box 527, Gloucester Point, VA 23062.

Pastor Mike will receive all resumes. He is forming a Spirit Profile and a Skills Profile for each position with input from youth, parents, and the Bethany family. A Spirit Profile is a preferred picture of the values, beliefs, passion, and personal attributes we believe the ideal candidate will embody. The Skills Profile is a preferred picture of the demonstrated skills, experience, education, and capabilities we believe the ideal candidate will embody. Please speak with Mike or email your input to him. Thanks to Marion Dixon, Chairperson of Child Protection Committee, who will be handling all background checks, and to Lynda Blubaugh for the postings in the *Gazette-Journal*.

These two positions will be posted in the *Gloucester-Mathews Gazette-Journal* (three weeks) and to the sixty-six United Methodist churches of the York River District which covers nine surrounding counties and the cities of Hampton, Williamsburg, Newport News, and Poquoson. We're posting at William and Mary and the Wesley Foundation, Christopher Newport and the United Campus Ministry, Rappahannock Community College, and various job posting web sites utilizing the free ones first. Continue to pray that God sends the person that Christ would have for Bethany, and for your Staff/Pastor-Parish Relations Committee as we move forward. Please direct any questions you may have to me.

Prayerfully consider how you can help both during this time of transition and after these positions are filled. We're at our best when we lean on the Holy Spirit and help one another.

Thank you. – Pastor Mike Derflinger

(see reverse for additional information)

Q: What if we aren't able to hire someone?

The goal is for ministries with children and youth to continue without interruption. I'll guide our Sunday School Superintendent Nancy Wilburn, parents, and volunteers until a hire is made or another arrangement surfaces. I ask everyone to honor Kris's request to take a break from any scheduled responsibilities for a bit.

We have a Youth Council that needs retooling. Our Book of Discipline provides a structure for a Children's Council which, when organized, is led by the Director of Children's Ministries and will work closely with me and others to vision, plan, and advocate for children, particularly in the areas of faith development, safety, and discipleship.

Q: What about the Nursery and Sunday School classes?

The Nursery Coordinator will coordinate and schedule second person volunteers for all scheduled worship services, special services, and programs and recruit and train nursery volunteers. This person is no longer under the supervision of the Children's Director, and moves from being an hourly position to a salaried position with the new hire, and will begin upon approval of a background check.

Beginning Sunday, August 4, 2019, our Sunday School arrangement is as follows:

Nursery birth to age 4: all volunteers. Please see the back of the bulletin.

Preschool–5th grades: Nancy Wilburn and Dawn Cluts. They will teach a unit on Jesus as Teacher, Preacher, Healer, Friend, and Savior with appropriate age-level activities. There will be class on Labor Day Sunday. Questions? Call Nancy at (c) 804.854.6735 or (h) 804.642.5820.

6th–12th grades: Jeremy Nardozzi and Beth Cook. They will prepare a topic each Sunday. Questions? E-mail Jeremy at hotlyks@aol.com.

Beginning Sunday, September 8, 2019:

Nursery birth to age 4: The new hire Nursery Coordinator and second person volunteers.

Our intent is to have a Preschool, 1st, and 2nd grades class and a 3rd–5th grade class, with Nancy and Dawn leading one of those classes. Teachers, or a rotation, are needed.

Our intent is to have a Middle School Class (6th–8th grade) and a High School Class (9th–12th) that meets together then breaks into two groups or that meets separately. I hope to have a Confirmation Class beginning September 8th during Sunday School, and am coordinating with Jeremy Nardozzi, Beth Cook, and parents to find the best arrangement.