

THIS WEEK AT BETHANY		
TODAY	8:30 am	Informal Worship (Communion)
	9:30 am	Celebration & Fellowship
	9:45 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Traditional Worship (Communion)
Monday, October 5	2:00 pm	JOY Circle
	5:00 pm	York River Villas
	6:30 pm	Praise Team
Wednesday, October 7	5:30 pm	Youth Group
	6:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, October 8	9:00 am	York River Garden Club
	11:00 am	Marie Reynolds Funeral and Reception
	7:00 pm	York River Concert Band
Friday, October 9	9:00 am	HMAG
Sunday, October 11	8:30 am	Informal Worship
	9:30 am	2 nd Sunday Breakfast
	9:45 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Traditional Worship

Birthdays

10/4 Carol Harder
10/5 Kyle Nichols
10/6 Jane Sterling, Norma Sage
10/7 Rob Raines
10/8 Austin Kent, Karrie Cooper
10/9 Jordan Roane, Kim Song
10/10 Lisa Hasty, Cathy Raines, Shawn Chase

Anniversaries

10/4 M.E. & Brenda Thomas, 51
10/8 Brian & Christina Mahoney, 32

STEWARDSHIP	9/27
General Fund	2993.00
Pastor’s Discretionary Fund	50.00
Hospitality Fund	200.00
ATTENDANCE	9/27
Worship – 8:30 am	23
Worship – 11:00 am	59
Online Worship	140
Total	222

October 4, 2026

8:30 am



BETHANY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

19TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | COMMUNION SUNDAY



We welcome you to worship today!

** Please stand as you are able.*

Invocation	Grace Alone	Dustin Kensrue
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Welcome and Announcements		Pastor John Choi
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*Praise	My Jesus	Anne Wilson, Jeff Pardo Matthew West
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Prayer

Thanksgiving over Offering

Scripture Reading	Ephesians 6: 10-18	Pastor John Choi
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Message	“Being Armed Spiritually”	Pastor John Choi
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Holy Communion

Invitation and Confession

Giving Thanks

Communion Song

Giving the Bread and Cup

Prayer

Communion Brooke & Scott Ligertwood, Jason Ingram

Praise	Open Up the Heavens	MacDonald, Ingram Andrews, Garrard, Rozier
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*Blessing

*Closing Chorus	Jesus Name Above All Names	TFWS 2071
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BETHANY NEWS

*Altar Flowers are given today by Susannah Kogge for
Jason's birthday, September 28th and Decatur's birthday October 3rd.*

2027 Faith Promise Campaign

As we prepare for 2027, we ask each member and family to prayerfully consider their **General Fund Faith Promise for 2027**. Your commitment provides the Finance Committee with valuable information as we develop a responsible budget and plan for Bethany's ministries in the year ahead. **The 2027 Faith Promise Campaign will begin on the first Sunday in September and conclude at the end of October.** Thank you for your continued faithfulness, generosity, and commitment to the ministries of Bethany United Methodist Church. - **Bethany UMC Finance Committee**

JOY Circle – Our speaker tomorrow, October 5th, at 2:00 pm, is Wendy Roundy, CEO of Helping the Homeless Ministries. Wendy will be talking about her experiences and how we can support the ministry. Our service project for October will be focused on this ministry. We are asking the congregation to donate large cans of vegetables that will be used for preparing meals for the food bus. Our goal is to collect 30, #10 cans during the month. Monetary donations may be also given to Judy Burner of Gwen Wesson. Thank you for helping those in need.

Drop-in Blessing of the Pets -Saturday, October 10th, 2:00-4:00 pm at Susanna Wesley UMC. All animals are welcome provided they are under their owner's control. Sponsored by Bellamy, Susanna Wesley and Bethany United Methodist Churches.



Saturday, October 24th, 5:30 – 7:30 pm.
Sign-up information is on the poster in the main hallway.

Volunteers Needed! Potato Drop – Saturday, October 17th, 8:00 am – 12:00 noon Bethlehem United Methodist Church. Please contact the Church Office for volunteer info.

Christian Sympathy is extended to the family of Marie Reynolds who passed away on September 25th. Marie's funeral service is at Bethany on Thursday, October 8th at 11:00 am, followed by a reception in the Fellowship Hall. Visitation will be from 10:00 -10:45 am. (The congregation is asked to bring finger foods for the reception to the church by 9:30 am Thursday. Help with cleanup is always appreciated.)

Also, to the family of Nile Cecil, who passed away on September 30th. Niles funeral service was held at Bethany on Saturday, October 3rd.

Prayer Requests:

- + Please pray for Alice Northam who is recovering from surgery for a broken femur in her right leg.
- + Please keep Barb Holtry in your prayers as she continues to recover.
- + Please keep Shirley Lewis in your prayers as she prepares for surgery on October 5th.

Bethany UMC Prayer List	
BETHANY FAMILY	
CANCER/CHEMO: Darlene Bauschatz, Krista Chase, Carol Johnson, Sue Leed, Larry Whitfield	
GRIEVING: Families of Mike Andersen, Gary Loveland, Marie Reynolds, Sandy Riggins, Lee Wood	
HEALTH ISSUES: Linda Booth, Nile Cecil, David Cecil, Dawn Cluts, Billy Davis, Sandy Fox, Estelle Harris, Pat Hasty, Marcia Haywood, Milton Hudgins, Kathy Jacobs, Paul Kendall, Bonnie Lewis, Dennis Mitchell, Josh Morris, Peggy Peterman, Ruth Wallace, Yvonne White, Gretchen Wood	
RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Alice Northam, Cathy Raines, Cheryl Roane	
BETHANY FRIENDS	
HEALTH ISSUES: Jimmy Belvin, Opal Brown, Joshua Childers, Jimmy Diggs, Shirley Hudgins, Jordan Hunter, Shirley Lewis, Alex Martin, Earlene Miller, David Morris, Pam Mullins, Terrie Oliver, Kendall Pratt, Wendy Roundy, Rupert Thomas, Ricky West, Gerri Wilson, Art Wolz, Vicki Wolz	
GRIEVING: Families of Jan Maynard Gray, Peter Hogge, Thomas Hogge, Sr.	
ACTIVE MILITARY AND THEIR FAMILIES	
Kevin Jacobs, Will Neikirk, Jim Minor, Jennifer Arnold Blackburn, All members of the military.	
OTHER PRAYERS	
United States of America; Ukraine; Israel and the Middle East; United Methodist Church	
ASSISTED LIVING	
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 Street, Mathews 23061	David Cecil, Rm 338
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

