



Bethany United Methodist Church
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VOLUNTEERS SERVING TODAY

Media: Scott Berry, Jeremy Nardozi, Susannah Hogge, Cathy Raines, Aidan Dumbrocyo
Altar Guild this month: Nina Whitmore, Wendy Hogge, Mary Linda Brooks
Liturgist: Betty Neikirk
Trustee Contact this week: M.E. Thomas
Greeters: Betty Durette, Tom Smith
Ushers: Milton Hudgins, Kirk Bell
Counting Team: Don Thomas, Jackie Hampton, Loreen Paiva

STEWARDSHIP	9/7	9/14
General Fund	8,246.21	5,870.00
Upsy Daisy		5,000.00
Capital Improvement Fund	150.00	
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	185.00	
Organ Fund		100.00
ATTENDANCE	9/7	9/14
In person Worship – 8:30 am	35	32
In person Worship – 11:00 am	45	58
Online Worship (Facebook/YouTube)	84	74
Total in Worship	164	164

BUMC STAFF DIRECTORY

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All Services May be Viewed on:



September 21, 2025

11:00 a.m.

BETHANY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
15th Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME EVERYONE! Thank you for worshiping with us!

— As the music begins, please quiet your hearts in preparation for worship. —
**Please stand as you are able and please silence your mobile devices.*

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What Gift Can We Bring
"This song we now offer in honor and praise!"

UMH 87

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor John Choi

***Call to Worship**

Betty Neikirk

Leader: The hour is coming, and now is, when people will worship God
neither at this mountain, nor in Jerusalem.

**Congregation: The hour is coming, and now is,
when true worshipers will worship God in spirit and truth.**

Leader: Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again,
**Congregation: but those who drink of the water that Jesus will give them
will never be thirsty.**

**All: The water that Christ will give, will become in them
a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.**

***Hymn**

The God of Abraham Praise

UMH 116

***Responsive Reading** (Psalm 50, select verses)

Betty Neikirk

The mighty one, God the Lord, speaks and summons the earth
from the rising of the sun to its setting.

**Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty,
God shines forth.**

"Gather to me my faithful ones,
who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!"

**The heavens declare his righteousness,
for God himself is judge.**

“Every wild animal of the forest is mine,
the cattle on a thousand hills.
**I know all the birds of the air
and all that moves in the field is mine.**

“If I were hungry, I would not tell you,
for the world and all that is in it is mine.
Do I eat the flesh of bulls or drink the blood of goats?
**Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving,
and pay your vows to the Most High.**

**Call on me in the day of trouble;
I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me.”**

Opening Prayer

Betty Neikirk

O God, in mystery and silence you are present in our lives, bringing new life out of destruction, hope out of despair, growth out of difficulty. We thank you that you do not leave us alone but labor to make us whole. Help us to perceive your unseen hand in the unfolding of our lives, and to attend to the gentle guidance of your Spirit, that we may know the joy you give your people. Amen.

Anthem

“This Lonesome Valley”

Nancy Price, Don Besig

Children’s Time

Ellie Fountain

(All children are invited to attend Children’s Church)

Concerns and Prayer of Intercession, Petition “Lord, hear our prayer.”

The Lord’s Prayer

UMH No. 895

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Meditation

On Bended Knees, from the suite

Harry T. Burleigh

“From the Southland: Piano Sketches”

(1866-1949)

Transcribed for organ by Rudy Shackelford

Performed in memory of Kathleen & Jimmy Greene

“Oh, I look away yonder – what do I see? A band of angels after me,
Come to tote me away from de fiel’s all green, ‘Cause nobody knows de trouble I’ve seen!”
- African American Spiritual

Offering and Offertory Prayer

Pastor John Choi

Offertory

Träumerei (Dreaming), from “Scenes of Childhood”

Robert Schumann

Requested by, and performed in memory of, Jean Heywood

(1810-1856)

*Doxology

UMH No. 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.**

Prayer for Illumination

Betty Neikirk

God our helper, by your Holy Spirit, open our minds that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may be led into your truth and taught your will, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Hebrews 6:13-7:3

Betty Neikirk

Sermon

“With All My Worldly Goods”

Pastor John Choi

*Affirmation of Faith

Romans 8:35, 37-39

UMH 887

Hymn

What Gift Can We Bring

UMH 87

*Benediction

Pastor John Choi

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*Closing Chorus

Emmanuel, Emmanuel

UMH 204

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, his name is called Emmanuel.

God with us, revealed in us, his name is called Emmanuel. (Repeat 1x)

Exodus

Bless Thou the Gifts

UMH 587

“Bless thou the gifts our hands have brought..., The rest, O God, is in thy hand.”

