### 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 (Communion)				
	9:30 am	Celebration & Fellowship				
	9:45 am	Sunday School				
	11:00 am	Traditional Worship (Communion)				
Monday, September 8	5:30 pm	Praise Team				
Tuesday, September 9	7:00 pm	Finance Committee				
Wednesday, September 10	10:00 am	Trustees				
	6:00 pm	GNMC Committee Meeting				
	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal				
Thursday, September 11	10:00 am	York River Garden Club				
	7:00 pm	Fall Festival Meeting				
Friday, September 12	9:00 am	HMAG				
Sunday, September 14	8:30 am	Informal Worship Service				
	9:30 am	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday Breakfast				
	9:45 am	Sunday School				
	11:00 am	Traditional Worship				

# **Birthdays**

## <u>Anniversaries</u>

9/7	Dean Til	lage, Ro	obert	Leigh

9/8 Mike Thayer, Kristin Morris,

**Greg Barnes** 

9/9 Jane Niethamer, Marie Reynolds,

Lynda Blubaugh

9/11 Kelly Fox, Donna Dixon

9/7 Richard & Susan Boyette, 50

Jimmy Mackey will be on vacation the week of September 8th. The office will be staffed by our elite group of volunteers. Office hours that week will be modified to 9:00 am until 1:00 pm, Monday through Thursday, and the office will be closed on Friday, September 12th.



# **BETHANY NEWS – Sunday, September 7, 2025**

Altar Flowers are given today to the glory of God by Peggy Lewis in honor of her grandson, Carwyn's 12th birthday.

**Prayer Request** – Please keep Bernard and Debbie Robins in your prayers as Bernard continues to recover from surgery for injuries suffered from a bicycle accident. Bernard is in Riverside Rehabilitation Hospital in Yorktown.

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

A special Thanks to our daughter, Vanessa and son, Gregory, for organizing our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party. The cookies, cupcakes, cake and pulled pork were all excellent. We also want to Thank each and every one who came to the fun party and for those who sent us cards. We will treasure this in our hearts. We also want to thank each of you for your cards and prayers and to Grady & Gwen Wesson and Al Burner for driving us when Ken had his surgery. –Ken and Ruth Ann Freeman

The Alter Guild Committee needs more helpers. If you would like to serve your Church in this capacity or have questions, please call Betty Durrette at 757-771-7437. Thank you.



### **Committee Meetings This Week:**

Finance - Tuesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7:00 pm

Trustees - Wednesday, September 4th, 9:00 am

George Nelson Concert Series Committee – Wednesday September 4th, 6:00 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 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

### **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, Larry Jones, Sissi Mise, Gary Poland, Chauntea Shield, Mason Staley, David Trottier, Bob Wharen, Marian Williford, Tim Williford, Gerri Wilson

**HEALTH ISSUES:** Opal Brown, Janet Burch, Michelle Burton, Joshua Childers, 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 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.