

Bethany United Methodist Church

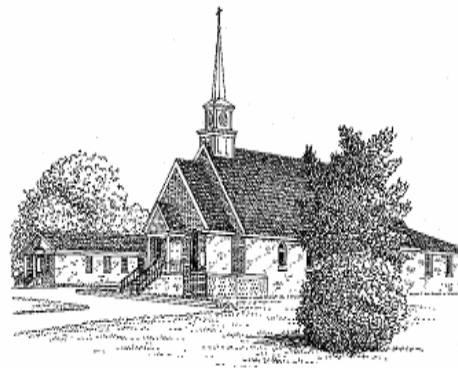
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Worship services: 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

August 8, 2010

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.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Larghetto, from "Three Pieces for a Chamber Organ"

Samuel Sebastian Wesley (14 August 1810-1876)

*OPENING CHORUS

UMH, No. 488

Jesus remember me, when you come into your Kingdom.

Jesus remember us when you come into your Kingdom.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Faith is the assurance of things hoped for,

People: And the conviction of things not seen.

Leader: By faith we understand the worlds were made by God,

People: We are not afraid, God is preparing us for the coming Kingdom.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

The Church's One Foundation (Aurelia)

UMH, No. 545

*PRAYER FOR GOD'S GIFTS

UMH, No. 489

**O Holy God, open unto me light for my darkness, courage for my fear,
Hope for my despair.**

O loving God, open unto me wisdom for my confusion, forgiveness for my sins, love for my hate.

O God of peace, open unto me peace for my turmoil, joy for my sorrow, strength for my weakness.

O generous God, open my heart to receive all your gifts. Amen.

*CHORAL RESPONSE

UMH, No. 462

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, and to take him at his word;

just to rest upon his promise, and to know, "Thus saith the Lord"

ANTHEM

You Are Mine

David Haas

Proclamation of the Word

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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

PRAYERS FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy God may your Word, read and proclaimed be for us this day living water and the bread of life. We yield ourselves to the Word you will speak to each of us, seeking only to hear your voice. Come Holy Spirit to this place. Amen.

EPISTLE LESSON Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16 Pew Bible, NT, page 209

*GOSPEL LESSON Luke 12:32-40 Pew Bible, NT, page 71

This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

PROCLAMATION *Be Ready, and Not Afraid* Pastor Art

Response to the Word

PASTORAL PRAYER

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT *Faith, While Trees Are Still in Blossom* UMH, No. 508

During the singing of this hymn, members of the congregation are welcome to come forward and kneel at the Communion rail to pray, to make a new commitment to Christ, or to otherwise respond to God's Word.

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory *Pastorale* Charles Wesley, II (1757-1834)

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

*DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING

*AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH UMH, No. 888

*CLOSING HYMN *Be Still, My Soul* UMH, No. 534

*BENEDICTION

*DISMISSAL CHORUS UMH, No. 462

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er

Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust him more!

POSTLUDE *Now Thank We All Our God* Johann Sebastian Bach

(1685-1750)

-Transcribed for organ by Virgil Fox from *Cantata No. 79* -

*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, 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

Flowers on the altar today are given by Judy Vaughan in memory of her father, William F. Cameron.

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.

Notes of Appreciation

A hearty thank-you to the 25 volunteers who helped with the Red Cross Bloodmobile on July 27. They donated sandwiches, desserts and ice cream and their time as hosts for the 82 blood donors who came to the drive. Mary Beth Mayer of the Red Cross was delighted with the total of 64 pints of blood--just one pint short of the goal. To find out where future Bloodmobiles will be held, call 693-9478.

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I would like to thank you for your prayers, cards, visits and various acts of kindness during my recent hospitalization and recovery. You will never know how much they have meant to me. -Norman Poland

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Joel, Lee, and Ethan Buhyoff would like to thank all of their many friends at Bethany who sent cards of sympathy at the recent passing of Joel's parents. Your concerns meant a lot to all of us.

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.

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).

	12:15	Sr. MYF
Monday	5:00	Weight Watchers
	7:00	Women's Bible Study
Tuesday	10:00	ETC Workshop
Wednesday	6:30	George Nelson Memorial Concert Series Committee meeting
Thursday	9:00	Main Event
	6:30	Emmaus
Saturday	11:00-4:00	Church Picnic at Beaverdam Park
Next Sunday	8:25 & 10:55	Prayer time – Mary Lotsey Classroom
	9:45	Sunday School
	12:15	Jr. MYF

Attendance:

Worship:		204
8:30	50	
11:00	154	
Sunday School		58
Adults	42	
Children	4	
Youth	12	

Counting Teams Schedule

August 8 Al Burner, Judy Burner, Teresa Sullivan
 August 15 Bernard Robins, Anne Hogge, Ann LeMay



Church Picnic

Bethany UMC Church-wide picnic is scheduled for **next Saturday, 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.

In case of rain the picnic will be held in the Warren Belvin Fellowship Hall

Name: _____

Number Attending: _____

Hope to see you there! Sponsored by Family Ministries Committee

2010 SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED TO START SCHOOL

Sunday August 8, is the last day for collecting school supplies for the Salvation Army. The following is a list of needed items. Boxes will be in the narthex, and next to the church office 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.

HOMEBOUND MINISTRIES – We will be preparing lunch for our shut-ins on August 26. If you would like to help in any way with our next venture, come out to church on Thursday, at 9:30 a.m. You'll enjoy the fellowship!

OPEN INVITATION TO ANYONE WHO WISHES TO ATTEND:

On Saturday, Sept 28, the UMW Mini-school of Christian Mission will be held at Urbanna UMC from 10:00 a.m. - 2:30 pm - Speaker for morning session is Rev Pat Watkins, Executive Director, Caretakers of God's Creations

Missions Studies held after lunch -

For the Love of God: John's Letters by Rev Janine Howard, and Joy to the World: Mission and Evangelism by Rev Myrtle Frances Hatcher. Bring a sandwich - beverage and lunch provided - offering items for the Mattaponi Healing Eagle Clinic - RSVP to Estelle Harris or Marsha Miller deadline August 20th.