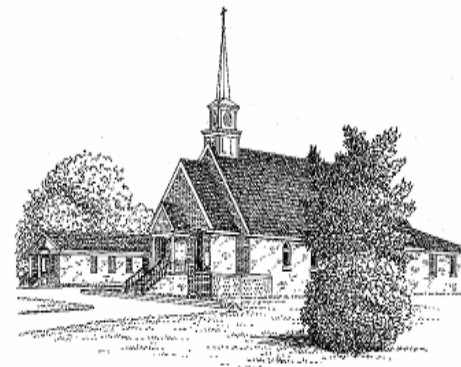


# Bethany United Methodist Church

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

June 14, 2009  
Second Sunday after Pentecost

**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 *Largo*, (slow movement), from the "New World Symphony" Antonin Dvorák  
(1841-1904)  
- In memory of Carlton Heywood -

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### \*OPENING CHORUS

TFWS, No. 2016

**Father, we love you, we worship and adore you,  
glorify thy name in all the earth,  
glorify thy name, glorify thy name,  
glorify thy name in all the earth.**

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalms 95:3-6

The Lord is a great God and a great King above all gods.  
**In his hand are the depths of the earth.**  
The heights of the mountains are his also.  
**The sea is his, for he made it,**  
and the dry land, which his hands have formed.  
**O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!**

#### \*HYMN OF PRAISE

*Maker, in Whom We Live*

UMH, No. 88

#### \*OPENING PRAYER

Book of Worship

**Creator God, breathing your own life into our being you gave us the gift of life. You placed us on this earth with its minerals and waters, flowers and fruits, living creatures of grace and beauty. You gave us the care of the earth. Teach us, O Creator God, that the earth and all its fullness is yours, the world and all who dwell in it. Call us yet again to safeguard the gift of life. Amen.**

#### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

"The Apostles Creed"

UMH, No. 881

#### \*CHORAL RESPONSE

refrain UMH, No. 77

**Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:  
How great thou art! How great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:  
How great how art! How great thou art!**

ANTHEM 8:30  
11:00

*His Eye is on the Sparrow  
Give Me Jesus*

Charles H. Gabriel  
Howard Helvey

## Proclamation of the Word

BETHANY BIBLE BUDDIES GRADUATION (11:00)

Kris Kent and Sondra Colbert

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Kris Kent

*Children pre-school through third grade are dismissed to go to children's church (11:00)*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scripture is read and your word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalm 104:1-24

Pew Bible, OT, page 532

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Revelation 4:9-11

Pew Bible, NT, page 230

*This is the Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

WITNESS TO THE WORD

*Maker of Heaven and Earth*

Rev. Steve Young

## *Response to the Word*

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT AND CONSECRATION OF SHAWLS

\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT

*All Things Bright and Beautiful*

UMH, No. 147

*During the singing of this hymn, you are welcome to come forward and kneel at the Communion rail to pray for the recipients of the prayer shawls.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH, No. 895

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory

*Träumerei (Dreaming), from "Scenes of Childhood"*

Robert Schumann (1810-1856)

- In Honor of Jean Heywood -

\*Doxology

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

UMH, No. 95

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*CLOSING HYMN

*God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens*

UMH, No. 150

\*BENEDICTION

\*DISMISSAL CHORUS

(last two lines) UMH, No. 144

**This is my Father's world!**

**I rest me in the thought**

**of rocks and trees, of skies and seas.**

**His hand the wonders wrought!**

POSTLUDE

*Power and Glory*

John Philip Sousa (1854-1932)

arr. R. Shackelford

- Based upon "Onward, Christian Soldiers" -

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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**

Flowers on the altar today are given in honor of our high school and college graduates by Sid and Marion Dixon.

### **Nursery Attendant Needed**

Alliyson Germek's last Sunday as nursery attendant will be June 21<sup>st</sup>. It is important that this position be filled as soon as possible. If you are interested in this staff "hourly part-time" paid position, please contact Frances Brown at the church office (642-2110) or Marion Dixon, chairperson of S/PPRC, (642-5158).

### **Church and Society**

As an ongoing project of the Church and Society Committee we will be collecting items needed by the Salvation Army. We are now accepting donations of non-perishable food items, cleaning supplies, personal hygiene items, and over the counter items (Tylenol, vitamins, etc.)

### **Rappahannock District Choir to Sing at Bethany**

The Rappahannock District Youth Choir, a choir of youth from the Rappahannock District of the United Methodist Church, will perform at Bethany on July 5, 2009 at 7:30pm. Come out and support these wonderful young people and you will leave extremely blessed! The Rappahannock District Youth Choir (RDYC) is a choir of United Methodist youth from all over the Rappahannock District. The purpose of RDYC is to provide a way for the Rappahannock District Youth to fulfill the responsibilities as a district youth in a way that will help themselves, their churches and their district. Three of our wonderful youth will represent Bethany in the choir. Host families are needed to house youth after the concert for the night. Please contact Sondra if you are interested in hosting two or more youth, feeding them breakfast, and bringing them back to Church the next morning. Your help would be greatly appreciated! Blessings, Sondra 642-0467 [sd001@cox.net](mailto:sd001@cox.net)

