



Bethany United Methodist Church
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 Office Hours: Mon-Fri., 9:00 am–3:00 pm

WELCOME and thank you for worshiping with us today!

VOLUNTEERS

Acolytes: James Hornsby, Mason Bland
 Media: Scott Berry, Jeremy Nardozi, Susannah Hogge, Aidan Dumbrocyo, Jurah Yang
 Altar Guild this month: Kathy Jacobs, Nancy Kendall, Shannon Roane
 Liturgist: Lynne Barnes
 Trustee Contact this week: Tom Barnard
 Greeter: Mitchell & Barbara Dunston
 Ushers: Milton Hudgins, Kirk Bell
 Counting Team: Bernard & Debbie Robins, Loreen Paiva

STEWARDSHIP	4/12
General Fund	4915.21
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	350.00
Capital Improvement Fund	150.00
ATTENDANCE	4/12
Worship – 8:30 am	29
Worship – 11:00 am	51
Online Worship	105
Total	185

BETHANY STAFF

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All Services May be Viewed on:



April 19, 2026

11:00 a.m.

BETHANY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Many and Great, O God (UMH 148)
 Celebrating Native American Ministries Sunday

Native American Song

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor John Choi

***Call to Worship** (UMH 748)

Lynne Barnes

Leader: Easter people, we gather as people who long for peace,
 for God to break through and bring us clarity and hope once again.

**Congregation: Like the disciples on the road to Emmaus, we don't always
 recognize when the Risen One comes alongside us, showing us the way where
 there seems to be no way.**

Leader: We gather as people hoping to catch a glimmer of Resurrection,
 ready for our hearts to burn with the truth of the resurrected Christ.

**Congregation: Like the disciples on the road to Emmaus,
 we open our hearts to the possibility that God's Resurrection life is closer than we think.**

Leader: God knows the burdens we carry, and God is faithful to meet us where we are with good news.

All: May the good news of the Resurrection astound us today as we come to worship God! Amen.

***Hymn**

Christ Is Alive

UMH 318

***Responsive Reading** (Psalm 34: 1-10)

I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.

O magnify the Lord with me,

and let us exalt his name together.

**I sought the Lord, and he answered me
 and delivered me from all my fears.**

Look to him, and be radiant,

so your faces shall never be ashamed.

**This poor soul cried and was heard by the Lord
 and was saved from every trouble.**

The angel of the Lord encamps

around those who fear him and delivers them.

O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in him.

O fear the Lord, you his holy ones,

for those who fear him have no want.

The young lions suffer want and hunger,

but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.

Opening Prayer Lynne Barnes
O God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Anthem *In the Sweet Up Yonder* Page and Shafferman
(Sweet By and By/When the Roll is Called up Yonder)

Children's Time (All children are invited to attend Children's Church afterwards) Ellie Fountain

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 *O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing (UMH 317)* 15th century French Carol
"O sons and daughters, let us sing! The King of Heaven, the glorious King,
O'er death and hell rose triumphing. Allelulia! Allelulia!"

Powhatan's Daughter John Philip Sousa
"Pocahantas, his own daughter, She the Dove of Werewocomoco,
The Pride of Tuscarora." (1854-1932)

***Hymn** *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus* UMH 349

Prayer for Illumination Lynne Barnes
Lord God, may your Word be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Scripture Reading 1 Peter 1: 17-23 Lynne Barnes
Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Born of Imperishable Seed" Pastor John Choi

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Affirmation of Faith Apostles' Creed UMH 881

Offertory Prayer and Offering

Offertory *Song of Peace, from the Piano Suite "From Mesa and Plain"* Arthur Farwell (1872-1952)
Transcribed for organ by Rudy Shackelford

"The clear sky, the peaceful earth is good, but peace among men is better."

From the Wa-Wan Ceremony of the Omaha Indians

***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.

***Hymn** *O Spirit of the Living God* UMH 539

***Benediction** Pastor John Choi

***Closing Chorus** *On Eagle's Wings (1x)* UMH 143

Exodus *Navajo War Dance, from the Piano Suite "From Mesa and Plain"* Arthur Farwell
Transcribed for organ by Rudy Shackelford

**please stand as you are able*

