

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the 95th birthday of Bonnie Garten and in memory of Les Garten by David and Linda Huffman.

Bethany Quilters
Open HOUSE
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 21
ROOM 235
15 MINUTES BEFORE & AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL
LIGHT REFRESHMENTS
CHECK OUT OUR PROJECTS
EXPLORE OUR SERVICES

Town Hall Meeting
Join us for a Town Hall Meeting
as we celebrate where we are and
where God is leading us next
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28
10 AM IN THE SANCTUARY
BETHANY UMC

CHRIST CARING • FOR PEOPLE • THROUGH PEOPLE
STEPHEN MINISTRY
If you or someone you know would like to speak with a Stephen Minister, please contact the church office or Rev. Isaac Dusenbury.
Scan to learn more about Stephen Ministry

Stewardship is being loyal to your commitment through prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness.

Attendance
Worship 346, Online Worship 59, Sunday School 213

The Treasurer’s Report from September 14 will be available next week.



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Church Contact Information
(843) 873-1230 After Hours Emergency
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Summerville, SC, 29483
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Welcome!

We are pleased you joined us in worship.
If you are looking for a church home,
please speak with a member of our clergy or staff.

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY’S SERVICE

Liturgist: Isaac Dusenbury

Greeters: Jennifer Bailey & Martha Proctor

Ushers: Billy Phillips, Tim McConnell, Leon Fleischauer,
Fred Skipper, Pete Knight, Donna Waite



PASTORS

Rev. Michael Ritter, Senior Pastor

Rev. Isaac Dusenbury, Associate Pastor

STAFF

Reagan Lord, Director of Music

Michael Lopez, Organist

Emily Vick, Director of Christian Education

Kyle Boczkowski, Director of Youth and Recreation Ministries

Our Care Team is here to support our congregation!
If you know of a congregational care need that requires our attention,
please let us know. Sunday School Classes and Bethany members are
encouraged to reach out. Contact the church office 843.873.1230
or the after hours emergency phone at 843.425.1069.

Bethany United Methodist Church

Summerville, South Carolina



An Order of Sunday Worship

15th Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, September 21, 2025

Make Disciples of Jesus Christ
for the Transformation of the World.

CALL TO WORSHIP

The liturgical color for the season of Pentecost is green, representing growth and new life.

*please stand in body or spirit

GATHERING

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

REV. MICHAEL RITTER

PRELUDE

Grazioso

ARNOLD B. SHERMAN (ASCAP)

CHANCEL BELLS

*HYMN OF PRAISE

O God of Every Nation

LLANGLOFFAN
UMH 435

*THE APOSTLES’ CREED

UMH 881

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

Glory Be to the Father

MEINEKE
UMH 70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

STEPHEN MINISTRY MOMENT

Minister: Loving God, as your chosen people, holy and dearly loved by you, we ask for your guidance and blessing on our Stephen Ministry.

Congregation: We pray for our Stephen Leaders, that they may be clothed with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. Guide their leadership, and be with them through the joys and challenges of their ministry.

We pray that individuals in our congregation with the gifts and abilities to become Stephen Ministers may be moved by your Spirit to come forward and serve.

And we pray that each of us, during difficult times in our lives, will recognize our need to receive care from others and be willing to accept your care through our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Stephen Ministers: As we participate in Stephen Ministry, help us to remember that we need to put on the armor love, the tie that binds us as a community of believers. And whatever we do, in word or in deed, we do it all in the name of Jesus, giving thanks to God our Father through him. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

ANTHEM

And Can It Be?

DAN FORREST

CHANCEL CHOIR

And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Savior’s blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain? For me, who Him to death pursued?

Amazing love! How can it be, that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

He left His Father’s throne above, so free, so infinite His grace;
Emptied Himself of all but love, and bled for Adam’s helpless race:

’Tis mercy all, immense and free, for, O my God, it found out me!
’Tis mercy all, immense and free, for, O my God, it found out me!

No condemnation now I dread, Jesus and all in Him, is mine!
Alive in Him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach th’eternal throne, and claim the crown,
through Christ my own.

Amazing love! How can it be, that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

PSALM 4

OT 490
ISAAC DUSENBURY

This is the word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

CALL TO PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER

Father, I Adore You

MARANTHA

CHANCEL CHOIR

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

DEDICATION

OFFERTORY

Fantasy on Kingsfold

ARR. H.DEAN WAGNER

CHANCEL BELLS

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

LASST UNS ERFREUEN
UMH 94

(Children are invited to come forward during the singing of the Doxology for Children’s Moment)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

PROCLAMATION OF GOD’S WORD

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

ISAAC DUSENBURY

(Children ages K5 thru 2nd grade are dismissed to Children’s Church in Room 214. Remember to attach a Children’s Church sticker to your child and pick them up following worship.)

*GOSPEL LESSON

LUKE 16: 1-13

NT 79
REV. MICHAEL RITTER

This is the word of God, for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Wheelin’ and Dealin’ for the Glory of God

REV. MICHAEL RITTER

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN OF INVITATION

Forth in Thy Name, O Lord

DUKE STREET
UMH 438

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

LEE TURNER

Irish Blessing

May the road rise to meet you, May the wind blow at your back,
May the sun shine warmly on your face; May the rain fall softly on your field;
And until we meet again, until we meet again, May God hold you in the palm of his hand. Amen.

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*POSTLUDE