

# Bethany United Methodist Church

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Worship services: 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

February 8, 2009

The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany



**LARGE PRINT** Hymnals and Bulletins are available for your use – request one from an usher  
Listening devices are available from the ushers for the hearing impaired.

## Gathering

### CONGREGATIONAL FELLOWSHIP

*You are invited to use this time to welcome and visit with others in the congregation.*

### CHIMING OF THE HOUR

*Let the chiming of the hour be a call to silent prayer and meditation.*

### PRELUDE

Warsaw Concerto

Richard Addinsell (1904-1977)

- Happy Birthday, Katherine Jordan! -

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS (11:00)

Cub Pack 113

### \*THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic  
for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.**

### \*THE PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE CHRISTIAN FLAG

**I pledge allegiance to the Christian flag and to the Savior for whose kingdom it stands, one brotherhood, uniting all mankind in service and  
love.**

### \*CHORUS OF THE MONTH

TFWS 2173 refrain

**Shine, Jesus, shine – fill this land with the Father's glory  
Blaze, Spirit, blaze -- set our hearts on fire!  
Flow, river, flow—flood the nations with grace and mercy!  
Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light!**

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalms 103:1-5

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!  
**Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all his benefits –**  
who forgives all your iniquity,  
**who heals all your diseases,**  
who redeems your life from the Pit,



BAPTISM AND RECEPTION INTO THE CHURCH (11:00)

UMH, No. 34-35, 38  
Linda Hall  
Kevin and Crystal Thompson  
David and Beth Belvin  
Ed and Susan Conner  
Jim and Betty Durette  
Maxine Bellows  
Karleen Frederick  
Richard Parkes

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our Prayer**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH, no. 895

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory      *Badinerie*, from "Ouvverture" in B Minor      Johann Sebastian Bach  
(1685-1750)

\*Doxology      *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*      UMH, No. 95

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*CLOSING HYMN      *Standing in the Need of Prayer*      UMH, No. 352

\*BENEDICTION

\*DISMISSAL CHORUS      UMH, No. 672

**God be with you till we meet again,  
When life's perils thick confound you,  
Put his arms unfailing round you.  
God be with you till we meet again.**

POSTLUDE      *War March of the Priests*, from "Athalie"      Felix Mendelssohn  
(born 3 Feb. 1809)

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\*Congregation to Stand

**WELCOME, VISITORS!** We are delighted to have you in our congregation today. We invite you to participate as fully in our worship service as you feel comfortable. Bethany Church offers a full range of study and fellowship opportunities for children, youth, young adults, and older adults. Sunday School, in session from 9:45-10:45 a.m. each Sunday morning, features nine different classes for adults, one class for youth, three classes for children, and a nursery. We invite you to come back to Bethany and get to know us better!

### **Our Nursery**

For the convenience of parents of small children a nursery is provided during both worship services and also during the Sunday School hour. The maximum suggested age for the nursery is four years old. Please ask an usher or greeter for directions to the nursery.

### **Altar Flowers today**

Flowers on the altar today are given in honor of Jack Kaylor on his birthday today by his wife Mary.

The bud vase of roses on the altar is given in joyful thanksgiving to God by Pat and Bev Kearney in honor of the birth of twin boys, William Pace and Pearson Lee Kearney on January 29. Pace weighed 5 pounds 4 ounces; Pearson weighed 4 pounds 15 ounces. Genia, Will and babies are doing well at home in Columbia, S.C.

Bishop:	Reverend Charlene Payne Kammerer		
District Superintendent:	Reverend Joseph D. Carson		
Minister:	Reverend Stephen E. Young		
Pastor in Residence:	Chaplain L. Lawson Byrd		
Pastor in Residence:	Reverend Bob Justis		
Pastor in Residence:	Chaplain Carol Johnson		
Lay Leader:	Archie Leigh		
Associate Lay Leader:	Roy Bauschatz		
Youth Leader:	Sondra Colbert		
Children's Ministry:	Kris Kent		
Director of Music:	Sandra Fox		
Organist:	Rudy Shackelford		
Soloist:	8:30	Janet Chapin	
Acolytes:	8:30	Trip Vaughan	11:00 Mark Nichols
Lay Readers:	8:30	Kevin Kiley	11:00 Loreen Paiva
Altar Guild for February:	Carolyn Davis and Alice Northam		
Greeters:	11:00	Narthex: Jennie Lipscomb	Side: Clare Hall

