

**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 Service
<b>Monday, June 22</b>	6:00 pm	Praise Team
<b>Wednesday, June 24</b>	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
<b>Thursday, June 25</b>	9:00 am	Bazaar Workshop
<b>Friday, June 26</b>	10:30 am	Upsy Daisy
<b>Sunday, June 28</b>	8:30 am	Informal Worship Service
	9:30 am	Celebration & Fellowship
	9:45 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Traditional Worship Service

### Birthdays

- 6/21 Michael Johnson, Coleman Conner  
April Stephens
- 6/22 Zealon Stilley, Leanna Orth West  
Kimberly Paiva
- 6/24 Nina Whitmore, Trip Vaughan  
James Hornsby
- 6/25 Susannah Hogge, Dean Townsend
- 6/27 Bonnie Young, Charla Barnard  
Caragan Brooks, Pastor John Choi

### Anniversaries

- 6/23 Jerry & Nerine Hickman, 20



**BETHANY NEWS – June 21, 2026**

*Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and to honor the June birthdays of Coleman Conner and Sharon Conner-Rooks, and in memory of sisters Doris Courtney and Bessie Conner, by Edward and Susan Conner.*

**Pastor's Sunday School** - The new summer session of Pastor's Sunday School has begun and will run through the summer. The class is open to all who are not currently in a Sunday School class. Participants reflect together on the Sunday sermon and have the chance to share about their week. Please speak to Pastor John for more information.

In anticipation of **Bethany's 140<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** next year, three volunteers are requested to update the history of Bethany for the years 2023, 2024, and 2025, each volunteer taking one year. We already have volunteers for 2022, 2026, and 2027.

Research materials will be provided. If you are interested, please contact Jimmy Mackey in the church office or Don Thomas at [hoeforkhall@cox.net](mailto:hoeforkhall@cox.net). Thanks.

**Happy Wanderers – Mark your calendar!** The Happy Wanderers will be touring Endview on July 22<sup>nd</sup>. Endview is an 18<sup>th</sup> century plantation, including a park and historic home. Lunch will be at Chicken Salad Chick, in Williamsburg, following the tour. Contact Judy Burner if you would like to attend and, also, if you are able to drive.

**Vacation Bible School**, for ages kindergarten through fifth grade, will be held this year on Friday, July 10<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 – 8:00 pm and Saturday, July 11<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm (followed by a Carnival!) Please contact Ellie Fountain or the Church office for registration information.

**The Salvation Army needs our help!** Canned goods and non-perishable items are needed for the Salvation Army food pantry. Bins for donations are located outside the Church office. Their pantry is open on Mondays and Tuesdays from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm. Thank you for your assistance



**BETHANY HAPPENINGS**

# HAPPY FATHER'S DAY



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**Ages Kindergarten through Fifth Grade**

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**Saturday, July 11<sup>th</sup> – 10:00 am – 2:00 pm**

**Carnival Following**

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**Prayer Request** – Please keep Kris Kiley in your prayers as she recovers from a heart procedure.

<b>Bethany UMC Prayer List</b>	
<b>BETHANY FAMILY</b>	
<b>CANCER/CHEMO:</b> Darlene Bauschatz, Krista Chase, Carol Johnson, Sue Leed, Larry Whitfield	
<b>GRIEVING:</b> Families of Jennie Lipscomb, Fred Niethamer, Lee Wood	
<b>HEALTH ISSUES:</b> Linda Booth, David Cecil, Dawn Cluts, Billy Davis, Sandy Fox, Estelle Harris, Milton Hudgins, Kathy Jacobs, Paul Kendall, Bonnie Lewis, Peggy Lewis, Dennis Mitchell, Peggy Peterman, Ruth Wallace, Gretchen Wood	
<b>PARKINSON'S:</b> Mike Andersen, Yvonne White	
<b>RECOVERING FROM SURGERY:</b> Mike Andersen, Darlene Bauschatz, Robert Blackwell, Nile Cecil, Kris Kiley, Jeff Lane, Terrie Oliver, Cathy Raines, Cheryl Roane, Bernard Robins,	
<b>BETHANY FRIENDS</b>	
<b>HEALTH ISSUES:</b> Opal Brown, Joshua Childers, Jordan Hunter, Shirley Lewis, David Morris, Pam Mullins, Rick Nichols, Terrie Oliver, Richard & Annette Peiffer, Ricky West, Gerri Wilson	
<b>GRIEVING:</b> Families of Larry Jones, David Trottier	
<b>ACTIVE MILITARY AND THEIR FAMILIES</b>	
Kevin Jacobs, Will Neikirk, Jim Minor, Jennifer Arnold Blackburn, All members of the military.	
<b>OTHER PRAYERS</b>	
United States of America; Ukraine; Israel and the Middle East; United Methodist Church	
<b>ASSISTED LIVING</b>	
Gloucester House, 7657 Meredith Dr., Gloucester 23061	Sarah Hillard, Rm 113
Gloucester House, 7657 Meredith Dr., Gloucester 23061	Sharon Cheek, Rm 107
Gloucester House, 7657 Meredith Dr., Gloucester 23061	Patsy Morales, Rm 118
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, 2105 Cranbeck Rd., Richmond, VA 23235	Pauline Harris
Walter Reed Convalescent Ctr, PO Box 887, Gloucester 23061	Lavalle Wilson, Rm Botetourt 6

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.

### **NOTE ON MUSIC FOR ST. JOHN'S EVE**

June may be the month of holy matrimony; but it also holds St. John's Eve or Midsummer Night. Preceding Midsummer Day, the feast of St. John the Baptist celebrated on June 24th, it was believed to be a time when witches and other supernatural beings caused widespread mischief. That is the setting of Shakespeare's play *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, for which Mendelssohn composed a suite of incidental music including the famous *Wedding March*. -Rudy Shackelford

