

Bethany United Methodist Church

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

August 1, 2010

Holy Communion Sunday

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.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

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

PRELUDE *Romance*, Opus 28, No. 2 Robert Schumann (1810-1856)
- Remembering Marie Baldwin, Organist of Bethany Church from 1954-1972,
died 6 August 2006 -

*OPENING CHORUS

UMH, No. 369

**This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.**

*GREETING

Leader: There are days we wonder if God really cares.

People: We are called to be faithful and trust in God.

Leader: May we worship God with all our senses.

People: This is the day the Lord has made, may we rejoice and give thanks.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

UMH, No. 126

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

UMH, No. 12

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*CHORAL RESPONSE

UMH, No. 378

**Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
was blind, but now I see.**

features nine different classes for adults, two classes 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:

The flowers on the altar today are placed by David and Peggy Lewis, to honor one of many gifts that God has blessed us with; a wonderful family. We celebrated Kim's 22nd birthday on 26 July, Jennifer and John's 3rd wedding anniversary on 28 July, and Jack and Mary's 64th wedding anniversary on 30 July.

Bishop:	Reverend Charlene Payne Kammerer		
District Superintendent:	Reverend Joseph D. Carson		
Minister:	Reverend Art L. Wolz, Jr.		
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		
Acolytes:	8:30	Hannah and Joel Kidd	
	11:00	William Neikirk	
Lay Reader:	8:30	Marsha Miller	11:00 Rick Koenig
Greeters:	11:00	Jean Heywood	
Altar Guild for August:	Charla Barnard and Lavalley Wilson		

This Week at Bethany

Today	8:25 & 10:55	Prayer time - Mary Lotsey Classroom
	9:45	Sunday School for all ages
	12:15	Jr. MYF
Monday	5:00	Weight Watchers
	7:00	Women's Bible Study
Tuesday	10:00	ETC Workshop
Thursday	9:00	The Main Event
	6:30	Emmaus
Next Sunday	8:25 & 10:55	Prayer Time - Mary Lotsey Classroom
	9:45	Sunday School for all ages
	12:15	Sr. MYF

Attendance:

Worship:	237
8:30	72
11:00	165

Sunday School:	73
Adults	44
Children	9
Youth	20

Nursery: 8:30	0
11:00	2

Children's Church:

Beat the Heat Movie Night

Friday, August 20th from

5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Come to the W.B. Fellowship Hall for games, a fun make 'n take craft, dinner and a movie with your church friends! All rising preschoolers through fifth graders are welcome! Hope to see you then!

Kris Kent (642-6438)

Pool Party

August 29th from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm at Miss Jane's Community Pool. For all rising third, fourth and fifth graders and their families as well as the "Graduating Bible Buddies" that are rising sixth graders and their families. A parent must attend as there is no lifeguard at this private pool.

Church Picnic

Bethany UMC Church-wide picnic will be here before you know it! The date is **AUGUST 14 from 11am-4pm** at Smith Shelter/Beaverdam Park. Please come out and enjoy food and fellowship with your Bethany friends! Meat and drinks will be provided so please bring a side dish or dessert to share. If you can let us know your plans on attending, it will help us to plan.

Name: _____

Number Attending: _____

Hope to see you there! Sponsored by Family Ministries Committee

BIG SEND-OFF

As most of you know our dear friends, Ellen and Wiley Cross, will be moving to Mechanicsville to a retirement facility which will also be closer to their family. We would like to honor them with a salad luncheon after the 11 a.m. worship service on Sunday, August 29th. This event is being sponsored by the Faith and Friendship Sunday School classes. We hope all of you will bring your favorite SALAD (NO DESSERTS) and join us. Desserts will be provided. They have been such faithful church members and will be truly missed. Please mark that date on your calendar as we give Ellen and Wiley a big send-off.

Contributions by Directory Publisher

Life Touch Company, publisher of our pictorial directory, has donated \$143.00 for a food bank of our choice, as well as 1000 postcards and 500 greeting cards with a picture of our church for use by church organizations. They also prepared three large wall posters with montages of the family portraits: one shows our church, another the Cross and Flame symbol of the United Methodist Church, and a third one shows Christ carrying his cross. We are now completing a color brochure for our church, of which Life Touch will print 1000 at no cost to us. Our thanks to them for their contributions to Bethany.