### **This Week at Bethany**

Today	8:25 & 10:55	Prayer time - Mary Lotsey Classroom
	9:45	Sunday School for all ages
	<b>4:00</b>	<b>Stephen Bennett Concert</b>
	6:00-7:30	Supper/Bible Buddies
Monday	7:00	Outreach Ministries Team
	5:00	Weight Watchers
Tuesday	7:00	Men/Women's Bible Study/Christian Believer
	10:00/7:00	Prayer Shawl/Quilt Ministries meeting
Wednesday	7:00	Stewardship Committee meeting
	11:00-4:00	AARP Tax Preparation
	6:30	Focused Prayer: "People with Mental Handicaps"
Wed-Friday	7:00	Chancel Choir
	All day	Rehearsal/set up WBFH for dinner theater
Thursday	9:00	The Main Event
	6:30	Emmaus
	6:30	Scouts meet in education hall class room
	7:30	Midweek Worship
<b>Friday &amp; Sat.</b>	<b>6:00</b>	<b>Youth Dinner Theater –"Christmas at the Cricket County Café"</b>
Next Sunday	8:25 & 10:55	Prayer Time-Mary Lotsey Classroom

9:45 Sunday School for all ages

4:00 George Nelson Concert Series Committee meeting

### February XYZ Meeting

Bethany XYZ will meet for a covered dish meal and program on February 18 at 11:30 a.m. The program will be on the New Point Lighthouse

### Come be a "King Pin" at the February CCF Event!

Bethany Bowling Bash for bowlers that are in preschool through fifth grade will be held on Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup>. You may ride the Bethany Van at 3:30 p.m. or we'll meet you at The village Lanes at 4:00 p.m. Any question? Get in touch with Kris Kent 642-6438 or email

[kentcrew@cox.net](mailto:kentcrew@cox.net)

### Stewardship for February 1, 2009

#### Attendance:

Worship:	219
8:30	58
11:00	161

Sunday School	95
Adults	67
Children	16
Youth	12

### Counting Teams Schedule

February 8 Sid Dixon, Katherine Jordan, Kathleen Mattox

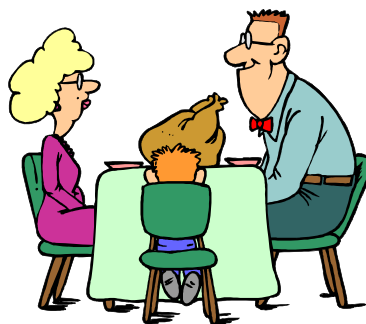
February 15 Carlton Heywood, Jean Heywood, Norman Poland

### Youth Dinner Theater

*Christmas at the Cricket County Café*

By: [Eddie McPherson](#)

Granny Taylor is cooking her famous supply at her café. such manual labor is clearly beneath them, the only reason will read after the last customer leaves. Dodging grouchy work done, because money talks -- with a Southern twang! Country Cousin Fester turning into a cool dude? Grumpy Oswald buttering up his boss faster than Granny's everyone in their tracks. There's a major attitude shift in the focus on the birth of the baby Jesus.



She has asked the help of her snooty City Cousins. Though they agree is to hear the amendment to rich Uncle Zeke's Granny's verbal bullets, they bust their britches to get their There's more brewing at the Café than just the coffee. Granny a wanna-be Snow Queen, and what's with homemade biscuits? Uncle Zeke's will reading stops Café as all recognize the folly of their selfish ways and

### Your Donations are Needed

Pound cakes, French bread, tomatoes, peppers, onions, and cucumbers are needed for our dinner theater. We are requesting the vegetable donations by the evening of Tuesday, Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> and would need the bread/pound cakes by the evening of Thursday, Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Sue Morecock at 757-875-1603 or Sondra at 804-642-0467 (or by email [sd001@cox.net](mailto:sd001@cox.net)) if you are able to donate any of these items. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

**ENJOY DINNER AND THE THEATER!**

On Friday, February 13<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, February 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. Bethany's Youth will present Christmas at the Cricket County Café. Dinner will be served, which will consist of *baked spaghetti, salad, bread, and dessert*. We are asking for donations for the tickets because we realize that many families are being affected by the economy. All proceeds will benefit sending about 25 of our youth to Helping Hands Mission Camp this summer. This is the camp that benefits the Gloucester Community. Tickets will be available following each service. Thank you for your continuous love and support for Bethany's Youth.

### **Ash Wednesday Supper and Service**

Bethany will come together on Ash Wednesday, February 25, for a soup supper, which begins in the WBFH at 6:15 p.m. Following supper we will gather in the sanctuary (7:00 p.m.) for a worship service and the imposition of ashes. All are invited to participate in this very meaningful way to begin the season of Lent. Family Life Ministries is asking everyone to bring their favorite soup to share. Bread, crackers, beverages and desserts will be provided.

### **Salvation Army Food Closet**

As a project of the Church and Society Committee we will begin collecting items needed by the Salvation Army food closet. For the next few weeks we will be accepting non-perishable food items. There is a container located near the church office for your items.

### **Bethany Welcomes Cub Pack 113**

Traditionally, the second Sunday in February is celebrated as Scouting Ministries Sunday in the United Methodist Church. Today at the 11 o'clock service we are blessed to have present with us cub scouts and their leaders from Cub Pack 113. Cub Pack 113 holds its regular pack meetings in our fellowship hall on the last Friday evening of each month. In addition, two of the three cub dens use our church facilities for their weekly meetings. Claudia Clifton is the Cubmaster, and David Chapin is Bethany's Scouting Representative. The scouts will lead us in our pledge of allegiance this morning.

