

## THIS WEEK AT BFUMC

<b>Today</b>	10:30 a.m.	Combined Worship (Sanctuary)
	12:00 p.m.	Chili Lunch (FH) for those who are helping Decorate Church for Advent/Christmas
	3:00 p.m.	Handbell Practice (119)
	4:00 p.m.	Handbell Practice (119)
	5:00 p.m.	Disciple 1 (123) Handbell Practice (119)
	5:30 p.m.	Kidz Choir (119) Triggers: A Parenting Group (128) You Rise Glorious (127)
<b>Monday</b>	4:00 p.m.	Book Art Group (123)
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30 p.m.	Worship Handbells (119)
		Prayer Group (Chapel)
<b>Wednesday</b>	9:00 a.m.	Crochet Group (128)
<b>Thursday</b>		Happy Thanksgiving!
<b>Friday</b>		Church Office Closed
<b>Monday</b>	2:00 p.m.	Blood Drive



## IMPORTANT MINISTRY NEWS

- **LoveLights** - Tomorrow, Monday, November 21st is the last day to turn in Names of loved ones.
- **Family Promise** - up in the Stars Café or online ([linktr.ee@bfumc](mailto:linktr.ee@bfumc)) and volunteer as an evening or overnight host, or dinner host the week of **December 4 - 11**.
- **The Giving Tree** located in the Stars Café - select a tag, purchase the item, return unwrapped to the tree with tag attached by Sunday, December 11.
- **Need a BFUMC "UBER" LIFT** to one of the special events in December? Are you willing to be a BFUMC "UBER" LIFT Driver? Please fill out the insert and place in the offering plate or bring by the church office.
- Sign up through [linktr.ee/bfumc](https://linktr.ee/bfumc) for: making cookies, assist with Hope Connects, or help with the Live Nativity.

You may find complete details on the above in the weekly Bethlehem Happenings. Copies are available in the Stars Café, Narthex, and side Vestibules. The Happenings is also emailed church-wide on Friday of each week. To receive this email, please contact the church office at [info@bethlehemfirstumc.com](mailto:info@bethlehemfirstumc.com).

## November 20, 2022 | Combined Worship 24th Christ the King Sunday



All around us is beauty. There is beauty in the people that we meet, in our neighborhoods, in nature and in the work of God we see all around us. We are called to look for the beauty in the ordinary as Fred Rogers did time and time again on Mister Roger's Neighborhood. Each day that we live is valuable. Each moment we live is precious and priceless. We are called to be people who live in the present in the moment and appreciate the value of today. Matthew 6:34 tells us to "not worry about tomorrow for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own." As we approach the Thanksgiving, let us take time to look at the value and beauty of today and give God thanks for the blessing of each moment in our lives.

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11:00 TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE  
IN THE SANCTUARY

*\*please stand as you are able*

PRELUDE Lisa Gilbreath  
GREETING Rev. Frank Bernat  
CALL TO WORSHIP Stephen Smith

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.**

OPENING PRAYER Stephen Smith  
\*OPENING HYMN *Come Ye Thankful People Come* UMH 694  
\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: 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 UMH 71

**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.**

PASTORAL PRAYER / THE LORD'S PRAYER Rev. Frank Bernat  
OFFERTORY HYMN *We Gather Together* UMH 131  
OFFERTORY PRAYER Rev. Bernat  
OFFERTORY *Seekers of Your Heart* Lisa Gilbreath  
DOXOLOGY

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly hosts;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

SCRIPTURE Matthew 6:25-34 Stephen Smith  
MESSAGE Rev. Beth Dickinson  
"It's a Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood"  
\*CLOSING HYMN *Jesus Loves Me* UMH 191  
\*BENEDICTION Rev. Dickinson  
\*POSTLUDE Lisa Gilbreath

WE ARE A PRAYING CHURCH ~ Please email your prayer requests to [info@bethlehemfirstumc.com](mailto:info@bethlehemfirstumc.com) and they will be emailed out Monday in the weekly PrayerNet. You may also contact the church office, 770-867-3727.



PRAYER THROW FOR HOWARD KNOWLES ~ You are invited to come to the altar, before or after the worship service, and as you touch the prayer throw, say a prayer that Howard will have peace and comfort through Jesus Christ. The prayer shawl and throw are given by the Crochet Group at BFUMC.

