

Bethany United Methodist Church

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

July 5, 2009

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost



LARGE PRINT HYMNALS 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 meditation and prayer

PRELUDE

Variations on "America"

Charles Ives (1874-1954)

- Based upon Hymn No. 697 -

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CHORUS OF THE MONTH

UMH, No. 92

**For the beauty of the earth,
for the glory of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
over and around us lies –
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise!**

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 33: 12,16,18, 22

Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people whom he has chosen
as his heritage.

**A king is not saved by his great army, nor a warrior delivered by his
great strength.**

Truly the eye of the Lord is on those who fear him, on those who hope
for his gracious help.

May your kindness, Lord, be upon us; we have put our hope in you!

*OPENING HYMN

My Country, 'Tis of Thee

UMH, No. 697

*OPENING PRAYER

Barack Obama

**Lord, protect my family and me. Forgive me my sins, and help me guard against pride and despair. Give
me the wisdom to do what is right and just. And make me an instrument of your will. Amen.**

*CHORAL RESPONSE

last two lines, UMH, No. 696

**America, America,
God mend thine every flaw,
confirm thy soul in self-control,
thy liberty in law.**

Proclamation and Response

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

At the 11:00 a.m. service children are dismissed to Children's Church

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 Isaiah 53:7-9 Pew Bible, OT, page 648

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON John 19:1-5,14-18 Pew Bible, NT, page 108

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed UMH, No. 881

WITNESS TO THE WORD *Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was Crucified, Dead, and Buried*
Rev. Steve Young

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory Anthem 8:30 *God Bless America* Irving Berlin

11:00 *The Battle Hymn of the Republic* Roger C. Wilson

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

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Thanksgiving and Communion

*INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING UMH, No. 15-16

THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH, No. 895

GIVING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

At the 11 o'clock service the congregation is invited to join the choir as we sing the following familiar hymns: Nos. 288, 297, 298, 301, 359, 504

Sending Forth

*CLOSING HYMN *Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know* UMH, No. 163

*BENEDICTION

*DISMISSAL CHORUS UMH, No. 557

**Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;
the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.**

*POSTLUDE *The Stars and Stripes Forever* John Philip Sousa (1854-1932)

- In Memory of George Nelson -

*Congregation to Stand

Welcome Visitors

We are most happy that you are here today as a partner in prayer, in song and in hearing God's word. If you are a visitor please know we are glad you chose to worship with us, and we hope you will come again soon!

Nursery Available

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.

Today's Flowers

Flowers on the altar today are given in loving memory of Reverend James Ward by Rey and Patsy Morales.

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.)

Bishop:	Reverend Charlene Payne Kammerer		
District Superintendent:	Reverend Joseph D. Carson		
Minister:	Reverend Stephen E. Young		
Pastor in Residence:	Reverend Bob Justis		
Pastor in Residence:	Chaplain L. Lawson Byrd		
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	
Lay Reader:	8:30	Marsha Miller	11:00 Bob Justis
Acolytes:	8:30	Nathan Schultz	11:00 Will Neikirk and Molly Vaughan
Altar Guild for first Sunday in July:	Charlotte Cecil, Diana Simmons, Nerine Hickman		
Greeters:	11:00	Narthex: Jennie Lipscomb	Side Entrance: Charles Enroughty

Counting Teams Schedule: July 5 Jackie Hampton, Charlotte Cecil, Jane Niethamer
July 12 Peggy Burton, Clyde Burton, Mary Kaylor

This Week at Bethany

Today	8:25 & 10:55	Prayer time - Mary Lotsey Classroom
	9:45	Sunday School for all ages
	9:45	Membership Class: "What it Means to Be a Bethany Member"
	12:00	George Nelson Memorial Concert Series Committee meeting
	7:30	Rappahannock District Youth Choir
Monday	5:00	Weight Watchers - WBFH
Tuesday	7:00	Trustees meeting
Wednesday	7:00	Focused Prayer: Vacation Bible School
	7:30	Chancel Choir rehearsal
Thursday	9:00	The Main Event
	6:30	Emmaus
	7:00	Vacation Bible School planning session
Next Sunday	8:25 & 10:55	Prayer Time - Mary Lotsey Classroom
	9:45	Sunday School for all ages

Change of meeting time

Bethany MYF will not meet on July 12th. We will meet on the 19th from 6:00-7:30 with guest speaker, Chelsea Jackson.

Volunteers Needed

Helping Hands Mission Camp is in need of adult volunteers for project site leaders, coordinators and evening chaperones. The camp will be held July 26-31. For further info or a willingness to help our youth and others, get in touch with Kevin Kiley at 642-6047 or kileys@cox.net

Note of Appreciation

To You, Our Bethany Friends,

Wendy, Amy, and I would like to thank you for your thoughts, prayers, cards, calls, food, and gifts given in memory of Carlton. His church experiences were very important to him. We have been so blessed by the thoughtfulness and generosity of many friends.

- Jean Heywood

Fresh Corn

Alan Harvey has found that the fresh corn off of Gum Fork Road will be ready for gleaning around July 6 - 11. We'll need volunteers for this mission project. If you are interested, please let Kevin Kiley or one of the Mission Committee members know. We'll keep you posted on when and where this will take place.

Stewardship for June 28, 2009

6759	Attendance:	
4507	Worship:	245
50	8:30	91
5	11:00	154
35		
25		
5	Sunday School	91
70	Adults	47
170	Children	7
10	Youth	10
513		
20		
100		
1003		

NOTE ON CHARLES IVES

In the history of American music there has been no composer more original, no personality more eccentric, than Charles Ives. His long, productive life spanned the careers of Sousa, Joplin, and Gershwin, yet Ives was never a household name. His best known work is *Variations on "America"*, written around age 17 when Ives was a fledgling church organist in Danbury, Ct. There his father George, the town bandleader, gave him not only a thorough grounding in the music of Bach but also a keen appetite for experimentation with sound. Nothing delighted him more than the dissonant effect of several bands playing in two or three different keys and rhythms at once!

After four years of study at Yale, under a German-trained professor of composition, Charles Ives realized his destiny was not to replicate the music of Mendelssohn or Brahms but to blaze new trails on *American* soil. Unwilling to compromise with the musical establishment, Ives earned his living selling insurance and spent his evenings and weekends composing.

The music he wrote could be complex and enigmatic, like the gigantic "*Concord*" Sonata for piano, extolling the New England "transcendental" writers Emerson, Hawthorne, and Thoreau. Or it might be a simple hymn, such as *Serenity*, found in our United Methodist Hymnal (No. 499). But whatever he did in his most ambitious pieces, however hilariously and rambunctiously he might do it, whatever glee he took in being the eternal "bad boy," Charles Ives was at heart a religious composer. And though he was personally an old-fashioned Yankee Protestant, the religion he had in mind was *universal*. As Ives himself put it: "A conception unlimited by the narrow names of Christian, Pagan, Jew, or Angel! A vision higher and deeper than art itself!" - Rudy Shackelford

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 **today at 7:30pm**. Come out and support these wonderful young people and you will leave extremely blessed!

**THE FINAL CAMP E.D.G.E.
VBS PLANNING MEETING OF 2009!**

The very last, the big wrap-up, the one to put on all the finishing touches is here!!

This major, big time event will be held July 9th at 7:00 PM in the WBFH.
Need a ride? Need more information? Contact Camper Kris at 642-6438

TREK ON OVER TO SEE WHAT BETHANY IS UP TO THIS SUMMER!!