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 Joel Kidd                      11:00 Kennedy Wilburn
Lay Readers:	8:30 Loretta Leigh              11:00
Greeters:	11:00 Narthex: Dawn Cluts    Side:
Altar Guild for June	Charla Barnard and Lavalie Wilson

### **This Week at Bethany**

Today	8:25 & 10:55	Prayer time - Mary Lotsey Classroom
	9:45	Sunday School for all ages
Today-Wed		Virginia Annual Conference in Norfolk, VA
Monday	5:00	Weight Watchers
	7:00	Men's/Women's Bible Study
Wednesday	7:00	Focused Prayer: Churches Receiving New Pastors
	7:30	Chancel Choir
Thursday	9:00	The Main Event
	10:30	Naomi Circle
	6:30	Emmaus
Saturday	2:00	Warren Belvin Fellowship Hall in use
Next Sunday	8:25 & 10:55	Prayer Time-Mary Lotsey Classroom
	9:45	Sunday School for all ages

## Stewardship for June 7, 2009

6759	<b>Attendance:</b>		
9376	Worship:		216
25	8:30	68	
105	11:00	148	
319			
30	Sunday School		95
35	Adults	60	
8	Children	13	
55	Youth	18	
1270			

## Counting Teams Schedule

June 14 Al Burner, Judy Burner, Teresa Sullivan

June 21 Sid Dixon, Ann Hogge, Kathleen Mattox

## Missing

One of our newer hearing aids, which is used in our worship services, is missing. If anyone has seen or knows the whereabouts of this item, would you please let Ray Doggett or the church office know.

## NOTE ON THE PRELUDE

The great Czech composer Antonin Dvorák spent three years in America (1892-95) and wrote his last and most popular symphony, the Ninth, during that sojourn. Better known by its subtitle "From the New World," this epic orchestral masterpiece was inspired by Indian melodies and Negro spirituals – although no actual native materials were quoted, according to the composer.

Be that as it may, the poignant tune of the *Largo* (slow movement) is universally recognized in the song version entitled *Goin' Home* with words by Dvorák's pupil William Arms Fisher. It was most memorably interpreted by the great African-American bass-baritone Paul Robeson. The text concludes:

"Mornin' star lights the way, res'less dream all done;  
Shadows gone, break o' day, real life jes' begun.  
Goin' home, goin' home, I'm jes' goin' home.  
It's not far, jes' close by, through an open door."

-Rudy Shackelford

## Hugs Ministry

Bethany's HUGS Ministry has placed four prayer shawls on the communion rail. After these shawls have been prayed over, they will be presented to Mary Crull, Pat Steiner, Reathia Williams, and Gloria Steiner. We invite you to come forward during the hymn of commitment to pray for these ladies.

## Annual Conference Begins Today in Norfolk

The Virginia Annual Conference begins this evening at the Norfolk Scope and concludes on Wednesday at noon. New pastors area licensed, commissioned, and ordained. The conference budget is approved. Resolutions are debated and voted upon. And pastors receive their appointment for the new conference year. Attending from Bethany with voting rights are Pastor Steve, Alan Harvey (Lay Member), Timothy Hart (young adult representative from the district), and Marsha Miller (at-large member from the district). A schedule of conference activities has been posted on our church bulletin board. Visitors are welcome!

## Special Offering Next Sunday for the Samaritan Fund

Once a year Bethany receives a special offering for the Samaritan Fund, a ministry of our United Methodist Retirement Homes. The Samaritan Fund is designed to assist residents of the homes should they outlive their financial resources. Offerings to the Samaritan Fund are considered over and above one's regular giving to the church.

## Graduating Bible Buddies Recognized

Congratulations to Kaiten Cooper, Williams Schultz, and Will Neikirk, who are moving from the Bethany Bible Buddies up to our Youth Group this morning! The change of groups in our church coordinates with the change between elementary school and middle school in the public school system.

## Note of Appreciation

The family of Gwen Thornton appreciates your cards, visits and prayers in member of Herb. We are very blessed to have Bethany's family in our lives. Gwen Thornton, and Suzanne and Terry Shelton.



## Church Picnic Brings Us Together

Bethany will hold its annual church picnic this year on **Saturday, June 27, at Gloucester Point Beach Park, at 4:00 p.m.** Sponsored by the Family Ministries Committee, the picnic is an opportunity for our growing congregation to mix, mingle, and get to know one another, while having a fun time at a lovely location just a mile from our church!

### Here is the schedule:

- 4:00 p.m. Swim, Sunbathe, play volleyball, playground for children, socialize.
- 5:00 p.m. Supper. Every family please bring a casserole, salad, or dessert. Meat and beverages will be provided.
- 6:00 p.m. Recognize new members of our church. Organized games for children
- 7:00 p.m. Sing-a-long. People are welcome to stay as long as they would like. The shelter is reserved until 9 p.m.

You are encouraged to bring a lawn chair or beach towel. The concession stand will be open; outdoor showers are provided; and restrooms are nearby.

To get to Gloucester Point Beach Park, turn left at traffic signal toward VIMS. Turn right on Great Road road ends and parking lots are visible. Come for an for all five. Bring your family, your friends, and a dish way to show your support for the church and to

If you have questions, please contact Carol Schultz, chairperson (694-0250).



the Lafayette Heights and drive until the hour or two, or come to share. What a great make new friends

Family

Ministries