



Bethany United Methodist Church
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Acolytes:	James Hornsby, Mason Bland
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Altar Guild this month:	Peggy Lewis, Laura Glaze, Laura Vaughan
Liturgist:	Clair Hillard
Trustee Contact this week:	Don Thomas
Greeter:	Mary Kaylor
Ushers:	Milton Hudgins, Kirk Bell
Counting Team:	Al & Judy Burner, Donna Andersen

STEWARDSHIP	9/6
General Fund	6605.00
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	220.00
UMCOR	100.00
ATTENDANCE	9/6
Worship – 8:30 am	25
Worship – 11:00 am	61
Online Worship	237
Total	323

BETHANY STAFF

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September 13, 2026

11:00 a.m.

BETHANY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

16TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

WELCOME and thank you for worshiping with us today!

** please stand as you are able*

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor John Choi

Intrada

The Liberty Bell

John Philip Sousa
(1854-1932)

"These heroes are dead, They died for liberty - they died for us.
They are at rest, They sleep in the land they made free,
under the flag they rendered stainless..., In the midst of battles,
in the roar of conflict, they found the serenity of death."
- Robert Ingersoll (1870)

***Call to Worship (congregation in bold)**

Clair Hillard

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

O taste and see that the Lord is good!

God is our refuge and strength.

***Hymn**

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing (vv. 1-4,7)

UMH 57

***Responsive Reading (Psalm 114))**

When Israel went out from Egypt,
the house of Jacob from a people of strange language,
Judah became God's sanctuary, Israel his dominion.

The sea looked and fled; Jordan turned back.
The mountains skipped like rams, the hills like lambs.

Why is it, O sea, that you flee? O Jordan, that you turn back?
O mountains, that you skip like rams? O hills, like lambs?

Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the LORD,
at the presence of the God of Jacob,
who turns the rock into a pool of water, the flint into a spring of water.
Praise the Lord!

Opening Prayer

Clair Hillard

O God, you divided the waters of chaos at creation.
In Christ you stilled storms, raised the dead,
and vanquished demonic powers.
Deliver us from forces that defy human control, we pray.
Help us, in good times in distress,
to trust in your mercy that never ceases;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Anthem

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace (Prayer of St. Francis)

Sebastion Temple
arr. by Mark Hayes

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.

Voluntary

Adagio in G Minor

Tomaso Albinoni
(1671-1751)

Remembering the terrorist attacks on the United States of America 25 years ago on 9/11/2001

Hymn

He Touched Me (v.1)

UMH 367

Prayer for Illumination

Clair Hillard

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed,
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Colossians 2: 6-10

Kevin Kiley

Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Our Most Significant Relationships”

Pastor John Choi

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Pastor John Choi

Stewardship Moment

Susannah Hogge

Offertory Prayer and Offering

Offertory

Elegy

Rudy Shackelford
(Composed 1966)

"Ah, Christ! that it were possible For one short hour to see
The souls we loved, that they might tell us What and where they be!"
- Alfred, Lord Tennyson

*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

Lord, Speak to Me

UMH 463

*Benediction

Pastor John Choi

*Closing Chorus

On Eagle’s Wings (1x)

UMH 143

Exodus

God Bless America

Irving Berlin
(1888-1989)

