

THIS WEEK AT BETHANY		
TODAY	8:30 am	Worship Service
	9:30 am	Celebration & Fellowship
	9:45 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Traditional Worship
Monday, August 25	5:30 pm	Praise Team
Friday, August 29	12:00 – 4:00 pm	HMAG Open House
Sunday, August 31	10:00 am	Worship Service
	Following worship	Hot Dog Picnic

Birthdays

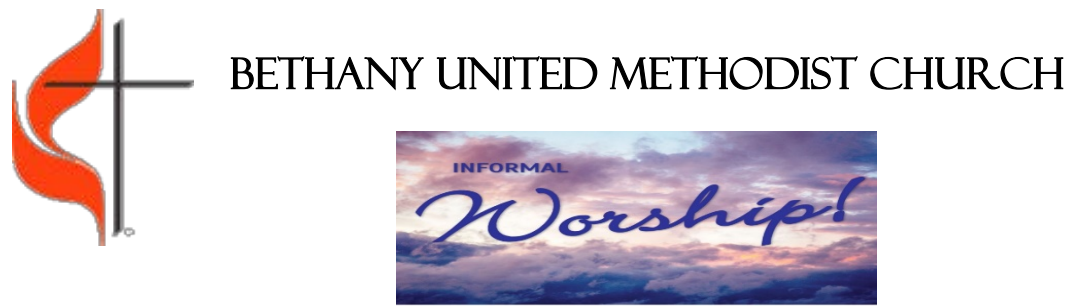
8/27 Dawne Sawyer
8/28 David Belvin, Jack Whitmore
8/29 Kristin Poulin, Donna Lane
8/30 McKenzie Hasty
8/31 Tom Barnard

Anniversaries

8/28 Billy & Wendy Hogge, 49
8/29 Rev. Braxton & Cathie Allport, 61
8/31 Rev. Debbie & Lewis Marion, 29

STEWARDSHIP	8/17
General Fund	2430.00
Pastor’s Discretionary Fund	55.00
ATTENDANCE	8/17
In person Worship – 8:30 am	36
In person Worship – 11:00 am	55
Online Worship (Facebook/YouTube)	108
Total in Worship	199

All Services May be Viewed on:



We welcome you to worship today!
**Please stand as you are able, and remember to silence your mobile device*

Invocation	Stronger	Ben Fielding, Reuben Morgan
Welcome and Announcements		Pastor John Choi
*Praise	He Knows My Name	Tommy Walker
Prayer		
Thanksgiving		
Scripture Reading	Luke 13: 10-17	Pastor John Choi
Message	“Set Free by Love”	Pastor John Choi
Praise	Shout to the North	Martin Smith
*Blessing		
*Closing Chorus	Sanctuary	John W. Thompson, Randy Scruggs



BETHANY NEWS

Open Altar Flower dates – August 31; September 14, 28; October 5, 19
If you are interested, please sign up on the schedule in the main hallway.

Back to School – Again this year, Bethany will be collecting school supplies for local Gloucester schools. There is a collection box outside the Church Office. Our deadline is **TODAY**, August 24th as schools begin on August 26th. Thank you for your support!

The Hospitality Committee would like to thank those who made food for the Jean Heywood’s funeral reception and those who helped with the clean up afterwards.

DON’T FORGET! FIFTH SUNDAY EVENT - August 31, One service at 10 am- Please stay for a hot dog picnic lunch with coleslaw, baked beans, chips, beverage, dessert. Donations accepted. Please join us!

Dear Bethany Family,

We are beginning our 2026 pledges to Bethany United Methodist Church’s **General Fund**. The General Fund supports the essential ministries of our church, including:

- Salaries
- Local and global mission outreach
- The daily operations of our church facilities

Your pledge is an act of faith and commitment. It allows our Finance Committee to prepare a responsible budget for the coming year and ensures that Bethany continues to serve God faithfully in our community and beyond.

We ask that all pledges be submitted by October 1, 2025.

Thank you for your generosity and dedication to Christ’s work through Bethany UMC.
Bethany Finance Committee

Bethany UMC Prayer List	
BETHANY FAMILY	
CANCER/CHEMO: Darlene Bauschatz, Krista Chase, Carol Johnson, Sue Leed, Fred Niethamer, Linwood Rowe, Larry Whitfield GRIEVING: Families of Lorraine Brown, James Durette, Jr, Kathleen Greene, Jean Heywood, Richard Parkes HEALTH ISSUES: David Cecil, Dawn Cluts, Billy Davis, Sandy Fox, Estelle Harris, David Hoover, Milton Hudgins, Kathy Jacobs, Paul Kendall, Dennis Mitchell, Patsy Morales, Peggy Peterman HOMEBOUND: Linda Booth, Ruth Wallace, Lavalle Wilson PARKINSON’S: Mike Andersen, David Chapin, Yvonne White RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Greg Barnes, Judy Burner, Betty Butler, Ken Freeman, Jackie Hampton, 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, Bob Wharen, Marian Williford, Tim Williford, Gerri Wilson HEALTH ISSUES: Opal Brown, Janet Burch, Juanita Duncan, Shirley Lewis, Barbara McDermott, Jean Moon, Jennifer Morecock, Annette Peiffer, Phillip Presson, Wendy Roundy, Bobbi Stevens, Robin Willman, Betty Wilson	
ACTIVE MILITARY AND THEIR FAMILIES	
Kevin Jacobs, Will Neikirk, Jim Minor, All members of the military.	
OTHER PRAYERS	
United States of America; Ukraine; Israel and the Middle East; United Methodist Church	
ASSISTED LIVING	
Gloucester House, 7657 Meredith Dr., Gloucester 23061	Sarah Hillard, Rm 113
Heron Cove, 7409 Heron Cove Way, Gloucester 23061	Bonnie Lewis, Rm 13
Riverside Mathews, 603 Main St., Mathews, VA 23109	David Cecil, Rm 33B
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

Please note that unless otherwise notified, names will remain on the prayer list for 2 months. Please notify the Church Office of changes to the prayer list at any time.