

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	8:30 am	Informal Worship Service
	9:30 am	Celebration & Fellowship
	9:45 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Traditional Worship
Monday, September 22	5:30 pm	Praise Team
Wednesday, September 24	6:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, September 25	10:30 am	York River Circle of the King's Daughters and Sons
Friday, September 26	9:00 am	HMAG
Sunday, September 28	8:30 am	Informal Worship Service
	9:30 am	Celebration & Fellowship
	9:45 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Traditional Worship

Birthdays

9/21 Randy Campbell, Ed Schultz  
9/22 Glen Kaylor, Frances Woods  
9/23 Christian Martin  
9/24 Ron Ervi  
9/25 Lindsay Hodges, Robin Hasty

Anniversaries

9/24 Tony & Susan Conry, 37  
9/26 Robert & Samantha Hornsby, 10

We give thanks to you, our Bethany family, for your many kindnesses expressed during Charla's recent illness. Your concerned thoughts and prayers, your cards and phone calls, your delicious meals and thoughtful visits have been very much loved and appreciated.

- Thank You and God Bless You, Tom and Charla Barnard



**BETHANY NEWS – Sunday, September 21, 2025**

*Allar Flowers are given today by Loreen Paiva in honor of Ron Ervi's Birthday.*

**Christian Sympathy** is extended to Janice Drexler on the death of her former husband last week. Please remember Janice in your prayers.

**Prayer Requests** – Please keep Bernard and Debbie Robins in your prayers as Bernard continues to recover from surgery for injuries suffered from a bicycle accident.

Please, also, keep Kirk and Patsy Bell in your prayers as Patsy awaits surgery for a broken ankle suffered as a result of a fall last weekend.

Dear Bethany Family,  
We are nearing the end 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

Dear Church Family,  
We are thrilled to announce that the Mission Rivers District has approved our grant request for the Higher Ground project in the amount of \$4,676! This funding will be instrumental in renovating the Bethany Cottage at Higher Ground. We are grateful for the support and encouragement of our congregation. Together, we can enhance our mission and impact our community. Thank you for your continued prayers and involvement!

Blessings, Kenneth H. Freeman, Bethany Missions Committee



## BETHANY HAPPENINGS



### Pastor's Sunday School

(8 weeks, October – November)

9:45-10:35 in the Fellowship Hall

**Starts on October 5<sup>th</sup>**

If you want to try an informal group learning experience, but have not had a chance to join a Sunday School yet, please join us. Pastor John will lead with additional questions from the day's sermon.

### Drop-In

**Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 3:00 – 4:30 pm**

**(at Susanna Wesley United Methodist)**



### Trunk or Treat

**October 25<sup>th</sup>, 5:00-7:00 pm**



### 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 Green, 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, Lavalie 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

#### BETHANY FRIENDS

**CANCER/CHEMO:** Sharon Acree, Clint Alexander, Peyton Arthur, Kathy Bauer, David Blackburn, Fran Bonnaville, Kendall Walthall Caton, Jack Cawthorn, Kyle Cooper, Wanda Dowell, Bill Edwards, John Gordon, Traci Greene, Larry Jones, Sissi Mise, Chauntea Shield, Mason Staley, David Trottier, Bob Wharen, Marian Williford, Tim Williford, Gerri Wilson

**HEALTH ISSUES:** Opal Brown, Michelle Burton, Joshua Childers, Elizabeth Johnson, Shirley Lewis, Barbara McDermott, Gary Poland, Phillip Presson, Wendy Roundy

#### 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.