

WELCOME, VISITORS! We are happy to have you join us in worship today.

*Please sign the Welcome Card found in the pew pocket
and place it in the offering plate or hand to an usher. Thank you!*

NURSERY is available for infants to 3-year-olds during the Sunday School hour and 11:00 service.



BETHANY NEWS – Sunday, February 23, 2025

Our Sunday School Group has chosen the **GHS Care Closet** as our on-going mission focus. The GHS Care Closet is open for all students. They are able to go there for food, snacks, new clothing, socks, personal hygiene items...no questions asked! For the month of February we would like to invite you to join us in showing our teenagers extraordinary love by dropping off food items in our classroom for them! Some of their favorite foods are canned veggies and fruit, cereal, canned tuna or chicken. Granola or cereal bars. Pasta and sauce or Mac & cheese. Think teenager type food! :) Thank you in advance for helping us bless our teenagers! - Doe Breen

If you are a treasurer for any of the Bethany groups or Sunday School classes (UMW, UMM Sunday School etc.), please turn in a copy of your groups register, as well as bank statements and all invoices/ receipts for 2024 to the treasurer Ruth Ann Freeman ASAP. You may leave them in the church office or in the finance office. We need to submit these items to have our annual review done for the Conference. For questions, please contact Ruth Ann at Treasurer@bethanyumc-gp.org or call her cell at 682-429-7025.

JOY Circle will not meet in March. The Joy Circle is still collecting cancelled stamps, including the stamps used by non-profit organizations).

Please tear off leaving at last ¼ inch of the envelope surface intact. These stamps are sent to Veterans facilities that are treating in or out patient veterans (WWII to present) for serious physical or mental rehabilitation. There is a container outside the Church Office. Thank you.

The **Joshua Spiritual Formation Group** will meet today in the Mary Lotsey Room at 4:00 pm.

Thanks to Laura Glaze, Jane Niethamer, and Paul and Nancy Kendall for supplying lunches to the GUEST day shelter in January. Are there three Bethany members who would like to do that in April? Pizzas or sandwiches delivered to the day shelter about 11:30 am for 12 to 15 people at 6536 Moose Drive in Gloucester. Pick one day: April 8th, 10th or 11th. If you're willing to help, please contact Vicki Williams at 804- 815- 4108.

From the Mission Rivers District –

We are trying to identify all Federal employees **in our churches** who have lost or may potentially lose their jobs and want to support them. Could you please complete this short question sheet or forward to the person to complete? The link to the survey is as follows:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScTec2D_v5czc0n6KhfNPjYFUlBcipBs9_d2Ud4aSquGIXBjA/viewform?usp=header

If you have a handicapped ramp not in use, or know of the existence of one, please contact Donna Lane at 804-832-0446. Thank you.

THIS WEEK AT BETHANY

Sunday, February 23	8:30 am	Informal Worship Service
	9:30 am	Celebration & Fellowship
	9:45 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Traditional Worship Service
	4:00 pm	Joshua Spiritual Formation Group
Monday, February 24	5:30 pm	Praise Team
Tuesday, February 25	6:00 pm	Cemetery Meeting
	6:30 pm	UMM Ladies Night
Wednesday, February 26	9:00 am	AARP Tax Aide
	6:30 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, February 27	6:30 pm	House of Prayer
	7:00 pm	Bethany Bible Study
Friday, February 28	9:00 am	Homeschool Music Academy of Gloucester
Sunday, March 2	8:30 am	Informal Worship Service - Communion
	9:30 am	Celebration & Fellowship
	9:45 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Traditional Worship Service - Communion

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK! Join us in the fellowship hall at 9:30 for fellowship & celebration!

Birthdays

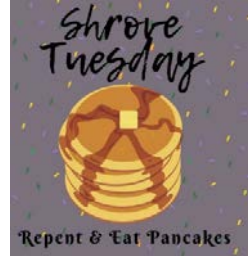
- 2/23 Nancy Orth, Joel Kidd
- 2/24 June Matthews, Kirk Bell,
Lisa Breaud, Jennie Lipscomb
- 2/25 Ed Conner, David Cecil,
Amy Miller, Gwen Wesson
- 2/26 Dawn McCade, Sylvia Ransone
- 2/29 Patrick Kiley, Kay Jackson
- 3/1 Billy Wayne Hogge, Ann Hogge,
Gwen Morris Szulgit

Anniversaries

- 2/24 Art & Vicki Wolz, 52



BETHANY HAPPENINGS



Tuesday, March 4th at 6:00 pm



Ash Wednesday Worship Service – Wednesday, March 5th, 7:00 pm
Beginning of the Season of Lent.



