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WELCOME EVERYONE! Thank you for worshiping with us!

VOLUNTEERS

Acolytes:	James Hornsby, Mason Bland, John Bell
Media:	Scott Berry, Jeremy Nardozzi, Susannah Hogge, Aidan Dumbrocyo
Altar Guild this month:	Pauline Reimold, Lynne Barnes, Diana Simmons
Liturgist:	Regina Berry
Trustee Contact this week:	Jackie Hampton
Greeter:	Nina Whitmore
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STEWARDSHIP	10/25
General Fund	1555.00
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	775.00
Capital Improvement Fund	50.00
ATTENDANCE	10/25
Worship – 8:30 am	38
Worship – 11:00 am	44
Online Worship	155
Total	237

November 1, 2026 **11:00 a.m.**

BETHANY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

COMMUNION SUNDAY

Welcome and Announcements Pastor John Choi

Intrada *Rejoice in God's Saints* UMH 708

***Call to Worship (congregation in bold)** Regina Berry
Grace to you and peace from God
who is, and was, and is to come.
And from Jesus Christ the faithful witness,
the firstborn of the dead, and ruler of kings on earth.
The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. **Amen.**

***Hymn** *Marching to Zion* UMH 733

***Responsive Reading** (1 John 3: 1-3)
See what love the Father has given us,
that we should be called children of God,
and that is what we are.
The reason the world does not know us, is that it did not know God.

Beloved, we are God's children now;
what we will be has not yet been revealed.
What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him,
for we will see him as he is.

All: And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. Amen.

Opening Prayer Regina Berry
We bless your holy name, O God, for all your servants who, having finished their course, now rest from their labors. Give us grace to follow the example of their steadfastness and faithfulness, to your honor and glory; through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Anthem *The Unclouded Day* J.K. Atwood
Will the Circle be Unbroken words by Adar Habershon
music by Charles H. Gabriel

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

***Scripture Reading** Matthew 5: 1-12 Regina Berry
Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon "A New World On Its Way" Pastor John Choi

***Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles' Creed UMH 881

Concerns and Prayer of Intercession, Petition **"Lord, hear our prayer."**

Hymn *Holy Ground (1x)* TFWS 2272

Holy Communion

Invitation to Table Pastor John Choi

Prayer of Confession
Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your world and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silence

Pardon
Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ.
But Christ suffered and died for us, was raised from the dead
and ascended on high for us,
and continues to intercede for us.
Believe the good news:
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
Glory to God. Amen.

Offering and Offertory Prayer

Offertory *Elegy* Sir George Thalben-Ball
In memory of Bethany's departed Saints (1896-1987)

***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.

The Great Thanksgiving UMH 13

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.

Giving the Bread and Cup *(Communion is served by intinction. After receiving the bread, please dip it in the cup.)*

Music during Communion *Consolation No. 3* Franz Liszt
Transcribed for organ by Rudy Shackelford (1811-1886)

Dance of the Blessed Spirits, from *"Orpheus"* Christoph Gluck
(1714-1787)

Prayer of Thanksgiving After Communion
Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your eternal kingdom. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

***Hymn** *I Sing a Song of the Saints of God* UMH 712

***Benediction** Pastor John Choi

***Closing Chorus** *Shalom to You* UMH 666

Exodus *For All the Saints* Ralph Vaughan Williams
(1872-1958)