### **Offering for Heart Havens**

Once a year Bethany receives a special offering to support the ministry of Heart Havens, ten group homes to care for adults with mental and developmental disabilities. The newest home opened last year in Newport News. You may give in one of two ways. (1) If you desire to receive regular mailings from Heart Havens and to support the organization throughout the year, make your check out to Heart Havens, Inc. and use the enclosed envelope. (2) If you would like to receive credit for your contribution through Bethany, please make out your check to Bethany UMC and write "Heart Havens" on the notation line. Contributions to Heart Havens are considered over and above one's regular giving to the church.

### **Bethany Welcomes New Members**

This morning at our 11:00 service we welcome twelve new members into our fellowship. **Richard Parkes** is transferring his membership from Williamsburg UMC; Richard's address is 5 Priorslee Lane, Williamsburg (757-564-0088). **Maxine Bellows** is transferring her membership from Foothills UMC in Gloversville, NY. Maxine resides at 1664 Skiffes Creek Circle, Williamsburg (757-243-8224). **Karleen Frederick** (Maxine's sister) is also transferring her membership from Foothills UMC in Gloversville. Karleen lives with her husband Richard and son Jacob (14) at 6676 Wharfview Ct., Hayes (off Fields Landing Rd.)(684-5632). **Linda Hall** will receive the Sacrament of Baptism and is joining by Profession of Faith. She resides at 3177 Horse Rd., Hayes (Achilles area). **Ed and Susan Conner** are transferring their membership from Wesley UMC in Hampton. The Conners live at 5346 Glebe Hall Rd. in Gloucester (693-3522). **Jim and Betty Durette** are transferring their membership from Laurel Hill UMC in Richmond. The Durrettes reside at 8365 Oyster Cove Rd., Hayes (off Little England Rd) (642-1598). **David and Beth Belvin** live temporarily in the Esther Thompson Cottage at Bena. Their mailing address is 7598 Crab Thicket Rd., Gloucester (684-5026). David will receive the Sacrament of Baptism and join by Profession of Faith; Beth is transferring from Indian View Baptist Church in King and Queen. **Kevin and Crystal Thompson** and their five-month-old son Carter reside at 2111 Sarahs Cove Dr., Hayes (off Guinea Rd.)(540-818-7966). Kevin is transferring from Snellville UMC in Snellville, Georgia. Crystal will receive the Sacrament of Baptism and join by Profession of Faith.

*Stephen Bennett in Concert TODAY - 4:00 p.m.*

*Bethany United Methodist Church*

Stephen Bennett was born in Oregon, grew up in New York and has lived in Virginia for the last three decades. Since his 1987 win at the National Flatpicking Championship in Winfield, Kansas (The Walnut Valley Festival), he has become known as a versatile and original guitarist who consistently garners critical praise and audience enthusiasm for his recordings and live performances.

With his stellar musicianship, a relaxed stage presence and quick wit, Stephen has performed throughout the United States, as well as in Canada, France, England, Italy, Sweden, Germany, Holland, Australia, Belgium, New Zealand, and Japan. With fifteen self-produced CD recordings to his credit at this writing, a new Stephen Bennett recording is always in progress.

### **Emmaus Reunion Group Get Togethers**

It's been awhile since we've all been together! So, we've planned a covered dish dinner for February 19<sup>th</sup> in the WBFH at 6:00 p.m.

On May 7<sup>th</sup> - at 6:00 p.m. we will get together for a covered dish dinner/Sunday Worship planning meeting.

Our reunion group is leading both worship services on the 17<sup>th</sup> and we will need everyone's help! Prayerfully consider what God is leading to do for the service. We'll talk about it on May 7<sup>th</sup>.

### **Confirmation Class to begin February 22**

Pastor Steve will be leading a Confirmation Class for those in sixth grade and above who wish to join the church. If you are interested in attending please get in touch with Pastor Steve. The nine week class will be held from 12:45 until 1:45 each Sunday, following a light lunch at the church.

### **United Methodist Men – “Sweetheart” Dinner and program**

Bethany UMM will meet on February 24, 6:30 p.m. for “Sweetheart” us with a light musical program.

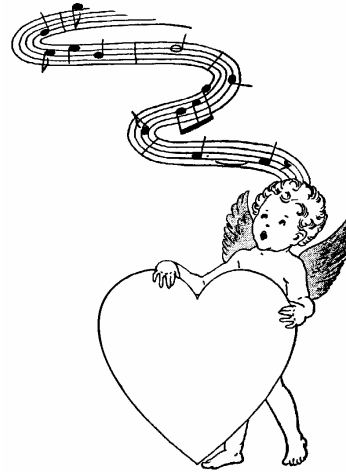
If you plan to attend the dinner please fill out the form below and

I plan to attend the “Sweetheart” dinner on February 24<sup>th</sup>

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER ATTENDING \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NO. \_\_\_\_\_



night. Following dinner, Toby Callaway will entertain

place in the offering plate