



Bethany United Methodist Church

The Church with Open Hearts, Minds, and Doors
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STEWARDSHIP	9/8
General Fund Total	12071.56
Capital Improvement	130.00
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	219.00
Endowment Fund (\$25 Joey Brown)	125.00
Altar Flowers	90.00
Homebound Ministries	55.00
COUNTING TEAMS	September
6-Hampton, Morecock, Thomas	15
7-Cecil, Durette, Hillard	22
1-Kaylor, Byrd, Hasty	29

SUNDAY WORSHIP	9/8
8:30 Sanctuary	49
11:00 Sanctuary	91
11:00 Nursery	2
11:00 Children's Church (included in Total Worship)	0
TOTAL in Worship	142
SUNDAY SCHOOL	
Adults	37
Youth	5
Children	8
TOTAL in SS	50

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 stop by the nursery or call/text Joy Wike (901-651-0834) if you can help. Thanks!		
Date	Sunday School Hour	10:45 a.m.
September 15	Marsha Germek	Dee Dee Wike
September 22	Donna Andersen / Nancy Smith	Donna Andersen / Sarah Hillard
September 29	Nancy Kendall	Wendy Hogge

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 Coordinator:** Joy Wike
Acolytes: 8:30 Cooper White 11:00 Samantha Jacobs
Sound Room: 8:30 Kirk Bell 11:00 Adam White
September Altar Guild: Nina Whitmore, Joni Neal, Sharon Cheek, Cathy Raines
Trustee Contact for this Week: Tom Barnard

September 15, 2019 BETHANY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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 Day of Peace That Dimly Shines (Jerusalem)* UMH 729
"May swords of hate fall from our hands..."

WELCOME Pastor Mike

CHORAL INTROIT (11:00) *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* arr. Hal Hopson

***OPENING HYMNS** *Standing on the Promises, vv. 1,4* UMH 374
It Is Well with My Soul, vv. 1,2 UMH 377

SHARING OF OUR PRAYER CONCERNS Pastor Mike
UNISON PRAYER Loreen Paiva (8:30); Nadine Tatum (11:00)

Lord Jesus, today I want to praise and thank you for Bethany Church. Thank you for the brothers and sisters in Christ I have known, and know today, through this church family. Thank you for those I treasure as friends. Thank you for those who are blood kin. Thank you for those who I don't know as well but whose example and presence are an inspiration to me.

I know my decisions on where and how much to participate in 2020, and where and how much to give in 2020, becomes part of our church's efforts together. I'm glad I can do so in the knowledge that others are making their decisions too. My prayer is that You will continue to pour out your Spirit upon us and this place called Bethany, remembering that our example of generosity and giving comes from you.

THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895
CHORAL RESPONSE (11:00) *Amen*

VOLUNTARY
Hymn to the Fallen, from "Saving Private Ryan" John Williams (born 1932)
Transcribed for organ by Rudy Shackelford – Remembering the victims of September 11th, 2001

"Yea, Death, we bow our faces, veil our eyes to thee,
We mourn the old, the young untimely drawn to thee...
The gather'd thousands to their funeral mounds, and thousands never found or gather'd.
War, death, cataclysm like this, America, take deep to thy proud prosperous heart."
— *A Voice from Death*, by Walt Whitman (born 1819)

THE ANTHEM (8:30) *Daystar (Shine Down on Me)* Bill Gaither
Steve Wike, soloist
(11:00) *Shall We Gather at the River?* Robert Lowry
Chancel Choir arr. John Coates, Jr.
CHILDREN’S STORY Pastor Mike

RECEIVING GOD’S TITHES, GIFTS AND MORNING OFFERING

OFFERTORY PRAYER Loreen Paiva / Nadine Tatum

Mighty Creator, you are the architect of the cosmos and of the tiniest flower. All of creation is a tapestry proclaiming your love and mercy, and yet your heart feels every loss we experience; you cry at every word and act that wounds. We bring tithes, offerings, and gifts this morning, not as restitution for past mercies or prepayment for future favor, but as a celebration of your love and care for us and all creation. Dedicate these gifts that they may bring love and compassion, that they might help heal your creation, and help us more resemble the people you desire us to be. In Christ, we pray. Amen.

This prayer was written by Rev. Dr. Ken Sloane, Director, Stewardship & Generosity, Discipleship Ministries, The United Methodist Church.

THE OFFERTORY

The Liberty Bell John Philip Sousa (1854-1932)

“These heroes are dead. They died for liberty — they died for us.

They are at rest. They sleep in the land they made free, under the flag they rendered stainless.

In the midst of battles, in the roar of conflict, they found the serenity of death.”

