

Bethany United Methodist Church

*The Church with Open Hearts,
Minds, and Doors*

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The *Salvation Army* and *Laurel Shelter Thrift Store* have 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	11/11
General Fund Total	6,531.50
Capital Improvements	80.00
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	10.00
Altar Flowers	45.00
Bazaar Donation	50.00
Upper Room	5.00
Bazaar (Sales)	16,060.00
COUNTING TEAMS	November
5-Luther, Rollins, D. Robins	18
6-Hampton, Morecock, Thomas	25

SUNDAY WORSHIP	11/11
8:30 Sanctuary	57
8:30 Nursery	0
11:00 Sanctuary	104
11:00 Nursery	0
11:00 Children's Church (already included in Total Worship)	1
TOTAL in Worship	161
SUNDAY SCHOOL	
Adults	24
Youth	4
Children	3
TOTAL in SS	31



THANKSGIVING SUNDAY

Theme: The Saint

November 18, 2018

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 silence your cell phones. 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

MEDITATION

Sinfonies De Fanfares (Rondeau)

Jean-Joseph Mouret
(1682-1738)

CHORAL INTROIT (11:00)

Surely the Presence of the Lord

UMH No. 328

***OPENING HYMN**

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

UMH No. 694

***HYMN BEFORE PRAYER**

Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior, vv. 1, 2

UMH No. 351

SHARING OF OUR PRAYER CONCERNS & MORNING PRAYER

Pastor Mike

UNISON PRAYER

Polly Harrison

Our Heavenly Father, we're grateful for this season of Thanksgiving and humbly ask your blessing on our nation and upon all of us. Throughout this year we've experienced tragedy and happiness, both personally and nationally. We're reminded that each in our own way deals with human beings and human situations. Each person's life is connected with other people. In these seasons of Thanksgiving, Advent, and Christmas help us to think of and love You first, others second and then ourselves, knowing that as Your love flows to us and we share it with others, it will flow back to us. Teach us this great art of loving You and loving one another. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH No. 895

CHORAL RESPONSE (11:00)

Amen

UMH No. 903

THE ANTHEM (8:30)

My Tribute

Andraé Crouch

Carol Johnson, soloist

(11:00)

Autumn Carol

arr. Russell Schulz-Widmar

Sandra Harvey and Mary Kaylor, hand bells

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

Interested in serving as a Nursery Volunteer? We need volunteers in September!
Please sign up outside the nursery or contact Jeannie Meisner (804-642-3855).

Date	8:30 a.m.	Sunday School Hour	11:00 a.m.
11/25	Bernard Robins	Bernard Robins	Sarah Hillard
12/2	Debbie Robins	Debbie Robins	Marion Dixon
12/9	Polly Harrison		Wendy Hogge
12/16			

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

Nursery Attendant: Jeannie Meisner

Director of Music: Sandra Fox

Organist: Dr. Rudy Shackelford

Acolytes: 8:30 Tally Vaughan 11:00 Kate Neikirk

Sound Room: 8:30 Kirk Bell 11:00 Adam White

November Altar Guild: Peggy Lewis, Nancy Wilburn, Sarah Hillard, Laura Glaze

Trustee Contact for this Week: Don Thomas

CHILDREN’S STORY

Pastor Mike

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

Polly Harrison

Lord Jesus Christ, you are the Bestower of all blessings, and we owe a lifetime of overdue thank-yous. As we give our tithes and offerings, let Your loving-kindness to me shine through each act of mine today and during this holiday week. We live, move and have our being in You, and pray in Your name. Amen.

THE OFFERTORY

Prince of Denmark’s March

Jeremiah Clarke
(1674-1707)
UMH No. 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 READINGS**

Matthew 16:24-28

Polly Harrison

The Word of God for the people of God.

Pew Bible NT, page 17

Thanks be to God.

THE MESSAGE

The Saint: Winning by Losing

Pastor Mike

***CLOSING HYMN**

God Will Take Care of You

UMH No. 130

***BENEDICTION AND BLESSING**

Pastor Mike

Many thanks to Mary Kaylor for serving as our Pianist today as Dr. Rudy Shackelford prepares for his concert this afternoon.

Thanks to the Lacey Martin class and Nancy Wilburn for providing the Thanksgiving Harvest Table, a beautiful reminder of God’s bountiful blessings to us all. To God be the glory!

