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**WELCOME EVERYONE! Thank you for worshiping with us!**

**VOLUNTEERS**

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| 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: | Pastor John Choi |
| Trustee Contact this week: | Don Thomas |
| Greeter: | Julie Rogers |
| Ushers: | Milton Hudgins, Kirk Bell |
| Counting Team: | Betty & Chip Neikirk, Cheryl Roane |

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| **STEWARDSHIP** | 11/1 |
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| General Fund | 8777.00 |
| Pastor's Discretionary Fund | 200.00 |
| GNCS Fund | 50.00 |
| Choir Fund | 50.00 |
| Rise Against Hunger | 100.00 |
| GUEST | 100.00 |
| Hospitality | 50.00 |
| **ATTENDANCE** | 11/1 |
| Worship – 8:30 am | 29 |
| Worship – 11:00 am | 59 |
| Online Worship | 126 |
| Total | 214 |



**November 8, 2026** **11:00 a.m.**

# BETHANY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**24th Sunday after Pentecost**

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**Welcome and Announcements** Pastor John Choi

**Intrada** *O Day of Peace That Dimly Shines (Jerusalem)* Hubert Parry (1916)
"May the swords of hate fall from our hands…" UMH 729
Honoring Veterans Day, November 11th

***Call to Worship (congregation in bold)** Pastor John Choi

Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised.
**There is no end to God's greatness.**

One generation shall praise your work to another
**And shall declare your power.**

My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord.
**Let all flesh bless his holy name for ever and ever. Amen.**

***Hymn** *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* UMH 206

***Responsive Reading** - Psalm 70
Be pleased, O God, to deliver me. O LORD, make haste to help me!
**Let those be put to shame and confusion who seek my life.**

Let those be turned back and brought to dishonor who desire to hurt me.
**Let those who say, "Aha, Aha!" turn back because of their shame.**

Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you.
**Let those who love your salvation say evermore, "God is great!"**

But I am poor and needy; hasten to me, O God!
**You are my help and my deliverer; O LORD, do not delay!**

**Opening Prayer** Pastor John Choi

**O God, our Guide and Guardian,**
**you have led us apart from the busy world into the quiet of your house.**
**Grant us grace to worship you in Spirit and in truth,**
**to the comfort of our souls**
**and the upbuilding of every good purpose and holy desire.**
**Enable us to do more perfectly the work to which you have called us,**
**that we may not fear the coming of night,**
**when we shall resign into your hands**
**the tasks which you have committed to us.**
**So may we worship you not with our lips at this hour,**
**but in word and deed all the days of our lives;**
**through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

**Anthem** *A Lord-Built House* Roger Lentz
soloist Jeannie Harrell 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** *Pavane,* Opus 50 Gabriel Fauré
Happy 80th birthday, Don Thomas (1845-1924)

***Hymn** *Sweet Hour of Prayer* (v.1) UMH 496

**Prayer for Illumination**
**Lord God, help us to know your ways; teach us your paths. Lead us in your truth, and teach us, for you are the God of our salvation; in Jesus' name. Amen.**

***Scripture Reading** Mark 1: 1-15 Pastor John Choi

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

**Sermon** "The Kingdom of God is at Hand" Loreen Paiva

**Invitation to Christian Discipleship**

***Affirmation of Faith** A Modern Affirmation UMH 885

**Offering and Offertory Prayer**

**Offertory** *"Power and Glory": Fraternal March* John Philip Sousa
*Introducing "Onward Christian Soldiers"* (1854-1932)
Transcribed for organ by Rudy Shackelford

***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** *I Am Thine, O Lord* UMH 419

***Benediction** Pastor John Choi

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

**Exodus** *For the Healing of the Nations* UMH 428

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