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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:	Betty Neikirk
Trustee Contact this week:	Milton Hudgins
Greeter:	Mary Kaylor
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STEWARDSHIP	11/8
General Fund	5945.00
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	640.00
Capital Improvement Fund	50.00
Endowment Fund	500.00
Media Fund	500.00
Bazaar Fund*	
ATTENDANCE	11/8
Worship – 8:30 am	36
Worship – 11:00 am	58
Online Worship	91
Total	185

*Donated by Don Thomas in memory of his cousin Marie Anerton Baldwin, who was instrumental in initiating bazaars at Bethany and setting the standard for others to follow, and in honor of those who are faithfully carrying out her legacy.



November 15, 2026 **11:00 a.m.**

BETHANY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

25th Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome and Announcements Pastor John Choi

Intrada *Nessun Dorma! (No One Shall Sleep!),* from *"Turandot"* Giacomo Puccini (1858-1924)

"Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober."
1 Thessalonians 5: 6

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

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.
Let us look up and raise our heads.
Our redemption is drawing near. Praise be to the Lord.

***Hymn** *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* UMH 103

***Responsive Reading** - Psalm 90: 1-6, 11-12
Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.
Before the mountains were brought forth
or ever you had formed the earth and the world,
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

You turn us back to dust and say, "Turn back, you mortals."
For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday
when it is past or like a watch in the night.
You sweep them away; they are like a dream,
like grass that is renewed in the morning;

in the morning it flourishes and is renewed;
in the evening it fades and withers.

Who considers the power of your anger?
Your wrath is as great as the fear that is due you.
So teach us to count our days that we may gain a wise heart. Amen.

Opening Prayer Betty Neikirk

Ever-living God, before the earth was formed
and even after it shall cease to be, you are God.
Break into our short span of life
and show us those things that are eternal,
that we may serve your purpose in all we do;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Anthem *It Is Well With My Soul* Horatio G. Spafford
transcribed by Craig Courtney

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 *Hymn: "Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying"* UMH 720

Prelude on "Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying J.S. Bach
Transcribed for piano by Ferruccio Busoni (1685-1750)

***Hymn** Lead Me, Guide Me (vv. 1,3) TFWS 2214

Prayer for Illumination
Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that we may hear your Word with joy. Amen.

Scripture Reading 1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11 Betty Neikirk

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

Sermon "Belong to the Day" Pastor John Choi

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

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

Offering and Offertory Prayer

Offertory *Fugue,* from *Partita on "Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying* Hugo Distler (1908-1942)
"The Bridegroom comes, awake: your lamps with gladness take." UMH 720

***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 Morning Star, How Fair and Bright* UMH 247

***Benediction** Pastor John Choi

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

Exodus *Arise, Shine Out, Your Light Has Come* UMH 725

