

The altar flowers today are given to the glory of God and in heartfelt appreciation of all who shared their time and talents to make Bethany's Christmas ministries so meaningful and successful.



**CHARLESTON DISTRICT
JOB FUNCTION
WORKSHOPS**

**SATURDAY
January 17, 2026**

BETHANY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
118 W 3rd S St, Summerville, SC 29483

8:30 A.M.-9:00 A.M. Registration
9:00 A.M.-9:20 A.M. Devotion
9:30 A.M.-11:00 A.M. Class
Break
11:30 A.M.-1:00 P.M. Class

CLASSES OFFERED:
Administrative Council
Evangelism
Finance
SPPRC
Trustees
Worship

Registration will be available mid-December 2025

THE REVEREND JEFFERY SALLEY, DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT

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

Attendance
Combined Worship in Spell 225, Online Worship 42, No Sunday School

Gifts (*Figures for December 28, 2025. These figures are unverified.)

*Operating Contributions Last Week.....	\$39,050.77
*Operating Contributions Year to Date.....	\$1,079,289.81
*Operating Expense Funding YTD-Deficit(-)/Surplus(+)	,-\$164,710.19
	-13.24%

Capital Campaign (Figures for December 28, 2025)

*Building Contributions Last Week.....	\$315.00
*Building Contributions Year to Date	\$99,592.39

Designated Mission and Ministry Gifts – YTD (Non-Budgeted)..... 265,232.76



Ways to Give
Scan this QR Code for PushPay online or text
833.245.8417 to give from your phone!

Church Contact Information

(843) 873-1230 After Hours Emergency
118 W 3rd South Street (843) 425-1069
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
Communion Servers: Meredith Buddin & Casey Canonge
Greeters: Roanna Payne & Linda Carter
Ushers: Bob Johnson, Jim Parrish, Larry McKeehan, Robert Brown



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

Epiphany Sunday
The liturgical color for Epiphany Sunday is white,
celebrating the three gifts of Christmas .

Sunday, January 4, 2025

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

CALL TO WORSHIP			PRAYER AND PRAISE			PROCLAMATION OF GOD’S WORD		
*please stand in body or spirit								
GATHERING			CALL TO PRAYER	ISAAC DUSENBURY	OLD TESTAMENT LESSON	JEREMIAH 31: 7-14	OT 734	REV. MICHAEL RITTER
	Please take a moment. Greet people sitting around you. “Be not forgetful to entertain strangers; for thereby some have entertained angels unaware.”		The Lord be with you. And also with you.		This is the word of God, for the people of God. Thanks be to God.			
	Hebrews 13:2 (KJV)		CONGREGATIONAL CALL TO PRAYER		ST. LOIUS	SERMON	An Awesome Homecoming	REV. MICHAEL RITTER
			O Little Town of Bethlehem VERSE 4					
CHIMING OF THE TRINITY						HOLY COMMUNION		
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS			REV. MICHAEL RITTER			THE GREAT THANKSGIVING		
PRELUDE						COMMUNION MUSIC		
*HYMN OF PRAISE			CRANHAM UMH 221			SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP		
In the Bleak Midwinter						Gluten-free wafers available upon request.		
*THE APOSTLES’ CREED			UMH 881			SENDING FORTH		
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.						*HYMN OF INVITATION		
						We Three Kings VERSES 1-4		
*GLORIA PATRI			MEINEKE UMH 70			*BENEDICTION		
Glory Be to the Father						*BENEDICTION RESPONSE		
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.						We Three Kings VERSE 5		
*GOSPEL LESSON			JOHN 1: 10-18 NT 91 ISAAC DUSENBURY			Glorious now behold him arise; King and God and sacrifice: Alleluia, Alleluia, sounds through the earth and skies. Refrain O star of wonder, star of light, star with royal beauty bright, westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light.		
This is the word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.						*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY		
						*POSTLUDE		