

## Bethany United Methodist Church

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

August 15, 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

*Lullaby, from "Album Leaves," Opus 124, No. 16*

Robert Schumann (1810-1856)

arr. Rudy Shackelford

- Celebrating the birth of Sophia Marie Perkins, daughter of Rev. Christina  
and Nathan Perkins, on July 20<sup>th</sup> -

#### \*OPENING CHORUS

UMH, No. 139

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation.  
O my soul praise him, for he is thy health and salvation.  
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near;  
join me in glad adoration.**

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Now is the time to gather and hear God's voice.

**People: Come Holy Spirit and open our minds to your presence.**

Leader: Maya we learn to ask you for your healing help,

**People: So we may remain faithful to you.**

#### \*HYMN OF PRAISE

*God of Love and God of Power*

UMH, No. 578

#### \*PRAYER FOR HELP

UMH, No. 681

**Almighty and everlasting God, you have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us with your mighty power, and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, ordered by your governance, may be always righteous in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

#### \*CHORAL RESPONSE

UMH, No. 389

*We say, Freely, freely you have received, freely, freely give.*

*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, become a part of our hearts. We yield ourselves to the Word you will speak to each of us, seeking only to hear your voice, see your face and respond to your will for our lives. Amen.**

## PSALM READING

Psalm 71 (responsively)

UMH, No. 794

## \*GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 13:10-17

Pew Bible, NT, page 72

This is the Word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## MESSAGE

*Christ Can Set You Free*

Pastor Art

*Response to the Word*

## PASTORAL PRAYER AND CONSECRATION OF OUR PRAYER SHAWLS

## \*HYMN OF COMMITMENT

*Stand By Me*

UMH, No. 512

During the singing of this hymn, members of the congregation are welcome to come forward to pray over each of the prayer shawls. Those receiving shawls are: Katherine Jordan, Angela Williams, Ellen Cross; Baby Quilt: Sophia Marie Perkins.

## OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory

*Berceuse (Lullaby), from "24 Pieces in Free Style"*

Louise Vierne (1870-1937)

- Dedicated to the composer's daughter Colette -

\*Doxology

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

UMH, No. 95

## \*DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING

## \*AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

UMH, No. 887

## \*CLOSING HYMN

*Only Trust Him*

UMH, No. 337

## \*BENEDICTION

## \*DISMISSAL CHORUS

UMH, No. 572

**It only takes a spark to get a fire going, and soon all those around can warm up in its glowing  
That's how it is with God's love once you've experienced it;  
you spread his love to everyone; you want to pass it on.**

## POSTLUDE

*An Important Event, from "Scenes of Childhood," Opus 15, No. 6*

Robert Schumann

-Transcribed for organ by Rudy Shackelford -

**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 in celebration of our parents, Jay and Diane White, 23rd wedding anniversary by Ryan, Emily and Austin.

### **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 29<sup>th</sup>. 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.

### **Beat the Heat Movie Night**

Friday, August 20<sup>th</sup> 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 29<sup>th</sup> 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.

### **HOMEBOUND MINISTRIES**

Homebound ministries will be preparing meals for our shut-ins on August 26, 9:30 a.m. If you would like to help in any way with our next venture, please join us! You'll enjoy the fellowship!

### **Flowers**

When you place flowers in the sanctuary and do not wish to take them home would you let Estelle or Pauline Harris know what you would like to do with them. You may also call the church office. Thanks for your help!

### **OPEN INVITATION TO ANYONE WHO WISHES TO ATTEND:**

On Saturday, August 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 dessert provided. As an offering of love, you are requested to bring items for the Mattaponi Healing Eagle Clinic - RSVP to Estelle Harris or Marsha Miller by August 20<sup>th</sup>.

### **Committee Chairpersons**

Don't forget to turn in your 2011 budget request to the Finance Committee by August 20<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions call George Neal (684-5966).

Bishop: Reverend Charlene Payne Kammerer  
District Superintendent: Reverend Joseph D. Carson

Minister: Reverend Art Wolz  
 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: Erin Kohlhorst  
 Acolytes: 8:30 11:00 Colleen LeMay  
 Lay Reader: Marsha Miller  
 Greeters: Linda Hall  
 Altar Guild for August: Charla Barnard and Lavalie Wilson

**This Week at Bethany**

Today 8:25 & 10:55 Prayer time – Mary Lotsey Classroom  
 9:45 Sunday School  
 12:15 Jr. MYF  
 Monday 5:00 Weight Watchers  
 7:00 Women's Bible Study and 7:00 Young Adult meeting  
 Tuesday 10:00 ETC Workshop  
 10:30 Sanders Nursing Home  
 7:00 Trustees meeting  
 Thursday 9:00 Main Event  
 6:30 Emmaus  
 Friday 5:00-8:00 Dinner and a movie for pre-school thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade  
 Next Sunday 8:25 & 10:55 Prayer time – Mary Lotsey Classroom  
 9:45 Sunday School  
 12:15-4:00 MYF pool party

**Attendance:**

Worship:		219
8:30	54	
11:00	165	
Sunday School		78
Adults	53	
Children	6	
Youth	19	

**Counting Teams Schedule**

August 15 Bernard Robins, Anne Hogge, Ann LeMay  
 August 22 Mike Andersen, Merle Luther, Doris Luther

**Candle Burning**

CANDLEBURNING TIME - when our UMW go that "extra mile" in missions (over and above pledge) to help needy women, youth, and children around the world. It is a way to honor or memorialize a very special person in your lives. It could be a family member, a friend, a circle leader, missionary, someone who has contributed in a special way to the UMW or a way to thank someone who has been especially thoughtful to you. The cost is .52 cents per second or \$31.20 for one minute.

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

No. seconds/minutes \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**You may make check payable to Bethany UMW (for candle burning) or give to Jean Heywood, treasurer, Bethany UMW by August 22<sup>nd</sup>**