— Robert Ingersoll

***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.**

***HYMN OF ILLUMINATION** *Break Thou the Bread of Life* UMH 599

***SCRIPTURE** Philippians 1:1-6 Loreen Paiva / Nadine Tatum

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

THE MESSAGE Investing in Your Relationships, Part 2 Pastor Mike

***CLOSING SONG** *How Firm a Foundation*, vv. 1,2,5 UMH 529

***BENEDICTION** Pastor Mike

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God by Joni Neal for my daughter, Lisa’s birthday, who is creating her own path, and living her life with courage and grace.

Bethany UMC Prayer List	BETHANY FAMILY
CANCER/CHEMO: Krista Chase, Gene Harrell, Carol Johnson, David Lewis, Ted Peterman (NC), Matt Shackelford	
GRIEVING: Families of Annette Adams, Bob Nardozzi	
HEALTH ISSUES: Woody Brown, Judy Burner, Dawn Cluts, Kathleen Greene, Clare Hall, Jeannie Harrell, Judy Hudgins, Archie Leigh, Bonnie Lewis, Jennie Lipscomb, Paige Mitchell, Peggy Peterman (NC), Nancy Smith	
HOMEBOUND: Linda Booth, Katherine Jordan, Alice McGee, Mary Dale Williams	
RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Irene Brown, Paul McFarland, Clair Hillard, Loreen Paiva, Marsha Poland, Norma Sage, Gerlinde Stevens, M. E. Thomas, Rosemarie Tong	
SURGERY/TESTS: Pat Hasty (9/11, Riverside Regional), Jeannie Meisner	
BETHANY FRIENDS: PRAY FOR PEOPLE IMPACTED BY HURRICANE DORIAN	
CANCER/CHEMO: Tom Beard, Cleveland Cameron, Pap Connell, Patrick Cooney, Jr., Dave Cooper, Alice Cruz, Elizabeth Flowers (NC), Brenda France, Donna Franklin, Richard Grow, Ben Lankford, Ellen McDade, Rustie Ruiz (GA), George Skinner	
CHILDREN & YOUTH: Makena Bontrager, Braydyn Hysyll, Makenna Jobes (FL), Braden Peebles, Ian Simmons, Jacob Staley, Judah Swenson, Brooke Taylor, Luke Wilcox, Sawyer, Willa, GHS football team	
EMPLOYMENT/TRAVEL: Lamont Johnson	
GRIEVING: Families of Corey Blubaugh, Jan Breen, Dorothy Breth, Joe Brown, Dorothy Corbin, Marion Davis, Ann Dickerson, Tim Ewing, Joan French, Johann Kulik, Georgia Mae Klesko, Thom Ligon, Mary Linsenbigler, Sue Miller, Marsha Pohorence, Joan Powers, Donnie Ridinger, Jack Ridinger, Darla K. Robertson, Mary Alice Tillotson, Betty Tucker, Pat Whitten (NC)	
HEALTH/OTHER ISSUES: Bob Baughman (PA), Laura Baxter, Lee Beach, Molly Brawley, Mr. & Mrs. Scott Brittle, Chris Chapman, Denzil Cook, John Cook, Allen Derflinger, Juanita Duncan, Jon Erik, Deborah Eriksen, Marsha Gillis & husband, Trudy Grimm, Allen Hines, Wally Iddings (PA), Diana Lee, Fred Leigh, Tommy Mainwaring, Kevin Malone, Connie Mershon, Vance Miller, Jean Morris (FL), Peggy Rodgers, Linwood Rowe, Sylvia Rowe, Bella Silvus, Mary Jo Smith (NC), Vicky Whitney	
PARKINSON’S: Duane Burnett	
RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Alton Brown, Jess Brown, Trudy Grimm (NJ), Tonia Kyker, Laurie Minor, Duane Smith, Ray Sparrer, Suzanne Trio	
SURGERY/TESTS: Mary Ann Bray (9/24), Mark Doyle, Mary Gallimore, Thia Martin (10/2), Adora’s grandfather	
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, 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
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 <i>Joan Martin</i> , Rm 32
OUR MISSIONARY – Clara Biswas, Cambodia.	

September 8, 2019

Scripture: John 6: 3-14 Title: Investing in Your Relationships, Part 1

1. TURN TOWARD INSTEAD OF TURNING AWAY.
2. BE A GIVER MORE THAN A TAKER.
3. TREAT YOUR FRIEND AS YOU WANT TO BE TREATED.
4. GIVE YOUR FRIEND OR SPOUSE “THE TRIPLE A TREATMENT”: ATTENTION, APPRECIATION, AND AFFIRMATION.
5. EXPRESS YOUR FRIENDSHIP AND LOVE IN WORDS AND ACTIONS.
6. TAKE THE TIME TO ENJOY YOUR RELATIONSHIP.

