



Bethany United Methodist Church
The Church with Open Hearts, Minds, and Doors
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VOLUNTEERS SERVING TODAY

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| Media: | Scott Berry, Jeremy Nardozzi, Susannah Hogge, Cathy Raines, Aidan Dumbrocyo |
| Altar Guild this month: | Nina Whitmore, Wendy Hogge, Mary Linda Brooks |
| Liturgist: | Susannah Hogge |
| Trustee Contact this week: | Tom Barnard |
| Greeters: | Jane Sterling, Tom Smith |
| Ushers: | Milton Hudgins, Kirk Bell |
| Counting Team: | Betty Neikirk, Chip Neikirk, Cheryl Roane |

| STEWARDSHIP | 8/31 |
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| General Fund | 3288.00 |
| Hospitality | 200.00 |
| Children’s Ministries | 255.00 |
| Organ Fund | 100.00 |
| ATTENDANCE | 8/31 |
| In person Worship – 10:00am | 95 |
| Online Worship (Facebook/YouTube) | 106 |
| Total in Worship | 201 |

BUMC STAFF DIRECTORY

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| Rev. John Choi, Pastor | Office: 804.642.2110; Cell: 804-384-3521 Email: johnchoi@vaumc.org |
| Jimmy Mackey, Church Office Administrator | Office 804.642.2110, call/text: 804.241.4130 Email: admin@bethanyumc-gp.org |
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September 7, 2025 11:00 a.m.

BETHANY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
13th Sunday after Pentecost | Communion Sunday

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.*

Intrada *Draw Us in the Spirit’s Tether* UMH 632
“Then with thanks to God the father break the bread and bless the cup: Allelulia!”

Welcome and Announcements Pastor John Choi

***Call to Worship** Susannah Hogge
Leader: Wherever you go, from the top of the highest mountain
or into the deep abysses of the earth, God knows you.
Congregation: Wherever we go, God knows our name.

Leader: Whatever you do, from the time you wake up
until you lay your head down again, God knows you.
Congregation: Whatever we do, God knows our name.

Leader: However you live, from your inner thoughts to your public acts
and everything in between, God knows you.
Congregation: However we live, God knows our name.

Leader: We gather to worship God, who loves us, knows us, and calls us by name.
**All: We gather to worship God, for we are fearfully and wonderfully made
by God who knows our name!**

***Hymn** *Be Thou My Vision* UMH 451

***Affirmation of Faith** The Apostle’s Creed UMH No. 881

Opening Prayer Susannah Hogge
**Direct and help us, O Lord, in all our deeds, that in all our works begun, continued,
and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name, and finally, by your mercy, obtain
everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the
unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

All Services May be Viewed on:



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| Anthem | <i>“Let Us Break Bread Together”</i> soloist, Carol Johnson | Spiritual |
| Children’s Time (All children are invited to attend Children’s Church) | | Ellie Fountain |
| Prayer for Illumination Lord God, may your Word be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen | | Susannah Hogge |
| Scripture Reading | Luke 14: 25-33 Word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God. | Susannah Hogge |
| Sermon | “Greater Love, No Regret” | Pastor John Choi |
| Concerns and Prayer of Intercession, Petition “Lord, hear our prayer.” | | |

Holy Communion

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| Invitation to Table | | Pastor John Choi |
| Confession and Pardon (on screen) | | |
| Offering and Offertory Prayer | | Pastor John Choi |
| Offertory | <i>Allelulia, from “Exsultate, Jubilate”</i> “Rejoice, shout, O you blessed souls, Singing sweet hymns; Responding to your song, The skies sing psalms with me.” Performed in memory of Richard K. Parkes | Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791) |
| *Doxology 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. | | UMH No. 95 |
| The Great Thanksgiving (on screen) | | |
| The Lord’s Prayer 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. | | UMH No. 895 |

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| Giving the Bread and Cup <i>(Communion is served by intinction. After you receive the bread, please dip it into the cup.)</i> | | |
| Music during Communion | <i>Toccata for Communion, from “Fiori Musicali ”</i> | Girolamo Frescobaldi (Sept. 1583-1643) |
| Prayer of Thanksgiving After Communion Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your eternal kingdom. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen. | | |
| *Hymn | <i>Gift of Love</i> | UMH 408 |
| *Benediction | | Pastor John Choi |
| *Closing Chorus | <i>Emmanuel, Emmanuel</i> Emmanuel, Emmanuel, his name is called Emmanuel. God with us, revealed in us, his name is called Emmanuel. (Repeat 1x) | UMH 204 |
| Exodus | <i>Now Let Us From This Table Rise</i> “Then grant us courage, Father God, To choose again the pilgrim way” | UMH 634 |