Hunger doesn't have to exist – Let's end this together!

Get ready for a fun filled family friendly mission event! Bethany will be hosting a Rise Against Hunger meal-packing event on **Sunday, March 30th**, following the 10:00 am Worship Service and we need your help. Here is what we need:

- **Volunteers to package meals.** This is an event for all ages. A light sandwich lunch will be served and fun is guaranteed! The event can be completed in 2 hours with your help.
- **Financial Donations to cover the cost of packaging the meals.** Each meal costs \$.41, so we need to raise \$4,100.00 to pack 10,000 nutritious meals. You can help us reach this goal by donating any amount to this worthwhile event. Checks should be made payable to BUMC and marked "Rise Against Hunger" in the memo line.

Spring Yard Sale - Saturday, April 12th, from 9:00 am-2:00 pm. Please start saving your white elephant treasures for the sale! Please, no tube-type televisions or heavy/large furniture.

Bake Sale – Saturday, May 10th. Stay tuned for details!

Bethany UMC Prayer List

BETHANY FAMILY

CANCER/CHEMO: Darlene Bauschatz, Krista Chase, Carol Johnson, Sue Leed, Fred Niethamer, Cathy Raines, Linwood Rowe, Larry Whitfield

GRIEVING: Families of Bessie Conner, Doris Luther

HEALTH ISSUES: Peggy Burton, David Cecil, Dawn Cluts, Billy Davis, John Farrow, Estelle Harris, Jean Heywood, David Hoover, Milton Hudgins, Kathy Jacobs, Paul & Nancy Kendall, Bonnie Lewis, Joy Long, Dennis Mitchell, Patsy Morales, Alice Northam, Richard Parkes, Peggy Peterman, Rosemarie Tong

HOMEBOUND: Linda Booth, Ruth Wallace, Lavalle Wilson

PARKINSON'S: Mike Andersen, David Chapin, Kathleen Greene, Yvonne White

RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Judy Burner, Jackie Hampton, Barbara Holtry, Dawne Sawyer

BETHANY FRIENDS

CANCER/CHEMO: Clint Alexander, Peyton Arthur, Kathy Bauer, David Blackburn, Fran Bonnaville, Kendall Walthall Caton, Jack Cawthorn, Kyle Cooper, Barbara Crim, Wanda Dowell, Bill Edwards, John Gordon, Traci Greene, Connie Hutchinson, Larry Jones, Sissi Mise, Chauntea Shield, Mason Staley, Jeff Suntken, David Trottier, Jill Ward, Bob Wharen, Gerri Wilson

GRIEVING: Families of Robin Money Penny, Melissa Anne Quesenberry

HEALTH/OTHER ISSUES: Sharon Acree, Kathryn Bjers, Janet Burch, Juanita Duncan, Jean Moon, Dylan Moore family, Jennifer Morecock, Rick Nichols, Annette Peiffer, Phillip Presson, Wendy Roundy, Robin Willman, Betty Wilson

OTHER PRAYERS: Our Country; Ukraine; Israel and the Middle East; United Methodist Church.

ACTIVE MILITARY AND THEIR FAMILIES (*italics—Bethany friends*)

Michael Brown, Kevin Jacobs, Cory Long, Will Neikirk, Jim Minor, Ben Szulgit, All members of the military.

ASSISTED LIVING

Gloucester House, 7657 Meredith Dr., Gloucester 23061	Lorraine Brown, Rm 107 Peggy Burton, Rm 203 Kathleen Greene, Rm 106 Jean Heywood, Rm 110
Heron Cove, 7409 Heron Cove Way, Gloucester 23061	Bonnie Lewis, Rm 13
Sanders Assisted Living, 7407 Walker Ave., Gloucester 23061	Carolyn Scott, Rm 208
Sunrise Senior Living, 2015 Cranbeck Rd., Richmond 23235	Pauline Harris, Apt. 130
Riverside Rehab, 672 Gloucester Rd., Saluda, VA, 23149	Jennie Lipscomb