Next Sunday’s Text: Matthew 16:24-28 Title: “What Jesus Really Wants You to See”

THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPPING AT BETHANY! In addition to worship services, we offer a full range of study and fellowship opportunities for children, youth, young adults, and older adults. **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. For more information please visit www.bethanyumc-gp.org.

Our Nursery — For the convenience of parents with small children, a nursery is provided for infants through 3-year-olds during both worship services, as well as during the Sunday school hour. Children ages 4 and older sit with parents until dismissed to Children’s Church following the Children’s Message.

Bethany UMC Prayer List		BETHANY FAMILY	
CANCER/CHEMO: Shawn & Krista Chase, Carol Johnson, Bob Nardozi, Wes & Zealon Stilley			
GRIEVING: Families of Roy Bauschatz, Willie Brooks, Larry Cooper, Chris Denton, Clifford Doggett			
HEALTH ISSUES: Iva Belvin, Irene Brown, Bessie Conner, Billy Davis, Charles Enroughty, Jimmy Greene, Gene & Jeannie Harrell, Mike Hearon, Archie & Loretta Leigh, Marshall & Bonnie Lewis, Lewis Marion, Paige Mitchell, Richard Parkes, Ted & Peggy Peterman (NC), Fred Townsend, Nina Whitmore			
HOMEBOUND: Annette Adams, Katherine Jordan, Phil & Alice McGee, Mary Dale Williams			
HOSPICE: Byron Conner (CO)			
RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Kathy Jacobs, Cheryl Roane, Deb Ziegenfus			
BETHANY FRIENDS			
CANCER/CHEMO: Cindy Alligood, Carol Hogge Allmand, Mike Byrne, Jeff Carino, Dawnella Carter (TX), Al Christensen, Carmen Coberly, Mary Ann Costa, Alice Cruz, Elizabeth Flowers (NC), Brenda France, Joan French, Jackie Gibbs, Neile Greene, Tommy Griffin (PA), Walt & Reet Hayden (FL), Laymon & Sarah Jacobs (TN), Donna Kidd, Sandra King, Johann Kulik (NY), Mary Linsenbigler (PA), Bill Luther, Kristi McNeill (KY), Melisa Morales (AR), Jeanette Nichols, Ronald Oliver, K.C. Powers, Larry Ridininger (PA), Chauntea Shield, Karen Smith (NY), Sharon Sutton, Jeff Thomson, Judy Urton, Jennifer West, Judy West, Pat Whitten (NC)			
CHILDREN & YOUTH: Ty Hawkey, Baby Evie Poland, Emma Trottier (UT) Briggs Wylie (5-Leukemia)			
GRIEVING: Families of Terri Blythe, Lorraine Brooks, Earl Garrett, Frank Gill, Ralph Johnson, Karilene Kruse, Francis Rowe, Bill Slattery			
HEALTH ISSUES: Cameron Bransfield (FL), Les Breen, Michael Brown (PA), Ross Carmine, Loretta Germek, John Gilchrist, Ty Hawkey, Richard Hearon (FL), Sharon Hoell, Veronika Kiryanova (Canada), Mary Margaret Kuivinen, Paula Lankford, Verma Lankford, Luke Lawson, Joanne Mastropietro (FL), Barry McDade, Donna Miller (TX), Edgar Mundo (NY), Larry Patterson, Evelyn Perhac, Sandy Purdy, Linwood Rowe, Kathie Rumbley (MD), Diane Ryles (SC), Vicky Whitney (PA), Charlotte Wright & Chuck Corbin			
HOSPICE: Jan Breen, Thom Ligon, Marcus (TX), Jack Perhac			
HOSPITALIZED: Steve Neal (MCV), Ronald Oliver (Riverside Regional)			
PARKINSON’S: Duane Burnett			
RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Carmen Coberly, Aaron Cothorn, Paul McFarland, Mark Garrett, Steve & Julie George, Jerry Hall, Kameron Lemons, Dottie Myers (PA), David Paul, Bertie West			
UPCOMING SURGERY: Donnie Grinnan, Irene Hogge, Ryan Niethamer, Aunt Tina			
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 (El Salvador), all members of the military.</i>			
ASSISTED LIVING (<i>italics-Bethany friends</i>)			
Gayton Terrace , 12041 Gayton Rd., Richmond, VA 23238		Dorothy Critzer, Room 418	
Gloucester House , 7657 Meredith Dr., Gloucester 23061		Lorraine Brown, Room 107 Jean Heywood, Room 110 Esther Marie Jordan, Room 509	
Sanders Assisted Living , 7407 Walker Ave., Gloucester 23061		<i>Ellis Hall, Room 106</i>	
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.			
CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY			
Family of Ralph Johnson , husband of JayeP Johnson, who passed on November 8.			

