



**Bethany United Methodist Church**  
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**Office Hours: M-F, 9:00 am–3:00 pm**  
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**VOLUNTEERS SERVING TODAY**

Media Team: Scott Berry, Aidan Dumbrocyo, Susannah Hogge, Jeremy Nardozi, Cathy Raines  
Altar Guild this month: Pauline Reimold, Lynne Barnes, Diana Simmons  
Liturgist: Judy Burner  
Trustee Contact this week: Milton Hudgins  
Ushers: Milton Hudgins, Kirk Bell  
Greeters: Jack and Nina Whitmore  
Counting Team: Loreen Paiva, Jackie Hampton, Betty Neikirk

STEWARDSHIP	12/7
General Fund	5,979.15
Pastor’s Discretionary Fund	240.00
Endowment Fund (memorial)	50.00
Upsy Daisy	10,000.00
Memorial	20,000.00
ATTENDANCE	12/7
Informal Worship - 8:30	37
Traditional Worship – 11:00	55
Online Worship	66
Total in Worship	158

**BUMC STAFF DIRECTORY**

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**December 14, 2025** **10:00 a.m.**

**BETHANY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**Christmas Cantata**

**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** *Sing We Now of Christmas (Noël Nouvelet)* **UMH 237**

**Welcome and Announcements** **Pastor John Choi**

**Advent Candle Lighting** **Gwen & Grady Wesson**  
“And the ransomed of the Lord shall return  
and come to Zion with singing;  
everlasting joy shall be upon their heads.”

We light this candle as a symbol of Christ our Joy.  
Many search for happiness, but joy comes from  
fellowship with God in Christ, and with one another.  
**O come, Emmanuel.**  
**In your presence there is fullness of joy.**

**\*Call to Worship** **Judy Burner**  
Leader: Beloved, we gather to rejoice in God who does wondrous things,  
who promises that someday all manner of things shall be well.  
**Congregation: We rejoice in the truth of the day that all the earth awaits.**

Leader: We worship with joy now, confident that God will not stop until all creation is at peace.  
**Congregation: We rejoice in the truth of the day that all the earth awaits.**

Leader: We lift up our voices in song and story,  
in prayer and praise,  
as we remember and rejoice in all that God has done and will do among us.  
**Congregation: We rejoice in the truth of the day that all the earth awaits.**

**All: Come! Let us worship God with joy**  
**as we work with God toward the day when all of creation lives in everlasting joy.**

\*Hymn

Angels from the Realms of Glory

UMH 220

Opening Prayer

Judy Burner

Ever present God, you taught us that the night is far spent and the day is at hand.

Grant that we may ever be found watching for the coming of your Son. Save us from undue love of the world, that we may wait with patient hope for the day of the Lord, and so abide in him, that when he shall appear, we may not be ashamed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Offering and Offertory Prayer

Pastor John Choi

Offertory

Variations on a Noël

Variation No. 10 - Fugato

Marcel Dupré

(1886-1971)

\*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.

\*Scripture Reading

Luke 1: 46-55

Judy Burner

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

CHRISTMAS CANTATA

Rhapsody in Bluegrass by Joseph M. Martin

\*Hymn

UMH 218

It Came Upon the Midnight Clear

\*Benediction

Pastor John Choi

\*Closing Chorus

UMH 204

Emmanuel, Emmanuel

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, his name is called Emmanuel.

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

Exodus

Old English Carol

The Holly and the Ivy

Thank You to our Chancel Choir Members!

- ⌵ Cheryl Roane

⌵ Jeannie Harrell

⌵ Susannah Hogge

⌵ Kelly Fox

⌵ Ellie Fountain

⌵ Jason Roane

⌵ Don Thomas

⌵ Tom Barnard

⌵ Kevin Kiley

⌵ Ann Byrd

⌵ Jurah Yang

⌵ Doe Breen

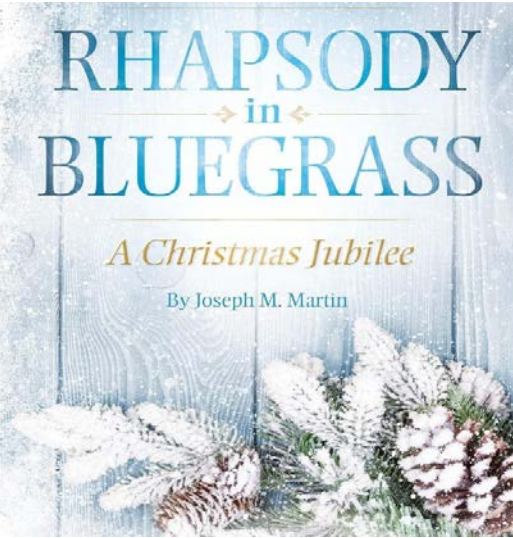
⌵ Charla Barnard

⌵ Sandra Harvey

⌵ Josiah Minor

⌵ Carter Roane

⌵ Jack Oliver



Director: Sandra Fox

Pianist: Rudy Shackelford

Assistant: Rebekah Ipock

Drums: Jeremy Nardozzi

String Bass: Kevin Garner

Narrator: Kirk Bell

Hear the Wondrous Story

The King Shall Come

Solo – Doe Breen

Star of Promise, Light of Glory

A Morning Star Will Rise

Mary Went A-Riding

Solo – Josiah Minor

O Little Town

Solo – Kelly Fox

Here Comes the Light

A Christmas Answer

Soloists – Susannah Hogge & Kelly Fox

A Little Light Was Born

Soloists – Susannah Hogge and Carter Roane