NEEDED FOR BAZAAR

If you were at the luncheon for Pastor Art and Vicki you saw the sun catcher with the cross on top that a friend made for them. You can make a lot of different shapes and styles depending on the glassware that you have. We would like to make some for the bazaar. If you have any clear or textured glassware such as vases, glasses, plates, bowls, etc. that you would donate towards this project please call Judy Burner at 642-6016 or leave in the provided box by the church office. Check your cupboards for glassware that you're not using that you would be willing to donate. Thanks for your help.

2010 SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED TO START SCHOOL

The Salvation Army is in the process of accepting school supplies for the coming school year. The following is a list of needed items. Boxes will be in the narthex and next to the church office for the next two weeks for any items you can donate.

- Scissors-Fiskars for young pre-schoolers
- Tissues- small box
- Composition books
- Disinfectant wipes
- 3-ring binders
- Colored pencils
- Rulers
- Erasers
- Wide rule notebook paper
- Crayola crayons (box of 24)
- Pencils- No. 2
- Elmer's glue
- Blue or Black ball point pens
- Pocket folders
- 1 wide tip nontoxic marker
- Black marble composition book
- Lunch box- for those who take lunch

All age children need to have a backpack.

Counting Teams Schedule

August 1 Jean Heywood, Vicki Williams, Sandra Harvey

August 8 Al Burner, Judy Burner, Teresa Sullivan

Budget Planning

The Finance Committee is in the process of planning the 2011 church budget. We need input from each committee chairperson (that has a budget line item) as to the needs/wants of their committee. There will be a form for each of you to fill out stating such. Please check your mail slot, which is located next to the church office, and return by August 20th to the Finance Chairman. If you have any questions call George Neal (684-5966).

Notes of Appreciation

Esther Thompson Cottage Sparkles again due to the good cleaning this past week by committee members Pat and John Hasty, Sandy Riggan and her roommate Susan, Jean Heywood, Ed Conner, and Alan Harvey. Pastor Art trimmed the bushes in front and Jerry Varner spent two days mowing the hay crop (right smart weeds). Ed plans to steam clean the carpet after Helping Hands. Thank you all so very much.

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My heartfelt thanks to the Helping Hands volunteers and Sandy Fox for the beautiful and well-done job they did at my home. Thanks are mere words and do not fully express how much I appreciated the kids and their leader. They did a marvelous job! Thank you again, Mary E. Diggs

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On behalf of Bethany's SPPRC, I would like to thank the Bethany family for all that was done as we said good-bye to Steve and Susan, and as we opened our doors for Art and Vicki. Pastor Steve's farewell luncheon and send-off were handled beautifully. We certainly could not have pulled it off were it not for the gracious assistance of the Parsonage Committee and the Hospitality Committee. Likewise, our recent potluck lunch for Pastor Art, and our welcoming him and Vicki to the parsonage were wonderfully orchestrated. Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped along the way, and to the Bethany family for all of the support and love shown to Steve and Susan, and to Art and Vicki. My sincere gratitude also goes to the SPPRC for their tireless efforts in overseeing all these events. ~Many thanks, Scott Glaze

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Another enormous, pyramid sized **SHUKRAN (THANK YOU)** to Jane Neithamer, Dawn Cluts, Sandy Fox, Sondra Colbert and all the talented, energetic youth for planning and participating in the VBS Wrap-up/Youth Sunday Worship Services last Sunday, July 25th. What a wonderful way of sharing with our congregation the lively, truly blessed week we shared in Egypt. The Drama Team offered an engaging portrayal of the important lessons of Joseph. It was an honor to share the "best seat in the house" with Pastor Art!! **Bravo to you all!!** ~Queenie

HOMEBOUND MINISTRIES - We had another successful meal preparation and delivery and thanks go to Iva Belvin, Joni Neal, Mike Andersen, Linda Hall, Jeannie Harrell, Ellen Leigh, Charlotte Cecil and Judy Burner. We delivered 26 meals to our shut-ins. If you would like to help in any way with our next venture, come out to church on Thursday, August 26 at 9:30 a.m. You'll enjoy the fellowship!