Coming in December



A special Advent series on the true Gift of Christmas

Matthew 16, 24-28a Series: The Saint November 18, 2018

Title: The Saint: Winning by Losing

come after me To let Christ _____.

deny yourself used here the same way as used when _____ denied Christ (Matthew 26:33-35). Literally means to _____ yourself.

How do you describe yourself? _____

This aspect of Christian living is often referred to as Ascetism: _____

Name some examples of the ascetic nature of your faith, your walk with Christ.

And take up his cross

Accepting and working through whatever may come with being a _____.

Jesus is saying there's a _____ to being His disciple.

and follow Me could also be translated _____.

This verse reminds us that being a disciple of Jesus involves making a _____.

In what ways do you choose to be a disciple? _____.

In what ways do you resist being a disciple? _____.

THIS WEEK AT BETHANY UMC

TODAY	8:25 a.m.	Prayer Time (Mary Lotsey)
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
	12:15 p.m.	Young People's Christmas Rehearsal (Lacey Martin)
	12:15 p.m.	UMYF
	4:00 p.m.	George Nelson Memorial Concert Series "1918—Homage to Claude Debussy" Rudy Shackelford, Organ and Piano
WBFH & Friendship Class Reserved through 11/21 for Bazaar After Sale		
Monday, November 19	9:30 a.m.	Homebound Ministries
	7:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study (TBD) Women's Bible Study (GAP)
Tuesday, November 20	7:00 p.m.	Administrative Council
	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (replaces Wed. practice)
Wednesday, November 21	9:30 a.m.	C.A.R.E. Ministry
	6:30 p.m.	Troop 75
Thursday, November 22 & Friday, November 23	THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY – CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	
Sunday, November 25	8:25 a.m.	Prayer Time (Mary Lotsey)
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
	12:15 p.m.	Young People's Christmas Rehearsal (Lacey Martin)
	12:15 p.m.	UMW World Thank Offering Service (WBFH)
	4:00 p.m.	G.U.E.S.T. Training (Sanctuary)

HOMEBOUND MINISTRIES - Monday, November 19. Meet at church at 9:30 a.m. to cook and deliver meals. Contact Judy Burner (642-6016, aburner@cox.net) for more info.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN JOINT MEETING
World Thank Offering – *The Sacred Space of Sharing Food*

Sunday, November 25 – 12:15 p.m.

Warren Belvin Fellowship Hall

For more information, contact Dawn Cluts (804.684.5340).

ADVENT PRAYER BREAKFAST

Saturday, December 8 – 9:30 a.m.

First United Methodist Church Fox Hill, Hampton

Cost: \$10

RSVP to Dawn Cluts by November 23.

**THE GEORGE NELSON MEMORIAL CONCERT SERIES PRESENTS
"1918 – HOMAGE TO CLAUDE DEBUSSY"
RUDY SHACKELFORD, ORGAN AND PIANO
TODAY AT 4 P.M.**

World War I ended 100 years ago with the Armistice of November 11th, 1918, now commemorated as Veterans' Day. In its cultural impact, "the war to end all wars" was a profound watershed, dividing the 19th-century Romantic era from our modern world. French composer Claude Debussy, who died in 1918, bridged these turbulent currents and reflected them in music that is both subtly elusive and powerfully prophetic.

Our concert will sample piano works by Debussy that span the gamut of styles and emotions, from haunted impressions of *Footprints in the Snow* and *The Engulfed Cathedral* to whimsical parodies of early American jazz in *Minstrels* and *Golliwogg's Cake Walk*. Rudy Shackelford has transcribed these fascinating pieces for symphonic organ, together with the elegant *Noble and Lyrical Waltzes* by that other great "impressionist" composer, Maurice Ravel.