September 15, 2019

Scripture: Philippians 1:1-6 Title: Investing in Your Relationships, Part 2

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8. _____
9. _____
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11. _____
12. _____

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.		
TODAY	9:45 a.m. 12:15 p.m.	Confirmation Class (Mary Lotsey) Bible Buddies
Monday, September 16	7:00 p.m.	Men’s and Women’s Bible Studies (WBFH)
Tuesday, September 17	7:00 p.m.	Administrative Council (WBFH)
Wednesday, September 18	9:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	C.A.R.E. Ministry (Lacey Martin) XYZ Club (WBFH) Chancel Choir Troop 75 (Education Wing)
Thursday, September 19	10:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	House of Prayer (Sanctuary) Naomi Circle (Mary Lotsey)
Sunday, September 22	10:30 a.m.	UNITED METHODIST WOMEN SUNDAY (both services) Confirmation Class (Mary Lotsey)

XYZ CLUB – SEPTEMBER 18th, 11:30 A.M.

Bethany’s XYZ Club will meet on Wednesday, September 18th in the Warren Belvin Fellowship Hall. Potluck luncheon at 11:30 a.m.; program begins at 12:20 p.m. Our guest speaker is Dr. Wesley Wilson, local historian, who will be talking about educator T. C. Walker and the Woodville Rosenwald School. Please join us and bring a friend! For more information, call or text Nadine Tatum at 757-690-4504.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN SUNDAY – SEPTEMBER 22, 8:30 & 11:00 A.M. – Come join us for worship and an inspiring message by Vicki Wolz titled “Faith through the Ages.” The annual Candle Burning for missions will take place in both services. Deadline to submit forms is today.

UNITED METHODIST MEN – TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 6:30 P.M.

All men are invited to join us at Nick’s Spaghetti & Steakhouse on September 24 for our monthly dinner meeting and program. Our guest speaker will be Chris Hutson, Gloucester Point’s County Supervisor. If you plan to attend, or if you have any questions regarding United Methodist Men, please contact Alan Harvey (804-684-2790) or Milton Hudgins (804-642-5622).

United Methodist Women District Annual Meeting — September 28, 2019
Warwick Memorial UMC – Meeting begins at 9:30 a.m.

As we continue the celebration of our 150 years we will be sharing cake and honoring our Lifetime Commitment Award recipients as well as recognizing our units and members who have earned certificates for their work. We will be carpooling from Bethany's front parking lot at 8:45. Call Dawn Cluts at 804-384-2193 if you plan to go.

SCHOOL KIT SUPPLIES STILL NEEDED – Bethany's United Methodist Women are still collecting one-subject (70-count) spiral notebooks and 8 ½ x 11" wide-ruled notebook paper for the School Kits that will be delivered to Annual Conference in 2020. Wide-ruled notebook paper is especially needed. Please leave items in basket marked "School Kit Supplies" in the Mary Lotsey classroom. Only the items listed are needed. Thank you!

LADIES LUNCH BUNCH (LLB) will meet after 11:00 service on October 6 for lunch at Ruby Tuesday in Gloucester. Sign-up sheet on table outside of Dee Dee's office. Come join us.

AUTUMN FEST – SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 11 A.M.–3 P.M.

featuring **Chili Cook-Off and Pie Contest**
Prizes to be awarded for winning entries

Games and Activities for adults and children
Candy prizes for game winners!



Sign-up in the narthex or main hallway near office! We need your help to make this a success! For more information or to volunteer, contact Nancy Wilburn at 804-642-5820.



CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY are extended to the families of:

Jan Breen, mother of Martin Breen, who passed on 9/7.
Visitation will be at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 28 in our sanctuary, followed by a Memorial Service at 2:00 p.m., with a reception after the service.

Marion Davis, brother of Billy Davis, who passed on 9/7.
Georgia Mae Klesko, aunt of Gerri Wilson, who passed recently.
Buck Walton, who passed on 8/29.

THANK YOU NOTES

Dear Friends,

What a wonderful surprise to receive a beautiful yellow shawl from the HUGS Ministry! It has brought me such joy to know that each stitch contained a special prayer.

God is so good! I am improving daily. Thank you for remembering me with your special prayers in such a thoughtful gift. God bless. – *Amelita Thomas*

Thank you, HUGS Ministry, for the prayer shawl and lap robe. We appreciate all the time and prayers that went into making them. We are so blessed to be a part of this loving church family.
— *Bob and Lynda Blubaugh*

A thank you note was received from UMCOR acknowledging a \$60 gift supporting Material Resources. "And through your financial support, you are serving within a vital network of interactive relationships as UMCOR responds to increasingly-frequent and destructive storms – sharing 100% of donated funds with those in need!"

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, 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!