

*INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

....as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

All honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

There will be two stations from which to receive Holy Communion, situated on either side of the center aisle. The ushers will direct you on when to come. You will be given a piece of bread. Please dip the bread into the cup and partake at once. After briefly kneeling at the rail for prayer, you may return to your seats via the side aisles.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION *Choral Prelude on "Silent Night"*

Samuel Barber
(1910-1981)

*RECESSIONAL HYMN *Silent Night*
Kindly light your candles prior to the singing of the hymn

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*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Variations on a Noël, Variation 10 (Fugato)*

Marcel Dupré

**Congregation to Stand*

Acolytes: Austin White and Ashley Polk

Merry Christmas!

The pastor and staff of Bethany UMC send our prayers that God may bless each of you with a Christmas holiday filled with love, joy, and peace.

Church Office Closed

The church office will be closed the remainder of this week.

Our Offering This Evening

One hundred percent of our offering this evening will go to benefit the work of the Samaritan Group of Gloucester County. The Samaritans provide emergency financial assistance to qualified individuals and families.

Pastor on Vacation

Pastor Steve and Susan will be on vacation between Christmas and New Years Day. If pastoral assistance is needed during this time, please contact Chaplain Carol Johnson at 757-254-5926 or one of our Lay Leaders, Archie Leigh (642-2734) or Roy Bauschatz (642-6340).

Single Service This Sunday

Please note that there is only one service this Sunday, at 11:00 a.m. Lt. Commander Gray Wooten will bring the message on behalf of the Gideons, International. Sunday School will be held at the normal time, 9:45 to 10:45 a.m.