Remembering those who made the ultimate sacrifice, our program opens with Clair Hillard reciting the World War I poetry of British soldier Wilfred Owen and César Franck's *Heroic Piece* for organ, a hymn of spiritual triumph. To close the concert on an equally victorious note, we present a stunning new organ-piano duet transcription of *Thou Art the Rock* from "Byzantine Sketches" by Henri Mulet, portraying the apostle Peter as the rock upon which Christ established His church.

Appealing to mindful music lovers and history buffs alike, this unique concert is not to be missed! Admission is free, but your generous donations of money and pet supplies will benefit the Gloucester-Mathews Humane Society.

UNITED METHODIST MEN will meet at Sal's on **Tuesday, November 27 at 6:30 p.m.** Guest speaker will be Thane Harpole, Co-Director of the Fairfield Foundation. If you plan to attend, please contact Alan Harvey (804-684-2790) or Milton Hudgins (804-642-5622) by Monday, November 26.

**BETHANY HOST WEEK for GUEST HOMELESS NIGHT SHELTER is
DECEMBER 3 – 10**

Please consider signing up for his local mission effort at:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0c4daea62fabfe3-week62>



GUEST (Gloucester United Emergency Shelter Team) is a coalition of churches and civic groups that provide shelter on a rotating basis during the coldest months of the year for our brothers and sisters who do not have access to housing. The success of this program depends on volunteers like you! Please contact Nancy Orth (rorth2@cox.net; 804-693-4762 home; 804-832-2232 cell) if you would like to sign up and aren't able to at the web site above.

GUEST VOLUNTEER TRAINING SESSIONS – All volunteers must participate in a training session before they are qualified to participate. **A training session will be held at Bethany on Sunday, November 25 at 4:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.**

Advent is the name of the season in which Christians prepare for the celebration of the birth of Jesus, Christmas. Here at Bethany, Advent is a time to worship, serve, give, be in fellowship and participate in the generosity of God. All are welcome! Here are some of the ways you can be involved. As always, thank you and God bless you for your participation and generosity!

Free Advent Devotionals from Society of St. Andrew. Advent starts Sunday, December 2nd and ends Monday, December 24th but we're making our **devotionals available today**. You can pick one up on the tables outside the sanctuary and in the narthex (main front entrance). You can also get a PDF version on your smartphone or tablet by going to <https://endhunger.org/advent/>.

Reverse Advent. In the spirit of giving, BUMC encourages each family to receive a Reverse Advent bag and fill it for a needy family. Treat it as you would a traditional Advent calendar; but instead of getting something each day, place an item per day in your bag, all the way to Christmas. **Bags will be dedicated in worship on December 23rd and 30th and taken to Salvation Army, the G.U.E.S.T. Day Shelter, and Bread for Life Food Pantry for distribution.** Items should include non-perishable food and pantry items, paper products, household cleaning, and personal hygiene items.

Adorning the sanctuary and Chrismon Tree Saturday, December 1st from 9-11 a.m. Our youth decorate the Chrismon Tree. Help needed hanging wreaths and other things. Questions? Contact Paul Kendall.

Angel Tree. We've received 10 tags of children and youth from Social Services. Our Angel Tree will be in the narthex on Sunday, December 2nd.

Gift Wrap at Walter Reed Convalescent and Rehabilitation Center. Residents like to give their families a wrapped Christmas gift; we provide the gift and our United Methodist Women wrap them at WRCC and label the name on each. Gifts are for sons, daughters, and grandchildren; suggested items include jewelry, socks for men and women, scarves, knick knacks, men's items, perfumes, Christmas items, etc. (No candles or bottles please.) **We're collecting items today through Sunday, December 2nd, and UMW will be wrapping at WRCC on Monday, December 3rd at 1:30 p.m. and you're invited to come with us and join in the fun!**

Caroling! Tentative date is Friday, December 14th from 5:30-8:00 p.m. Led by our Youth and Family Ministries. Questions? Contact Shannon Roane or Kris Kent.

A full schedule of children and youth events in December is available from Kris Kent.

A full Advent and Christmas worship schedule will be on our website next week and in local newspapers.

Dear Bethany Members,

I want to thank everyone who has been so kind since the unexpected passing of my sister. I have enjoyed reading all the condolence cards and appreciate all those who have reached out to me.

Nina Whitmore