# 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 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.

THIS WEEK AT BETHANY					
TODAY	10:00 am	Worship Service			
	Following Worship	Hot Dog Picnic			
Monday, September 1	5:30 pm	Praise Team			
Tuesday, September 2	7:00 pm	JOY Circle			
Wednesday, September 3	1:00 pm	Nominations Committee Meeting			
	6:00 pm	S/PPRC Meeting			
Sunday, September 7	8:30 am	Informal Worship Service (Communion)			
	9:30 am	Celebration & Fellowship			
9:45 am S		Sunday School			
	11:00 am	Traditional Worship (Communion)			

# **Birthdays**

8/31 Tom Barnard

9/1	Clare Hall, Alliyson Alligood,		
	Troy Andersen, Dave Ayers,		
	Janice Drexler		
9/2	Julie Rogers		
9/3	Nan Leigh		
9/4	Paul Martin, David Daniel		
9/5	David Dixon, Nile Cecil		
9/6	Mary Linda Brooks, Will Neikirk		

# **Anniversaries**

8/31	Rev. Debbie & Lewis Marion, 29
9/1	Al & Judy Burner, 57
9/4	Alan & Sandra Harvey, 31
9/5	Rob & Jen Naquin, 27



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

**Prayer Request** – Please keep Bernard and Debbie Robins in your prayers as Bernard recovers from surgery for injuries suffered from a bicycle accident last Sunday.

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

## **Memorial Contributions**

Just a quick reminder-- if a memorial contribution isn't marked for a specific fund (like Pastor's Discretionary, Capital Improvement, or Hospitality), it will go into the **General Fund** to help with the ongoing work and ministries of the church. Thank you for the ways you give in memory of loved ones and support Bethany UMC. – Bethany Finance Committee

The Hospitality Committee would like to extend our sincere thanks to all who assisted with the funeral reception for Jean Heywood. Whether you helped with set-up, brought food or stayed to help clean up - your time and effort were deeply appreciated.

Your willingness to serve provided comfort to Wendy and her family. It is a blessing to be part of such a generous and compassionate church.

The JOY Circle will meet Tuesday, September 2 at 7 pm in the Mary Lotsey classroom. Our program will be "Getting Organized." Please join us!



**Committee Meetings This Week -**

Nominations - Wednesday, September 3, 1:00 pm

S/PPRC – Wednesday, September 3, 6:00 pm



Join Us for Our Back to School Event

Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am - Noon



# **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 Durrette, 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, Martin Breen, Judy Burner, Betty Butler, Ken Freeman,

Jackie Hampton, Bernard Robins, Dawne Sawyer

Riverside Rehab, 672 Gloucester Rd., Saluda, VA, 23149

## **BETHANY FRIENDS**

**CANCER/CHEMO**: Sharon Acree, Clint Alexander, Peyton Arthur, Kathy Bauer, David Blackburn, Fran Bonniville, Kendall Walthall Caton, Jack Cawthorn, Kyle Cooper, 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, Joshua Childers, Juanita Duncan, Shirley Lewis, Barbara McDermott, Jean Moon, Annette Peiffer, Phillip Presson, Wendy Roundy, Bobbi Stevens

# 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 Heron Cove, 7409 Heron Cove Way, Gloucester 23061 Riverside Mathews, 603 Main St., Mathews, VA 23109 Sanders Assisted Living, 7407 Walker Ave., Gloucester 23061 Carolyn Scott, Rm 208 Sunrise Senior Living, 2015 Cranbeck Rd., Richmond 23235 Pauline Harris, Apt. 130

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.

Jennie Lipscomb